

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

**Monday**

January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026

8:53 a.m.- 11:43 a.m.

Commissioner Chambers

**Meeting Called to Order:**

Chairman Hurwitz called the meeting to order at 8:52 a.m.

**Commissioners Present:**

Chairman Ben Hurwitz and Commissioner Rod Brewer were present for the meeting.

**Public Comment:**

**Building Report-Scott Frasier**

Building Maintenance Boiler Operator Scott Frasier entered the chambers at 8:52 a.m.

Frasier and the Commissioners reviewed the recent boiler diagnosis. He was able to earn 20 hours of boiler-training credit by working alongside the technician who performed last week's assessment. Their discussion also covered electrical outlets, power supply needs, modernizing outdated electrical systems, installing battery backup units, and properly labeling breaker panels. Frasier noted that he purchased oil heaters for each room as a precaution in case the boiler experiences future issues. He also reported that the Sheriff's Office boiler continues to operate well and shared positive feedback regarding the newly hired Custodian.

**Ambulance Billing Software-Nancy Hereim**

Nancy Hereim entered the chambers at 9:54 a.m.

Jack Berg entered the chambers at 9:57 a.m.

Hereim and the Commissioners discussed the previous software prices and new software systems she has found. December 31<sup>st</sup> was the last day they could electronically file with the old system. January 31<sup>st</sup> is the last day when she can receive anything from the old system.

Chairman Hurwitz signed the AIM EMS Software & Services- Software Quote and AIM Software Sales Agreement.

Berg stated they had to get a new quote on the ambulance gurney and the difference was only approximately \$600.00.

**County Attorney Report-Burt Hurwitz**

County Attorney Burt Hurwitz entered the chambers at 10:30 a.m.

Victim Witness Advocate Laura Taylor entered the chambers at 10:32 a.m.

Attorney Hurwitz looked over the assignment to the Buy-Sell Agreement for the Chairman to sign.

Taylor provided the Commissioners with an update on the VOCA grant. It is time to reapply so she is finalizing the numbers and noted that when she was hired, the position was a ¾ time and now the Victim Witness Advocate position is more than full-time. She requested that the grant be written to fund a full-time position. In this second application cycle, no match should be required

if the grant is awarded again, meaning 100% of her costs would be covered. The grant term is two years.

County Attorney Hurwitz reported that they recently held court on several cases that are nearing settlement. He also noted an ongoing civil case related to the Martinsdale, MT road matter, and stated that there are four additional cases for which he still needs to file information.

County Attorney Hurwitz noted that although the courtroom sound-equipment budget allocates \$5,000, they will need to wait to see which components the state intends to fund. It appears the state may cover some of the equipment, which could leave the county responsible only for purchasing speakers.

County Attorney Hurwitz discussed establishing a fairgrounds board that would approve other entities that want to rent out the fairgrounds.

Discussions included the CDBG grant, the fairgrounds, the closing date of the purchase of the land designated for the fairgrounds, earnest money, ongoing cases, sound system in the courtroom, VOCA grant, and moving the date for the attorney report to 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month.

**Treasurer Report-Dayna Ogle**

County Treasurer Dayna Ogle entered the chambers at 11:18 a.m.

Ogle provided the Commissioners with the balance sheets for May, June, July, and August 2025. She noted that the May statement had been revised after she made a small adjustment to the District Court site pay. Chairman Hurwitz signed the Treasurer's statement. Ogle and the Commissioners reviewed the reports, and she explained the details, including a discussion on property taxes.

**Claims Approved:**

Commissioners were presented with Checks #63252 through Checks #63262 for the amount of \$50,606.94. All Checks were signed as presented.

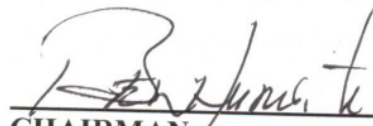
**Meeting Adjourned:**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

**Next Meeting:**

Commissioners are scheduled to meet Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

  
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CHAIRMAN

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COMMISSIONER

Note: Minutes taken by Clerk to the Commission Briana Frasier.  
Distributed January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026 to Chairman Hurwitz, Commissioner Brewer, and Clerk & Recorder Liv A. West.