TREASURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting Minutes November 14th, 2024

10:10 AM -Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance with Commissioners, Ruth Baue, Ruth Baker, and Marlo Moehr Chairman. Treasure County Clerk & Recorder, Marlee Sears, Treasure County Attorney, Hanna Schantz, Treasure County Sheriff, Will Seastrom. Also present were guests, Jennifer Pinkerton and Duane Binstock, Aflac Representative.

10:14 AM - Minutes Approval, Claims & Payroll

- o Approval of minutes for Regular Meeting November 1st, 2024
 - * **MOTION** Baker Moves to approve November 1*, 2024 minutes, Baue 2nd, Motion Carries
- Claims: Claims for October 31*, 2024 were presented for payment in the amount of \$48,625.95, for check number 31888 through 31922.
- o <u>Payroll:</u> Payroll in the amount of \$103,235.12 was approved. Employee check # 23324-23334 and Deduction check # 23335-23342 for disbursement on November 30th, 2024
- *All other Claims were approved & paid.

10:30 AM - Treasure County Road Department Discussion, Robin Rich (Not Present)

- Road Business
 - Jennifer Pinkerton attending the meeting to discuss the placement of two cattleguards that were previously discussed with the commissioners some time ago.
 - There was discussion regarding the base of what material it should/need to be. Jen Pinkerton had 2 bids for concrete base. She was requesting to place a steel base as it reduced the bill by \$6,000.
 - **MOTION** Baker moved that the County place the Cattleguards per county standards at Pinkertons, one at the haystack and one at the stop sign, Baue 2nd, motion carries
- o MDOT Bridge Closure Discussion
 - Montana Department of Transportation required Treasure County to post the River Road Bridge for Closure due to Safety Reasons. Sheriff Seastrom was in the meeting at the time and offered to advertise the road closure per Montana Department of Transportation Immediately. The sheriff and Road Department Supervisor Rich placed necessary road barricades and posted road closure signs. Clerk Sears called to notify Hysham Schools for the Bus Routes.
 - * **MOTION** Baue moved to close Bridge 04630 River Road Bridge effective immediately, Baker 2nd motion carries
- o Canister site discussion
 - Discussion regarding the new canister site attendant for the base of the building
 - Discussion regarding the port-a-potty. Commissioners would like to see a bigger facility available
 - **MOTION** Baue moved to investigate information for a newer portapotty facility at the canister site, Baker 2nd motion carries.

November 14th, 2024

11:15 AM - Conference Call with Adam Hagel, Stahly Engineering

- Discussion regarding the bridges.
 - Culvert on Tullock Creek discussion
 - Bridge is not historic and Adam is waiting for permits
 - One permit is the Federal Wildlife and Parks permit
 - Commissioners will have to sign on behalf of the county at the end of the permits
 - There is a review period of two weeks for the early part of December
 - Adam suggests to start talking to contractors once the permits are submitted and hoping to have a green light by the middle of December.
- o Commissioners explained to Adam that River road bridge was now closed effective immediate until future notice.

11:30 AM - Treasure County Ambulance Update, Chrissy Hopf

- Chrissy wasn't present but informed Clerk Sears that the Ambulance crew completed CPR training for the Fire Department and any other County employees that wanted to attend last month.
- o Kari and Chrissy are going to Colstrip December 7th, 2024 with an EMT refresher training.

11:45 AM - Aflac Representative, Duane Binstock

- o Duane was present for the annual open enrollment
- o He brought information and discussed the enhanced plans Aflac has to offer.
 - One example was the Cancer Plan the initial payout benefit went from \$4,000 to \$5,000 with no rate increase
 - Another example was the critical care policy for heart attack and stroke went from \$7,500 to \$25,000

12:05 PM - Recess for Lunch

1:05 PM - Sale of Treasure County property

This is an item that needs to continue to be on the agenda.

1:15 PM - Canvass of the General Election for 2024

o Commissioners, the review canvas board, matched the outcome of the General Election results.

2:50 PM - Commissioners,

- o Discussions
 - The county Christmas Party will be over lunch at the Community Center on December 17, 2024
 - Upcoming Meetings
 - December 10th, 2024 Regular Meeting
 - December 17th, 2024 Regular Meeting
 - January 6th, 2024 Regular Meeting

November 14th, 2024

- January 21*, 2024 Regular Meeting
- o Meetings to Report
 - Ruth Baker Rail Authority Meeting
 - Ruth Baue -
 - Marlo Moehr -

3:00 PM Adjournment of regular business: being no further business to come before the Board, Ruth Baker moved for adjournment, Ruth Baue seconded the motion. Dated this 10th day of 120th 20th, 2024.

TREASURE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Marlo Mochr, Chair

ATTEST:

Marlee Sears, Clerk & Recorder

