

Park County Commission Meeting Minutes
Week of March 1 – 5, 2010
Park County, Montana

March 1, 2010

Review Daily Correspondence & Agenda

@8:35:56 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Raea Morris, executive assistant; 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.

Correspondence included:

- Invoice from Tri-County Sheet Metal re. work on courthouse heating system
- Memo from Park County 4-H Council re. raffle event
- Citizen memo re. interaction with road crewman
- Memo from Upper Yellowstone Watershed Basin re. proper lifting training
- Memo from DES Coordinator re. March 3 MACo visit for On-Track Safety evaluation meeting
- Memo re. emergency evacuation handbook
- Memo re. rewrite of local budgeting process
- Heard Across Montana newsletter - To Commissioner Durgan for review
- Memo from Octagon Consulting re. Gardiner condominium project selection of geotechnical engineer
- Memo from city of Livingston re. scheduling of West Room
- Memo re. certificate of insurance from Beartooth Electric
- Memo from MT DEQ re. March 5 public hearing for revolving loan fund
- Memo re. March 30 CAT customer appreciation dinner
- Memo from clerk and recorder re. West Room reservations
- Memo re. March 8 Angel Line agenda - To Commissioner Malone for review
- Memo from Oasis Environmental re. 9th Street Bridget project
- Memo re. March 10 Water Policy Interim Committee meeting
- Memo re. March 3 county safety videos
- Memo from city of Livingston re. extra recycling dumpster at city transfer station

@9:00:47 a.m., Commissioner Durgan made a motion to recess the meeting for the scheduled 9:00 a.m. meeting. Commissioner Taylor seconded that motion. The meeting recessed. @9:34:37 a.m., Malone reopened the meeting.

- Memo from planning director re. Nittany Grantworks contract

- Citizen memo from Livingston Inn Motel re. public information
- Memo re. March 3 Parks and Recreation Board agenda
- Memo re. Center for Health Transformation newsletter - To Taylor for review
- Memo from Montana Tax Appeal Board - To minutes clerk for review
- Memo re. sheriff's office operating plan - To file
- Memo re. March 10 transfer of Gardiner Sewer District
- Memo re. February 18 Library Board meeting minutes
- Memo re. estimate for Clyde Park shop building door - To Taylor for review
- Memo from American Land Rights - To Durgan for review
- Memo re. 2010 HRDC calendar - To Malone for review
- Memo re. Senator Tester newsletter - To Durgan for review
- Memo from union negotiator re. teamsters road and bridge longevity pay issue
- Memo from planning director re. fairgrounds energy audit - To Durgan for review
- Memo re. Community Networking Group meeting
- Memo re. Yellowstone Gateway Museum agenda - To Taylor for review
- Confidential legal advice to Commission from civil deputy county attorney
- Pipeline Newsletter - To Taylor for review
- Memo from planning director re. consolidation of planning department efforts
- Memo from MSU Extension re. evaluation of Park County Extension Agents
- Citizen memo re. refuse assessment
- Confidential memo for Commission review

Commissioner Malone reported on his February 26 outreach visit to Cooke City.

Civil Deputy County Attorney Shannan Piccolo said the Gardiner Sewer District will be transferred to the Park County, Gardiner Water and Sewer District on March 9 and the county needs to conduct a survey and obtain a citizen easement.

@10:06:33 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 1, 2010

Discussion of Sheriff's Budget & Possible Signing of Jail Monitoring System Contract

@9:02:49 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Raea Morris, executive assistant; Martha Miller, auditor; Lani Hartung, finance; Sheriff's Office Representatives Allan Lutes, Scott Hamilton, Jay O'Neill, and Colleen Singer; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss the Sheriff's Office budget and possible signing of a jail monitoring system contract.

Captain Jay O'Neill said he understood the Commission would split the cost of the jail camera monitoring system with the sheriff's office with \$12,500. O'Neill said he has

only \$13,000 in the revolving commissary fund so he cannot pay for his entire share of the \$12,500 from that fund, and almost \$20,000 is needed upfront to purchase the equipment. Commissioner Durgan asked if the payment could be split into the next budget year, and Commissioner Taylor said the public health nurse may have some public health and safety grant funds.

