

Minutes of Fergus Co. Commissioners Business Meeting
December 26, 2024 – 2:00 p.m.
Fergus County Commissioners
712 W. Main St., Suite 210
Lewistown, MT 59457

Present: Commissioner Butcher, Commissioner Saunders, and Commissioner's Assistant Tia Seymanski. In person public: see attached list. Deb Hill via telephone.

CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Butcher called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Agenda approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Butcher asked if there were any alterations or corrections to the December 10, 2024 minutes. Hearing none, he stated the minutes stand approved as presented and will be on file with the Clerk and Recorder and on the Fergus County Website.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

PUBLIC HEARING: none

BID OPENINGS: none

PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Planning Office/Planner - perm/full-time
- Sheriff's Office/Detention Officer - perm/full-time ****filled****
- Treasurer's Office/Office Clerk-perm/full-time ****filled****
- Environmental Health Sanitarian - perm/full-time

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ REPORTS:

DISCUSSION /ACTION ITEMS:

1. Commissioner Seilstad motioned to approve the December 26, 2024 claims. Commissioner Saunders 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
2. Commissioner Saunders motioned to approve Resolution 32 - 2024 adopting the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and Incident Command System (ICS). Commissioner Seilstad 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
3. Commissioner Seilstad motioned to approve Resolution 33 - 2024 amending the FY2425 Budget for Family Planning. Commissioner Saunders 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
4. Commissioner Seilstad motioned to approve Resolution 34 - 2024 adopting a fiscal policy. Commissioner Saunders 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
5. Commissioner Butcher read a draft resolution showing Fergus County's support for the Stafford Ferry Conservation Easement. Jess Wagner advised that the easement would protect wildlife in the breaks. Commissioners advised that if needed, a special meeting will be held to meet the State's deadline. Commissioner Saunders motioned to approve the first reading. Commissioner Seilstad 2nd; **Motion Passed.**

6. Commissioner Seilstad motioned to approve Resolution 35 - 2024 a budget amendment for reserves for the FY2324 budget. Commissioner Saunders 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
7. Commissioner Saunders motioned to approve Resolution 36 - 2024 for an unanticipated revenue budget for Family Planning for FY2324. Commissioner Seilstad 2nd; **Motion Passed.**

APPOINTMENTS:

1. Commissioner Seilstad motioned to appoint Phyllis Smith to Community Council District 1; term of 1/1/2025-12/31/2026. Commissioner Seilstad 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
2. Commissioner Saunders motioned to appoint Jeff Southworth to the City/County Planning Board 1st term ending 12/31/2026. Commissioner Seilstad 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
3. Commissioner Seilstad motioned to appoint Brandon Cowen to the Tax Appeal Board. Term ending 12/31/2027. Commissioner Saunders 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
4. Commissioner Saunders motioned to appoint Cavan Wrzesinski to the Fergus County Fair Board filling out Smith resignation with term ending 8/31/2025. Commissioner Seilstad 2nd; **Motion Passed.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: none

January 2, 2025
Thursday – 10:00 a.m.

RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING

Fergus County Commissioners
712 W Main St., Suite 210

January 10, 2025
Friday – 2:00 p.m.

Regular Business Meeting

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712 W Main St., Suite 210

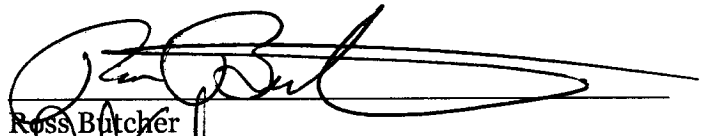
January 15, 2025
Wednesday – 5:15 p.m.

Regular Business Meeting

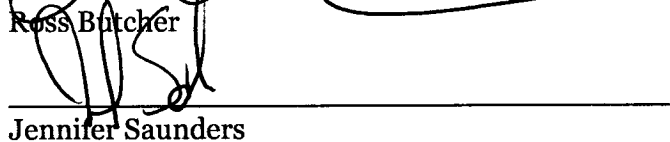
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Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

FERGUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:



Ross Butcher

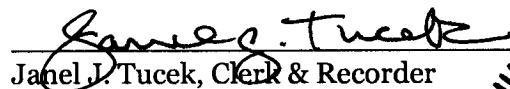


Jennifer Saunders



Travis Willson

Attest:



Janel J. Tucek, Clerk & Recorder

