

APRIL 3 - 7, 2023  
COMMISSIONER MEETINGS

Sweet Grass County Commissioner meetings are held in the office of the county commissioners in the Sweet Grass County Annex in Big Timber, Montana, unless otherwise noted in the minutes. The first Monday of each month a department head staff meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. Claims will be reviewed and approved for payment every Thursday unless a conflict arises. At least one commissioner will be in the office from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily unless they are at a conference or a meeting requiring them to be out of the office.

**NOTICE: These minutes reflect the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners. The official minutes are on file with the Clerk and Recorder (MCA 7-4-2611(2)(b)).**

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**Monday, April 3, 2023**

All Commissioners are in today.

A staff meeting was held with Marc King, Connie Weston, Barb Swanson, Cliff Brophy, Alan Ronneberg, Vera Pederson, Callie Rech, Vicki Uehling, Cory Conner and Jessie Connolly present.

Finance Officer Uehling said she is getting the budget sheets ready and should have them by April 28<sup>th</sup> and she attended the salary compensation board meetings and trained the new members regarding salaries.

Superintendent of Schools Rech said she is getting ready for testing, Melville had an OPI site visit, discussed the McLeod and SGHS paying for transportation to Gallatin County for a displaced student. She also mentioned her direct deposit payroll issue.

Extension Agent King said he taught a 5-week garden class, 4H demonstration last week, sheep, pig and goat tagging this month, and the judging team won state.

Weed Coordinator Weston reported she attended the Conservation District meeting, South-Central MWCA meeting by Zoom and the weed summit will be May 3, 2023.

Justice of the Peace Connolly reported the numbers for the month and said her clerks will be attending training April 17<sup>th</sup> in Billings and she will be attending training the end of the month in Great Falls.

Public Works Director Conner said his department has been busy with all the snow and he attended the MACRS conference last week in Great Falls.

Clerk of District Court Swanson reported the numbers for the month, the judge will be here 3 times this month, preparing for jury trial at fairgrounds, hired Amy Krum and the e-filing will go live on June 1, 2023.

DES/911 Coordinator Brophy said he is working on the USDA grants from last year's flood.

Sheriff Ronneberg reported the numbers for the month and mentioned a couple big felony warrants. He will be teaching at the coroners basic training the end of the month in Helena and a couple officers are attending additional training.

Treasurer Rasnick mentioned she will be attending training next week.

Clerk and Recorder Pederson said she is getting ready for the school elections, worked on the redistricting, legislative session and attended a district meeting.

Commissioner Roe said they have been watching the legislative sessions, meeting regarding the lawsuit against the county for the Microwave Tower road, redistricting

meeting, signed the Beaver Creek Wind Farm road agreements, public hearing on the CIP, senior center board meeting and Beartooth RC & D meeting.

Commissioner Wallace said he attended the PMC Board meeting, Custer-Gallatin working group meeting, South-Central Regional Mental Health Center board meeting and attended MACRS in Great Falls where he received the Road Master Award. He also added that the Commissioners all attended the Salary Compensation Board meetings.

Commissioner Moody said he attended the DUI task force board meeting, community wildfire protection plan meeting, LEPC, insurance meeting and a meeting with Sibanye-Stillwater Mine regarding the tailings pond. He also mentioned that the salary compensation board recommended an 8 % COLA this year.

**Tuesday, April 4, 2023**

All Commissioners are in today.

Brian Klapstein with DOT called to discuss the gas tax map.

Commissioner Moody participated in Triangle Communication pre-construction conference for fiber optic installation north of East Boulder Road.

Barbara Prescott with Prescott Law Firm called regarding a personnel issue.

Andrew Bullock with the ambulance department called regarding the purchase of a new ambulance and the insurance salvage from the 2008 Ford F450 that was wrecked.

**Wednesday, April 5, 2023**

Commissioner Wallace and Moody are in today and Commissioner Roe is out.

Commissioner Moody attended the CWPP meeting at the courthouse.

Barbara Prescott with Prescott Law Firm stopped in to talk about the policy manual.

Samantha Kieffer was in to talk about the local advisory council changes.

**Thursday, April 6, 2023**

Commissioner Roe and Wallace are in today and Commissioner Moody was in later.

Claims were reviewed and signed.

Clerk and Recorder Pederson was in to go over agenda items.

**Friday, April 7, 2023**

All Commissioners are in today.

