

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

October 15, 2024

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

8:30 Pledge of Allegiance.

8:35 Public Comment. Newell met with State DES last week to discuss funding options for the Granite Road project. FEMA only allocated \$2,500 to the project for engineering fees which is in adequate considering the scope of the project. Newell also discussed considerations for small project netting to help cover costs above FEMA' obligation limits; the State is cautioning against using this tool as the rigor put into the review is time consuming and can lead to costs in other projects being denied. Seeing no further public comment, Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

9:00 Records Destruction Requests. Administrative Officer Angela Newell noted this is a standard by-annually scheduled agenda item and had not received any requests from any departments for records destruction, there are no requests to approve. Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

9:30 Bid Opening – Red Lodge Plow Truck. Terry May from Interstate Truck Center joined the meeting. Commissioners received one bid from Interstate Truck Center. Commissioner Bullock opened the bid. The bid was for a Freightliner 2024 SD plow truck bid in the amount of \$284,000.00 and trade in price of \$10,500.00 and contained detailed documentation associated with said bid. The estimated delivery time would be of 365 days from acceptance of the bid, but even that could be extended due to supply chain demands. Commissioners determined they would return an answer to the bid the final week of October. Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

10:00 Fill Vacancy on Rural Fire District #2 Bridger Board. Rusty Gourlay submitted an application for the board vacancy to complete the term of Crystal Zentner. Newell stated Zentner's term will expire May 31, 2025, and then be up for election. Bullock moved to approve Rusty Gourlay to fill the position held by Crystal Zentner which will expire May of 2025; Blain seconded. After no discussion, the motion carried. Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

11:00 Weed District Update. Brian Oswald was unavailable for the Weed District update. The update will be postponed to October 29th. Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

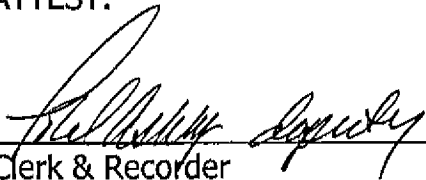
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11:30 Consent Agenda. Commissioner Bullock moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of minutes from August 29, 2024 and September 3, 2024. Commissioner Blain seconded. Motion carried. Presiding Officer Miller asked if there were any additional items to be addressed while the meeting was still in session. Administrative Officer Angela Newell reported she had been in discussion with County Attorney Alex Nixon about the possibility of withdrawing from the Victim Witness Advocate Grant Program as the State reporting requirements have become over onerous. Her understanding is that the County Attorney's office will still provide the Victim Witness Advocate services, but discontinue the grant request from the State for the services. The discussion is ongoing and will be submitted to the Commissioners for approval either way. Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until 1:30 pm when he will be meeting with Contract Planner Forrest Mandeville.

1:30 Mandeville and Commissioners discussed recent issues that have come up related to historic conditions of subdivision approval. They discussed the subdivision process as the legal division of land and that the process is not designed to consider long term land use issues. Mandeville noted mechanisms used in other Counties including Subdivision Improvement Agreements and Rural Special Improvement Districts that are used to

ATTEST:


Clerk & Recorder


Commission Presiding Officer

Respectfully submitted: Katrina Kruger, Clerk

