

Prairie County Board of Commissioners

January 5, 2022

Prairie County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9 a.m. Road Supervisor Henry absent due to attending MACRS Board meeting in Lewistown, MT.

Commissioner Keltner made a motion to accept the December 30, 2021, minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Devlin. All in favor, motion passed.

Deputy Clerk Aria Walters requested road grader information for the financial report.

Commissioners started review of the MACO insurance renewals on buildings and vehicles. Commissioners will meet with Delite Dukart, Watts Insurance on January 19, 2022.

10:30 a.m. Marshall Pirtz in to request the Manor building business be placed on the commissioner meeting agenda old business.

Reviewed information from Department of Revenue regarding the taxable value of the Manor land and building. The Manor building will need a certified appraisal.

10:45 a.m. Ambulance Coordinator Jennifer Grey Eagle in to discuss insurance on the ambulances due to updated equipment and equipment purchases.

11:30 a.m. Commissioners reviewed Options A-D for document preservation prepared by Peter Fox from ArcaSearch. No decision will be made until further discussion with Clerk Robertson on courthouse needs.

12:00 Lunch

1:00 p.m. Deputy Clerk Aria Walters Claims reviewed. and warrants were signed in the amount of \$46,289.24. Claim noted for \$12,500 for purchase of the 2018 Police Interceptor Explorer with 90,000 miles from Valley County.

1:30 p.m. County Attorney Dan Rice reported he is working on the revised draft copy of the Personnel Policy for the commissioners and department heads to review.

1:40 p.m. Call placed to DES John Pisk regarding insurance information on the towers and radio equipment. Mr. Pisk will review the MACO insurance renewal.

2:00 p.m. Reviewed invitation from the Bureau of Land Management to participate as a cooperating agency in the National Environmental Policy Act process for the amending management plans for the Greater sage grouse and sagebrush habitats on public lands. Response sent to John Mehlhoff S Montana/Dakota BLM Director and Amy Waring requesting cooperating agency status.

Call placed to County Extension Agent Sharla Sackman to request review of the insurance on the fairground buildings. Deputy Walters will send out the insurance information for all departments to review.

2:30 p.m. Fire Marshal Dwight Tague gave update, and he will review the fire vehicle insurance.

Commissioner Devlin reported he received a call from Fallon County Dispatch, noting that multiple cell phone calls have been routed to Fallon County Dispatch instead of the Southeastern Montana Dispatch causing a lag time. Call placed to DES John Pisk to discuss issues. Call placed to Lyne Anderson Southeastern Montana Dispatch. She reported issues with the cell phone carriers in Prairie County and she is currently working with the cell carriers to correct the issues. She reported that Fallon Dispatch has hired Ryan Olson with Third Signal to do a cell route analysis of the situation and how to correct it.

3:45 p.m. Sheriff Keiffer Lewis joined meeting. A 911 cell phone call was placed from the courthouse and was noted to have been routed to the Fallon County Dispatch at that time. Matter will be further discussed at the 911 Board that will meet on January 19, 2022.

4:40 p.m. Commissioner Keltner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bockness. All in favor motion passed.

Signed this 19th day of January 2022.



Todd Devlin, Commission Chair

ATTEST:



Shari Robertson, Clerk & Recorder