Commissioner Roe moved to adopt resolution 04-07-2023 adopting and designating the official precinct boundaries for Sweet Grass County per the State of Montana redistricting. Commissioner Wallace seconded this, and the motion carried with 3 ayes.

Commissioner Wallace moved to accept the courthouse cleaning bid/contract from Angie Moen for \$2300/month for one year. Commissioner Roe seconded this and the motion carried with 3 ayes.

Respectfully submitted,  
/s/ Vera Pederson

Board of County Commissioners

JV Moody, Chairman

Date Approved: September 1, 2023



Attest: Vera Pederson, Clerk



**RESOLUTION #04-07-2023**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL PRECINCT BOUNDARIES FOR SWEET GRASS COUNTY**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 13-3-102 of the Montana Code Annotated, a board of county commissioners must change the boundaries of the election precincts in a county to conform to the legislative district boundaries established by the Montana Districting and Apportionment Commission. A board has 45 days from when the Commission has established the district boundaries to change the boundaries of the election precincts to conform to the legislative district boundaries.

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2023, the Montana Districting and Apportionment Commissioner adopted the Legislative Districting Plan. On the same date, the Commissioner filed the plan with the Montana Secretary of State. The Sweet Grass County Board of Commissioners and the Sweet Grass County Clerk and Recorder/Election Administrator received a copy of the plan. The Board of County Commissioners and the Clerk and Recorder/Election Administrator have reviewed the plan and discussed how the election precincts in the county need to be changed to conform to the legislative district boundaries. The Board of County Commissioner held a public hearing on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, to hear public comments.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sweet Grass County Board of Commissioners establishes the election precincts of Sweet Grass County as indicated on the attached map and description. The Board orders the Sweet Grass County Clerk and Recorder/Election Administrator to provide a copy of this resolution to the Montana Secretary of State to indicate compliance with Section 13-3-102 of the Montana Code Annotated.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 7th day of April 2023.

SWEET GRASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

*[Signature]* Chair

*[Signature]* Member

*[Signature]* Member

Attest:

*[Signature]*

Vera Pederson, Clerk and Recorder



## **SWEET GRASS COUNTY**

### **PRECINCT BOUNDARIES 2023**

These boundaries have not been surveyed and are the closest metes and bounds precincts boundary lines that the Board of County Commissioners and the Sweet Grass County Clerk & Recorder can establish without an actual survey and still conform to the Legislative District Boundaries following the adoption of the 2023 Legislative Districting Plan under Article V Section 14 of the Montana Constitution.

#### **Precinct 1**

All of the area contained within the city limits of the city of Big Timber lying east of the centerline of McLeod Street and north of the centerline of East 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

#### **Precinct 2**

All of the area contained within the city limits of the City of Big Timber lying west of the centerline of McLeod Street and south of the centerline of East 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

