## BOARD OF MADISON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS February 4, 2021, Public Hearing Minutes

On Thursday, February 4, 2021, the Board of Madison County Commissioners conducted a public hearing that came to order at 2:05 p.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room of the Administrative Office Building in Virginia City, Montana, with Commissioners Dan Allhands, Chairman, Ron Nye, and Jim Hart present. Laurie Buyan, Executive Assistant to the Board of Commissioners, was present to take minutes.

Those people in attendance at the meeting were Paula McKenzie, Clerk and Recorder, in person, and David Kack, Big Sky Transportation District, via telephone.

Public Hearing on a Resolution Calling for a Public Hearing for the Enlargement of the Big Sky Transportation District: Chairman Dan Allhands opened a public hearing at 2:05 p.m. to receive public comment on a proposed resolution calling for an election for the expansion of the Big Sky Transportation District. It was noted that a map of this area is available at the Madison County Courthouse. The purpose of the Big Sky Transportation District is to supply transportation services and facilities to district residents and other persons. There is no cost to expanding the boundaries of the District, as there are currently no property taxes levied to support the Big Sky Transportation District.

Paula noted that she added a line in the resolution stating that this will be a mail ballot election. David Kack stated that he was in Gallatin County this morning and they approved their resolution to run an election. He further stated that the boundaries are smaller than the actual service area, that expanding the boundaries will better represent the service area and will assist with an overall goal to get the boundaries in Big Sky more consistent. He talked about growth issues and the demand for more services with that growth. He also discussed past ridership, projected ridership, and expansion of routes. David also noted that expansion of the district may increase grant opportunities.

Hearing no further public comment the public hearing was closed at 2:17 p.m.

Jim Hart moved to adopt Resolution 13-2021, a resolution calling for an election for the expansion of the Big Sky Transportation District. Ron Nye seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Dan W. Allhands, Chairman
Board of Madison County Commissioners
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Board of Commissioners
Attest:
Paula McKenzie, Clerk and Recorder, Madison County