

**GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, August 4, 2011**

The Board of Glacier County Commissioners met at a regular meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 4, 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 not present due to personal reasons.

Present throughout the day: Bill Bandel, GC Road Supervisor; JC & Hapi Seewald and Rod Perry, Public; Sheriff Napi Billedeaux; Under Sheriff Maurice Redhorn; Sergeant Tom Seifert; Nikki Lako, Minutes

8:00 a.m. Review/Sign: Payroll & Claims

Dated for August 4, 2011

CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

| FUND | AMOUNT |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| General Fund | \$ 45,917.70 |
| Road Fund | \$ 80,710.03 |
| Weed Control | \$ 5,048.83 |
| Library | \$ 576.58 |
| Ambulance | \$ 4,599.00 |
| Public Safety (Law) | \$ 1,614.26 |
| Alcoholism | \$ 23.99 |
| Museum | \$ 356.77 |
| 911 Emergency (Sheriff) | \$ 972.24 |
| Enhanced 911 Emergency (Sheriff) | \$ 71.90 |
| Glacier County Transit | \$ 168.23 |
| Accelerated Tax | \$ 742.85 |
| P.I.L.T. | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Health Grants | \$ 681.56 |
| Health-MCH | \$ 611.72 |
| West End Cemetery | \$ 118.36 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | \$ 144,214.02 |
| PAYROLL | \$ 147,433.92 |
| GRAND TOTAL | \$ 291,647.94 |

9:00 a.m. Discussion: Road Issues – JC & Hapi Seewald

JC & Hapi Seewald came in to discuss their concerns regarding the Landslide Butte Road. For years the road has been graded and maintained by the county. They recently were informed that the road may in fact not be a county road. Commissioner Michael DesRosier explained that the county is working with the Tribe to establish a road inventory to determine which roads belong to which entity. Bill Bandel, Public Works added that this particular road is one of the roads that need clarification of who owns it. He also informed the Seewalds that the road should be graded later today according to the maintenance schedule. Seewald asked about making the road a county road if it is found to be a private road. Commissioner DesRosier explained the process including easements, etc. Seewald knows that the first quarter mile of the road is BIA and the road is used by several farmers, colonies and public on a regular basis. Rod Perry, a farmer asked how to find the recording(s) if there are any documenting whether it's a county road or not. Hapi Seewald explained that she already checked with the Recording Clerk, Loretta Torgerson and there were no records found. Perry asked if the county would be willing to add the road to the county inventory if all the necessary documents were presented. Perry also asked if he and Seewald had a culvert if the road department would install it. Bandel replied yes and if the road is found to be county inventory or becomes a county road the road department will install the culvert. Seewald will stay in contact with Bandel thru this process.

Bandel spoke briefly with the Commissioners after the Seewalds left the house. He mentioned that he was taking a long weekend and will be back on the following Wednesday. Bandel also spoke of applications received for the Browning shop and a purchase of a vehicle from Huggy Bear Hughes.

9:45 a.m. Non-Agenda Item: EMS

EMS Supervisor Amie Allison discussed an ambulance repairs with the Commissioners. A local business quoted Allison almost \$15k for a new engine for this ambulance when Bison Ford in Great Falls fixed the problem for approximately \$135. It had several recalls including a sensor that solved the problem. The Commissioners intend on addressing the local business owner regarding this situation.

10:00 a.m. Discussion/Approval: Sanitarian Contract – Ron Anderson

County Attorney Carolyn Berkram presented the Board of Commissioners Ron Anderson's Sanitarian contract that she reviewed and had her seal of approval. Berkram explained that the only minor changes were the wage increase with the duties of the junk vehicle program. After reviewing the Sanitarian Contract Commissioner Tony Sitzmann motioned to approve the contract with Ron Anderson of RCJ Enterprises. Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door seconds the motion, a unanimous vote passed for the approval.

**Glacier County Resolution
Glacier County Sanitarian Contract – RCJ Enterprises
Resolution 2011-26**

WHEREAS, Glacier County, Montana, desires to retain the services of RCJ Enterprises, Inc. and Ron Andersen, its sanitarian to serve as an independent contractor to provide sanitarian services to Glacier County, Montana, and to perform the duties of sanitarian as set forth in Title 37, Chapter 40 of the Montana Code; and

WHEREAS, a form of contract was presented to the regular meeting of the Board of Glacier County Commissioners on August 4, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the form of contract was found to be acceptable;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Glacier County Commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to execute that certain Contract for Sanitarian Services between Glacier County, Montana, and RCJ Enterprises, Inc., and its sanitarian, Ron A. Andersen of Cascade, Montana, dated August 4, 2011, in the form presented to the regular meeting of the Board of Glacier County Commissioners on that date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 4th day of August, 2011.

After reviewing the Sanitarian Contract Commissioner Tony Sitzmann motioned to approve the contract with Ron Anderson of RCJ Enterprises in the form of Resolution 2011-26. Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door seconds the motion, a unanimous vote passed for the approval.

10:30 a.m. Non-Agenda Item: EMS Department

The Commissioner's chambers were closed in order to address a personnel issue. The chambers were re-opened at 11:00 a.m. to continue with their regularly scheduled agenda.

11:00 a.m. Discussion/Approval: Vehicle Purchase – Sheriff Department

Sheriff Napi Billedeaux spoke with the Commissioners regarding his budget for the fiscal year 2012. Included that budget Billedeaux has a vehicle purchase. Sergeant Tom Siefert has received bids from four (4) dealerships:

- Northern Ford \$30,136
- Northern Chrysler \$26,200
- Bell Motor \$27,685

Vito Enterprises \$25,992

Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door motioned to approve the Sheriff Departments purchase of a new public safety vehicle from Northern Chrysler for \$26,200. With no further discussion, Commissioner Tony Sitzmann seconds the motion, the motion carried.

Sheriff Billedeaux informed the commissioners that he requested bids from the local dealerships for oil changes and regular vehicle maintenance (LOF) at every 5k miles. He is going to review the bids and go with the best fit for the needs of the department's vehicles.

Commissioner Sitzmann brought up the large conference room table in their new office. The commissioners would like them to rethink such a large table due to the possibility of it being a safety/fire hazard. Even if they sized it down a bit, it would still have adequate table space. Billedeaux is going to call Billmans and have them look at it and see what they can do. Sitzmann also mentioned that the bars that they intend on putting over the windows may also be a hazard. He thought the sheriff might look into the pull down metal covers rather than the bars. Billedeaux asked if the commissioners could express the urgency to the contractor that needs to install the hand railing for the outdoor stairs.

12:00 pm Lunch

1:30 p.m. Discussion: Glacier County Transit – Deb Brandon

Glacier County Transit's director Deb Brandon came in to discuss the daily business of the transit system. She would like to add an extra run on the regular transit days (Monday & Thursday) to Browning to coordinate with the Northern Transit's run to Great Falls in the afternoon. Commissioner Rides At The Door believes that would be a good idea; there are always hitchhikers with the same intentions.

The remainder of the discussion was in closed chambers in order to address personnel issues.

There being no further business for the day, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 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