The Commission scheduled a meeting for 11 a.m. on March 3 to continue discussion on the issue.

There was discussion about what fund should pay for sheriff's office back longevity pay. Commissioner Malone said longevity payments need to be paid out of a PILT litigation fund and not the sheriff's office fund as is currently being done. Malone said the Commission will notify Sheriff Lutes and Undersheriff Hamilton of the final decision on longevity issue litigation and from what budget longevity payments should be taken.

@9:21:30 a.m., the meeting adjourned.

March 1, 2010

9:30 A.M. – Review of Minutes for Weeks of February 15 & 22 - Commissioners Chambers – Canceled

March 1, 2010

Discussion of Community Center Bond

@10:40 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Community Room of the City/County Complex. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; Denise Nelson, clerk and recorder; Martha Miller, auditor; Lani Hartung, finance; Ted Madden, Park County Community Foundation; Hannibal Anderson, Livingston School District; Scott Coleman, Livingston School District Trustee; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a community center bond.

Livingston School District Trustee Scott Coleman said the meeting was scheduled to inform the Commission about a proposed county community center in Livingston. Coleman said a large percentage of citizens have stated an auditorium and indoor aquatics center would benefit Park County and Livingston, and establishing such a center would provide the area with a community purpose and structure, infrastructure and a strong school system into the future. He said perhaps now is a good time to launch a citizen education campaign on the proposed project.

There was discussion about a similar community center proposal in Miles City placed on the ballot per a citizen petition. Clerk and Recorder Denise Nelson said an August vote on the issue of a \$14 million county bond would be most realistic and a mail ballot is

recommended. Coleman said he feels putting the bonding issue on the ballot is the best citizen survey the project can conduct. Commissioner Malone said he has concerns with requiring all county citizens to pay property tax on a community center in Livingston. He said the \$14 million bond would use up more than half the county's bonding capacity for 20 years. Finance Director Lani Hartung said the county may have to front five percent of the bond amount, which would equate to \$700,000.

Ted Madden of the Park County Foundation said a Build America Bond and Quality Schools Construction Bond will expire at the end of the year, so now is a good time to build a project. Livingston School District Superintendent Hannibal Anderson said the school district may have to opt out of a cooperative effort for the community center between the city, county and school district if a vote is not taken before August, as the district cannot jeopardize its chances of securing Quality Schools Construction Bond funds.

The Commission asked Civil Deputy County Attorney Shannan Piccolo to research special improvement districts and citizen petitions for ballot vote. Malone said the Commission will get back to Coleman with its findings.

@11:44 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Taylor seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 1, 2010

Discussion of O'Rea Creek Road

@1:36:09 p.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Ed Hillman, road supervisor; Frank O'Connor, citizen; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss conditions of O'Rea Creek Road.

Citizen Frank O'Connor said a ditch on the uphill side of O'Rea Creek Road is a problem and he is tired of the road's poor condition. O'Connor said motorists must drive in the center of the road because the road is so crowned, the road is dangerous and someone is going to get hurt. O'Connor said he suggests the county stop ditching the side of the road against the bank to provide another foot of road. He said the road is 14 feet wide in some places, but placing gravel on the road does not fix the problem and continuing to do what has been done is not working. O'Connor said he hopes something can be done about the road

Road Supervisor Ed Hillman said the road needs to be widened, and the ditch was put in to prohibit water from running over the road. Hillman said he will look at the road and possibly partially fill in the ditch. The Commission told Hillman to stop ditching the road and consider reducing the crown.

@1:44:18 p.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 1, 2010

Signing of Construction Agreement with City of Livingston for Use of City Property during 9th Street Bridge Replacement Project

@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 Ed Meece, city manager; Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to sign a contract agreement with the city of Livingston for use of city property during the 9th Street Bridge Replacement Project.

