

Glacier County Commissioners
Monday, April 19, 2021
Regular Meeting (gotomtg)
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The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regular scheduled meeting at 9:00 am on Monday, April 19, 2021. Commissioners Mary Jo Bremner, Michael DesRosier and John B. Overcast were present.

Present at the meeting: Jimmy Littrell, Glacier County VFD; LeAnne Kavanagh, Press; Carol Larson, Rhea Morgan, Laurie Elhard, Belinda Bullshoe, Public; Kari Lewis, Glacier County MSU Extension; Jake Gustafson, Leavitt Insurance Group; Terryl Matt, Glacier County Attorney; John “Snoop” Evans, Glacier County Road Supervisor; Rod Bullshoe, Glacier County Road Department; Mandi Bird Kennerly, Minutes

Present via GoToMeeting: (1) caller; Brenda Schilling; Gloria; Jim Yeagley; Kim Stoltz; Linda Burley; Linda Luther; Mike Kittson; Janine Scott; TM

A. Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 9:06 a.m.

B. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Bremner would like to add the July 2020 through March 2021 Amended Cash Reports to the agenda for approval; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

C. Approval of the Minutes: n/a

NEW BUSINESS:

D. Discussion/Approval: Glacier County VFD – Jimmy Littrell, Fire Chief

Jimmy Littrell, Glacier County VFD is available to explain that their department has had an old Rural 3 which is a Type II 1977 International fire truck that was decommissioned and they would like to get permission to sell to an interested buyer and use the proceeds toward a light air system (breathing apparatus). They use the system when they go into house fires.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to sell the Rural 3 Type II 1977 International fire truck and use the proceeds toward the purchase of a light air system; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

E. Discussion/Approval: SNAP-Ed Office Space – Kari Lewis, Glacier County Extension Office

Kari Lewis, Glacier County MSU Extension is present to explain what the SNAP-ED Program does for Glacier County. It provides adult and child programs to all of Glacier County. She explains that Jodi Duncan is a staff member that is doing these programs in Glacier County and as well for Toole County. She states that it is a well attended program in

all areas, but the state extension office would like to add a position just in the Browning area due to the need and attendance; but will need space for this person. They would like to see if Glacier County could offer any office space in Browning. They can't advertise for the position until they have adequate space for the new person coming on. Commissioner Bremner explains that the county doesn't have the space right now, but we will re-visit this after we get a concrete layout of the new office building. Commissioner DesRosier states that he thought that we did have a small office available at the current Browning Satellite Office as they had an office for the Driver Examiner if the county was able to get those services back in Browning. Commissioner Bremner asked about the timeline of when they would start and need the space. Kari stated that as soon as there is space available, they will go out for advertisement for the position. Commissioner Bremner and DesRosier both agree that they think they can go ahead and approve the space so that MSU can get someone hired in this position as the need is there. Kari stated that she would follow-up with the commissioners when they have a designated person.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to allow space for an MSU Extension SNAP-ED office at the Browning Satellite Office; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

F. Discussion: Rod Bullshoe Honoring: Road Scholar Level 1 – Mary Jo Bremner, Glacier County Chair

Commissioner Bremner would like to honor Rod Bullshoe, Glacier County Road Department for his accomplishment of attaining his Road Scholar I Certificate. John "Snoop" Evans, Glacier County Road Supervisor explains that the Road Scholar Certificate is a program through Montana LTAP (Local Tech Assistance Program) and that this program was started some years ago at the MACR (Montana Association of County Road Supervisors) Annual Conference. Rod is the first employee at the Road Department to receive the certificate. It requires 11 training sessions and he explains that next year he will have 5 or 6 more completing the program. Commissioner Bremner states that it's important to honor employees for their accomplishments. Rod talks about the program and that he started the program around 2013 and talks about the next goal is the Road Master Certificate. Commissioner DesRosier states that it shows the quality and character of our employees. It takes a lot of extra effort and congratulates Rod for his accomplishment. Commissioner Overcast also congratulates Rod and states that it is a great accomplishment.

G. Closed Meeting: Personnel – Mary Jo Bremner, Glacier County Commission Chair

*** This item was moved until after Public Comment, the closed session started after the Public Comment was done. The minutes from the closed session were sealed and given to the Glacier County Attorney to file. ***

H. Addition to the Agenda: Approve July 2020-March 2021 Cash Report

Commissioner Bremner states that she did go through all the cash reports and that she will sign each month and pass them on to the other commissioners.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to approve (9) Cash Reports as presented from July 2020 through March 2021; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

I. Public Comment

Elaine Mitchell, Public asks if the bank reconciliations are with each cash report?
Commissioner Bremner states that she believes so.

LeAnne Kavanagh, Press states that given the timeline of when the paper goes out, she doesn't think that they won't be able to get the picture of Rod in the paper this week; but we will contact him and get a special on him in next weeks paper. She also asks if the approved cash reports were sent to the State. Discussion was had and it was determined that they were most likely going to the State for the first time.

J. Next Meeting – Tuesday, April 27, 2021 – Browning

The public portion of the meeting ended at 9:55 a.m. and the commissioners went into their closed session. They reconvened at 11:20 a.m.

The commissioners and Terryl Matt, Glacier County Attorney talk about the Montana Department of Revenue letter, HB 302 and the lawsuits still active for Glacier County. No decisions were made.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to adjourn at 11:31 a.m.; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.