Prairie County Board of Commissioners Meeting

September 6th, 2023

Prairie County Court House Commissioners Room 217 West Park St Terry, MT 59349

Prairie County Board of Commissioners Todd Devlin, Christine Keltner and Dennis Teske met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. In attendance was Commissioner Secretary Harry McNall.

9:00 a.m. Pledge of Allegiance was performed. Public Comment on Agenda Matters. Sheila Dixson came in to follow up on a conversation with Commissioner Teske. Conversation was about replacing Gary Pfifle the previous "Road Specialist". Sheila is referring to volunteers for different boards on planning etc.

Pat Haughian came in to speak about the Milwaukee Bridge and he will need to be shipping out cattle in October and has some heavy-duty metal plates that could be used to support the bad areas as needed.

9:35 a.m. Road Supervisor Todd Henry called into the meeting to discuss the Milwaukee bridge. Commissioner Teske said BLM wants to meet October 31st at 9:30 a.m. to speak about the community gravel pit options.

9:40 a.m. Commissioners had a conversation about the Bank Head Jones Act, and how the county should be getting 25%, The Commissioners question whether the county is receiving the correct amount. Commissioner Devlin has been talking with BLM and other agencies trying to get it straight.

9:55 a.m. County Attorney Dan Rice came into talk about having Cheryl Morrison work as a backup janitor as a contractor. Dan Rice said she would need to get a Contractors Certificate through the state in order to be an, independent contractor for the county. Dan Rice will create a contract for Cheryl Morrison to be a back up Janitor for the County.

10:24 a.m. Commissioner Devlin Read the minutes from August 30th, 2023, meeting.

10:33 a.m. Commissioner Keltner made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected from the August 30th, 2023, meeting, seconded by Commissioner Teske "all in favor" motion passed.

Commissioner will be attending the Tractor & Equipment Co Dinner September 25th at 6:00 p.m. and the Great West Engineering dinner on the 26th while attending the Montana Associations of Counties convention in Butte Montana from September 24th-27th.

11:00 a.m. Deputy Clerk & Recorder Aria Walters brought Claims and Expenditures in for the commissioners to sign and review.

Prairie County Voucher # 1025 \$64,297.80

Prairie County Voucher # 1026 \$7,509.67

11:25 a.m. Commissioner Devlin left the meeting to go to the Grazing District Office.

11:50 a.m. Commissioner Devlin Returned to the meeting.

12:00 p.m. Lunch Break

1:00 p.m. Jody Huber provided the Commissioners with School Budget for FY23/24 School Year. Added to the September 20th meeting to sign the finalized School Budget. Commissioners discussed various business.

2:00 p.m. Clerk & Recorder/ Clerk of District Court Shari Robertson, had commissioners sign Jury expenses claims.

Prairie County Voucher #1024 \$13,797.44

2:30 p.m. Shari Robertson went over the Resolutions that the commissioners will review at 3:30.

3:00 p.m. Public Comment Not on the Agenda. Sharla Sackman asks if someone can metal detect on the fairgrounds. Asking for permission is encouraged by the commissioners.

3:30 p.m. Commissioners Reviewed Resolutions No. 24-3, 24-4, 24-5 and 24-6 for the County Budget Resolution Preparations.

4:15 p.m. Glen Pehl came into to speak to the commissioners about weeds on the Broadview Bench rd. Said that there are all kinds of weeds along the road, because there was only one spraying and the road didn't get mowed last year. Glen asked questions about how the road is maintained for rain runoff etc.

4:45 p.m. Commissioner Devlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Keltner, "all in favor" motion passed.

Signed this 20th day of September 2023.

Todd Devlin, Commissioner Chair

Shari Robertson, Clerk & Recorder