

BOARD OF MADISON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
August 6, 2019, Meeting Minutes

On Tuesday, August 6, 2019, a meeting of the Board of Madison County Commissioners came to order at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room of the Administrative Office Building in Virginia City, Montana, with Commissioners Ron Nye, Chairman, Jim Hart, and Dan Allhands present. Laurie Buyan, Executive Assistant to the Madison County Board of Commissioners, was present to take minutes.

Those people in attendance at the meeting were Vicki Tilstra, Britani Allhands, Bonnie O'Neill, and Cody Marxer.

Approval of Minutes: Dan Allhands moved to approve the June 25, 2019, Commission meeting minutes with corrections. Jim Hart seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Claims: The Board approved claims.

Journal Vouchers: Following review, Jim Hart moved to approve Journal Vouchers for the 7/19 accounting period. Dan Allhands seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried. Dan Allhands moved to approve Journal Vouchers for the 13/9 accounting period. Jim Hart seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Fixed Assets Review: Vicki Tilstra, Finance Officer, and Britani Allhands, Finance Clerk, met with the Board to review fixed assets and formally close certain outstanding projects. Bonnie O'Neill, Chief Administrative Officer, was present for this portion of the meeting. Following review and discussion, Jim Hart moved to approve the official project close-outs for South Boulder Road, Pennington Bridge, Madison Valley Search and Rescue Building, Fairgrounds, Laurin Bridge, Widening of the Landing Strip at the Ennis/Big Sky Airport, Twin Bridges Widening Project, and the Library Vestibule, as recommended by the Finance Office. Dan Allhands seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Animal Shelter Donations: The Board reviewed donations made to animal shelters in previous years. Vicki Tilstra, Finance Officer, and Bonnie O'Neill, Chief Administrative Officer, were present for this portion of the meeting. Following discussion, Dan Allhands moved to keep contributions to animal shelters the same as last year, with a donation of \$750 to 4 Paws Rescue and a donation of \$250 to Heart of the Valley Animal Shelter, for their efforts to spay or neuter pets and/or provide shelter to homeless animals from Madison County. Jim Hart seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Accept 2019 Certified Taxable Values: The Board reviewed certified taxable values. Bonnie O'Neill, Chief Administrative Officer, and Vicki Tilstra, Finance Officer, were present for this portion of the meeting. Following review, Jim Hart moved to accept the 2019 Certified Taxable Valuation Information for Madison County as presented by the Montana Department of Revenue and to set the date for a final budget public hearing for 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 3, 2019. Dan Allhands seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Fair Board Recommendation to Adopt Revised Bylaws: Laurie informed the Board that the changes to the bylaws requested by the Fair Board have already been approved at a previous meeting and that she has been in contact with Dana Escott, Fair Manager.

Draft Recommendations for Coy Brown Bridge Fishing Access Site: The Board reviewed a draft recommendation from the Road Review Committee related to the width of the right-of-way on the County Road commonly referred to as Judy Lane, at the location of the Coy Brown Bridge spanning the Ruby River. The Board will request the County Attorney's Office to review the recommendation before taking action on them. This topic was continued to the next regular meeting.

Floodplain Permit – Harp Cabin: Cody Marxer, Floodplain Administrator, presented the Board with a floodplain development permit for a cabin that is being built on property located on the west side of Waterloo Road, approximately 4.95 miles northeast of Silver Star. Bonnie O’Neill, Chief Administrative Officer, was present for this portion of the meeting. Cody discussed LiDar mapping, stating that fortunately this area has been mapped which makes it much easier to identify the lay of the lands and higher areas. She reviewed the maps, pointing out where the existing structure is located and where the new cabin is intended to be built. She added that one existing driveway access is grandfathered in but a new one will also be constructed and that she will make sure the specs are followed and that other County regulations are being met. There was further discussion about LiDar mapping and other rivers in Madison County that will be included in the process. Based on the recommendation of the Floodplain Administrator, Dan Allhands moved to affirm the Floodplain Administrator’s approval of the permit for Gary Caprara for property located near the Jefferson River, in Section 22, Township 1 South, Range 5 West, as presented with conditions. Jim Hart seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Property Tax Adjustment Request: The item was listed on the wrong agenda and will be discussed at the next regular Commission meeting.

Repair of Parking Lot and Driveway at Placer Loop: This topic was cancelled because repairs to the parking lot and driveway have been completed.

Calendars: The Board reviewed calendars.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Next meeting: The next regular Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 13, 2019, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners’ Conference Room of the Administrative Office Building in Virginia City, Montana.

Ronald E. Nye, Chairman
Board of Madison County Commissioners

Date Approved: August 13, 2019
Minutes prepared by:

Laurie Buyan, Executive Assistant to the
Madison County Board of Commissioners

Attest: _____
Kathleen Mumme, Clerk and Recorder, Madison County