## September 15, 2025 Regular Session of the Beaverhead County Commissioners

The Board of Commissioners, in and for Beaverhead County, Montana, met in session on September 15, 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 present and reported the following. They have been doing a lot of blading with the moisture. Tracy helped him look into expanding the gravel pit in Big Hole. They will be closing part of Laknar for a few hours tomorrow to assist with a branch removal over the road.

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

#### BEAVERHEAD COUNTY ROAD WORK

September 7th to September 14th, 2025 Dillon, Lima and Wisdom Areas

#### DILLON AREA

- Blade Lemhi, Brenner, Bloody Dick, Argenta, Stonehouse, Ten Mile
  - Repairs and Maintenance
    - Road Check

#### **WISDOM AREA**

- Blade Skinner Meadows, Lower North Fork, Big Swamp
  - Willow removal Lower North Fork
  - Parts Run, Oil Collection, Firefighting
    - Spray Jackson
    - Check Local Roads

#### LIMA AREA

- Bladed South Valley Rd
- Shop Maintenance, Equipment Repair
  - Checked Local Roads

Clerk and Recorder Stacey Reynolds, GIS Coordinator Tracy Sawyer, Landfill Supervisor Nick Hoem, County Planner Tina Caron, Facilities Supervisor Shonna Graham, MSU Extension Agent Jack Bazemore, and Fairgrounds Manager Justin Kellabrew joined the meeting.

Nick commented that the scale is up and running. There was a part down but he is getting it resolved.

Jack mentioned things are slowing down since the fair. He will be in Lima this afternoon to take forage samples. He will be in Melrose and Divide to take samples tomorrow.

Justin added the high school rodeo is this weekend and college rodeo next weekend.

Shonna commented that they dug the trench for the propane line last week. Hopefully this week they are getting the concrete pad put in. This week they are working on the yard and sprinklers.

Stacey added that her office is working on the general election.

Becky added not much this week. Tomorrow she is going to safety training in Butte.

Tina mentioned she is getting ready to update subdivision amendments and fee structure.

Tracy added he helped Bob look at the Jackson pit for expansion. He is trying to figure out computers for road shop. He is out next week on vacation.

### Recess

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

# **Action on Previous Meeting Minutes**

The minutes of the September 8, 2025 meeting were read and the following motion was made:

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

<u>Public Comments on Subjects Under County Jurisdiction Not on Agenda</u>
Jim and Nancy Mayne joined the Commissioners with asking about the Stage 1 Fire restrictions being lifted. Jackson responded with the amount of rain recently being little but likely not enough. They need guidance from other agencies on when to lift but will discuss it at the next Commission Meeting.

#### New or Unfinished Business/Other Topics of Discussion

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

### **Payment of Invoices**

9/9/25

Ck# 218729 Longie Builders \$8500 Sidewalk
CK# 218730 Madison County Justice Court \$1085.00 Bond fee
The Commissioners reviewed and approved invoices for a total of \$139,774.75
beginning with check #218731 and ending with check #218786. The Invoice Payment
Schedule is located in the Financial Administrator's Office.

# Public Comments on Subjects Under County Jurisdiction

# <u>Adjourn</u>

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

Attest:

Clerk of the Board

by Shannon Parkenpas, deputy

Approved:

Chairman of the Board