Commissioner Malone said the contract would permit the county to access city property in order to construct the replacement 9th Street Bridge when that project commences.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to accept the agreement with the city for temporarily placing spoils of the 9th Street Island Bridge project on city property. Commissioner Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@2:37:12 p.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Taylor seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 1, 2010

Discussion of Budgeted to Actual Revenues & Expenditures

@3:09:25 p.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Lani Hartung, finance; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss county budgeted to actual revenues and expenditures.

Finance Director Lani Hartung provided the Commission with a Treasurer's Cash report, and the Commission reviewed that report and bank reconciliation.

Hartung said she feels non-emergency employees should not work on holidays because the pay is double time and a half pay. Commissioner Malone said department heads are to oversee and approve such work.

@4:21:50 p.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 1, 2010

7:00 P.M. – City Commission Meeting to Discuss a Revolving Loan Program – Community Room – Commissioners Durgan and Malone attended

March 2, 2010

Review Daily Correspondence & Agenda

@8:33:46 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; 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. reserve/standardized officer training - To law enforcement for review
- Memo re. March 2 JSEC revolving loan fund presentation
- Confidential memo from union negotiator - To Commissioner Durgan for review
- Memo from DES Coordinator re. February county safety advisory committee minutes - To file
- Memo from DES Coordinator re. April 5-8 governor's safety conference
- Memo re. Airport Improvement Program - To Durgan for review
- Memo re. March 2 fire council meeting
- Citizen memo re. proposed high school renovation and additions
- American Farmland Trust newsletter - To Durgan for review
- Memo from MT DNRC re. volunteer fire grant - To PCRFD#1 for review
- Memo re. courthouse elevator compliance
- Memo from Qwest re. relocation of 9th Street Island Bridge phone lines
- Citizen memo re. refuse reassessment request
- Memo from Nittany Grantworks re. 9th Street Island Bridge Replacement project
- Memo from Park County auditor re. detention department review of finances
- Memo from DES Coordinator re. flood smart webinar

Commissioner Taylor said he may tour the Hope House in Bozeman later this week.

@8:47:54 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 2, 2010

County Road Updates

@9:06:13 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; Lani Hartung, finance director; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss county road issues.

The Commission reviewed a road crewman work log for the Weeks of February 15 and 22 presented by Road Supervisor Ed Hillman. Finance Director Lani Hartung presented the Commission and Hillman with a road, bridge and gas tax funds expenditures and budget status for review.

@9:34:48 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 2, 2010

9:00 A.M. – Resources for Growth: Park County Revolving Load Fund – Community Room

March 2, 2010

Human Resources Updates

@10:10:21 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Jill Ouellette, HR; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss activities in the Human Resources Department.

Human Resources Analyst Jill Ouellette presented the Commission with a form to adjust employee vacation hours for signature; said a paycheck problem arose with a road crewman who worked on a Sunday; she viewed an Annual Reasonable Suspicion Drug Testing DVD with various department heads; forwarded a sick grant policy email response from Jack Holstrom of MACo to the Commission; is processing employee FMLA paperwork; talked with the Sheriff's Office to get in the loop on their safety training program; said an elected official approached her about her office working four, ten-hour days and Ouellette provided operation options for five days a week; said she worked a lot on a PCRFD#1 handbook last week but did not generate overtime hours; has been working on sheriff's office longevity back pay issues; is building a training video library in her office to address the county's errors and omissions ratio; is following union protocol and interviewing employees for a personnel investigation issue; and said an AFLAC representative was present on February 24 to discuss insurance issues with three employees.

@10:29:51 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 2, 2010

1:30 P.M. – Construction Progress Meeting for Senior Center – Livingston Senior Center
– Commissioner Taylor attended

March 2, 2010

City/County Meeting

@4:07 p.m., City Commissioner Rick VanAken called a meeting to order in the Community Room of the City/County Complex. City Commissioners VanAken and Caldwell were present. County Commissioner Taylor was present. Also present were Ed Meece, city manager; Martha Miller, county auditor; Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; and John Mueller, minutes clerk.

City Commissioner Rick VanAken opened the floor to public comment. None made.

