

**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
McCONE COUNTY, MONTANA
CIRCLE, MONTANA**

Monday, March 11, 2024

At the hour of 10:00 a.m., the Board of Commissioners of McCone County, Montana, met in regular session with Ty Taylor, Alan Stempel, and Lonny Jensen present. Presiding Officer Ty Taylor called the meeting to order. The pledge of allegiance was recited. The agenda was amended to add the updated estimate for a road grader vehicle repair.

There were no Committee Reports.

Allen Rosaaen, South Road Foreman, and Cary Phillips, South Lead Man, met with the Board to discuss a potential gravel crushing project, hauling gravel, and road repairs. The Board approved the changed estimate for the vehicle repair invoice for the road grader. The Board approved the purchase of oil for approximately \$2,500 for the North Shop.

Trevor Dirksen, Deputy Sheriff, met with the Board to discuss training, and Law Enforcement issues.

Sherry Kluth, Clerk and Recorder, met with the Board to discuss the bills from McKinsty Industries, and the upcoming planning meeting.

The meeting was opened to public participation at 1:00 p.m.

Keri Taylor, DES Coordinator, met with the Board to discuss DES issues, and the reimbursement for disaster payments. Commissioner Taylor abstained from the discussion.

Nancy Stempel, GIS Coordinator, met with the Board to discuss the Gas Tax maps. The Board reviewed the Montana Department of Transportation Fuel Tax Mileage Map for 2024. Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the Fuel Tax Mileage Map and Commissioner Taylor seconded. The motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the map is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The March 4, 2024 minutes were approved as amended.

The Board discussed the Montana Supreme Court decision which requires McCone County to levy 95 mills for school mills instead of the 77.9. New tax bills will be prepared to collect the additional taxes.

The Board discussed the new MACO Health Care Trust renewal rates and plans. Commissioner Stempel motioned to approve the health care rates and plans for 2024-2025 with a \$163 increase per month per employee for health insurance. Dental and vision benefits for the member and their family prices will remain the same. Commissioner Jensen seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. **(Copies of the rates and plans are on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Nita Crockett, Treasurer/County Superintendent, met with the Board to discuss issues with the Drivers Examiner's office heating and cooling system.

Brianna Vine, GNDC, met with the Board, by phone, to discuss the MCHC improvement project.

The Board discussed the disposal of the Public Health refrigerator.

The Board reviewed the MCHC improvement project, and the upcoming planning meeting.

Correspondence occupied the Board for the rest of the day.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

The minutes are also available on the Commissioner page of the McCone County website at www.mcconecountymt.com.

McCone County Commissioners

Attest:
(Seal)

Ty Taylor, Presiding Officer

Sherry Kluth, Clerk and Recorder