

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

Monday, December 23, 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 approved.

The Board reviewed the December 16, 2024 minutes. Commissioner Taylor motioned to approve the minutes as read and Commissioner Stempel seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the minutes is on file in the Commissioners' files)**

Commissioner Jensen reported on the McCone County Health Center Board meeting he attended, in Circle, on December 18, 2024. Connie Eissinger, Frank Wright, Greg Berger, and Chad Bieber were added as Board members.

The Board discussed the McCone County Health Center Improvement Project. The Board is waiting for McKinsty Industries to provide additional information before reimbursing them for work that was completed. Great Northern Development Corporation was reimbursed for work they completed on the project.

The Board discussed the Next Era Wind Energy Project. The Board continues to develop zoning regulations which are in accordance with the newly approved Growth Policy.

The Board reviewed the Montana Older Americans Act Program Contract. Commissioner Taylor motioned to approve the contract and Commissioner Stempel seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the contract is on file in the Commissioners' files)**

Allen Rosaaen, South Road Department Foreman, met with the Board to discuss road conditions, snow removal, holiday scheduling, and personnel issues.

Roger Schara, Circle Fire Chief, met with the Board to discuss Fire Department issues, a house fire, and potential issues at the McCone County Health Center.

Nita Crockett, Treasurer, met with the Board to deliver the November 2024 Cash Reconciliation Report and the Delinquent Tax List. There is currently \$191,248.38 in delinquent taxes. **(Copies of the report and list are on file in the Commissioners' files)**

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

Doug Shennum, and Ken Ehli, Television Board members, met with the Board to discuss the tax status for television equipment, the potential acquisition of the Heinz Tower site, and future issues for funding and access.

Jeff Skyberg, and Roland Pederson, Airport Staff, met with the Board to discuss hangars, and airport issues.

Sherry Kluth, Clerk and Recorder, met with the Board to allocate the remaining American Rescue Plan Act grant funds.

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