

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 24, 2016

- Present:** Commissioners Dennis Shupak, Chair; Maureen Davey and Gerald W. Dell, Members; Lori Dobitz, Administrative Assistant. Others Present: Mark Schreiner, Road Superintendent; Randy Werdal, Road Foreman; Carol Arkell, Fire Warden; 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.
- Minutes Approval:** Commissioner Dell **MOVED** to approve the minutes of March 8 and March 15, 2016. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
- Special Issues**
1. Stillwater River Road Rockslide: Commissioner Dell said a delivery is expected from Fed-Ex today on the proposal from Shannon and Wilson. He said a meeting will be set up for tomorrow morning with the Rock Slide Committee to review said proposal.
 2. Montana Association of Counties - Commissioner Maureen Davey said since she was elected MACo President this year, she had the opportunity to award two scholarships, one for \$500 and one for \$1,000. She said she is honored to present the awards to Collen Culbertson, Absarokee High School (\$500); and Makayla Berry, Columbus High School (\$1,000).
- Regular Business**
1. Fire Warden - Burn Permit System- Commissioner Dell read a letter in support of retaining the permit system submitted by Carol Arkell, Fire Warden. She reported that as of today, 473 permits have been issued county wide with 781 activations in the first year. The statistics show the burn permit system is successful. The county has utilized the first year as an educational period for county residents, she said. During the first year of operations, there has been over whelming support from the fire chiefs county-wide. She is requesting the Commissioners renew the burn permit system on permeant basis and encourage the commissioners to do so by resolution in June 2016.

Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to set a public hearing date on June 14, 2016, at 9:00 AM to hear comments the burn permit system. Commissioner Dell **SECONDED**.

Discussion - Commissioner Davey inquired about the cost to participate in the program. Carol said the county's cost is \$2.00 per each permit sold. At this time, residents pay \$8.00 for the first year to obtain a permit and \$5.00 for a renewal.

Vote: Commissioner Shupak called for a vote. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Treasurer - List of delinquent personal property taxes (\$4,385) and real property taxes (\$8,168) submitted pursuant to 15-16-701 MCA, for cancellation. Commissioner Dell read a letter submitted by Jerry Friend, Treasurer, with lists of delinquent taxes, requesting the commission cancel said taxes. The Commission found the lists to be in order and the taxes uncollectible. Commissioner Dell **MOVED** to approve the Treasurers request to cancel said taxes. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Road Department - Mark Schreiner, Road Superintendent, submitted a purchase request for a 2005 Sterling LT9500 Truck with a new plow. Jacks Truck and Equipment is offering the truck to Stillwater County in the amount of \$52,100. The monies will be funded from the previously approved INTERCAP Loan.

Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to approve the request as submitted by the Road Superintendent. Commissioner Dell **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

Postponement:

Commissioner Dell **MOVED** to postpone Item No. 3 (West Rosebud Creek Road Reconstruction Project) on the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Commissioner Dell said in doing further research through the Commissioners Office; the Clerk and Records Office, and Road and Bridge Department, we have questioned whether in fact we we already have said easement and right-of- way in place. Mark Schreiner concurred. Dell said further investigation will have to take place. Commissioner Davey said new information was found since we posted the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent agenda

1. Road Department - USDA Forest Service Agreement Modification No. 2 to #14-RO-11010800-007 - funding \$5,000
2. Sheriff 's Department - **Resolution 2016-19** approving the FY 2016-2017 DUI Task Force Operation Plan. Document #365497 filed with the Clerk and Recorder.

Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Dell **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: None heard.

Meeting Adjourned: Hearing no further business, Commissioner Shupak adjourned the meeting at 9:18 A.M.