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Commissioners Minutes

Macque L. Bohleen, Clerk & Recorder, Carbon County, MT

Recorded 10/9/2024 At 10:00 AM

By Macque L. Bohleen

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COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

August 13, 2024

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

8:30 Pledge of Allegiance.

Justice of the Peace Kevin Nichols met to request a schedule change for Clerk Amanda Dove to work 8:30 – 5:00 with a ½ hour lunch Monday-Friday. Nichols noted the change will not affect his office function. Bullock moved to approve the schedule change requested; Blain seconded; motion carried.

8:35 Recessed.

9:00 DES Coordinator Cyrina Allen; Landowners David Lehner and Dan Seymour; BLM Representatives Jenny Alexander, Jarad Werning, Shane Trautner, and Stacie Thompson; State Disaster and Emergency Services Bureau Chief Jake Ganieany; and Mark Petitt from FEMA Region 8 met to discuss damages to County Roads in 2023 due to flooding exacerbated by the erosion issues on Mount Maurice following the 2021 Robertson Draw Fire. Allen provided an overview of erosion issues along Meeteetse Trail and Grove Creek Road. Allen noted 50 established properties use the roads for residential access in addition to the public's use of the roads for federal land access and the need for emergency service access. Allen and Newell discussed funding mechanisms for repairing the road and the need for a larger hydrological evaluation to allow for a repair that will fix the road long-term. Alexander noted there may be an opportunity to get ASR money from Robertson Draw Fire but BLM will need a scope of work and cost estimate and will need to verify if the funding can be used for the study or just for construction. Commissioners discussed options to keep the roads passable until a permanent fix can be designed and constructed. There was a discussion of other funding possibilities for mitigation and the Robertson Draw fire's long-term impacts to County roads in the area.

12:00 Adjourned.

ATTEST:

Macque L. Bohleen
Clerk & Recorder

Angela Newell
Commission Presiding Officer

Respectfully submitted: Angela Newell, Administrative Officer