#### **Precinct 3**

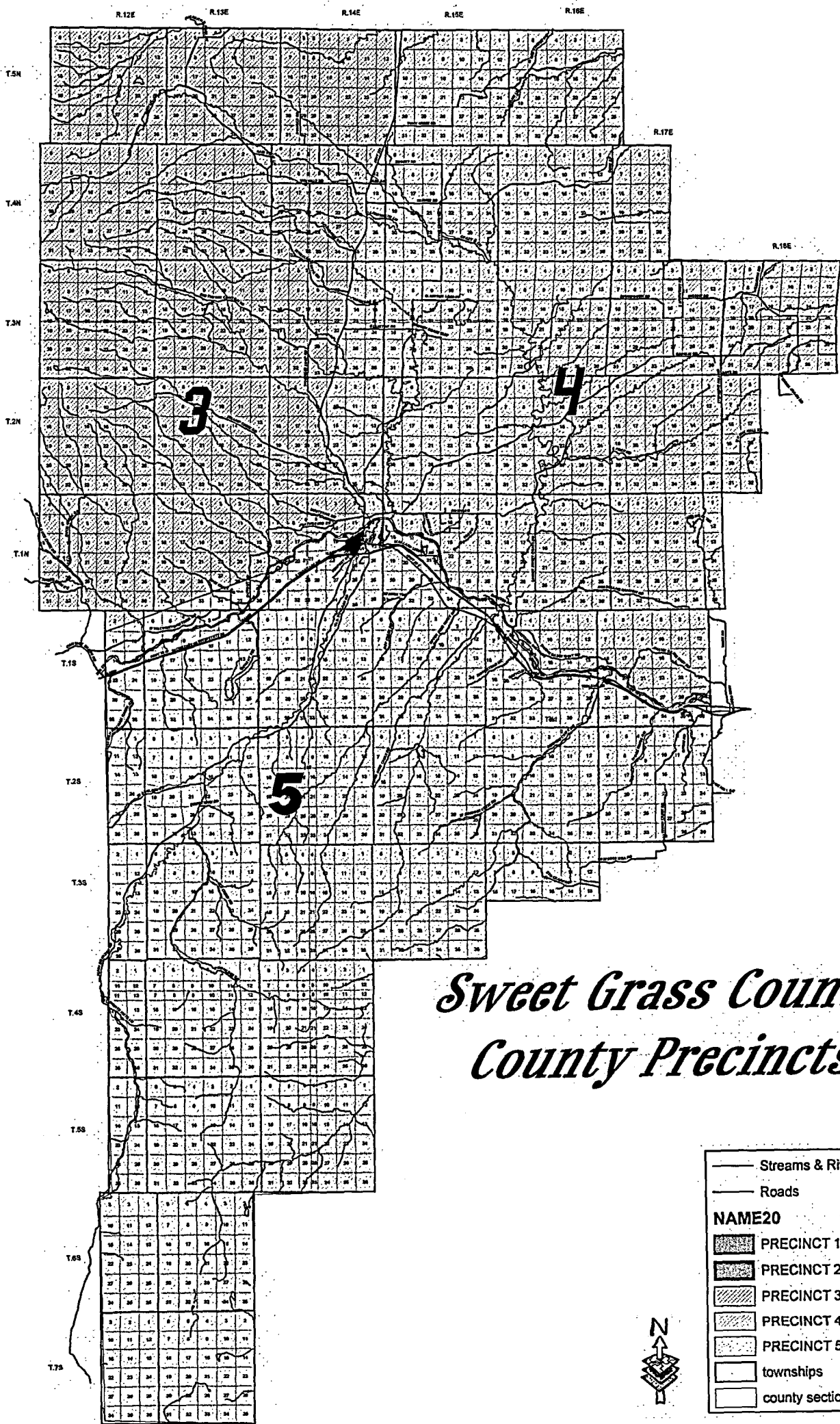
Point of beginning is the northwest corner of section 11, T1S, R12E with a straight line going east to intersect at where the Yellowstone River crosses in the northeast corner of section 25 T1N, R13E and T1N, R14E; following the Yellowstone River to where Government lots 7 & 8 meet in section 15, T1N, R14E, then follow the city limit line to which it intersects Highway 191N; then all that lying west of Highway 191N heading north to where Swamp Creek Rd intersects Highway 191N, from which it then follows Swamp Creek in which it curves back east to intersect with Highway 191N. Then following Highway 191N to the County Line; in addition, including a small area described in COS #95978 and COS# 109364 on the eastern most part of the city limit line.

#### **Precinct 4**

Point of beginning where the City limit line intersects Highway 191 N. All that lying to the East of 191 N to which Swamp Creek Road intersects highway 191N, from which it then follows Swamp Creek heading north till section 9, T2N, R14E, to which it follows Swamp Creek approximately 1.2 miles to which it then curves back east to intersect Highway 191N approximately 1.8 miles; then following Highway 191N to the county line to the north. Where Interstate 90 intersects the County line, all that lying north, when head east following Interstate 90 to where Highway 10 E intersects Interstate 90 in section 18, T1S, R14E, including the on and off ramp. Following Highway 10 E west towards the City of Big Timber and where it intersects the City limits line, head north along the City limit line to where it intersects Highway 191N or point of beginning.

#### **Precinct 5**

All of that lying South of Interstate 90 moving west from the Stillwater County Line, then following the city limit line, moving west and north to where it meets government lots 7 & 8 in section 15, T1N, R14E to the edge of the Yellowstone River; to which it follows the meandering Yellowstone River till it meets in T1N, R13E in which it crosses the Yellowstone River and then cuts through and follows a straight line heading west the County Line in the Northwest corner of Section 11 and southwest corner of section 2, T1S, R12E meet.



# Sweet Grass County County Precincts

	Streams & Rivers
	Roads
<b>NAME20</b>	
	PRECINCT 1
	PRECINCT 2
	PRECINCT 3
	PRECINCT 4
	PRECINCT 5
	townships
	county section

