

**Glacier County Commissioners
Tuesday, January 12, 2021
Regular Meeting
Browning, MT**

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regular scheduled meeting at 9:00 am Tuesday, January 12, 2021. Commissioners Michael J. DesRosier, Mary Jo Bremner and John B. Overcast was present with HR Director Michael Kittson taking minutes.

Present at the Meeting: Glacier County Treasurer Don Wilson; GC Road Supt. John Evans; Garth Stewart, Public; John McGill, Press; Harry Barnes, Public; Crystal Cole, Glacier County Assistant Elections Administrator; Chancy Kittson, GC CFO; Mike Kittson, GC Human Resource Director

A. Roll Call

Meeting called to order @ 9:10 am by Chairman Michael DesRosier. All members present.

B. Approval of Agenda: Chairman DesRosier ask for any changes or additions to the agenda. No additions or changes voiced. Agenda approved for business.

C. Reading of the Minutes: n/a

NEW BUSINESS:

D. Discussion/Approval: Request to Advertise Grader Bids – John “Snoop” Evans, Glacier County Road Supervisor

Glacier County Road Superintendent John Evans discussed the position of current grader lease. Requesting approval to “publish” bid solicitation for two weeks. Chairman DesRosier discussed equipment lease and processes. Discussion among commissioners. Commissioner Bremner reiterated goal of seeking grants and grant funding of goals of departments. Chair DesRosier agreed, stated past successes of grant funded projects. Chair DesRosier ask for motion to approve GC Road Supt Evans to seek bids for graders;

Commissioner Overcast motions to approve the advertisement of the Grader Bids; Commissioner Bremner seconds the motion; motion carried all in favor, zero opposed.

Public Comment: Garth Stewart, Public commended the importance of coordinating with the Blackfeet Tribe and Bureau of Indian Affairs and asked if either might help paying for equipment. Supt. Evans stated his past and current coordination with State, Tribe and Federal entities and working closely with all parties. Discussion.

E. Organizational Meeting-Glacier County Commissioners

Chairman DesRosier explained the process of electing internal Chair, Vice Chair appointment by the Board of Commissioners stating historically the last two years of a board member was appointed as Chair. Commissioner Overcast stated the rotation was messed up on the last appointment as former Commissioner McKay didn’t want the

Chairmanship position. Commissioner DesRosier explained it wasn't really a rule but historically the process was the final two years of a board member was voted chair. Chairman DesRosier opened motion for nomination of Chair for Glacier County Commission.

Commissioner Overcast didn't want the position due to his short time on the Board, thus nominating Commissioner Mary Jo Bremner for Chair. Commissioner DesRosier seconds the nomination. Commissioner Bremner discussing and accepting nomination. Call for vote, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

Commissioner Mary Jo Bremner appointed Chair of the Glacier County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Bremner made a motion for Commissioner Michael J. DesRosier for Vice Chair, Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion. Commissioner DesRosier accepts, all in favor, none opposed.

Commissioner Michael J. DesRosier appointed Vice Chair of Glacier County Board of Commissioners. Discussion.

Commissioner Overcast discussed that the tour of satellite offices wasn't on the agenda and he would not participate. Discussion on process of tour. Commissioner DesRosier explained past examples of site visits and wasn't an "illegal meeting". Chair Bremner explained the commissioners could attend individually and would not communicate during the tour to avoid any violations and further reminded of the process previously discussed and approved by the board in a previous meeting. Commissioner Overcast reiterated he wasn't comfortable because it wasn't on the agenda. Commission Chair Bremner stated there will be no discussions or decisions made during the tour.

OTHER BUSINESS

F. Public Comment

Garth Stewart, Public commented on the spending of dollars on the Browning Satellite Office. Chair Bremner explained the money for satellite office will come from an existing grant. Discussion about grant money.

G. Next Meeting-Thursday, January 21, 2021-Cut Bank

Chair Bremner asked for motion to adjourn. Commissioner Overcast made motion; Commissioner DesRosier seconds. Motion carried; meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

GLACIER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Mary Jo Bremner, Chair

ATTEST:

Mandi Bird Kennerly, Clerk & Recorder