

THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF THE COMMISSIONERS
MEAGHER COUNTY, MONTANA

Tuesday

February 11th, 2025

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Met in Commissioner's Chambers

Meeting Called to Order:

Chairman Hurwitz called the meeting to order at 8:30a.m.

Commissioners Present:

Chairman Ben Hurwitz and Commissioner Errol Galt were present for the meeting.

Minutes:

ACTION #1

Commissioner Galt moved to approve the minutes from February 4th, 2025. Commissioner Hurwitz seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

Monthly County Attorney – Burt Hurwitz

Crime Victim Advocate Laura Taylor entered the chambers at 9:00 a.m. County Attorney Burt Hurwitz entered the chambers at 9:20 a.m.

Taylor discussed the recent freeze on federal funding and how that affected her grant. That has now been resolved.

Taylor stated she is currently working on a city case of partner /family member assault (PFMA) on a child. Taylor stated she is working closely with the Sheriff's office and the city on this case.

Taylor stated the mediation that was supposed to happen on a PFMA case last month was postponed until the 28th of February.

Attorney Hurwitz discussed that there have been several case workers that have moved positions within Child Protective Services (CPS), however, there have been CPS visits on cases in Meagher County which is having a positive impact.

Health Nurse Report – Eva Kerr:

County Health Nurse Eva Kerr entered the chambers at 10:00 a.m.

Kerr provided an update on the DUI Task Force meetings and the planning for the Teen Super Bowl Party held on February 9th, 2025 at the White Sulphur Springs School. The event aimed toward Jr High and High School aged students. Kerr mentioned that the even went well, although attendance was low, likely due to significant amount of illness in the community, with nine cases of influenza documented in the past week alone.

Kerr also informed the Commissioners about the Access and Functional Needs training she attended, which focused on better serving community members with specific needs, such as those in wheelchairs or those who are hearing impaired.

Additionally, Kerr announced that the Area IV Agency on Aging granted Meagher County Health with an extra \$2500 toward the Homemaker and Respite Care Programs. Kerr stated she plans to request additional funds for FY 25.26.

Kerr discussed her intention to submit a request for a Bair Grant, seeking \$10,000 this year, which is \$1,000 more than last year. Kerr mentioned discussing with County Attorney Burt Hurwitz the possibility of applying for a second Bair Grant for the Homemaker and Respite Care Program. Kerr also contacted the Red Ants Pants Foundation regarding the Homemaker and Respite Care Program but has not yet received a response. Kerr stated she may also reach out to the Camas Creek Foundation for potential funding for this program.

Abatement Region 4- Opioid Governance committee Appointment:

Ogle presented the Commissioners with the Opioid Governance Committee Region 4 By laws for Signature.

Kerr requested to be appointed to the Opioid Governance Committee.

ACTION #2

RESOLUTION FY 24.25 #59

Commissioner Galt moved to appoint Eva Kerr to the Region 4 Opioid Governance Committee, Commissioner Hurwitz seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed. The issue is hereby resolved.

Resolution opposing Legislation Limiting MT Association of Counties Lobbying on Behalf of Members:

Commissioners discussed SB 254. Commissioners have decided to hold off on signing the resolution until they are able to read and gather more information on the bill.

Public Comment:

No Public Comment.

Claims Approved:

Commissioners were presented with Claim Check #62296 through Check#62305 totaling \$20,956.91. and electronic check# -99693 through electronic check# -99683 totaling \$7,163.08. All Checks were signed as presented.

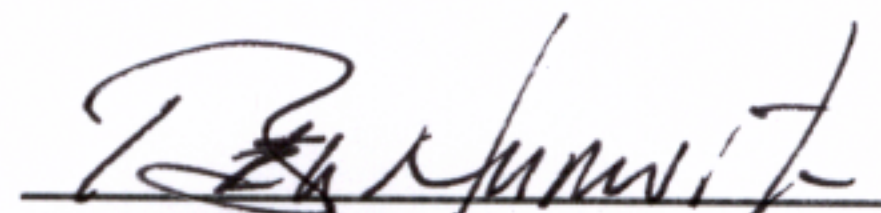
Meeting Adjourned:

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

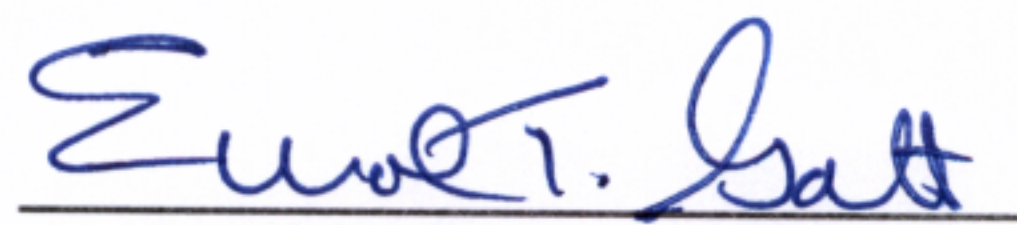
Next Meeting:

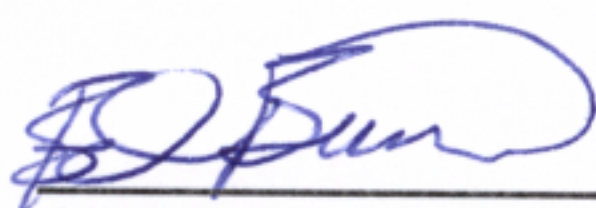
Commissioners are scheduled to meet Tuesday, February 18th, 2025.


CLERK & RECORDER


CHAIRMAN




VICE-CHAIRMAN


COMMISSIONER

Note: Minutes taken by Clerk to the Commission Jennifer Deems Distributed February 18th, 2025 to Chairman Hurwitz, Vice Chair Galt, and Commissioner Brewer, and Clerk & Recorder Liv West.