

**STILLWATER COUNTY
COMMISSIONER MINUTES**

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**REGULAR MEETING
April 23, 2019**

Present: Commissioners Mark Crago, Chair; Tyrel Hamilton, Dennis Shupak, members; Heidi Stevens, Admin

Others Present: Mikaela Koski, Stillwater County News, Carol Arkell, DES, Sharon Flemetis, Stillwater CD, Dana Weatherford, Weed District, Jerry Friend, Treasure, Joe Morse, Finance/HR, Mark Schreiner, Road.

Minutes: Commissioner Crago asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from April 9th and April 16th 2019. Commissioner Hamilton so **MOVED** and Commissioner Shupak **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

Announcements: 1. We have job openings in the county, Victim Witness job closed this last Friday, Economic Development is still open and will remain open until filled. The Administrative Assistant/Web Master for the Annex was closed as of last night. Joe Morse added that we also have a Sanitarian Internship position available and 1 Full time and 1 Part time Sheriff Dispatch opening in the County. We are also looking to fill some board openings. We have 2 for Tax Appeal Board, 1 City/County Planning, 1 County Planning and 2 for Beartooth Park & Rec.

Consent Agenda:

1. Letter to DPHS
2. Airport Ground Lease Assignment
3. DNRC Grants
 - a. \$500.00 Grant for Conservation Education
 - b. Admin Grant totaling up to \$4509.00

File Items: 1. TriCounty Victim Witness Quarterly Report 1/19-3/19

Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to consent to the Consent Agenda and to File the File Items. Commissioner Shupak **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

Regular Business: 1. Road and Bridge

- a. Triangle Telephone Cooperative Association Encroachment Permit

Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to approve the Triangle Telephone Encroachment Permit. Commissioner Shupak **SECONDED**. Discussion- Mark Schreiner explained that they are updating the whole Rapelje area. They are updating their main line. Commissioner Crago asked if they were bringing in Broadband? Mark S. stated yes, and they did the same thing 2 years ago in Broadview and this is an extension to the Broadview expansion. This is phase 2 of the project and he believes there is going to be another one going into Sweetgrass eventually. There will be a lot of crossings and lots of road work.

He believes it will take all of this summer and possibly next summer. Commissioner Crago asked for clarification on there being a Road Use Agreement in this package. Mark S. verified that yes, we did the same thing with this package as we did with the Broadview project. We did a road maintenance agreement and we will send this off as soon as the Commissioners approve it. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Triangle Telephone Cooperative Association Right of Way Easement

Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** that we postpone this motion. Commissioner Shupak **SECONDED**. Discussion – Commissioner Hamilton stated that it was his understanding that this came directly from Triangle and has not gone to our Legal Department. He believes that this may be already covered under the Encroachment Permit that we just passed along with the maintenance agreement. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Weed Board

a. MDT Contract for Weed Spraying

Commissioner Crago stated that this is our annual spraying of the Highways contract. Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to approve this contract. Commissioner Shupak **SECONDED**. Discussion – Commissioner Hamilton agreed that it was the annual contract and that it had indeed gone through legal and looked good. Commissioner Crago asked what the amount was? The contract read in the amount of \$20,000. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Weed Bid Opening

Commissioner Crago turned the floor over to Joe Morse to officially open the 2019 Roadside Vegetation Management Plan for Weed Spraying (Areas 1-4) Bids as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
AEI Applicators – Absarokee	1	\$100
Range Rider Land Management	3	\$90
Red Rooster Ranch Spraying	2	\$125

Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to take all bids under consideration. Commissioner Shupak **SECONDED**. Discussion – Commissioner Crago asked Dana Weatherford to go see Joe when they were done here today and we will get everything to her and she can go see the board and they can discuss it and make a recommendation. Dana agreed and stated that the board will meet and make their decision next Tuesday. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: None Heard

Meeting Adjourned: Hearing no further business, Commissioner Crago adjourned the meeting at 9:11 AM.