

AUGUST 21 - 25, 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)).

Monday, August 21, 2023

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

City Councilman Ferguson stopped in to visit about taxes and some of the implications of the shift between gross proceeds and residential taxpayers.

Alex from Granite came in to help with some of the server migration issues and other little hiccups associated with the internet.

Fire Chief Novotny stopped in to discuss some ideas for paying for his volunteers who were going to work on a special charity project for others.

Jerry Hansen came in to ask questions about the market assessment with regard to the school budgets.

Tuesday, August 22, 2023

Commissioner Moody is in. Commissioners Wallace and Roe were in later in the morning/early afternoon.

Senator Esp came in to visit about taxes and discussed the static mills that the state collects for school equalization etc.

Alex from Granite Technology would like to coordinate with Triangle Telephone when Triangle does the fiber cut-over on Friday morning.

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

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

DES/911 Coordinator Brophy came in to visit about the LEPC meeting and the annex generator.

Senator Esp called to talk about the county budget, PMC mill levy and the Beaverhead County request for an Attorney General opinion on the legality of the state mill levy.

Weed Supervisor Weston stopped in to ask about weeds in a local gravel pit.

Thursday, August 24, 2023

Commissioners Moody and Wallace are in. Commissioner Roe came in after lunch.

Senator Esp came in to talk about MCA 15-10-420.

Commissioner Moody attended the LEPC meeting over lunch at the ambulance station.

Finance Officer Uehling came to discuss the impacts of the number of mills that are being considered.

Sheriff Ronneberg and Officer Ferguson came in to discuss revisions to the Sheriff's office budget.

Discussion continued on the impacts of various combinations of County-wide and rural mills to the taxpayer.

Friday, August 25, 2023

Commissioners Moody and Roe are in. Commissioner Wallace is attending a South-Central Montana Mental Health board meeting in Billings.

City Councilmember Ken Rockeman stopped in to discuss the number of mills the city was considering levying to fund the city budget. He wondered what the county commission was thinking about levying.

A resident stopped in to let us know that the county road crew had filled in the cattleguard over the road on Dry Creek. We assured him we would let the county road supervisor know to take care of it.

Dan Rostad stopped in to visit and see if one of the Commissioners would be willing to sit in on a phone call with Anne Miller (DNRC) regarding leveraging funding and support from MDOT, MT Fish Wildlife and Parks and others to repair the stream bed and riprap the bank along the south/west bank of the Boulder River before it passes under Big Timber Loop Road just east of Big Timber.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Vera Pederson

Board of County Commissioners,

JV Moody
JV Moody, Chairman

Date Approved: October 31, 2023

Vera Pederson

Attest: Vera Pederson, Clerk

