

**GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, April 6, 2010**

The Board of Glacier County Commissioners met at a regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 6, 2010. Commissioners Michael DesRosier, Ron Rides At The Door and Tony Sitzmann were present. Commissioner Michael DesRosier called the meeting to order. Glenda Hall, Clerk & Recorder was present.

Present throughout the day: Merle Cowell, GC Maintenance; Michelle Harrell & Carol McDivitt, Health Department; Peggy Hartwell, Head Dispatch; Kate Salois, Treasurer; Roy Nollkamper, Airport Authority; Amie Allison, GC EMS Captain; Deputy Undersheriff Jeff Fauque; Allison Harvie, Glacier Care Center; Reg McClellan & Harry Lillo, Imperial Oil; Cut Bank Mayor Doug Embody; City of Cut Bank Councilman, Bill McCauley; Nikki Lako, Minutes

9:00 a.m. Department Supervisor Meeting

Commissioner Michael DesRosier welcomed all the department supervisors who were present. He started by advising the department supervisors that the commission had been contacted by the IRS regarding cell phone usage and county health insurance. County cell phones have been distributed to some of Glacier County's employees. The main usage of the cell phones are for county business, however, if you use the county cell phone for personal use all we ask is that you document your personal minutes. Glenda (Hall) is checking with local cell phone carriers in order to have one cell phone carrier for the county rather than one or two individuals on several different cell phone carriers. The health insurance for the county is up for open enrollment the beginning of May. Please inform your employees and take the time to think about any changes, additions, etc you may want to your current policy. Our policy holder will have some positive changes for Glacier County to possibly include a wellness program.

At this time, Commissioner DesRosier opened the conversation for each department supervisor to give a quick update on their department and/or employees.

Charles Farmer, DES Coordinator began by telling the supervisors present that MACo would like to have all Montana counties update their safety programs. He explained by staying current with all of the new and improved safety procedures that would help the county the county's workers compensation rates and this would help lower them. Farmer added that the safety procedures will be held during the monthly supervisors meeting and he will notify each department and it will reflect on the commission's agenda.

Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door stated that with the highway projects and the wind farm will contribute to Glacier County over a three to five year. The county should see much more activity and jobs. Commissioner Tony Sitzmann added that Glacier County received the DEQ Energy Efficiency and Conservation grant that was applied for to help install new windows, heating, etc. Commissioner Sitzmann on behalf of the Glacier County Commissioner's express their gratitude to Jerilee Wilkerson for her hard work, long hours and devotion in getting the DEQ grant application in with the detail that she did.

Jeff Fauque, Deputy Undersheriff gave the March 2010 monthly report for Sheriff Wayne Dusterhoff whom could not be present. Fauque delivered the March 2010 revenue report for Glacier County Sheriff Office. Undersheriff Fauque read a letter from Sheriff Dusterhoff addressed to Glacier County Commissioners. The letter was in regards to the long range office planning and new addition to the corrections facility. The main purpose of the letter was to advise the commission that the Glacier County Sheriff's Office would like to be placed into the new building that is proposed to be built with stimulus funding in the rear lot of the courthouse and next to the new Detention facility. Sheriff Dusterhoff deems this the best plan and will help with office space issues for the sheriff's office, state driver's examiner, public health department and the county attorney. The commission will keep this letter in their thoughts when reviewing the final floor plan for the new building.

Head Dispatcher, Peggy Hartwell brought to the commissioners that the EOC budget is currently under the sheriff's department's budget and it should have its own budget. Commissioner DesRosier suggested putting the EOC's budget under the DES budget. Hartwell replied that she

had some ideas, this will give her more to think about and present to the commission at a later date.

Peggy Hartwell asked the commission if they had talked to Raemaker's (own the building across the street from the courthouse) about possibly utilizing the extra office space in the job service building. Commissioner Rides At The Door advised Hartwell that he left messages; Raemaker's won't be back in town until April 8, 2010. However he did go over to the job service building and talk to Gary Ellingson & Katie Bremner regarding the office space and they are worried about the traffic it may incur. Commissioner Rides At The Door assured those worried about the office space that shifts in office space will occur very soon.

Roy Nollkamper, Airport Authority reported to the commission that the recreational building had many years of wear and tear including housing rabbits for some time. Nollkamper and a group of individuals cleaned out the building, rabbit feces and all and prepared the building for the remodeling at the west end. Nollkamper spoke of the archery club that has shown interest in using the building for a BB gun and/or pellet gun range for the kids. The archery club has access to grants that could help maintain the building. The floors of the building are in good shape, he mentioned that you could see the old shuffle board from the years during the war. Nollkamper also suggested that the old race track across the highway from the airport be used for a short range pistol shooting range.

