

**GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, November 23, 2011**

The Board of Glacier County Commissioners met at a regular meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 23, 2011. 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: Treasurer Kate Salois; Jason Canney, Preferred IT Systems; Nikki Lako, Minutes

8:00 a.m. Review & Approve the Daily Agenda

The Board received a phone call first thing this morning to see if they had time to discuss IT Services. The board will amend their agenda and put the discussion item on at 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Tony Sitzmann motioned to amend the agenda by adding a discussion on IT Services with Jason Canney of Preferred IT Systems. Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door seconds the motion, the motion carried.

8:15 a.m. Review/Sign: Payroll & Claims

Dated for November 23, 2011

CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

FUND	AMOUNT
General Fund	\$ 12,245.39
Road Fund	\$ 27,151.46
Weed Control	\$ 11,185.42
County District Court	\$ 2,250.75
Library	\$ 4,695.94
Ambulance	\$ 6,002.80
City/County Planning	\$ 575.00
Public Safety (Law)	\$ 11,830.35
Alcoholism	\$ 27,300.00
Museum	\$ 416.72
Glacier Park Lights	\$ 516.09
911 Emergency (Sheriff)	\$ 579.13
P.I.L.T.	\$ 531.99
Community Transportation Enhancement	\$ 1,355.09
Health Grants	\$ 124.97
Health-MCH	\$ 2.68
Tobacco Grant	\$ 15.00
West End Cemetery	\$ 94.82
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 106,873.60
PAYROLL	\$ 211,358.93
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 318,232.53

9:00 a.m. Discussion/Approval: Rescind Flooding Declaration

DES Coordinator Charles Farmer requested that the Board rescind the flooding declaration. The Board agreed that is necessary. Commissioner Tony Sitzmann motioned to rescind the flooding declaration that was approved in Glacier County Resolution 2011-12 Emergency Declaration. Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door seconds the motion, the motion carried.

11:00 a.m. Discussion: IT Services – Jason Canney

Jason Canney formerly with Morrison & Maierle has started his own IT Service business called Preferred IT Systems. He spoke with the Board to see if the county would be interested in being a client of his. He would charge \$85 per hour and there will not be a travel charge from Helena to Great Falls. The communication will improve with the Commissioners as well as the department heads. IT Service is a progressive thing; including options, wants, needs, etc. Canney wants to focus on being a consultant and providing services.

Commissioner Rides At The Door explained to Canney that as far as IT services go for Glacier County would like it to be treated as a department with equipment and it needs to stay current and updated with the technology. This is in order to stay proficient. The county would like to be ensured that the services paid for are being received rather than paying outrageous fees for repairs and updates. A steady progression is desired. Canney added that a progressive integration would be the best; not all at once, rather incorporate as needed and/or can afford.

Kate Salois, Treasurer spoke very honestly about the past five and a half years that she has worked with Canney thru Morrison & Maierle. He is honest, very knowledgeable and has integrity. He is a liaison with the State, Black Mountain, Qwest, etc. He knows our network, phones, everything. Salois stated how nice it is to work for a nice guy that knows what he's doing.

The Board suggested as a formality for Canney to put together a general proposal of services to give them a prospective to work with. They asked for him to be detailed. They will review it and go thru the formal process to make a formal decision. The county has reservations with Morrison & Maierle at this time. Those issues are prompting the county to look for a new IT service provider. Canney is open for ideas and suggestions to reach the needs of the county. Commissioner Rides At The Door suggested to Canney to emphasize that in his proposal; sooner rather than later.

In the meantime, the question arose, what does the county do if we should need IT services. Hall replied that the county is not locked in a contract, that we can utilize whom we would like to provide those services. The Board would like to utilize Jason Canney in the case of an issue. He knows our system. Salois and Hall will pass the message along to other departments to let them know how to contact Canney until a formal proposal is chosen.

There being no further business for the day, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 a.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