

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

July 18, 2024

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

8:30 Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners discussed possible trespassing on Fairgrounds property by Harley Rodeo campers; the refusal of organizers to pay for camping spots or to provide liability insurance; and concerns about events being subsidized by publicly funded facilities.

8:50 Recessed.

9:00 Commissioners reviewed the employee time status report.

9:12 Recessed.

9:30 City of Red Lodge Mayor Dave Westwood met for his regular appointment. Discussed progress on Airport Interlocal Agreement (Westwood hopes to be done today); a tree in Rock Creek, the debris removal process, and permitting agency notifications; the Planning Board meeting on the Spires Subdivision to change zoning to R4 which would allow more than 4 units and increased building height limits (the Planning Board Recommended denial); Westwood confirmed that even with a zoning change, the construction of multi-family housing would need permitting. Westwood and Commissioners also discussed the historic proposal to realign Highway 78 at Fox and the functions of the Historic Preservation Officer employed by the Carbon County Historic Society per an agreement with the County.

10:00 Recessed until County Attorney arrives.

10:05 Meeting resumed. County Attorney Alex Nixon met for his regular appointment. Commissioners discussed the County Ambulance Levy, documentation needed by the Department of Revenue to place the mill on this years' tax bills, and the process to create and Administrative Board to manage the Levy and service contracts.

Nixon and Commissioners also discussed the Roberts Community Foundation's request to pay for the repair of a fence at the County's Park in Roberts and the grant agreement that needs to be in place to facilitate the donation. Bullock discussed motorcycle rally participants camping on County property; Nixon believes this is above and beyond past practice and expressed concerns about the possibility of a mess being left for the County to clean up; he would like to have liability coverage secured and recommends the Fair Board also collect a deposit for use of County property. Nixon discussed the process for issuing a cease and desist if there is not cooperation from the organizer.

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11:34 Deputy Treasurer Leah Niemi met for the Treasurer Collateral Report. Bullock moved to accept the Treasurer Collateral Report for June 30, 2024; Blain seconded; motion carried.

10:38 Recessed

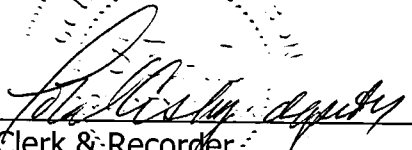
11:00 Geospatial Information Systems Coordinator / Fire Warden Tom Kohley, Disaster and Emergency Services (DES) Coordinator Cyrina Allen, and Deputy Sheriff Kelly Carrington met to discuss County Radio System Improvements. Discussed the possibility of adding radio trunking sites to tie into the State's system at a similar cost of adding three new simulcast sites. Carrington provided coverage maps and explained the radio coverage differences in trunking and simulcast systems (not significant). Discussion equipment required to tie into the State radio system, inventorying of first responder radios and the ability for most to be. Kohley noted from a fire service perspective, there is a challenge with the cost of replacing aging portable radios although those replacements will be required in the near future regardless of a system change. Kohley's concern is what is State's long term plan for their system and what other entities are in support of trunking.


11:57 Bullock moved to approve consent agenda consisting of County Logo, Purchase Request for 3 Red Lodge Road Cattle Guards, Public Health Request to utilize Public Health Emergency Preparedness grant funds for meals; motion carried.

Kohley asked about concerns with fires. Big Horn County is in Stage 1 Fire restrictions but Carbon has only hit one index to go into Stage 1; Commissioners did not believe formal restrictions were necessary at this time.

12:00 Adjourned.

ATTEST:


Clerk & Recorder


Commission Presiding Officer

Respectfully submitted: Angela Newell, Administrative Officer