

RESOLUTION NO. 17-2020

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE EXISTENCE OF **SANDHILL ROAD**, A COUNTY ROAD; SUCH ROAD BEING SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED BELOW:

WHEREAS the statutes of the State of Montana vest the Board of Commissioners with the authority and responsibility regarding roads and bridges, and such Statutes are generally found in Title 7, Chapter 14, Montana Code Annotated; and

WHEREAS the board is aware that a road exists in Fergus County, known as the **Sandhill Road**, which is more specifically described as follows:

Beginning at a point at the intersection with Casino Creek Road in Township 15 North, Range 18E, Section 33; running west approximately .70 miles, then south approximately one mile on the line between Sections 32 & 33, then approximately one mile west on the section line between sections 5 & 32; then south approximately 2.24 miles on the section lines between 5& 6 and 7 & 8, Township 14 North, Range 18 East, then running southeast approximately 1.28 miles into Section 20; then running southwesterly approximately .22 miles; then southwest approximately .33 miles; then south approximately .10 miles; then southwest about .23 miles; then southeast approximately .34 miles; ending at a point in Section 29, Township 14 North, Range 18 East at the junction with Cottonwood Creek Road.

WHEREAS, the Board is aware that on some portions of the foregoing described road, petitions may have been filed in the past, and as a consequence, these portions appear to have been declared as county roads. However, some portions may appear not to have been previously the subject of road petitions; and

WHEREAS, the foregoing described road has been laid out, constructed and maintained with state or county funds, and it appears that persons using such road have long been under the belief that the entire length of such road is a county road; and

WHEREAS, the 1999 Montana Legislature enacted sub-sections

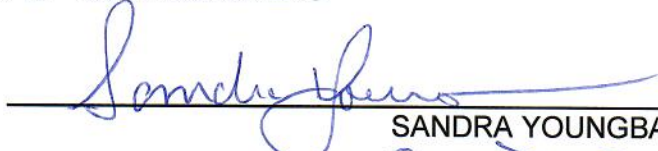
7-14-2101 (2) (b) and (c), which allows local governments to address roads such as that described above; and such statute requires a public hearing, after which the Board has discretion to declare such to be a county road; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners, after due notice, held a public hearing on March 18th, 2020, to solicit public input as to the advisability of accepting the foregoing described road to be a county road; and after receiving such input, the Board believes that to declare such to be a county road would be in the public interest;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 7-4-2101, Montana Code Annotated, and the foregoing described road is hereby accepted to be a public road and shall hereby continue to be used by the public.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th day of April, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:


SANDRA YOUNGBAUER


CARL SEILSTAD


ROSS BUTCHER

ATTEST:

Rana Wichman, Clerk & Recorder

