

Park County Commission Meeting Minutes
Week of August 16 – 20, 2010
Park County, Montana

August 16, 2010

Review Daily Agenda, Correspondence and Briefing on Current County Projects

@8:33:12 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; Chad Hanson, Great West Engineering (via telephone); and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to review the daily agenda and correspondence.

Correspondence included:

- Memo re. August 17 Fair Board Agenda
- Memo re. August 17 MACo District Meeting agenda and minutes
- Memo re. MACo counsel for longevity issue
- Memo re. August 30 Montana Housing webinar
- Memo re. HB 645 proof of liability insurance
- Memo re. Park Board change of name and composition request
- Memo re. mediation notice Park County Concerned Citizens v. Park County
- Memo re. Heard Across Montana newsletter
- Memo re. Interoperability Montana business plan
- Memo re. State Administration and Veteran's Affairs meeting
- Memo re. Cooke City Community Center photograph

Commissioners Malone and Taylor reported on an August 14 Cooke City Community Center ribbon cutting and inspection of area roads and transfer station.

Commissioner Taylor said a citizen inquired about retaining a 55 MPH speed limit from the KPRK Bridge to the interstate, and he will contact MDT about the issue.

The Commission discussed an issue with streets in Cooke City after pipeline work was conducted in the roadways and alleyways with Chad Hanson of Great West Engineering. Malone said the county needs a counter proposal from the contractor about meeting SP 26 protocol for road material and asked Hanson to draft a written proposal of where material will be placed for discussion with the water board.

@9:17:10 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Taylor seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

August 16, 2010

Review of Minutes for Week of August 9, 2010

@9:44:26 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present was Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to review and approve Commission meeting minutes for the Week of August 9, 2010.

Commissioner Malone requested a revision to Page 1 of 10; fourth paragraph, the last sentence should read, "She said someone needs to clean the building from floor to ceiling and keep it clean, and she will contact a cleaning contractor."

Commissioner Taylor requested a revision to Page 6 of 10, the last sentence should read, "He said he thinks Park County's obligation is to start Clouse payments on January 17, 2004, and not before that date."

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Commissioner Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@9:46:43 a.m., the meeting adjourned.

August 16, 2010

County Attorney's Office Budgeting

@3:01:53 p.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Brett Linneweber, county attorney; Lani Hartung, finance; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss the County Attorney's Office budget.

County Attorney Brett Linneweber said he kept his budget the same with flat wages. Linneweber said he adjusted line items within his budget, including dropping office supplies, but as a whole the budget increased only about \$500 over last year.

@3:23:09 p.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

August 17, 2010

8:00 A.M. - Mediation for Park County v. Park County Concerned Citizens - East and West Rooms - CLOSED MEETING

6:00 P.M. - Planning Board - Community Room – Meeting minutes available at www.parkcounty.org and in the Community Development Department

6:30 P.M. - Fair Board - Fairgrounds Office – Commissioner Durgan attended

August 18, 2010

8:30 A.M. - Review Daily Agenda, Correspondence and Briefing on Current County Projects - Commissioners Chambers – Canceled due to Commissioners' scheduling conflicts

9:00 A.M. - County Road Updates - Commissioners Chambers – Canceled due to Commissioners' scheduling conflicts

July 20, 2010

Department Head Meeting

@9:34 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the West Room. Present were Ed Hillman, road; Lani Hartung, finance; Ed Barich, county superintendent of schools; Philip Fletcher, community development; Scott Hamilton, Undersheriff; Paul Shea, museum; Bruce Martin, maintenance; Belinda Van Nurden, DES; Brett Linneweber, county attorney; Tracy Mosley, Extension; Erica Hoffman, GIS/IT; Barbara Woodbury, environmental health; and John Mueller, minutes clerk.

Commissioner Malone opened the floor to public comment. None made.

Financial Report: End of Year Adjustments: Finance Director Lani Hartung explained her department's process in closing out a fiscal year. Hartung said external auditors made adjustments to the close out roll, so August department head financial reports may reflect changes.

