

**Glacier County Commissioners
Monday, December 20, 2021
Regular Meeting (gotomtg)
Cut Bank, MT**

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regular scheduled meeting at 9:00 am on Monday, December 20, 2021. Commissioners Mary Jo Bremner and Michael DesRosier were present. Commissioner Overcast was late to the meeting but was present. Austin Parrent taking minutes.

Present at the meeting: Carol Larson and Laurie Elhard, Public; Mary Miller and Laura No Runner, Prevention; Jenny Krapf, Glacier County Health Director; Melissa Giard, Opportunities Inc. Community Outreach & Program Development Coordinator; Maurice Redhorn, Glacier County Undersheriff; Terryl Matt, Glacier County Attorney

Present via GoToMeeting: (1) caller; Austin; Becky; Elaine; Gloria; LeAnne; TM

A. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

B. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner DesRosier motions to approve the agenda with no changes; Commissioner Bremner seconds the motion; motion carried.

C. Approval of the Minutes: n/a

OLD BUSINESS:

D. Discussion/Approval: FY2021 & FY2022 Wipfli Audit Contract Amendment (Single Audit) – Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO

Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO is present to explain the amended audit contract with Wipfli. Chancy states that the original contract did not include the pricing for a federal audit. Glacier County received ARPA funds in which will make the county move into a federal audit status which includes an additional cost. The original contract was \$70,000 and the new amount is \$87,500.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to approve the FY2021 & FY2022 Wipfli Amended Audit Contract in the amount of \$87,500; Commissioner Bremner seconds the motion; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

E. Discussion: Montana Marijuana Data Discussion for Glacier County – Melissa Giard, Opportunities Inc.

Melissa Giard, Opportunities Inc. Community Outreach & Program Development Coordinator is present to talk with the Glacier County Commissioners about Montana Marijuana data and statistics among youth & adults. She also wanted to review the steps for marijuana sale implementation for Montana and other local counties. Melissa presents other

concerns/issues around suicide and problems that it is causing in our State. She recommended that it would be a clever idea to put a cap on the total number of dispensaries in the county. Commissioner Bremner states that Glacier County has (2) currently. She thanked Melissa for the data & statistics and that it will help with creating the guidelines in the county. There is a lengthy discussion about this subject.

F. Discussion/Approval: Family Planning Program Task Order (1/1/2022 to 3/31/2022) – Jenny Krapf, Glacier County Health Department Director

Jenny Krapf, Glacier County Health Department Director is present to get approval for the DPHHS – Family Planning Program grant in the amount of \$30,000 from 1/1/2022 through 3/31/2022. She states that this will help Glacier County pay for a Full-Time Nurse and will help the health department fill some gaps in the department. Jenny states that it was an incredibly competitive grant, but Glacier County was given priority.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to approve Task Order Number 22-25-5-11-052-0 Family Planning Program Grant; Commissioner Bremner seconds the motion; motion carried.

G. Discussion/Approval: Opioid litigation eligibility and claim requirements – Terryl Matt, Glacier County Attorney

Commissioner Bremner states that Montana was in a class action opioid lawsuit and it will bring revenue/money to those in the settlement which Glacier County is included. Terryl Matt, Glacier County Attorney explains the settlement negotiation in Montana.

Montana’s settlement was maximized after the Department of Justice secured participation in the agreement from all 56 counties and six eligible cities – Billings, Bozeman, Great Falls, Helena, Kalispell, and Missoula. Local subdivisions will receive 15 percent of the settlement and may receive additional funding from the settlement abatement fund that comprises 70 percent. The remaining revenue will go to the state.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to opt in to opioid litigation eligibility with the State of Montana; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to designate Terry Matt as the authorized official/administrator; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

H. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

I. Next Meeting – Thursday, December 23, 2021 – Cut Bank

Commissioner DesRosier motions to adjourn at 11:02 a.m.; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.