

**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**

**JULY 31, 2018**

**Present:** Commissioners Dennis Shupak, Chair; Maureen Davey and Mark Crago, Members; and Lori Dobitz, Administrative Assistant.

Others Present: Coralee Hicks; Scott Waltner, Solid Waste Supervisor; Carol Arkell, Fire Warden; and Mikaela Koski, Stillwater County News.

**Pledge to Flag:** Commissioner Shupak opened the meeting at 9:00 am with the pledge to the flag.

**Public Comments:** None heard.

**Minutes:** None presented.

**Claims:** Commissioner Crago **MOVED** to approve Claim Checks No. 100587-100672 in the amount of \$694,471.79. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

**Special Issues:** 2018 Fire Season – Carol Arkell, Fire Warden, said the Northern Rockies Geographic Area Preparedness has been elevated Level 3, which means in our Zone (MT, ID, WA, and OR) there are more than three large fires and more than 50% of the national resources are already committed. Hot high temperatures in the 90’s is expected at lower elevations this week, with possible thunderstorms and possible hail activity.

**Regular Business:**

1. Boards
  - a. Tax Appeal – secretary resignation
  - b. Planning – member resignation

The Commission noted for the record that Grace Luccas, Tax Appeal Secretary and Russ Marlow, Planning Board Member, have resigned their positions.

2. Solid Waste Department – Request from Solid Waste Board to revise Policy 8.00 and move forward setting a public hearing for additional chargeable items and increases to the current items Policy 8.00. Scott Waltner, Solid Waste Supervisor, explained the Solid Waste Board, at their last meeting, came to the conclusion that the Solid Waste assessments should not increase but try to increase the chargeable items and add more chargeable items. Waltner said they would like to try and make it where the people that use it most, should be paying for it most. He said those people that use it for regular household garbage and only generate 1-2 bags a week, why should they be charged more for 1-2 bags of garbage a week? He said that is the rationale of the Solid Waste Board. The Solid Waste Board has proposed increasing fees for construction debris, tires, barrels, and start charging fees for pallets, couches, mattresses, box springs, and chairs, items that are not household garbage.

Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to set a public hearing date of Tuesday - August 28, 2018 at 9:30 AM, and make a decision on September 4, 2018.

Commissioner Crago **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Hearing no further business, Commissioner Shupak adjourned the meeting at 9:07 AM.

**Claims and**

**Warrants:**

Claims were examined and warrants ordered drawn in the amount of \$1,065,507.74 and payroll in the amount of \$440,402.70 for a total of \$1,505,910.44 for the month ending July 31, 2018.

/s/ APPROVED BY: Dennis Shupak, Commissioner Chairman

ATTEST: Heidi L. Stadel, Clerk and Recorder

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