

**GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, October 6, 2009**

The Board of Glacier County Commissioners met at a regular meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2009. Commissioner, Ron Rides At The Door and Tony Sitzmann were present. Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door called the meeting to order. Glenda Hall, Clerk & Recorder was present to record the proceedings.

Present throughout the day: Roy Nollkamper, Charles Farmer, Peggy Hartwell, James Laidlaw, Darryl Omsberg, Merle Cowell, County Attorney Larry Epstein, Diane Anderson, Damon Bunting, Dennis Seglam, Della Dubbe, Sheriff Wayne Dusterhoff, LeeAnn Kavanaugh, Jerilee Wilkerson, Diane Proefrock, Sandi McAlpine, minutes

Absent: Commissioner Michael DesRosier, out of state attending his son's graduation from The Marine Corps Boot Camp.

8:00 a.m. Review Minutes

Commissioners Rides At The Door and Tony Sitzmann reviewed the minutes.

9:00 a.m. Department Supervisors Meeting

- Diane Proefrock, Payroll Clerk explained to the group about meals at out of town meetings. She advised the IRS states that meals are taxable if there is not an overnight stay. Employee is allowed 1 meal per shift, 2 meals if time away goes outside the regularly scheduled shift. It must be an overnight stay to get 3 meals. Also, Diane Proefrock will be leaving the position of payroll clerk, but will keep her positions with human resources and elections. Clerk and Recorder Glenda Hall will post an ad for the position, which will close October 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Della Dubbe, Librarian, advised the library catalog is back up and running.
- Darryl Omsberg has a laptop computer he will be turning back in to the commissioners.
- Charles Farmer, DES, told the commissioners that the local DES office received a grant to re-write the emergency plan. He stated if anyone cares to know more about this, attend the LEPC meeting.
- Sheriff Dusterhoff spoke of various grants he is hoping to receive.
- Diane Anderson, Clerk of District Court, has a school to work student approximately 3 hours a day, stating she will be available if anyone needs her for small jobs, contact Diane.
- Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door urged attendees to follow the chain of command. Speak directly to supervisor if any concerns arise. Commissioner Rides At The Door also spoke about the Glacier County Web site, saying each department can personalize their page by contacting Morrison-Maierle Systems Corporation. This page will go live in 4 to 6 weeks.
- Glenda Hall, Clerk and Recorder, stated that we need election workers, have them contact Diane Proefrock.
- Peggy Hartwell, dispatch supervisor, inquired about the progress on the remodeling of the area for the new justice court. She advised dispatch moved into the new jail

quarters 5 months ago, and it doesn't appear any progress is being made for the remodeling of the offices.

10:00 a.m. Approval - Hospital Property Transfer to GC Regional Port Authority

This was tabled until October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

10:30 a.m. Discussion-Senator Tester visit

Senator Jon Tester will be in Browning, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m. at Glacier Peaks Casino. The Glacier County Commissioners DesRosier, Sitzmann, Rides At The Door and Clerk and Recorder Glenda Hall will be in attendance. Some of the issues they hope to discuss with Tester are the paving of the Meriweather road, appropriating monies for the new jail, and the Glacier National Park facility on US Hwy. #49 out of East Glacier.

11:00 a.m. Approve - CTEP Sign Contract

Commissioner Tony Sitzmann made a motion to approve the transfer of CTEP signs from Thomas Graham & Associates to Stahly Engineering. The Motion was seconded by Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door, motion carried.

12:00 p.m. Wayne Dusterhoff, Sheriff was in to talk about the Sheriff's Office

Budget. He discussed with the commissioners his thoughts on where cuts may be possible, but it still won't be enough. Commissioner Rides At The Door thinks we need to take more than a 2 prong approach, give and take on all sides with a long term plan. The Commissioners, Sheriff Dusterhoff, and Glenda Hall will sit down on October 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss the Sheriff's Office Budget

12:20 p.m. Lunch

2:00 p.m. Sheriff Dusterhoff came back with the Sheriff's Office Budget in hand, and showed some of the costs he could cut. Commissioners Rides At The Door and Sitzmann, along with Clerk And Recorder Glenda Hall went through the budget line by line and cut \$102,000 overall.

There being no further business for the day, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m. with a motion by Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door and a second by Commissioner Tony Sitzmann. The motion passed by Board vote.

BOARD OF GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Michael J. DesRosier, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Glacier County Clerk and Recorder