

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 APRIL 11, 2017

- Present:** Commissioners Dennis Shupak, Chair; Maureen Davey; Mark Crago, Members; and Lori Dobitz, Administrative Assistant.
- Others Present: Heidi Stadel, Clerk & Recorder; Jerry Friend, Treasurer; Nancy Rohde, County Attorney; Charles and Lana Sangmeister; Rita Westrum; Burt Williams, Joan Brownell, and Mikaela Koski, Stillwater County News.
- Open Meeting:** Commissioner Shupak opened the meeting at 9:00 am with the pledge to the flag.
- Minute Approval:** Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to approve the minutes of March 21 and the emergency meeting of March 23, 2017. Commissioner Crago **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
- Consent Agenda:** Road Department - Arnold Pit Aggregate Purchase Agreement between Williams Civil Construction and Stillwater County.
- File items:**
1. Department Reports - Monthly Fees Collected for month ending March 31, 2017.
 - a. Clerk & Recorder \$7937.28
 - b. Sheriff: \$750 month / quarterly \$1,400
 2. National Day of Prayer - Notification for May 4, 2017
 3. Stillwater Mining Company - Annual Impact Monitoring Reports - 2016 for Nye and East Boulder
 4. Department of Revenue - Mailing and Processing 2017 Classifications and Appraisal Notices
- Commissioner Crago **MOVED** to approve the consent agenda and place the file items to file. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.
- Special issues:**
1. Stillwater River Road Rockslide - Commissioner Crago reported there are no updates at this time.
- Regular Business:** Citizen Initiated Zoning - REVISITED
- a. Proposed date to cease acceptance of signatures.
 - b. Proposed date to complete verification process of signatures.

Commissioner Crago explained that at the commissioners last agenda meeting we began to propose a date to cease acceptance of signatures. The petitioning group had some questions and he met with them after the meeting. He said they came up with some give and take

which he proposed to the Clerk & Recorder and the County Attorney. He then responded to the petitioners of what he , the Clerk & Recorder, and the County Attorney felt was acceptable. They in turn countered with their proposals, Crago said.

Motion - Commissioner Crago **MOVED** to set April 14, 2017, at the close of business, be the end of acceptance of signed petitions, and no corrections made to the signatures after this date, and the submitted petitions stands as submitted. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**.

Discussion - Burt Williams stated they were given guidance by the Department of Revenue, the former Clerk & Recorder and a former Commissioner to use the cadastral system for landowner information. He said they are now faced with using the tax records and there may be discrepancies between the two stating that is putting them at a disadvantaged position. Heidi Stadel, Clerk & Recorder, said she has to use the current landowners deeds for signatures and the deed of record. She explained that her office submits the deeds to the Department of Revenue to enter into their tax data base, and they in turn send it to the state. Heidi stated she uses the cadastral system to map out all the ownerships but if there is a discrepancy she goes with the current landowner's deed.

Recess - Following a lengthy discussion on validating signatures Nancy Rohde, County Attorney, requested a recess so she can confer with the Clerk and Recorder. Granted. The Commission recessed at 9:10 AM.

Reconvene - The meeting reconvened at 9:15 and the County Attorney proposed the following: The county would accept signatures as listed on the cadastral system rather than the deed if we can absolutely show the cadastral was in error and that is where you gained your information. That is the only exception that we would be willing to make, Rohde said.

Amended Motion and Vote - Commissioner Crago **MOVED** to amend the motion to include the County Attorney's reference to the cadastral system as safe check a spelling discrepancy within the signed petition which will allow the Clerk & Recorder to accept the signature(s), and the county agrees to accept signatures as written as proposed by the county attorney and the clerk and recorder. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

Main Motion Vote - Commissioner Shupak called for a vote. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion - Commissioner Crago **MOVED** to complete the signature verification process on August 9, 2017. Commissioner Davey **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: None heard.

Recess: Commissioner Shupak recessed the meeting at 9:27 AM

Reconvened: Commissioner Shupak reconvened the meeting at 2:00 PM

**Roadside Vegetation
Management Bid**

Opening:

Joe Morse, Finance Specialist, stated this is the time and place to open the 2017 Road Spraying Bids. Lindsey Clark, Temporary Weed Coordinator, was also present. Morse opened and read aloud the following bids:

	<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
1.	Red Rooster, Roscoe, MT	2	\$100
2.	Ranger Rider, Reed Point, MT	3	\$90
3.	Monture Creek, Seely Lake, MT	1-4	\$90 (Polaris) \$105(truck)
4.	AEI, Absarokee, MT	1-4	\$93 (Area 1&2) \$98 (Area 3&4)
5.	Bob Noxious Weeds, Park City, MT	4	\$85

Commissioner Davey **MOVED** to take all bids under advisement. Commissioner Crago **SECONDED**. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned: Hearing no further business, Commissioner Shupak adjourned the meeting at 2:07 PM.