West Room Scheduling: City Manager Ed Meece said the city is proposing taking over scheduling responsibilities for the courthouse West Room to better serve diverse city and county meeting room needs. Meece said the city is fine with the county clerk and recorder using the West Room for extended periods for elections purposes, and the county will continue to have access to the room when available. County Commissioner Taylor said the county will definitely consider the proposal and respond back to the city.

Extra Recycling Container Invoice: Taylor said he will present the invoice for an additional recycling container to the transfer station manager at the next county solid waste board meeting to determine from which account to take funds. Taylor said the city can continue to submit quarterly container invoices.

Update on Library Mills: Taylor said he will check with the county finance director to see if the county has paid the full amount agreed to and have the information before the next city/county meeting.

Additional Open Business: Meece said the city is considering working with Black Mountain Software customers to develop a transparency module to enable the public to view city expenditures and budgets.

The next city/county meeting is scheduled for April 2, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. in the Community Room.

@4:32 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

March 2, 2010

7:00 P.M. – Discussion of Emigrant Township Petition – Emigrant Hall

Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor and County Attorney Linneweber explained the petition process Park County will conduct per court order regarding a citizen effort to

incorporate the town of Emigrant. The Commission accepted public comment on the issue.

March 3, 2010

8:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. – Employee Safety Tape Viewing – Community Room

March 3, 2010

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@9:02:23 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Raea Morris, executive assistant; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

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

Correspondence included:

- Memo from IT Department re. Dreamweaver software
- Memo re. Homeland Security crisis management training for local officials
- Memo re. Otter Creek Tracts op-ed
- Memo re. March 11 Northern Rocky Mountain RC&D Board meeting - To Commissioner Durgan for review
- Memo re. March 3 Veterans' Interim Affairs meeting - To Durgan for review
- Memo re. corrections to safety committee minutes
- Memo re. Montana Petroleum report - To Durgan for review
- Memo re. postage meter log

Commissioner Malone said the Pioneer Society asked to sell tickets to its annual banquet in the courthouse lobby. The Commission said it would be okay for that action on a temporary basis.

Commissioner Durgan said he will continue researching a career training center in Bozeman after talking with an individual interested in starting such a center.

Commissioner Taylor said scheduling of the West Room was discussed at the March 2 city/county meeting.

@9:19:44 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 3, 2010

Discussion of Taxes Paid on a Street Dedication Transfer

@9:33:47 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; Shaun and Bobbi Jo Jones, citizens; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss taxes paid on a street dedication transfer.

Citizen Shaun Jones said he has paid \$414 in taxes on property he gave to the city of Clyde Park in 2003 for a potential roadway. Jones said he asked the city of Clyde Park to reimburse the funds, and he hopes to be reimbursed back taxes paid on the land.

Commissioner Malone said not all the money paid went to the county, as part of it went to the city of Clyde Park, schools and roads. Malone said typically such funds are not returned because it is the taxpayer's responsibility to bring such matters to the Commission immediately and the county would set precedent in refunding the paid taxes over the six-year period.

Civil Deputy County Attorney Shannan Piccolo said she will research the issue and suggested Jones talk to the county treasurer to understand how the funds were broken out among entities.

@9:49:41 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Taylor seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 3, 2010

Discussion of Future of Health Insurance Committee

@10:02:01 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Jill Ouellette, HR; Marilyn Hartley, finance; Jean McCauley, Southwest Chemical Dependency Program; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss the future of the county health insurance committee.

Assistant Finance Director Marilyn Hartley said Owen Voigt of MACo suggested making the county health insurance committee inactive until an issue arises when the committee is needed. Hartley said committee members have not shown up to recent meetings resulting in a lack of a quorum. Commissioner Durgan asked whether the county needs an insurance committee unless to conduct bidding process leg work comparisons for the Commission. Commissioner Malone said the Commission could serve as the health insurance committee and will accept employee input when necessary.

Jean McCauley of the Southwest Chemical Dependency Program said she would like to be included in employee discussions on the matter because her program buys into the county insurance program.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion the Commission serve as the insurance committee, as the County Health Insurance Committee will be deemed inactive until such time Hartley will contact committee members for employee input. Commissioner Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@10:15:51 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 3, 2010

Continued Discussion and Consider Signing a Contract for a Jail Monitoring System

@11:01:17 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Allan Lutes, sheriff; Colleen Singer, sheriff's clerk; Lani Hartung, finance; Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to continue a discussion and consider signing a contract for a jail monitoring system.

