

**GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
EAST GLACIER WOMEN'S CLUB, EAST GLACIER
Wednesday, June 23, 2010**

The Board of Glacier County Commissioners met at a regular meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 23, 2010. Commissioners Michael DesRosier and Tony Sitzmann were present. Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door was not present, due to personal business. Commissioner Michael DesRosier called the meeting to order. Glenda Hall, Clerk & Recorder was present.

Present throughout the day: Ben Steele & Tony Bynum, EGVFD; Joann Flick, Denise Mason, William Gray & Sam Gray of the East Glacier Women's Club; Larry Epstein, County Attorney; Carolyn Brown, Deputy County Attorney; John McGill, Press; David Gordon, Public; Glenda Hall, Minutes

10:00 a.m. East Glacier Women's Club – Ursula Mattson

Joann Flick, East Glacier Women's Club presented a list of the club's activities and accomplishments for 2009-2010. These accomplishments were the Two Medicine Coffeehouse, six (6) concerts, multiple fix it projects (kitchen overhead lighting, circuit breaker box framed in, dutch door, bathroom flooring and cupboard, painting and kitchen sink plumbing, table rack for round tables, etc.), electrical work, parking stops, and benches that were sanded and painted.

There is electrical work (re-wiring) that is going to cost approximately \$500-\$700. The EGWC would like a new sign (design included with the minutes). The history of the club is posted on their website. Commissioner Sitzmann stated that he mentioned this building to the new ED of the Sweetgrass Development.

The Glacier-Two Medicine Alliance (Kendall Flint, President) does have a 501(c)3, and they have volunteered to pass through any grant monies that they might receive. Rental fees are \$15.00 per hour or \$50.00 per day. The community needs a full time library with a computer room and high speed internet access.

11:00 a.m. Community Issues

Ben Steele & Tony Bynum from the East Glacier Volunteer Fire Department (EGVFD) asked the commissioners for an increase in their funds. The two of them stated that they have been writing grants, in the mean time training members, paying utilities and other upgrades are killing the budget. The EGVFD would like to build on. They have two 1,000 gallon tenders that they lose every winter because they have to be house outdoors. The current dirt floor is contaminated and needs to be dug up and cemented. Commissioner Sitzmann stated that the East Glacier ambulance doesn't need to be housed indoors. The EGVFD discussed their checking account. Hall will check with Amie Allison, EMS Captain to add an account for the EG ambulance. She instructed the EGVFD to send their receipts for the year to Mandi Kennerly, Deputy Claims Clerk in order to receive a reimbursement from their account in the general fund. Commissioner DesRosier asked Steele & Bynum if their fire calls they respond to are reported to the county fire warden. The commission reminded the EGVFD they are required to report these calls to the county fire warden. Commissioner Sitzmann asked what condition of the East Glacier fire hydrants are. Steele replied that there are thirteen (13) that are questionable and/or not working. Bynum is concerned about the stress level on the department when they have to worry about where the money is going to come from in order to pay the bills when they should be focusing on the fire calls. County Attorney Larry Epstein explained that hydrants are budgeted and bought through the water & sewer district. Hydrants are not county property.

There being no further business for the day, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m. with a motion by Commissioner Tony Sitzmann and a second by Commissioner Michael DesRosier. The motion passed by Board vote.

BOARD OF GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Michael J. DesRosier, Chairman

ATTEST:

Glenda Hall, Clerk and Recorder