

STILLWATER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 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 3, 2016

- Present:** Commissioners Dennis Shupak, Chair; Maureen Davey and Gerald W. Dell, Members; Lori Dobitz, Administrative Assistant. Others Present: Will Patterson, Weed Coordinator; April Limburg; Jerry Friend, Treasurer; and Rick Hanners, Stillwater County News.
- Open Meeting:** Commissioner Shupak opened the meeting at 9:00 am with the pledge to the flag.
- Claims:** Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to approve Claim Checks No. 95066 through 95138 in the amount of \$199,282.71 for the second half of April 2016. Commissioner Dell **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
- Recognition:** Employee Recognition of Service: Christene Lowell, Deputy Clerk and Recorder - 20 years; Gerald Dell, County Commissioner 5-years; Luke Buuresma, Deputy Sheriff - 5 years; and Raymond Walsh, Road Operator - 5 years.
- Special Issues:** Stillwater River Road Rockslide: Commissioner Dell said there is nothing new to report at this time.
- Regular Business**
1. Planning - Sturm Minor Subdivision Final Plat Approval - located 1.5 miles northwest of Fishtail on the east side of Grove Creek Road. April Limburg, Planning Administrative Support, stated Monica Plecker, Planning Consultant, reviewed the final submittal, conditions have been met, and recommended signing the mylars for final filing. Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to approve the final plat of the Sturm Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Dell **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
 2. Weed Management District - Will Patterson, Weed Coordinator, explained the two Department of Agriculture trust fund continuing grants that have been ongoing for the past 3 years are matched by the participants. DNRC is a contract for annual management between the county and the state. He said between the county and the State, the county will do some of the work on a few of the unoccupied state land pieces, but the majority of it will be done by the lessees of the

state land. Dell said there were eighty-six project applications for a total of two-million five thousand dollars. Of that, eighty-three proposals were approved for a total of one-million six hundred dollars. These two grants is the third year for both of them, Dell said, and very worthwhile. Patterson said both grants were fully funded from our application. When asked about administration reimbursement, Patterson said unfortunately not. It is a time consuming process, he added.

Commissioner Dell **MOVED** to approve the following:

- a. Department of Agriculture Noxious Weed Grant - Two Rivers CWMA \$17,512
- b. Department of Agriculture Noxious Weed Grant - Fishtail CWMA \$14,098
- c. Biennium Weed Plan for the MT DNRC Trustland Management Districts - \$3,875.

Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) - Commissioner Dell said this is a continuation of the Master Contract with DPHHS that covers July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2019, for emergency preparedness. It is distributed in four quarters and the total amount is \$30,142, which is \$6,782 a quarter. Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to approve Task Order/Contract #16-07-6-11-050-0, Public Health Emergency Preparedness. Commissioner Dell **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Road Department - Valley Creek Road - Commissioner Dell reported that late last fall the commission received a petition from Gary Hedges, et. al, on the Valley Creek Road, in Park City, asking for a speed study from Highway 10 to a point where the Cove Ditch crosses Valley Creek Road approximately 1.25 miles. The petitioners were notified that a speed study would be conducted in the spring after winter thaw. The Road Department conducted a speed study during the first week of March. Commissioner Dell **MOVED** to begin the ordinance process to set a speed limit on Valley Creek Road. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously. Once the hearings are set, the process takes approximately 60-90 days.

Consent Agenda: 1. Yellowstone County Crisis Center - Support Letter from Stillwater County Commissioners.

File Items: 1. MT Department of Revenue - Distribution of Oil & Natural Gas Production Tax for 4th Quarter totaled \$8,823.33 with \$4,012.86 going towards county government.

Commissioner Dell **MOVED** to place the file items to file. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: Commissioner Dell reminded everyone of the Public Hearing to be held at this evening at 6:00 PM, at the Spring Creek School House, located at 64 Spring Creek Road. The purpose of the hearing is to obtain public comments for a TSEP Project for the Spring Creek Bridge across the Stillwater River.

Meeting Adjourned: Hearing no further business, Commissioner Shupak adjourned the meeting at 9:15 AM.