

The Board of Liberty County Commissioners met in regular session on the above stated date at 10:00 AM in their office at the Courthouse. Those present were: Commissioner Larry Hendrickson, Commissioner Maureen "Morb" Wicks, and Commissioner Joette Woods.

LEPC

The Commissioner attended the monthly LEPC meeting.

EMPG

The Commissioners reviewed the Emergency Management Planning Grant for the next fiscal year. Commissioner Woods made a motion to approve. It was seconded by Commissioner Wicks and it carried with all in favor.

GENERATOR

The Commissioner discussed the generator for the Senior Center. The slab is ready for installation and the company was notified. The Commissioners will be insuring the generator and switch.

EMS

The Commissioners met with Tara Hendrickson and James Dahlen to discuss the past inspection of the Ambulance Service. They will continue to update the program to remain in compliance.

LIBERTY COUNTY TELECOMMUTING AGREEMENT

The Commissioners reviewed the Liberty County Telecommuting Agreement. Commissioner Woods made a motion to approve the agreement and it was seconded by Commissioner Wicks. The motion carried with all in favor.

LMC

The Commissioners met with Matt Waller and Kirstin Kammerzell, representatives of LMC, along with state Senator Russ Tempel. Also in attendance, was Robert Padmos and Bob Mattson. LMC brought forward some information to Russ pertaining to the upcoming Special Legislative Session. Some of the proposed cuts to the DPHS reimbursement to LMC were discussed. The meeting was well received and everyone was able to voice their concerns.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

The Commissioners attended a cake and pie social held in honor of Penny Walston's last day with the Department of Revenue.

JUSTICE COURT

The Commissioner met with Holly Frederickson to discuss the progression of the upcoming trials in Justice Court.

MENTAL HEALTH

The Commissioners met with County Attorney Robert Padmos and Justice Holly Frederickson to discuss some of their concerns with the ongoing mental health issues. The group has been trying to come up with some out of the box ideas to help with ongoing issues.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

ATTEST: _____

Clerk

Chairman

November 8th, 2017 ♦ Wednesday

The Board of Liberty County Commissioners met in regular session on the above stated date at 10:00 AM in their office at the Courthouse. Those present were: Commissioner Larry Hendrickson, Commissioner Maureen "Morb" Wicks, and Commissioner Joette Woods.

The current claims were submitted for payment. A motion was made by Commissioner Woods, seconded by Commissioner Wicks. The motion passed with all in favor.

COURTHOUSE UPSTAIRS

The Commissioners met with the upstairs offices to discuss the flooring in the bathrooms and hallways. The flooring is loose and causing a trip hazard. McNair Furniture was called to have the floor inspected to develop a plan. After meeting with all parties, it was decided to remove the original flooring and replace it. A sample was taken and sent in for asbestos testing. The test came back negative and is on file in the Commissioner’s Office. Commissioner Woods made a motion to purchase new flooring for the price of \$4,029.00. Commissioner Wicks seconded and the motion carried with all in favor.

HEALTHY LIBERTY COUNTY COALITION

Commissioner Wicks attended the monthly Coalition meeting. Lynda Van de Sant took minutes and it was well attended.

PAYROLL

Employee payroll was submitted for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Woods and seconded by Commissioner Wicks. The motion passed to approve all current wages.

EXTENSION

The Commissioners met with Jesse Fulbright to discuss the 4-H foundation meeting that he attended last week in Bozeman. There have been some bylaws changes proposed that will be voted on by the body as a whole. Jesse updated the Commissioners on the past months items that were addressed from the Extension Office. The Fair was discussed.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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Chairman

November 14th, 2017 ♦ Tuesday

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ROAD DEPARTMENT

Justin Wickum met with the Commissioners to discuss the Road Department. The graveling of the Laird Road is starting. The project will start south of Greens Hill and go towards town. The Road Department is still looking for a mechanic and will continue to advertise.

MENTAL HEALTH

The Commissioners met with Elvania Tempel and Fern Wolrey to discuss membership of the Liberty County Cemetery Board. There are only two active members now and they are advertising for members.

BEAR PAW DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Commissioner Wicks and Jim Ghekiere attended the monthly meeting in Havre. Bear Paw Development approved Liberty County’s request for a planning grant for the ADA compliance issue at the Liberty County Courthouse.

SENIOR CENTER

Glenda Hanson updated the Commissioners on the Senior Center. The Council on Aging has purchased a large Christmas Tree that will be displayed in the County owned lot across the alley. Some of the bus ridership issues were discussed.

