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Commissioners Minutes

Macque L. Bohleen, Clerk & Recorder, Carbon County, MT Recorded 2/20/2025 At 4:33 PM

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COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

February 4, 2025

Commissioners Scott Miller and Bill Bullock, Deputy Clerk Katrina Kruger and Human Resources Administrator, Kate Asbury were present. Commissioner Scott Blain joined remote.

8:30 Pledge of Allegiance.

8:35 Public Comment on matters within the Commissioners' jurisdiction. Finance Coordinator Piney Helmuth joined the meeting to discuss property casualty insurance coverages and rates. Helmuth researched current values following Blain's concerns with property values raised at the last meeting. Discussion was held regarding vehicle, equipment and property values, deductibles and replacement amounts in the event of a loss. Following discussion Commissioners suggested Helmuth enter values in mid to high range on the motor vehicle and road equipment values. Discussion was held regarding raising the values of the contents of the various County buildings. Helmuth advised she will re-work the numbers and present them again after revision and left the meeting.

9:00 Bid Opening – Grove Creek Repairs, Tyler Lindbloom with Interstate Engineering; Jim Ouldhouse, Martin Construction, Inc., Paul Miller and Justin Biehl, Askin Construction, and Nathan Haven, Havens Contracting LLC, joined the meeting remote. Brent Moore, Interstate Engineering joined in person. Lindbloom presented six bids. Bullock scheduled the bid award at 9 am on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, after review of the bid packages. Presiding Officer Bill Bullock recessed the meeting until the next agenda item. Commissioner Blain, Lindbloom, Ouldhouse, Paul Miller, Haven, Buell and Moore left the meeting.

9:30 Montana Association of Counties – Property Casualty Trust Insurance Renewal. Piney Helmuth, Finance Coordinator, joined the meeting in person. Heather Cope, with HUB Insurance, joined the meeting online. Helmuth reported she had updated values on the vehicles based upon the earlier discussion and will have the updated values for the Building Contents updated shortly. Cope advised the Building Contents values are often figured based upon a percentage of the building value. Bullock initiated conversation with Cope regarding valuations of the vehicles. Cope discussed Actual Cash Value versus Depreciated Values. Cope advised the larger vehicles and newer vehicles will have the largest depreciations. Discussion was held regarding the values of the contents and interior components of the Sheriff's Department vehicles. Cope suggested additional sources for researching values and cautioned against overvaluing equipment. Presiding Officer Bullock postponed approval

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of the Property Casualty Trust Insurance Renewal until the Thursday, February 6th meeting. Presiding Officer Bullock recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.

10:00 GIS/Fire Warden Quarterly Update. Tom Kohley, Fire Warden/GIS Coordinator joined the meeting for the quarterly update. Kohley inquired whether the Job Announcement for the GIS/Addressing opening should be posted nationally. Asbury advised the position has been posted on LinkedIn and could be added to Indeed. Discussion was held regarding office space, computer equipment, and vehicles for the GIS/Addressing position. Kohley reviewed address applications; noting applications are up about 17%. Kohley discussed the new Burn Permit System, stating initial glitches have been resolved and feedback has been positive. Kohley advised Steve Fendler, Chief of the Clarks Fork Rural Fire District had approached Kohley about assistance with administrative duties. Kohley expressed compliance concerns if Rural Fire Districts are unable to meet their National Reporting requirements. Kohley noted the Rural Fire Districts would benefit from both Administrative and Training Assistance. Discussion was held regarding collaboration with the Ambulance Board, the possibility of consolidating administrative duties and the burdens facing Rural Fire Departments.

- 10:30 Consent Agenda consisting of Minutes of Commissioners' Proceedings dated January 14, 2025 and an Invoice for \$3,075.75 to DNRC for Grant Reimbursement. Miller moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Bullock seconded. Motion carried. Presiding Officer Bullock recessed the meeting until the next agenda item.
- 11:00 Resolution 2025-04 Calling Special District Elections. Clerk and Recorder/Elections Administrator Macque Bohleen joined the meeting in person and Commissioner Blain joined remote. Miller moved to accept Resolution 2025-04 Calling Special District Elections, Bullock seconded. Bullock asked if Special District Elections were typically approved by Resolution. Bohleen advised historically the number of candidates for the Special District does not necessitate a Special District Election, however the Resolution must be in place in the event an election is required. After no further discussion, motion carried.
- 11:05 Presiding Officer Bullock adjourned the meeting until Thursday, February 6, 2025.

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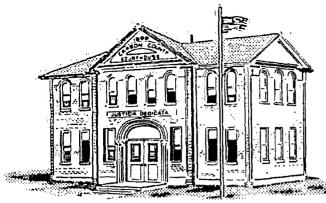
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ATTEST:

Clerk & Recorder

Commission Presiding Officer

Respectfully submitted: Deputy Clerk, Katrina Kruger



BOARD of COMMISSIONERS

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RESOLUTION 2025-04 CALLING SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICT ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, Carbon County has a number of Special Purpose Districts with elected board members; and

WHEREAS, 13-1-504 special purpose district office elections must be held on the same day as the regular school election day which is the first Tuesday after the first Monday in May; and

WHEREAS, a number of elected board positions are set to expire May 31, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Carbon County Board of Commissioners hereby calls a mail ballot election for the election of special purpose board members on May 6, 2025.

DATED this 4th day of February, 2025

Carbon County Commissioners

Scott C. Miller

Commissioner Dist.#1

Scott Blain

Commissioner Dist. #2

Bill E Bullock

Commissioner Dist. #3

ATTEST

Macque L. Bohleen, Clerk and Recorder