

**GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
PUBLIC HEARING
Tuesday, September 01, 2009**

The Board of Glacier County Commissioners met at a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on September 01, 2009 at Seville Headstart. Commissioners Michael DesRosier, Ron Rides At The Door and Tony Sitzmann were present. Commissioner Michael DesRosier called the meeting to order. Clerk and Recorder, Glenda Hall was present to record the proceedings.

Present during the meeting: Betty Richter, Sandi McAlpine, Louise Gobert, Eloise Nollkamper, Glenda Gobert, Ron Ladue, Brenda Bird, Marlene Walter, Holly Keller, LeAnne Kavanaugh, Danielle Stimpson, Sheriff Wayne Dusterhoff, County Attorney Larry Epstein, Diane Anderson, Terry Gray, Troy Wilson, Jerilee Wilkerson, and Mandi Kennerly.

6:00 p.m. Chairman Michael DesRosier called the meeting to order. Commissioner Michael DesRosier noted that this meeting concerns the signing of the temporary law enforcement agreement between Glacier County and the Blackfeet Tribe.

Commissioner Michael DesRosier opened the meeting with introductions and provided a history of the negotiations between the Glacier County and the Blackfeet Tribe for a law enforcement cooperative agreement. Commissioner Michael DesRosier stated that nearly all feedback the Commissioners have received has been very positive.

Many of those present addressed the Commission in support of such an agreement; several expressed concerns regarding response to Seville area by law enforcement agencies serving the area. The comments, generally, were very favorable regarding County law enforcement in the area and in favor of entering into a cooperative agreement giving all County deputies authority to arrest and detain all law breakers in the area, regardless of race.

The Sheriff and County attorney responded to questions regarding their support of the agreement and how they thought this should be handled. Those present also urged the commissioners to support the Sheriff's officers and law enforcement and work to have all deputies who are qualified and properly certified, commissioned by the Tribe pursuant to such an Agreement.

It was noted that those present could also comment in writing and tribal members could contact their Tribal Business Council representatives to express their feelings on the terms of a law enforcement agreement.

There being no further business, the special meeting and public hearing adjourned at 7:50 p.m. with a motion by Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door and seconded by Commissioner Tony Sitzmann. The motion passed by Board vote.

BOARD OF GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Michael J. DesRosier, Chairman

ATTEST:

Glenda M. Hall, Clerk and Recorder