

Glacier County Commissioners
Thursday, February 17, 2022
Regular Meeting
Cut Bank, MT

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regular scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2022. Commissioners Mary Jo Bremner, John B. Overcast, and Michael J. DesRosier were present. Austin Parrent taking minutes.

Present at the meeting: Travis Clark, Jake Gustafson, and Lyndie Kraft, Leavitt Group Insurance; Shannon Chamberlain, MACo; LeAnne Kavanagh, Pioneer Press; Carolyn Berkram, Glacier County Justice of the Peace; Twila Pyette, Glacier County Clerk of District Court; Vernon “Napi” Billedeaux, Glacier County Sheriff; Jody Hickey, Glacier County Sheriff’s Office Civil Secretary

Present via GoToMeeting: (1) Caller; Austin, Becky, Brenda Schilling, Claire Stone, Elaine, Gloria, Jay LeProwse, John Evans, Kimberly Winchell, Linda Luther, Sanford Stone

A. Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 9:01a.m.

B. Approval of Agenda

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

C. Review/Sign: Payroll/Claims

Dated for February 17, 2022

CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

<i>FUND</i>	<i>ACCOUNT</i>	<i>AMOUNT</i>
1000	General Fund	\$ 88,137.55
2110	Road Fund	\$ 6,936.36
2140	Weed Control	\$ 673.50
2180	County District Court	\$ 27.00
2220	Library	\$ 1,197.38
2230	Ambulance	\$ 202.60
2250	City-County Planning	\$ 1,000.00
2260	Emergency Disaster (DES)	\$ 358.80
2300	Public Safety (Law)	\$ 19,076.46
2360	Museum	\$ 1,021.54
2410	Glacier Park Lights	\$ 529.52
2863	Glacier County Transit	\$ 612.93
2918	Sheriff Law Enforcement Grant (Stonegarden)	\$ 1,096.34
2960	Health Grants - Emergency Prep	\$ 108.70
2976	Immunization Grant	\$ 79.00
7302	West End Cemetery	\$ 237.52
	TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 121,295.20
	PAYROLL	\$ 185,696.69
	TOTAL PAYROLL & CLAIMS	\$ 306,991.89

NEW BUSINESS:

D. Discussion (9:30 a.m.): Glacier County Insurance Claim Process – Leavitt Group

Jake Gustafson, Leavitt Group Insurance; talks about a few claims that have been submitted recently. The first one being the roof that blew off one of the sheds out at the Airport. The second one is a pipe that had broken in one of the rooms at the Courthouse, Commissioner Bremner gives a brief overview on the progress that is being made of the broken pipe, and the third one is a claim from the West End Cemetery.

Commissioner DesRosier mentions the Library Claim that was submitted. Shannon Chamberlain, MACo; explains that what happened with this claim was the lack of communication between Pro Clean and whoever was supposed to be in contact with them. The Travelers adjuster is saying that the mitigation invoice was not acceptable. It was above and beyond on what should have been done to Travelers is denying it so MACo has no choice but to deny it because they had already paid up to \$100,000.00. Pro Clean stated that they had permission to keep everything running.

Commissioner Bremner states that there was no communication between the Commissioners and the library board as well. Commissioner Bremner praises Austin Castle, Glacier County Library Director; on how well he is communicating with everybody since he has started his new position. Shannon recommends that in the future when there is a claim to be submitted that there is a designated contact person if anybody has any questions, or they need an update on how things are going. Becky Kimmett, Library Board Member; states that to her knowledge Shannon Pepion, Glacier County Maintenance Department Head was the person of contact for the library claim that had been submitted. Travis Clark with Leavitt Group Insurance asks Becky where they are at with the claim and Becky states, she does not know what the holdup is. Commissioner Bremner and Becky discuss the money that the insurance company had given them. Becky explains a possible litigation problem and Terryl, Glacier County Attorney; had not gotten back to them on the matter. Discussion about getting things rolling with the Browning Library continues.

Commissioner Bremner asks about the West End Cemetery and if the insurance will cover the damage that has been done. Shannon explains that there is some coverage for Glacier County Property when they are on a schedule. The headstones at the Cemetery are not on a schedule so there is not coverage for repairs on the headstones. Shannon explains that if security lights and a fence is put up, that they need to make sure Leavitt knows so it could be put on the schedule.

Travis mentions a couple other claims that need to be closed out for Glacier County.

