

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

May 30, 2024

Commissioners Scott Miller, Scott Blain, and Bill Bullock, and Administrative Officer Angela Newell were present.

8:30 Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners discussed the CDBG Planning Grant application, mitigation measures for Meeteetse Road damages from June 2023 flooding, and the possible lease of County space by Therese Picasso for nutrition counseling.

9:30 City of Red Lodge Mayor Dave Westwood met for his regular appointment. Discussed CART and funding that was received for the purchase of new vehicles and the history of both public entities insisting at the project's inception that they would not pick up the tab should there be need for funding in the future. Also discussed the demolition of the Rocky Fork Inn, the readdressing project, and the potential closure of Rodeo Road for the Renaissance Fair. Discussion of 4th of July preparations, fireworks, speed feedback signs, surplus property program, and the status of the Airport Interlocal Agreement.

Bullock moved to approve Commissioners proceedings for May 14th; Blain seconded; motion carried.

10:00 Deputy County Attorney Robert Spoja met for County Attorney time. Discussed Edgar RSID and the discussion among board members of petitioning to become a formal Sewer District. Commissioners expressed concerns about how to enforce payment without the ability to turn off someone's water and the necessary base rate increases for State Grant eligibility. Discussion of the current District configuration and the County's authority to move forward with repairs without the Board's action. Discussion of whether or not a change in the status of the Board has liability implications for the County.

10:30 Geospatial Information Systems Coordinator / Fire Warden Tom Kohley met for DNRC Option 3 Agreement. Bullock moved to approve Cooperative Fire Support Agreement - DNRC Option 3 Agreement; Blain seconded; motion carried. Tom noted he may need to update reimbursement sheet according to new FEMA rates.

Kohley discussed Surplus Equipment requests from Commissioners, retention timelines, and the approval process to scrap items prior to retention period expiring.

11:00 Public Health Director Erin Cross met for PHSI Grant. Noted State over-committed their funds and is reducing the annual amount with this task order. Bullock moved to approve; Blain seconded; motion carried.

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Discussed Crisis Diversion Grant (CDG) application and the inclusion of funds for the potential construction of crisis response space in the new building. Discussion of County match requirements, and use of property purchase and Adjoining ADA facilities that the county will be constructing. Bullock moved to approve grant application; Blain seconded; motion carried.

Dave MacAusland met with Commissioners to complain about road maintenance in Cook City as it is further for the Red Lodge Road crew than East Rosebud. Bullock explained to MacAusland that the work was performed by the Park County road department as Cook City is in Park County.

11:30 Brian Ostwald met for the Red Lodge Creek Weed Management Area 2024-29 agreement and the North Dry Creek Weed Management Area 2024-28. Bullock moved to approve; Blain seconded; discussion of match provided by landowners participating in the program; motion carried.

12:00 Adjourned.

ATTEST:

Penny Helmuth, Deputy
Clerk & Recorder

[Signature]
Commission Presiding Officer

Respectfully submitted: Angela Newell, Administrative Officer

