Glacier County Commissioners Tuesday, September 12, 2023 Regular Meeting Browning, MT

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regular scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 12, 2023. Commissioners Vernon "Napi" Billedeaux and John B. Overcast were present. Commissioner Bremner was absent.

Present at the Meeting: Benjamin Chodair, N8v Grown; Judd Milender, Glacier County Office of Emergency Management Director; Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO; John "Snoop" Evans, Glacier County Road Supervisor

A. Roll Call

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

B. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Overcast motions to approve the agenda with no changes; Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

C. Discussion/Approval: N8v Grown Request for License Renewal – Benjamin A. Chodar, N8v Grown/Glacier County Commissioners

Benjamin Chodair, N8v Grown is present to get the commissioners license renewal approval & signature for the cannabis dispensary. This is required by the State of Montana/Cannabis Control Division so that the business can operate withing an unincorporated area of Glacier County. For the following: CCD License # D-100154-002 - CCD License # C-100520-002 - CCD License # D-100154-004 - CCD License # D-100520-003.

Commissioner Overcast motions to approve to sign the letter for license renewal for N8v Grown in the unincorporated area of Glacier County; Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

D. Discussion/Approval: MACo Executive Director Bryson/AG Opinion on State of Montana Levies via TEAMS – Glacier County Commissioners

The commissioners were presented with a letter to sign on behalf of Glacier County to MACo regarding the 95 mills that will be taxed on this year's tax bills.

Commissioner Overcast motions to sign the letter; Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.

E. Discussion/Approval: Resolution No. 2023-16 Glacier County Stage II Restrictions Rescindment – Judd Milender, Glacier County Office of Emergency Management Director/Glacier County Commissioners Judd Milender, Glacier County Office of Emergency Management Director is present to get Resolution No. 2023-16 Glacier County Stage II Restrictions Rescindment approved. The fire danger has lifted, and this is the process that is needed to officially end the restriction.

Glacier County Resolution GLACIER COUNTY STAGE II FIRE RESTICTIONS RESCINDMENT Resolution No. 2023-16

WHEREAS, continued moderate to low temperatures and widespread precipitation have occurred within Glacier County during the latter part of August and beginning of September 2023, resulting in low dry fuel conditions and increased soil moisture conditions, which have contributed to significant drop in wildland fire danger; and

WHEREAS the Glacier County Board of Commissioners declares that all the private land not under the jurisdiction of the municipalities, state or federal agencies is a low fire hazard area.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Glacier County Board of Commissioners that the county Stage II Fire Restriction which is currently in effect for all lands in Glacier County is rescinded and any and all restrictions are lifted.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED,

- 1. That the Glacier County Office of Emergency Management shall be the lead agency in determining the need for future restrictions and shall notify the Glacier County Board of Commissioners, upon consult with local, state, tribal and federal fire partners, on the need for the activation of Staged Fire Restrictions in Glacier County.
- 2. That all individuals use prudence when burning or during any activity which may increase the probability of fire.
- 3. That this rescindment of Stage II Fire Restrictions does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any wildland fire started purposely, knowingly or negligently even if the alleged activity is within the scope of the law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution becomes effective immediately and shall remain in effect until such time as it may be amended or rescinded by the Glacier County Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this 12th day of September, 2023 as moved by Commissioner Overcast, seconded by Commissioner Billedeaux, and passed by a 2/0 vote of the Board. Effective on passage and approval.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

/s/ Mandi Bird Kennerly, Clerk & Recorder

/s/ Vernon Billedeaux, Vice-Chair /s/ John B. Overcast, Member Commissioner Overcast motions to approve Resolution No. 2023-16 Glacier County Stage II Restrictions Rescindment; Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.

F. Discussion/Approval: Black Mountain Software Master Service Agreement – Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO/Glacier County Commissioners

Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO presents the Black Mountain Software Master Agreement for FY2023-2024 that is now a GASB requirement for Glacier County.

Commissioner Billedeaux motions to sign and approve the Black Mountain Master Service Agreement; Commissioner Overcast seconds the motion; motion carried.

G. Discussion/Approval: Gravel Purchase – John "Snoop" Evans, Glacier County Road Supervisor

John "Snoop" Evans, Glacier County Road Supervisor is present to get approval to make a gravel purchase. He will be using BARSAA money to make the purchase. He did get (3) bids from Great Falls Sand & Gravel, Knife River and Michael Kittson. The best price for gravel was from Michael Kittson.

Commissioner Overcast motions to approve the gravel purchase from Michael Kittson; Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

H. Public Comment

There is no public comment.

I. Next Meeting – Thursday, September 14, 2023 – Cut Bank

Commissioner Overcast motions to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 a.m.; Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.