CLAIMS

The current claims were submitted for payment. A motion was made by Commissioner Woods, seconded by Commissioner Wicks. The motion passed with all in favor.

STOCKYARD

Dick Burrows met with the Commissioners to discuss the ongoing Stockyard project. A call was made to Danny Bullard to encourage him to complete the project. He is hoping that he will be here this weekend.

JUSTICE COURT

The Commissioner met with Holly Frederickson to discuss the progression of the upcoming trials in Justice Court.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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Clerk

Chairman

November 15th, 2017 ♦ Wednesday

The Board of Liberty County Commissioners met in regular session on the above stated date at 10:00 AM in their office at the Courthouse. Those present were Commissioner Maureen "Morb" Wicks, and Commissioner Joette Woods.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

The Commissioner met with Department of Revenue representatives, Lori Glinn-Hall and Diane Jones, Clerk and Recorder Angel Colbry, and Treasurer Denise Wanken to discuss the closing of the Department of Revenue office in Liberty County. The final day for the office to open to the public will be December 7, 2017. Liberty County will be serviced by the Hill County Courthouse in Havre for Appraisals and from the Chouteau County for Property Valuation.

HOSPITAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Commissioner Woods attended a luncheon meeting for the Hospital Advisory Committee at LMC.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney Robert Padmos, donned a suit and tie for court today.

SANITARIAN

Sarah Robbin, Sanitarian, requested that she could attend a training for Prometric Training Material. She will be representing both Liberty County and Broadwater County.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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Chairman

November 21st, 2017 ♦ Tuesday

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CLAIMS

The current claims were submitted for payment. A motion was made by Commissioner Woods, seconded by Commissioner Hendrickson. The motion passed with all in favor.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Justin Wickum reported that the Road Crew is graveling the Laird Road. T & E will be taking one of the road graders and replacing it with a loaner until the new graders have arrived. The new John Deere graders are here and one of them has been delivered.

FAIR BOARD

Justin Wickum will be taking a truck and skid steer to work on removing some of the old restrooms at the fairgrounds

TREASURER'S OFFICE

Denise Wanken met with the Commissioners to discuss some issues in the current tax season. Liberty County is trying to decipher the central assisted business.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Robert Padmos met with the Commissioners to discuss the County Attorney's office.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Commissioners heard a presentation from the Liberty County Chamber of Commerce to occupy the office space used by the DOR. The Commissioners did not take any action.

JUSTICE COURT

Holly Frederickson met with the Commissioners to discuss the Justice Court. It continues to be very busy.

WEED DEPARTMENT

Jim Ghekiere met with the Commissioners to discuss a side by side purchase for the Weed Department. He is considering a cab on the side by side for operator safety. He has bids from Kabota and Bobcat. After discussing the prices, Commissioner Wicks made a motion to allow Jim to purchase the Kabota. Commissioner Woods seconded and the motion carried with all in favor.

BURLINGTON NORTHERN RAILROAD

The Commissioners sent a letter to Burlington Northern Railroad to verify that Liberty County has two fire districts. Burlington Norther is looking at compensating the fire districts for fires on the rail right of way.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Liberty County Commissioners was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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Chairman

November 28th, 2017 ♦ Tuesday

The Board of Liberty County Commissioners met in regular session on the above stated date at 10:00 AM in their office at the Courthouse. Those present were: Commissioner Larry Hendrickson, Commissioner Maureen "Morb" Wicks, and Commissioner Joette Woods.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

The Commissioners met with Justin Wickum to discuss the John Deere graders that the County is in the process of trading. The Finance Department of RDO contacted us with some of the options. Liberty County will be receiving a bid for a used grader from RDO. The loader is still having tire problems and we should receive a tire to help us through these issues.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Robert Padmos met with the Commissioners to discuss the County Attorney's office.

DOG POLICY

The Commissioners took input from concerned members of the community in conjunction with Law Enforcement and the County Attorney Office. Commissioner Woods made a motion to consider the ordinance. Commissioner Wicks seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. A copy of the proposed ordinance will be available at the Courthouse, and Sheriff's Office. A public meeting will be held on December 12, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioner's Office to consider the ordinance.

MACO INMATE EXCESS MEDICAL INSURANCE PROGRAM

Sheryl Wood Associate Director, met with the Commissioners to present the MACO Inmate Excess Medical Insurance Program to the Commissioners and Sheriff Doug Riggan. The Commissioners have asked for some clarification on some subjects.

RDO

The Commissioners met with RDO to discuss the bid for the used grader. The bid price came in as \$236,200.00. The Commissioners will take the bid under advisement.

JUSTICE COURT

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