Roundtable Discussion of Activities: Department heads and elected officials reported on recent and ongoing activities and projects.

Additional Comment: None

The next department head meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2010, at 9:30 a.m.

@10:04 a.m., the meeting adjourned.

August 19, 2010

Review Daily Agenda, Correspondence and Briefing on Current County Projects

@8:38:01 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present was Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to review the daily agenda and correspondence.

Correspondence included:

- Memo re. special fire restrictions
- Memo re. YGM Collections Committee agenda
- Memo from sanitarian re. vacuum cleaner
- Memo re. County Fire Direct
- Memo from union negotiator
- Memo from DES re. road closure signs
- Memo re. August SWB agenda - To Taylor for review

@8:46:01 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

August 19, 2010

Discussion/Decision on Duck Creek Road

The onsite meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. near the power station on Duck Creek Road north of Springdale. Commissioners Malone and Taylor were present. Commissioner Durgan and Road Supervisor Ed Hillman were present at meeting's end. Approximately 25 road users including landowners were in attendance at the meeting to request road maintenance assistance from the county.

Commissioner Malone said the county road crew had expended approximately \$23,000 to-date on the road in hot mix, three crewmen's labor and trucking material to the site. He said three options exist for the road: 1) do nothing, 2) finish the job, or 3) grind the road up and turn it back to gravel. After accepting public comment, the Commission decided to finish the job mainly with the Durapatcher machine and do a better job of road maintenance in the future. It was pointed out to the public that the county now has a Durapatcher machine and a plan to maintain asphalt county roads on a yearly basis.

The commission traveled to the West Fork of Duck Creek Road with Citizen Dave Gibson to view trouble spots on the road, specifically a rock outcrop that needs to be removed.

@10:45 a.m., the meeting adjourned.

August 19, 2010

Discuss Eli Lilly Mental Health Grant with Mental Health Center

@1:37:48 p.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Scott Hamilton, PCSO; CISM/Western Mental Health Representatives Sandy Williams, John Beck, Julie Eaton and Linda Reinhart; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a mental health grant offered by Eli Lilly with the Western Mental Health Center.

John Beck of Western Mental Health said a Lilly pharmaceutical company is making a \$9.5 million trust grant available for mental health purposes. Beck said the grant application is due November 1, will be written based on local needs, and \$80,466 will be requested. Beck said the focus of the grant is crisis prevention in Park County, specifically crisis debriefing and suicide prevention. He said Park County's suicide rates for 2009-2010 rank fourth highest of Montana's 56 counties equaling 29.53 suicides per 100,000 people, which is triple the national average of 10 suicides per 100,000 people.

Julie Eaton said the local Critical Incident Stress Management team will help with the grant in focusing on first responders dealing with traumatic events to battle against post-event effects.

Beck said the grant needs \$27,000 in matching funds, of which the county is responsible for \$12,410. Undersheriff Scott Hamilton said he thinks the opportunity is outstanding and the county should participate. He said he thinks Sheriff Lutes would be willing to look within the Sheriff's Office budget to assist with the funds.

Beck said he thinks county commission buy-in to the grant proposal will factor into a judge's decision to fund the grant. Commissioner Malone said he thinks faith-based group involvement, teachers, healthcare professionals and other social types need to be involved as grant supporters. The Commission said it will know if it has budgeted funds for the grant by October 1.

@2:24 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

August 19, 2010

Discussion and Review of Interoperability Montana Business Plan

@2:33:37 p.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Scott Hamilton, Gregg Todd and Tom Totland, PCSO; Peggy Glass, Dispatch 911; Greg Coleman, county fire; Ian Marquand, Interoperability Montana; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss an Interoperability Montana Business Plan.

Ian Marquand of Interoperability Montana provided the Commission with a report of the Interoperability Montana radio project titled *A Strategy for the Future: The I.M. Business Plan - August 2010*. Marquand said the IM plan in part is to offer mobile coverage along 95 percent of Montana's state or federal highways, 90 percent data coverage for cruisers with computers and 100 percent officer on-street coverage.