E. Discussion/Approval (10:00 a.m.): Meeting w/ Glacier County Elected Officials – Mary Jo Bremner, Glacier County Commission Chair

Commissioner Bremner thanks the elected officials that showed up today and explains that she would like to hear how things are going in their offices and would like each official to give a report on their budget.

Vernon “Napi” Billedeaux, Glacier County Sheriff; explains his expenditure budget and how they are looking for alternate funds for the jail meals because they increased. Napi gives an overview of the calls they have received and how many inmates they have been averaging. Napi explains how Jody Hickey, Glacier County Sheriff’s Office Civil Secretary has been doing an excellent job on writing the grants for the Sheriffs office.

Twila Pyette, Glacier County Clerk of District Court; explains her budget is doing good at 43% used so far. Twila mentioned she increases the jury expenses this year and she may increase again next year. Twila explains how she would like to update her current copier because it is not compliant with the state security. Twila also talks about the courtroom leaking because of the snow on the roof and the current heating situation. Commissioner Bremner assures Twila that they are working on getting the heating system working the way it is supposed to.

Carolyn Berkram, Glacier County Justice Court; explains that her budget is at 56% in her expenditure budget. Carolyn discusses with the Commissioners the letter that she had received on February 3, 2022. Commissioner Bremner cuts Carolyn off and tells her to submit her concerns about the letter in an email. Carolyn stats that this will be the last time she attends a meeting like this. Commissioner Bremner states that she did not mean for the meeting to be confrontational.

F. Approval: Public Hearing #2 Resolution No. 2022-02 – FY2021-2022 Budget Amendment – 1000 General Fund

**GLACIER COUNTY RESOLUTION
FY 2021-2022 Budget Amendment – 1000 General Fund
Resolution No. 2022-02**

AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO
GLACIER COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS the Montana Code Annotated, Section 7-6-4006(4), grants the Board of County Commissioners the power and authority to amend the budget during the fiscal year by conducting (2) public hearings at regularly scheduled meetings; and

WHEREAS Glacier County Commissioners approved the appropriations budget for the Glacier County during its regular budget approval process and errors in revenues and expenditures budget have been identified; and

WHEREAS Glacier County Commissioners identified due to receiving Unanticipated Revenue for the Big Sky Trust Fund LinkOne Grant; the need to amend revenues and expenditures to Fund #1000.470330.730 – Economic Development – Grant fund has been identified; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Glacier County that the budget be corrected as follows:

Revenues	Description	Prior Amount	New Amount
1000.334075	General Fund- Econ Development - Grant	\$ 0.00	\$ 28,748.00
Expenditures			
1000.470330.730	Grants & Donations	\$ 94,661.00	\$ 123,409.00

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Glacier County Board of Commissioners hereby amend the original FY 2021-2022 budget by increasing appropriations in the amount of \$28,748.00 and directs the County Clerk & Recorder to allocate the increase to the above identified fund, function, and object codes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above appropriation shall become effective on February 17, 2022.

ADOPTED, this 22nd day of February, 2022.

ATTEST:

GLACIER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

/s/ Mandi Bird Kennerly, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Mary Jo Bremner, Chair

/s/ Michael J. DesRosier, Vice-Chair

/s/ John B. Overcast, Member

Commissioner DesRosier motions to approve 2022-02 Budget Amendment with edits by the County Attorney; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion is carried.

G. Discussion: Public Hearing #1 Resolution No. 2022-03 FY2021-2022 Budget Amendment – 2822 BARSAA – Glacier County Commissioners

Commissioner Bremner gives a brief explanation of BARSAA.

H. Discussion: Public Hearing #1 Resolution No. 2022-04 FY2021-2022 Budget Amendment – 2220 Library – Glacier County Commissioners

Commissioner Bremner gives a brief explanation of how this budget will have to change because of the \$2000.00 deductible Leavitt gave back today.

I. Discussion/Approval: MSU Blackfeet Extension Letter of Support – Glacier County Commissioners

Commissioner DesRosier for the letter of support to be approved; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion is carried.

J. Approval: December 2021 & January 2022 Cash Report – Glacier County Commissioners

Commissioner DesRosier motions to approve the Cash Reports for December 2021 & January 2022; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion is carried.

Commissioner Bremner assigns Commissioner Overcast and Commissioner DesRosier items to research regarding FOIA Requests and what the mileage reimbursement rates for other counties are

OTHER BUSINESS:

K. Public Comment

No Public Comment

L. Next Meeting – Tuesday, February 22, 2022 – Browning

Commissioner DesRosier motions to adjourn the meeting at 11:33 a.m.; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion is carried, meeting is adjourned.