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COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

January 23, 2025

Commissioners Scott Blain, and Bill Bullock, Deputy Clerk Katrina Kruger and Administrative Officer Angela Newell were present. Commissioner Miller was out sick.

8:30 Pledge of Allegiance.

8:35 Public Comment. Seeing none, Presiding Officer Scott Blain recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

9:00 Employee Time Status Review

9:30 City of Red Lodge. Mayor Westwood was unavailable for the meeting.

10:00 County Attorney Alex Nixon joined the meeting. Blain reported he had sent Nixon a spreadsheet identifying stolen road signs, costs and the locations where the stolen signs had been found. Bullock noted he will be meeting with the Devries family regarding the Devries 2 Gravel Pit Expiration. Newell initiated conversation regarding the Young Subdivision Application scheduled for January 28, 2025. Blain requested Nixon review the correspondence and provide input. Discussion was held regarding the impacts of revoking the Ag Covenant and the Option to Purchase encumbering the proposed Young Subdivision. Bullock advised he had conversation with Contract Planner Mandeville and the DEQ regarding well development on lots in Dot Calm Subdivision. Newell advised Nixon about the Code Enforcement discussion on the agenda for the January 28, 2025 Commissioner's Meeting. Presiding Officer Scott Blain recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

10:30 Treasurer Collateral Report. Treasurer Leah Niemi joined the meeting to present the Treasurer's Collateral Report. Bullock moved to accept the Treasurers' Quarterly Collateral Report. Newell and Niemi advised FEMA reimbursements had begun to augment the financial balances. Newell noted the County is waiting upon additional FEMA reimbursements.

Consent Agenda. Finance Coordinator, Piney Helmuth joined the meeting to advise the Board she had received a request to reimburse M & M Sales and Services for Sheriff's claims for vehicle parts and services dating back to November of 2024. Helmuth advised Undersheriff Carrington M & M must submit claims monthly and Carrington agreed to discuss prompt submittal of invoices with Mr. Manweiler of M & M Sales and Services. Bullock moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Claim Approval for M & M Sales and Services for vehicle parts and services, Approval and Implementation Update to the Carbon County Public Health Department All-Hazards Emergency Operations Plan Consumer Annex, and

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Department of Transportation Project Specific Agreement for Local Road and Bridge Account NBI Bridge Number L05010011+06001 and L05101000+01001; Blain seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution Authorizing Participation in the Short-Term Investment Pool (STIP) with the Montana Board of Investments. Bullock moved to approve Resolution 2025-02 Authorizing Participation in the Board of Investments Short-Term Investment Pool and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Documents Related Thereto. Blain seconded. Motion carried.


11:00 Hiring Authorization -Deputy Treasurer. Niemi joined the meeting to request an Internal Hiring Authorization for Deputy Treasurer / Superintendent of Schools Administrator due to the vacancy left by the retirement of Lori Lynde and the appointment of Leah Niemi as the Treasurer. Newell noted the duties of Superintendent of Schools Administrator is being absorbed into the Treasurer's Office. Bullock moved to approve the Hiring Authorization for Deputy Treasurer and Deputy Superintendent of Schools; Blain seconded. Motion carried.

Devries 2 Gravel Pit Expiration. Contract Civil Attorney Jacque Papez joined the meeting. Papez noted a DEQ violation letter had been received by the County regarding the Expiration of the Devries 2 Gravel Pit. The options are to reclaim the land or to renew the permit. It was agreed the County is not interested in continuing the use of the gravel pit. Bullock advised a meeting is planned with the property owners to present options.

11:11 Presiding Officer Scott Blain adjourned the meeting.

ATTEST:


Clerk & Recorder


Commission Presiding Officer

Respectfully submitted: Deputy Clerk, Katrina Kruger