#### TREASURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting Minutes December 17th, 2024

10:05 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 Road Department, Robin Rich, Treasure County Counsel on Aging, Megan Metcalf, Also present were guests, Bart Icopini, Lindy Larsen & Brittaney Christensen with Action for Eastern Montana.

#### 10:14 AM - Minutes Approval, Claims & Payroll

- Approval of minutes for Regular Meeting December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024
  - \*\*MOTION\*\* Baker Moves to approve December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 minutes, Baue 2<sup>nd</sup>,
     Motion Carries
- o <u>Claims</u>: Claims for December 17th 2024 were presented for payment in the amount of \$32,064,13, for check number 31968 through 31982
  - <u>Claim # 31971 -</u> was withheld. The wrong electrical outlet was placed at the Canister Site.
- o Payroll: Payroll amounts will be on next Meeting minutes for December Payroll.
- \*All Claims were approved & paid.

#### 10:30 AM - Treasure County Road Department Discussion, Robin Rich

- o Road Business
  - Discussion regarding the check hold Bob Strecker mentioned at the last commissioner meeting.
- Canister site discussion
  - Discussion regarding wiring of the new canister site attendant building, by Don's Electric, expect a claim to come in
    - The electrical outlet is the wrong size a new outlet will have to be installed. The claim is being withheld until the new outlet is installed.
- Culverts & Bridges
  - Discussion regarding various culverts & bridge updates
  - River Rd is funded by Montana Department of Transportation (MDOT) the time frame for repairs is unknown as they are in charge of the project.
  - Discussion regarding temporary fix for River Road Bridge and Kolb Bridge
  - Construction should be completed by the 1" of April for the Gibson Road Bridge
  - Commissioner Baue is to attend the coal board meeting and talk with Stahly at the next commissioner meeting

# 10:45 AM - Treasure County Attorney, Hanna Schantz

- Lease Hanger Rental
  - Discussion of the interest in the Rental
  - The charge is \$200.00/year
  - 5 year contract
- o 309 Elliot Avenue Hysham Possible Sale

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 Discussion of posting the building for possible interest on the Hysham Community page and around town.

#### 11:00 AM - Public Comment -

- Weed Board Organization Discussion
  - Weed Trust Fund Grant for Noxious Weeds, It is a \$7,500.00 Grant.
  - The grant application is due January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
  - The board of commissioners are going to advertise for a part-time Weed Board Secretary, paid by the county with a stipend for filing for grants and other necessary documents. They will have to attend the weed board meetings and report to the commission.

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

- o Discussion regarding flow analysis for the Irrigation Districts at the bridges.
- Gibson bridge currently up to date
- Tullock Bridge, the 124 Permit was submitted, once approved that bridge will be ready for replacement.
- Discussion regarding "quick fix" culverts for any bridge replacement
- Culverts still have to have a bridge inspection, culverts over 20 feet are technically considered a bridge.
- Regarding the River Road Bridge there is a 3-4 year process time on the bridge replacement
  - Ask Yellowstone Irrigation Board to attend the next commissioner meeting to be involved in the process of the replacement.
  - A culvert is a permanent bridge fix.

## 11:30 PM - Recess for Early Appreciation Lunch for Treasure County Employees

# 1:30 PM - Action for Eastern Montana, Brittaney Christensen & Lindy Larsen:

- Brittany discussed the difference between a cash match and an in-kind match. She also provided copies of the break down of adjustments. The cash match is 25% of the Administrative Budget
  - \*\*MOTION\*\* Baker motioned to sign the contract with Action for Eastern Montana for the 2025 Fiscal Year and the claim for the cash match owed to Action for Eastern Montana, Baute 2nd motion passes.

# 2:00 PM - Treasure County Department Heads:

- Clerk & Recorder, Marlee Sears
  - Oath of Office for Ruth Baue
    - ➤ Board Chairman Marlo Mochr, swore in Commissioner Baue for her upcoming term for Treasure County Commissioner District #3, this is a 6 year term.
  - Resolution 2024-053 Resolution to Amend the Budget for County Counsel on Aging fund 2280.
  - Gift Card for County Employees
    - Board of Commission approved gift cards for Treasure County Employees

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• They will be purchased from Cenex, Friendly Corner and Hysham Hardware in the amount of \$25.00 per gift card.

### 2:50 PM - Commissioners,

- Discussions
  - Next Agenda Items:
    - Roof Reimbursement with Mid-Yellowstone Electric
    - Don's Electric Claim withheld
  - Short-Term Loan Discussion
    - Commissioners would like to do the Short-term loans one time at the end of the year instead of a monthly reconciliation.
- Meetings to Report
  - Ruth Baker
    - Coal Board
    - SEMDC
  - Ruth Baue -
    - Coal Board
  - Marlo Moehr -
    - SEMDC

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Marlo Moehr, Chair

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Marlee Sears, Clerk & Recorder

BY: Dani Erickson, Deputy Clerk & Recorder