

April 28, 2025 Regular Session of the Beaverhead County Commissioners

The Board of Commissioners, in and for Beaverhead County, Montana, met in session on April 28, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Beaverhead County Courthouse. Present Commissioner John Jackson, Commissioner Tom Rice, Commissioner Michael McGinley and Commissioner Support Specialist Dana Basile.

Pledge of Allegiance

At this time, those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance aloud to begin the day.

Updates on County Projects

Road Supervisor Bob Ferris was not present.

The following Road Department Report was submitted and scanned into the minutes:

April 20th to April 26th, 2025
Dillon, Lima and Wisdom Areas

DILLON AREA

- Blade Stone Creek, Stoddard, Carter Creek, Flynn, Bond, Albers, Dutchman, Birch Creek, Fairgrounds Midway
 - Repairs and Maintenance
 - Road Check

WISDOM AREA

- Road Check
- Load/Haul Gravel Little Lake
- Soft Spot repair Little Lake
- Equipment move, setup and clean
 - Shop maintenance

LIMA AREA

- Blade Nicholia Creek, Meadow Creek, Meadow-Nicholia Cut, Gosman Lane, Fitters Lane, Hansen Lane
 - Blade Dell Airport Rd, Sage Creek, Gleed LN, Gravely Ln, Oregon Shortline St
 - Rock Raked on West Rd, Nicholia Creek
 - Equipment Clean and Repair
 - Removed Road Closed and Winter Snow removal Signs
 - Shop Maintenance

Clerk and Recorder Stacey Reynolds, Payroll Administrator Stacy Setzer, Finance Assistant Becky Hankinson, School Superintendent Mike Miller, Landfill Supervisor Nick Hoem, Weeds Supervisor Amber Burch, Facilities Manager Shonna Graham, MSU Extension Agent Jack Bazemore, Fairground Manager Justin Kellabrew, Food Sanitarian Joyce Pollastro, County Attorney Sky Jones, GIS Coordinator Tracy Sawyer, and County Treasurer Cathy Hucke, joined the meeting.

Nick added they got more equipment added in the scale house. Kiosk almost ready to go.

Jack commented today is last master gardener class. He is in Billings Tuesday-Thursday this week. He will be in Little Rock, Arkansas next week for level 2 instructor training. He will be applying for a grant for the emergency livestock trailer.

Justin commented there are no events at the fairgrounds for a little bit. He will be gone Thursday of next week.

Stacey mentioned working on election.

Amber added she has a bio-control workshop online this week. Wednesday she is looking at Ace in Three Forks.

Becky commented getting ready for budget.

Mike added he is heading to Wisdom to visit teachers before school ends. Tuesday BCHS is welcoming their new superintendent. Rural track meet on May 9th.

Joyce added she got 1st quarter audit from Helena. This week she is tracking down payments due and working on inspections in Dillon this week.

Cathy added taxes are gearing up. They are waiting for information regarding the mobile home tax bill.

Shonna mentioned working with Bob with the Wisdom and Lima shops AED system. Vigilante electric is looking into rope for flagpole. On Friday the Boy scouts were here for a clock tower tour. She is trying to fix the clock so it chimes again. There were plumbing issues in the jail.

Tracy commented he is working on computer cleanup.

Sky added catching up on civil projects, returning emails, prepping for trials, and staying busy. Trying to move forward with office expansion.

Public Comment

Jim and Nancy Mayne were present and discussed different issues with the Commissioners including the Study Commission and the City of Dillon Study Commission.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the April 14 and 21, 2025 meeting were read and the following motion was made:

MOTION: Commissioner Jackson moved and Commissioner Rice seconded that the minutes be approved. A verbal vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Recess

At 12:00 noon, Commissioner Jackson recessed the meeting. At 1:30 p.m., Commissioner Jackson, Commissioner McGinley, and Commissioner Rice reconvened the meeting with and their Assistant Dana Basile present.

Legislative Update

There was no Legislative Update today.

Public Comments on Subjects Under County Jurisdiction Not on Agenda

Unfinished Business/Other Topics of Discussion

County Sanitarian Joyce Pollastro and County Attorney Sky Jones met with the Commissioners to discuss submitting and maintaining the permit for the Fairgrounds campground.

Clerk and Recorder Stacey Reynolds met with the Commissioners to discuss the Local Government Study Commission. She also brought up that she wants to add more cabinets and storage to the elections office using her elections budget. She provided a quote to the Commissioners to review.

Routine matters occupied the attention of the Board for the remainder of the day.

Payment of Invoices

The Commissioners reviewed and approved invoices for a total of \$84,873.53 beginning with check #217654 and ending with check #217701. The Invoice Payment Schedule is located in the Financial Administrator's Office.

Public Comments on Subjects Under County Jurisdiction

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Attest: _____ Approved: _____
Clerk of the Board Chairman of the Board