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COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

October 22, 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. Scott Blain and Bill Bullock attended the Fair Board meeting. Scott Blain reported that Fromberg EWP project is almost completed. Scott Miller will be attending an HRDC meeting in Billings today. Scott Blain received a call about the Amish families being on the highway and what can be done from a safety standpoint. Bullock listed off specific laws regarding vehicular and agricultural uses on the public highways, including buggies and tractors. Discussion ensued regarding the enforcement of the laws in place, whether the laws should be enforced against the Amish community, as well as vehicle licensure fees that pay for highway system maintenance. Scott Blain said he would be willing to meet with the Amish community with a representative from the Sheriff's Office. Seeing no further discussion, Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

9:00 Montana Coal Endowment Program (MCEP) Grant Agreement-Scott Blain moved to approve the Montana Coal Endowment Program Grant Agreement for Growth Policy and Subdivision Regulation Updates; Bill Bullock seconded the motion. Administrative Officer Angela Newell advised that the county had received a \$40,000.00 grant to offset various costs associated with updating the growth policy and subdivision regulations, such as additional planning hours, production and meeting costs, advertising, etc. Scott Miller called for the vote and the motion carried. Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

9:30 Hiring authorization - Deputy Clerk and Recorder. Deputy Clerk and Recorder Crystal Roascio joined the meeting as the representative from the Office of the Clerk and Recorder. Bullock moved to approve the hiring authorization. Blain seconded. Roascio confirmed that the hiring authorization request was for the replacement of an existing deputy who will be retiring in May of next year. Deputy Roascio acknowledged the request for filling the position was initiated earlier than expected; the Office would benefit from the addition of someone qualified to record and certify documents so other staff could rest following the election. Following discussion, the motion carried. Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

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11:00 Sale of Tax Deed Land-Bearcreek Original Plat Lot 27, Block 4. Presiding Officer Miller called the meeting to order. Prospective bidders Ron Wolfe, Kathleen Wolfe, and Emma Sukowaski signed in and attended the meeting. Mitchell Steiner attended remotely. Scott Miller opened the bid for the County at \$1,530.41. Ron Wolfe and Kathleen Wolfe opened bidding at the minimum bid. Bids followed:

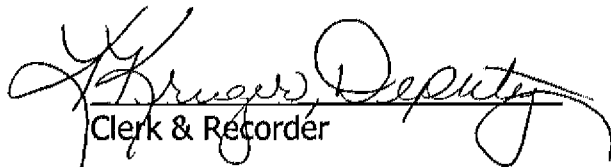
Emma Sukowaski \$1600,
 Wolfe \$2000,
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 Sukowaski \$4200,
 Wolfe \$4300,
 Sukowaski \$4500,
 Wolfe \$5000,
 Sukowaski \$5100,
 Wolfe \$5500,

Sold to Ronald A. Wolfe for \$5,500.00. Ronald and Elizabeth requested property to be conveyed to Ronald A. Wolfe.

11:30 Consent Agenda. Bill Bullock moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Minutes of Commissioners' Proceedings from September 19, 24 and 26, 2024 and October 3, 2024; Procurement Policy Variance Request for travel expenses for Virginia mission; Purchase Request for additional for website work in the amount of \$1,485.00, Scott Blain seconded the motion and after no discussion the motion carried.

12:00 Adjourned.

ATTEST:


 Clerk & Recorder


 Commission Presiding Officer

Respectfully submitted: Clerk, Katrina Kruger