Commissioner DesRosier thanked all the supervisors whom took the time to come in and give an update for the county. Have a nice day.

In the chambers were the commission, Merle Cowell and Jeff Fauque. They continued their discussion regarding the long range office plan for Glacier County. Cowell informed the gentlemen that he had recently found the old phone system and the sheriff's office could use it and still have their own network. Fauque was concerned due to the deputies are in the switch system and they need to track all criminal calls. Commissioner Rides At The Door asked if the phone system needed should be web or software based. Cowell added that the summit line is a secure line system. Commissioner Rides At The Door explained the most cost effective options and this included a secured wireless system.

In keeping on the new addition to the correction facility building, Commissioner DesRosier notified those present that in the local news Governor Brian Schweitzer released the funds pertaining to this addition. Commissioner Tony Sitzmann stated that the next step is to get a variance from the City of Cut Bank. Cowell added with the time crunch we need to get working on the local contractors to submit bids. Commissioner Sitzmann said that once the county receives the variance, it will go to the planning board for approval. Commissioner DesRosier asked how long you think that will take, forty-five (45) days. Commissioner Sitzmann replied by the middle of May. Commissioner DesRosier stated that will give us time to get the frame of the building and get it enclosed. Once that is done, we can work towards the end project.

Peggy Hartwell returned to the commission chambers to discuss the EOC (Emergency Operations Center) budget. Hartwell stated that she discussed this with Cowell and the budget should be separate. All of the equipment has been donated from the dispatch department and put into an office space out at the annex for emergency purposes. Cowell express that the next step now is to sustain the budget. Commissioner DesRosier asked who will track the budget. Cowell thought it would be best if the head dispatcher be in charge of the EOC budget. Hartwell told the commission and Cowell that she would like to see a mirror 911 system thru the EOC. Commissioner DesRosier stated that this issue is very important and needs further discussion and input.

10:00 a.m. Approval: Lantis Contract Renewal

Allison Harvie, Glacier Care Center brought in a copy of the letter and the contract from Lantis regarding the Glacier Care Center's lease. The lease is not to expire until June 19, 2011. Commissioner Sitzmann admitted that we all read the date of the contract wrong. Harvie admitted that she did the same until Lantis brought it to her attention also. Jokingly, Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door motioned to table this agenda item until next year at this time. Before leaving Allison Harvie requested the April 18, 2004 accounting report from Glenda

Hall, Clerk & Recorder. Harvie asked once she had the report just to give her a call and she would stop by to pick it up.

11:00 a.m. Approve & Execute: Imperial Oil/Exxon Mobile Contract

Commissioner Michael DesRosier entertained a motion to approve and execute the Glacier County Road Use Agreement between Glacier County and Imperial Oil Resources Ventures Limited. Commissioner Tony Sitzmann motioned to approve and execute the contract, Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

12:00 pm Lunch

1:30 p.m. Discussion: IT Service Contract

Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door expressed his concern regarding the county's current IT service contract with Morris & Maierle. They are good company, but we are being over charged and work that should have been completed months ago is still not complete. He told his fellow commission that he felt it was in the best interest of Glacier County to go out for RFP for the IT Service Contract.

2:00 p.m. Discussion: City/County Summit Meeting

Present for the City/County Summit Meeting was the commissioners, Mayor Doug Embody and City Councilman Bill McCauley. The summit members discussed the public meeting that needs to be held in order to inform our community of Imperial Oil/Exxon Mobiles intentions during the process of transporting the specialized units.

1:45 p.m. Non Agenda Item – Imperial Oil/Exxon Mobile

Reg McClellan and Harry Lillo both with Imperial Oil dropped in to have Commission Chairman Michael DesRosier sign the contract that the commission approved at 11:00 a.m. While Reg McClellan and Commissioner DesRosier signed all the copies, Harry Lillo gave Mayor Embody and Councilman McCauley a brief description of the events that will be taking place in our community in the very near future.

3:00 p.m. Legal Review

The commission used this time to make and/or return phone calls, emails, etc. This time was used for administrative and daily operations review.

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

BOARD OF GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Michael J. DesRosier, Chairman

ATTEST:

Glenda Hall, Clerk and Recorder