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Commissioners Minutes

Macque L. Bohleen, Clerk & Recorder, Carbon County, MT Recorded 12/5/2024 At 4:03 PM

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COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

November 7, 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. Mark Moore joined the meeting to request having the Agricultural Covenant removed from his property. Discussion was held regarding the requirements to remove the covenant and the process to do so. Commissioners and staff suggested Moore follow up with Contract Planner Forest Mandeville in order to begin the removal request process. Bullock gave Mandeville's contact information to Moore, Moore thanked the Commissioners for their time and excused himself from the meeting.

Blain and Miller congratulated Bullock on his win in the 2024 general election. Bullock commended the election staff for a well-run election. Newell advised the election turnout was 81% and approximately 70% voted absentee.

Seeing no further comment, Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

9:00 Employee Time Status Review.

Public Health Quarterly Update. Erin Cross with Public Health joined the meeting. See written update attached. Public Health has been awarded a \$542,135 Crisis Diversion Grant (CDG) for staffing, training, building a crisis diversion system in the County over the next three years; \$350,000 of the grant award is for construction of a facility for crisis diversion. Public Health will be working with Red Lodge Fire and Rescue for a suicide prevention project. They have instituted a school program for tobacco and vaping prevention training. Cross reported Public Health has Covid Funds they must expend by the end of the Fiscal Year. They plan on using the Covid funds for a new generator and suggest hiring a contract electrician to install said generator. Cross reported on flu, cold and Covid 19 cases within the county and provided updates on public health matters. Pertussis (whooping cough) cases are trending up in addition to flu and Covid. Presiding Officer Miller recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

9:30 City of Red Lodge, Mayor Westwood was unavailable for today's meeting.

10:00 County Attorney Alex Nixon remoted in for today's meeting. Nixon and Commissioners discussed the status of the Matriarch and Bennett cases, the implementation of Subdivision Improvement Agreements, and general enforcement of conditions of subdivision approval.

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10:30 Hellroaring Ranch Subdivision Final Plat. Clerk and Recorder Macque Bohleen and Kate Stout with Red Lodge Surveying joined the meeting. Contract Planner Forrest Mandeville joined remotely. Mandeville reported the background information regarding the 2-lot minor subdivision request and planning review of the subdivision conditions. Mandeville reported condition 4 has not been met, however the developer has agreed to enter into a Subdivision Improvements Agreement and provide a letter of credit in the amount of \$12,400.00 to guarantee completion of the shared driveway and cul-de-sac. Having reviewed and considered the application materials, project memorandum, and all the information presented, Blain moved to approve the Hellroaring Ranch Subdivision, final plat. Bullock seconded. After no further discussion or public comment, the motion carried.

11:00 DES Coordinator -Quarterly Update. DES Coordinator Cyrina Allen is still traveling for hurricane relief efforts. Quarterly Update will be postponed until her return.

11:30 Trunking Radio Equipment Purchase Agreement. Deputy Kelly Carrington joined the meeting. Bullock moved to approve the Trunking Radio Equipment Purchase Agreement. Miller seconded. Bullock asked if the State had agreed to maintenance obligations for the system. Carrington confirmed that the maintenance and technical issues for the system would be handled by the State. Maintenance of the internal equipment components would be the responsibility of the Sheriff's Department.

Consent Agenda Bullock moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Clerk and Recorders Monty Deposit Reconciliation for the month of October 2024; Carbon County District Court Disbursement Detail; the letter noting Conditional Approval Letter for Fox Ridge Subdivision-Preliminary Plat; CDBG Block Grant request for funds form; MT-TSEP Request for Reimbursement form for Chance Road Bridge. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

11:38 Presiding Officer Miller adjourned meeting until the next meeting date, November 12, 2024.

ATTEST:

Clerk & Recorder

Commission Presiding Officer

Respectfully submitted: Clerk, Katrina Kruger