

JUNE 16, 2025 – JUNE 20, 2025
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, June 16, 2025

All Commissioners are in.

Commissioner Wallace is helping at the airport. Commissioner Moody headed to Forsyth for the MACo district meeting.

Commissioner Wallace went out to Hump Creek Road to look at the proposed encroachment driveway approaches to the county road for the Hendricks/Bakke subdivision.

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

Commissioners Moody and Roe are in.

Brandon Duffey of Great West Engineering opened the bids for the Flemming Bridge Replacement Project. Darby with TCA, one of the contractors, and Lloyd Rue, an interested party, were also present.

Century Companies	\$1,223,815.00
Frontline West	\$ 756,077.00
Battle Ridge	\$1,066,985.00
TCA	\$ 540,670.00 (apparent low bidder)

All bidders included notation of the addendum and proper security.

The engineers' estimate including the beams which have been ordered is \$739,275.00. Brandon Duffey with Great West Engineering will review the bids for errors and make a recommendation.

Alex, with Granite Technologies, stopped in to work on the new computers which are having problems connecting to the printer.

John Durnel, with Senator Daines' Office, stopped in to discuss some of the tax credits within the budget reconciliation bill.

A resident stopped in to discuss the road supervisor position.

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Commissioner Roe is in the office and Commissioner Moody is helping spray delineators at the airport.

Commissioner Roe headed to Beartooth R,C&D executive board meeting in Joliet.

Thursday, June 19, 2025

All Commissioners are in.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM. The Big Timber Mayor, City Clerk and Councilman Ferguson were present for the discussion of the city budget. The county is requesting an increase of approximately 3% due to inflation. The library budget and fire budgets have not been prepared yet. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 AM. This meeting was recorded.

The Commission was called back to order at 10:00 AM to review two encroachment permits requested by Beartooth Electric approximately 14 miles north of Reed Point.

Commissioner Moody moved to approve -

06-19-2025A – Direct bury of electric cable in the ROW on Union Hall Road – No conditions.

06-19-2025B – Direct bury of electric cable in the ROW on Stephen's Hill Road – No conditions.

Commissioner Wallace seconded and the motion carried with 3 ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 AM. This meeting was recorded.

Kevin Babcock and Justin Mackenzie with First West Insurance, our work comp carrier, came in to discuss our policy and the premium. We will be seeing a decrease due to our experience modification factor dropping to .74. This reflects good safety practices, and we will see a credit of \$16,286.00.

The Commission was called to order for the purpose of reviewing the Susie Creek subsequent minor subdivision. Planner Dringman and Jeremy Eaton with Travis West Engineering were also present. Commissioner Moody moved to approve the subdivision with conditions as presented by the planner. Commissioner Wallace seconded and the motion carried with 3 ayes. A request to further clarify the easement of the road was also included.

Planner Dringman presented the Cunningham/Fiechtner boundary relocation. Commissioner Moody moved to approve the relocation as presented. Commissioner Wallace seconded and the motion carried with 3 ayes. The meeting was adjourned. This meeting was recorded.

Friday, June 20, 2025

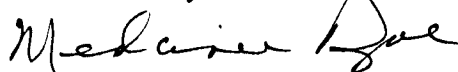
All Commissioners were in.

The cleaning contract with Moen for the annex was renewed with no changes.

A complaint was received from the weed supervisor that a local resident confronted her and her assistant on whether they should be spraying weeds in the city limits.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Dawn M. Curry

Board of County Commissioners



Melanie Roe, Chairperson

Date Approved: August 14, 2025

Attest: Dawn M. Curry, Clerk