Marquand said the IM committee thinks IM can finance itself for the next three years with Federal Department of Homeland Security funds, and after three years the State of Montana must fund three-quarters of the maintenance costs and staff and upkeep of system operation, and users must provide 25 percent of funds. Marquand said user fees of \$100 per user, likely to include one mobile and one portable radio, are being considered to cover the user costs. Marquand said IM will cost \$5.6 to \$5.7 million per year to operate and needs \$1.4 million from users, with the plan of more users lowering individual user fees. He said rural volunteer fire departments may be offered a lower fee. Marquand said user fees would apply when a user has full service of the system and radios are registered on the system to use. Marquand said IM plans to reimburse all site owners for maintenance costs at an estimate of \$11,000 per site and asked the Commission to support a future resolution for the IM project.

Undersheriff Scott Hamilton said his department would have between 15 and 20 users.

@3:13:35 p.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Taylor seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

August 19, 2010

Signing of DNRC Land Use License for 9th Street Island Bridge Easement

@3:36:52 p.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Philip Fletcher, community development; Dann Babcox and Chuck Donovan of PCRFD#1; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to sign a Montana Department of Natural Resources land use license for the 9th Street Island Bridge easement.

Community Development Director Philip Fletcher said the county needs the license to build the 9th Street replacement bridge. He said the agreement states the building permit can go through processing while the cost of the DNRC easement is determined.

Commissioner Durgan made a motion to sign the land use license with the State of Montana for the 9th Street Bridge easement. Commissioner Taylor seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@3:54:49 p.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

August 19, 2010

Signing of FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Project Grant

@4:05:18 p.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were

Philip Fletcher, community development; Lani Hartung, finance; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to sign a Federal Emergency Management Agency Pre-Disaster Mitigation Project grant.

Community Development Director Philip Fletcher said the contract has been reviewed and approved by legal as to form and states an accounting system must track bills and the project must commence within 90 days and be completed within two years. Fletcher said a disaster mitigation expiration clause was omitted from a previous draft. He said the funds will help support the Fleshman Creek Restoration Project.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to accept Fletcher as the point person of contact for the FEMA grant. Commissioner Malone seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@4:22:25 p.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

August 19, 2010

4:00 P.M. - Library Board - Park County Library, Bev Steveson Room

August 19, 2010

Signing of Contract with Standish Excavation for Road Grading

@4:34:59 p.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Dave and Chris Davis, citizens; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller.

The meeting was scheduled to sign a contract with Standish Excavation for road grading.

Commissioner Malone said Standish Excavation has requested increases in his previous contract costs to grade specific county roads with concerns about Shamrock Lane being too cheap. Malone said he told Standish the Commission will sign the contract after negotiating prices with him.

Citizen Dave Davis asked when the county was going to grade Llama Street. Commissioner Taylor said the Commission knows that road needs maintenance and Standish will be sent there.

@4:44:24 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

August 19, 2010

7:00 P.M. - Solid Waste Board - West Room – Meeting minutes available in Commission Office

August 20, 2010

Review Daily Agenda, Correspondence and Briefing on Current County Projects

@8:32:43 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Raea Morris, executive assistant; Ed Hillman, road; Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to review the daily agenda and correspondence.

There was discussion about roads to include in a private contractor road grading schedule. Community Development Director Philip Fletcher updated the Commission on a Montana DNRC easement payment for the 9th Street Bridge Replacement Project. Commissioner Malone said he thinks the documents for a DNRC easement should be presented before the state lands board as is.

@8:58:40 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

August 20, 2010

FY 2011 Budget Workshop

@9:08:12 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Lani Hartung, finance; Philip Fletcher, community development; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled as a Fiscal Year 2011 budget workshop.

There was discussion about PILT funds, the general fund, option tax, possible department restructurings, and review of county department budgets.

@11:05:46 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

Marty Malone
Chairman, Park County Commission
Park County, Montana

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Clerk & Recorder
Park County, Montana