

Glacier County Commissioners
Wednesday, November 24, 2021
Regular Meeting (gotomtg)
Cut Bank, MT

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regular scheduled meeting at 9:00 am on Wednesday, November 24, 2021. Commissioner Mary Jo Bremner, Michael J. DesRosier and, John B. Overcast was present. Mandi Bird Kennerly, Clerk & Recorder taking minutes.

Present at the meeting: Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director, Jeri Johnson-Elliott, Commissioner Administrative Assistant

Present via GoToMeeting: (1) Caller; Austin, Elaine, Kristi Rowell, TM.

A. Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m.

B. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner DesRosier motions to approve the agenda; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

C. Approval of the Minutes: 7/19 & 7/20/2021

Commissioner Overcast motions to approve the minutes; Commissioner DesRosier seconds the motion; motion carried.

D. Review/Sign: Payroll/Claims

Dated for November 24, 2021

CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

FUND	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
1000	General Fund	\$ 35,021.79
2110	Road Fund	\$ 20,644.15
2140	Weed Control	\$ 52.41
2180	County District Court	\$ 104.82
2230	Ambulance	\$ 30.00
2250	City/County Planning	\$ 1,000.00
2260	Emergency Disaster (DES)	\$ 175.68
2300	Public Safety (Law)	\$ 28,997.79
2360	Museum	\$ 218.16
2394	Records Preservation Fund	\$ 639.95
2850	911 Emergency (Sheriff)	\$ 501.93
2863	Glacier County Transit	\$ 495.81
2918	Sheriff Law Enf Grant - Stonegarden	\$ 2,565.77
2960	Health Grants - Emerg Prep	\$ 4,347.23
2971	WIC	\$ 3,456.79
2976	Immunization Grant	\$ 312.51
2991	American Rescue Plan Act	\$ 30,241.01
7302	West End Cemetery	\$ 204.02
	TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 129,009.82
	PAYROLL	\$ -
	TOTAL PAYROLL & CLAIMS	\$ 129,009.82

NEW BUSINESS:

E. Discussion/Approval: Employee Turkey Drawing (donation by Commissioner Bremner)

Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director and Carolyn Popelka, Glacier County Payroll Clerk were present to do the drawings of the (4) turkeys and \$50 gift card. Commissioner Bremner drew Irma Smrcka for the 1st turkey. Commissioner DesRosier drew Melissa Johnson(C&R) for the 2nd turkey. Commissioner Overcast drew Jason Sullivan (Sheriff) for the 3rd turkey. Mandi Bird Kennerly, Clerk and Recorder drew Doug Reevis (Maintenance) for the 4th turkey. Commissioner Overcast drew Sarah Horn(C&R) for the \$50 gift card. Commissioner Bremner thanks everyone for their participation.

OTHER BUSINESS:

F. Public Comment

Commissioner Bremner provides an update about the email being down.

Commissioner DesRosier comments on the article in last weeks paper about Cut Bank Schools paying their teachers \$1500 with ARPA money and how it is a double standard because of how the county was criticized for giving out our ARPA money. He also asked if the schools were scrutinized as much as we were on how they distributed the ARPA funds. Commissioner Bremner explained how Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO was burning the midnight oil getting the application done so Glacier County could receive the ARPA funds. The talk of inflation came up and how they can go about rewarding our employees. Commissioner Overcast mentioned how Pondera County used their ARPA funds to develop the east side of the interstate. Commissioner Bremner offers input on the School District #9 incentive checks. Discussion on the ARPA funds continues.

Commissioner Overcast voices a few of his concerns, the first one being that no one had told him the DOR meeting had been canceled and if he would have known, he could have made it to the Browning Meeting. Commissioner Bremner said she did not find out until she came down on Monday and Chancy had told her that it was cancelled. Commissioner Overcast's 2nd concern was that he was left out on hiring Jeri for her current position and that the process was not done correctly. Commissioner Bremner states that Michael Kittson had hired Jeri without her permission. Commissioner Bremner talked about how she would try keep the other Commissioners better informed about what is going on. Commissioner DesRosier stated that after the meeting they had talked about it and he had told Michael Kittson that he was Human Resources Director and to go ahead with the process of hiring Jeri. Commissioner DesRosier stated that they did what they had to do. The Commissioners talked back and forth about the hiring process and how it should be done in the future.

Commissioner Bremner stated that the Commissioners oversee and are the bosses of all the other elected officials. Commissioner Bremner also stated that she does have the

power and backing to do what has to be done because she was voted in as Chairman by the other Commissioners.

G. Next Meeting – Tuesday, December 7, 2021 – Cut Bank

Commissioner DesRosier motions to adjourn at 10:15 a.m.; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.