

Glacier County Commissioners
Thursday, July 15, 2021
Regular Meeting (GoToMtg)
Cut Bank, MT
“Special Meeting”

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a special meeting at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, July 15, 2021. Commissioners Mary Jo Bremner and John B. Overcast were present. Commissioner DesRosier was absent.

Present at the Meeting: Clayton Johnson, WIPFLI Auditor; LeAnne Kavanagh, Press; Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO; Don Wilson, Glacier County Treasurer

Present via GoToMtg: (4) Callers; Brenda Schilling; Carolyn Berkram; Gloria; Not Applicable; TM; gcems

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners will be having a Special Meeting with their Auditor WIPFLI, LLP on Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in the Glacier County Commissioner Chambers, 512 E. Main, Cut Bank, for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Audit Exit Conference. Please see GoToMeeting information below.

Commissioner Bremner calls the meeting to order at 11:08 a.m. This is a special meeting that was called to do our Audit Exit Conference for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. Clayton Johnson states that we will take a look at your Annual Financial Report ending June 30, 2020 and I will go through the findings/other major items. Please interject if you have a question and I can explain it in further detail. Clayton goes through the report and explains the important details so that the commissioners can get a good view of what is all required for us to issue our auditor’s statement. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the audit. Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO states that they have to write up responses on all the findings as part of the process. We are working on the responses and will have those submitted before July 26, 2021. He states that Commissioner Bremner will see the responses and be in agreement with what we’ve determined will correct the finding. Chancy states that we have a great auditor with several communication lines to get our answers and that is really an important factor in a county having a successful audit process.

Public Comment:

LeAnne Kavanagh, Press asks if the auditors are doing field work earlier for FY2021? Commissioner Bremner states “Yes.” LeAnne asks if you have a goal date for the next audit? Commissioner Bremner states that we don’t have a specific date, but that we have a goal to get the process going earlier than usual. LeAnne asks about the comment on the General Fund owing Agency Funds what those funds are. Don Wilson, Glacier County Treasurer state that he doesn’t know them all off the top of his head, but he does know that a few are Public Safety and the Ambulance departments. LeAnne also asks if anyone is going to be able to answer her list of questions from July 2nd as she is still waiting for a response. Chancy Kittson, Glacier County

CFO asks LeAnne if she can resend the email. Commissioner Bremner states that she did try to forward the email to Chancy, but it failed to send. LeAnne asks about the payroll finding and that it has been stated that it was from a hire in the Clerk of District Court's office. She had asked Janine Scott, Retired Clerk of District Court regarding this finding and that it shouldn't be from her office. Commissioner Bremner states that it is from her two hires in the office, but she will double check with Human Resources and get a response back to LeAnne. LeAnne asks if the audit will need to be resubmitted after the responses to the findings are approved? Clayton Johnson, WIPFLI Auditor states "No, there is a State requirement that they have to respond to the findings." LeAnne also asks who will send the Audit Publication to the press? Clayton states that he will send it to Chancy.

Commissioner Overcast motions to adjourn at 12:46 p.m. Commissioner Bremner seconds the motion; motion carried.