

**Glacier County Commissioners
Tuesday, May 10, 2022
Regular Meeting
Browning, MT**

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regular scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 10, 2022. Commissioners Mary Jo Bremner, Michael J. DesRosier and John B. Overcast was present.

Present at the Meeting: Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director; Pat Schildt, Public/Owner Browning Satellite Office

A. Roll Call

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

B. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner DesRosier motions to table item C; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

C. Discussion/Approval: Sweetgrass Development 2022 Dues (\$2,000.00) – Glacier County Commissioners

This item was tabled to another agenda.

D. Discussion/Approval: Glacier County Surplus Auction June 3, 2022 – Glacier County Commissioners/Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO

The commissioners discuss that they would like to have an auction on Friday, June 3, 2022. Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO is taking the lead on the auction. It is mentioned that it would be convenient to have a way to bid electronically. They would like to see that everything that doesn't sell get recycled.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to have a Glacier County Surplus Auction on Friday, June 3, 2022; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

E. Discussion/Approval: FY2022-2023 Glacier County Employee Health Insurance (\$790.50 per employee) - Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director

Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director is present to explain the FY2022-2023 Glacier County Health Insurance and the increase in rates. He states that the insurance went up 6% this year which would cost the county \$790.50 per employee versus \$745.07 per employee last fiscal year. We did make a change in the dental, eye & life insurance companies. We will now have a better dental plan with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana, and they will now be our agent for all our plans. There is a general discussion of the year's past.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to approve the new rate of \$790.50 per employee which is the \$1000 deductible, high vision & dental plans for the FY2022-2023 fiscal year for Health Insurance; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

F. Discussion/Approval: Recommend District #1 (3yr term) & District #3 (1yr term) Compensation Board Members – Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director

Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director explains that Glacier County's Compensation Board is set by statute and section 7-4-2503 (4)(a)(iv) requires two to four resident taxpayers appointed initially by the board of county commissioners to staggered terms of 3 years, with the initial appointments of one or two taxpayer members for a 2-year term and one or two taxpayer members for a 3-year term. Glacier County has three taxpayer compensation board members from each Commissioner District. We have two vacancies that need to be filled currently District #1 (3-year term) & District#3 (1-year term) and the commissioner in that district is asked to find a taxpayer or citizen in their district. We have only one applicant for District#3 (Commissioner DesRosier) which has shown interest. I didn't have any interest in District#1 (Commissioner Overcast); however, I did get an inquiry last week and we're getting them paperwork. When we get these two positions filled, we can then have a Compensation Board meeting. The one applicant is Glenda Hall who would be in Commissioner District#3. Michael Kittson explains that Glenda was on the compensation board for all of the years during her capacity as the Clerk & Recorder from 2007 to 2018. He mentions that she is really the one who educated him on how the compensation board is run as the compensation board was moved under him last year from the current Clerk & Recorder due to payroll being under Human Resources.

Commissioner DesRosier motions to approve Glenda Hall as the District#3 Compensation Board Member (1-year); Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

G. Public Comment

Pat Schildt, Public/Owner Browning Satellite Office is present to discuss the Browning Satellite Office rental agreement. He states that he looked at his computer and he had a letter from August 7, 2020, to the county commissioners. Also, in August of 2019 he had a discussion with Commissioner DesRosier, McKay and Overcast outside the office and they had discussed an increase in rent on the Browning Satellite Office to \$2,000.00 per month, but Commissioner DesRosier stated how about \$1,500.00 and that was agreeable. Pat would like to formally address this now and he would like this retroactive back to August 2019. Pat would like to make some improvements to the grounds so that they would be better for the public. He also states that Commissioner DesRosier & I have had several discussions about this, but never in a public meeting. When he looked at the current agreement, he has a concern for COVID and would like to see the carpet shampooed at least once a month. He states that the maintenance man who cleans is very efficient but feels if the carpets were cleaned it will help keep COVID away. Commissioner DesRosier states that when they had that conversation it wasn't up to him to make the decision, but that it is a board decision. He does feel that there should be increases in the rent for fairness. He also states that the county should have been working with you on the utilities. Pat states he talked with Ben Taylor Inc and has a printout of what the county's portion should have been. Commissioner DesRosier talks about other contracts, and he thinks that we should re-write the current contract as the

utilities should also be included. But the county wouldn't be able to retro this back as it was during previous fiscal years. It is discussed that the ball did get dropped, but they will meet with Glacier County CFO to discuss this and find a resolve. It is agreed that they will put this on the next Browning Commissioner Meeting on Tuesday, May 24, 2022.

Commissioner Bremner mentions limited handicap parking and that his equipment is blocking several spots that they can use. She asks if he could move some of his equipment and make more room for parking. Pat states that he will be moving his equipment out of the lot. They talk about the tentative move out date to the Browning Satellite Office that was purchased in December 2020. Pat asks when that date is and Commissioner Bremner states that her date was this month, but we just have contractors coming in and looking at what needs to be done to move in. She states that it should be a couple months, but we will make sure that we will have everything squared away with you. Pat states that he could just change the locks and keep the county's equipment jokingly. Commissioner Bremner & DesRosier reassures him that they will make sure he knows and they will make it right whenever it happens.

H. Next Meeting – Thursday, May 12, 2022 – Cut Bank

Commissioner DesRosier motions to adjourn the meeting at 10:14 a.m.; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.