

**STILLWATER COUNTY  
COMMISSIONER MINUTES**

**Notice:** These minutes reflect the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners. The official minutes are on file with the Clerk and Recorder MCA 7-4-2611(2)(b).

**REGULAR MEETING**

**May 5, 2020**

- PRESENT** Commissioner Mark Crago, Chair, Commissioner Tyrel Hamilton, and Commissioner Dennis Shupak via telephone; Heidi Stadel, Clerk & Recorder  
Others Present: Dana Weatherford, Weed Dept.; Carol Arkell, DES/GIS; Marlo Pronovost, Stillwater County News.
- PLEDGE** Commissioner Crago opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- AGENDA** Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Crago **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
- ANNOUNCEMENTS** Public Health Update – Commissioner Crago announced that the State is still in Phase 1 of opening. The Stillwater County Courthouse is now currently unlocked and open. Social distancing must still be observed within the offices. Commissioner Hamilton stated that with the opening of the courthouse, Commissioner meetings will now be conducted in their office and no longer viz Zoom.
- MINUTES** April 14, 2020, Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Crago **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
- CLAIMS** #104734 – 104807 in the amount of \$140,081.77 - Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to approve the claims as presented. Commissioner Crago **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
- CONSENT AGENDA**  
**DES**  
A) 911 Grant in the Amount of \$63,470.00, 100% Paid Grant
- FILE ITEMS**  
**DEQ**  
A) Letter of Approval for Change Orders No. 1 and No. 2 for Absarokee Wastewater Treatment Improvements
- Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to consent to the consent agenda and to file the file items. Commissioner Crago **SECONDED**. Discussion – Carol Arkell explained that the grant is to continue to get the NG 911 data up to the level it needs to be for the NG 911 implementation within the next 5 years. Motion passed unanimously.
- REGULAR BUSINESS**  
**DES**  
A) DNRC Fire Control and Equipment Agreement - Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to approve the Fire Control and Equipment Agreement through DNRC. Commissioner Crago **SECONDED**. Discussion - Carol Arkell explained that this is money the county gets for unincorporated portions of the county not within fire districts. The county will also receive equipment that will be used in areas most in need and that the county will follow the guidelines as laid out. Commissioner Crago pointed out that when there are fires in these areas that they need to be reported to continue to receive the equipment. Motion passed unanimously.

**Weed Department**

A) Award Right of Way Spraying Area 1 as per Weed Board Recommendation. Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to accept and approve the bid from AEI for Area 1 weed spraying. Commissioner Crago **SECONDED**. Discussion – Dana Weatherford stated that there were two bids received for this area. The Weed Board met and chose to award the bid to the local contractor. Motion passed unanimously.

**Commission**

A) Notice of Sale of County Owned Real Property. Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to approve the notice of sale of county owned property. Commissioner Crago **SECONDED**. Discussion – Commissioner Crago explained that sealed bids will be accepted until June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The highest bid received will be the opening bid for the live auction to be held on June 17<sup>th</sup> with the location and time to be determined.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON COUNTY BUSINESS** – Carol Arkell that the burn permit system will be shut down this weekend due to high winds. Carol also added that her office will continue to ZOOM meetings.

**With no further comments hear the meeting was adjourned at 9:15.**

APPROVED BY: /s/ Mark Crago, Commissioner Chairman  
ATTEST: Heidi L. Stadel, Clerk and Recorder