

Glacier County Commissioners
Thursday, March 2, 2023
Regular Meeting
Cut Bank, MT

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regularly scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, March 2, 2023. Commissioners Mary Jo Bremner, Vernon “Napi” Billedeaux and John B. Overcast were present. Mandi Bird Kennerly taking minutes.

Present at the meeting: Laurie Elhard, Public; John “Snoop” Evans, Glacier County Road Supervisor; Michael Kittson, Glacier County

Present via GoToMeeting: Brenda Schilling; Chancy; Elaine Mitchell; Michael Kittson; Sanford Stone; kim

A. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

B. Approval of Agenda

There will be a change to the agenda on item F. from February to January and the addition of the 1/17/2023 Special Meeting Minutes approval.

Commissioner Overcast motions to approve the agenda with the changes above;

Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.

C. Approval of Minutes: 1/3, 1/5, 1/10, 1/19 & 1/24/2023

Addition of 1/17/2023 Special Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Overcast motions to approve the minutes with changes from 1/3, 1/5, 1/10, 1/17, 1/19 & 1/24/2023; Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.

D. Review/Sign: Payroll/Claims

Dated for March 2, 2023

CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

<i>FUND</i>	<i>ACCOUNT</i>	<i>AMOUNT</i>
1000	General Fund	\$ 29,816.95
2110	Road Fund	\$ 298.76
2140	Weed Control	\$ 418.67
2180	County District Court	\$ 169.74
2220	Library	\$ 359.92
2230	Ambulance	\$ 1,338.31
2260	Emergency Disaster (DES)	\$ 1,337.86
2300	Public Safety (Law)	\$ 20,006.43
2360	Museum	\$ 1,143.25
2850	911 Emergency (Sheriff)	\$ 501.93
2863	Glacier County Transit	\$ 717.74
2918	Sheriff Law Enforcement Grant (Stonegarden)	\$ 1,599.59
2960	Health Grants - Emergency Prep	\$ 954.80

2968	Chronic Disease Prevention Grant	\$ 3,043.78
2971	Women Infants & Children (WIC)	\$ 56.99
2972	Family Planning Grant	\$ 2,089.55
2976	Immunization Grant	\$ 30.00
2979	Immunization Reimbursement	\$ 311.94
7302	West End Cemetery	\$ 62.01
	TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 64,258.22
	PAYROLL	\$ 205,612.28
	TOTAL PAYROLL & CLAIMS	\$ 269,870.50

NEW BUSINESS:

E. Discussion: Glacier Care Center Lease Update – Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director

Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director is present to update the commissioners on the status of the lease update. We obtained a lease with Lantis to extend their contract end date to the end of February 2023. Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services did agree to pay Lantis \$50,000.00 to assist with the extension due to the timeline of getting licensing in the State of Montana. This will help the transition of the new company coming in to run the care center. He states that due to state law the county will need to advertise for five weeks prior to signing a new lease with a healthcare facility. Also, the extension gives time to get the negotiation done with Foundation which was sent a week ago. Alison Harvie, Public had previously mentioned that Northern Rockies Healthcare Foundation has offered their assistance financially if needed.

F. Discussion/Approval: January 2023 Cash Report – Don Wilson, Glacier County Treasurer/Glacier County Commissioners

The January 2023 Cash Report is presented for approval by Commissioner Bremner.

Commissioner Billedeaux motions to approve the January 2023 Cash Report; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

G. Discussion/Approval: Glacier Care Center (Lantis) Extension Renewal – Mike Kittson, Human Resource Director

Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director explains that Lantis agreed to continue their lease until Foundation Care can legally take over the new lease. He states that they need more time to make the transition. Things are falling into place; but the licensing takes time. In discussion with Lantis, the Glacier County Attorney and myself we have decided to put in a fail-safe language into the agreement and this will renew automatically until either party cancels the agreement. He states that Terryl Matt, Glacier County Attorney has agreed to all the language in the Second Amendment to the Lease. The first amendment to the lease was to extend the contract through February 28, 2023. The second amendment is an extension of one (1) month, through March 31, 2023 and automatically renew for periods of one (1) month thereafter, so as long as the county pays Tenant Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) upon the Second Amendment Effective Date and on the first day of each calendar month thereafter. The agreement will now be renewed consecutively until the

transition is made. Either party may terminate the Lease by providing the other party with five (5) calendar days prior written notice.

Commissioner Overcast motions to approve the Second Amendment to Lease Agreement between Glacier County & Glacier Care Center, Inc. (Tenant); Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.

H. Discussion/Approval: Glacier County Roads Department Snow Blower Lease – Mike Kittson, Human Resource Director

John “Snoop” Evans, Glacier County Road Supervisor explains that the road department is in need of a snow blower. He contacted CAT and they have a snow blower available for lease in the amount of \$8,000.00 per month and he will only need it for the one (1) month period. He also stated that they will need to purchase one in the future. Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resource Director states that they did seek (3) quotes for the lease of equipment, but there was no available snow blowers. Commissioner Billedeaux asked if there was an option to lease to own if we needed to extend the lease/rent of the equipment.

Laurie Elhard, Public made a comment that it was great they found a snow blower.

Commissioner Billedeaux motions to approve the Snow Blower Lease for \$8,000.00 for (1) month; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

I. Public Comment

Michael Kittson, Public made a comment.

Commissioner Overcast & Commissioner Billedeaux state that they will be attending MACRS (Montana Association of Road Supervisors) in Great Falls from March 27-30, 2023 and will need to cancel the Tuesday, March 28, 2023 Regular Commissioner Meeting in Browning on the next agenda.

J. Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 7, 2023 – Cut Bank

Commissioner Billedeaux motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:59 a.m.; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.