Sheriff Allan Lutes presented the Commission with a cost estimate for a jail camera monitoring system. Lutes said the system will increase jail and courthouse safety and the sheriff's office understands the system cost would be split between that office and the Commission. The Commission said funds can be taken from the building maintenance fund or commissioners' special projects fund, and it will ask the city if it can share in the cost of a proposed courthouse monitoring system.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to accept the contract for Security Systems Inc. for a jail monitoring security system. Commissioner Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@11:11:31 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 3, 2010

Update of 9th Street Bridge Project

@11:31:43 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Philip Fletcher, planning; Martha Miller, auditor; Lani Hartung, finance; Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; Lori Benner and Kristen Wester of Nittany

Grantworks; Matt Dettori, Livingston Enterprise; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled as an update on the 9th Street Bridge Replacement Project.

Planning Director Philip Fletcher said he will talk with Julianne Brown of the Northern Rocky Mountain RC&D about coordinating 9th Street Bridge Replacement Project administration efforts. Fletcher said the county has three priorities on which to focus: 1) entering 9th Street Bridge in the State Transportation Improvement Program; 2) having the Federal Highway Administration certify the county as eligible to receive and administer government funds; and 3) determining how to finance the expected shortfall between federal funds and the expected cost of the bridge, which is possibly \$1 million. Fletcher said the county also needs to decide how the county is going to use HB 645 funds before they are lost on September 30.

Lori Benner of Nittany Grantworks said Nittany's role has been as a subcontractor to CTA to administer a \$15,000 planning grant for a Preliminary Engineering Report. Benner said Nittany has been working on a \$500,000 TSEP grant due April 16 as a financial safeguard at its own expense, but she would like to know if Nittany should continue to work on that grant. Commissioner Malone said he directed Nittany to follow up with TSEP as an in-case financial measure, and Nittany is working within its contract with the county in working on the TSEP grant.

Fletcher said he feels the county's mode of communication with CTA Engineering and Oasis Environmental is fragmenting the process and costing the county money. He said he proposes a change in procedure to better organize the project and direct, supervise, coordinate and monitor all project players with a central point person. Malone said he does not have a problem with Fletcher serving as the county's coordinator reporting project details and updates to the Commission. He said the Commission will appoint Fletcher as the project point man. Malone asked Civil Deputy County Attorney Shannan Piccolo to research county contracts with CTA, Oasis and Nittany Grantworks to determine activities those entities are to undertake and to ensure the county remains in compliance.

@12:07:08 p.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 3, 2010

1:00 P.M. – Discussion of MACo On-Track Safety Annual Evaluation – Commissioners Chambers – Canceled due to MACo personnel scheduling conflict

3:00 P.M. – Parks & Recreation Board – West Room – Meeting minutes available at www.parkcounty.org and in the Planning Department

March 4, 2010

Review Daily Correspondence & Agenda

@8:31:35 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; 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. Yellowstone Winter use plan public comment
- Memo re. employee absence request
- Memo re. fire season resolution
- Memo re. March 6 agriculture meeting with Senator Tester
- Memo from MDT re. yearly certification of roadway miles
- Memo from DEQ re. receipt of energy efficiency grant - To planning director for review
- Memo from Department of Environmental Health re. county alcohol earmark funds - To finance for review
- Memo from finance re. county telephone numbers for phone book

@8:50:17 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 4, 2010

Opening of Construction Bids for Paradise Valley Fire Service Area Storage Garage

@9:31:04 a.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; Martha Miller, auditor; CST Consultants, LLC representatives; Jesse Merrit, Battle Ridge Construction; Myron Kovash, Kovash Enterprises; David Bushnell, David Bushnell Construction; Keith Neal, Greg Coleman, and Bert Otis, Paradise Valley Fire; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to open construction bids for a Paradise Valley Fire Service Area storage garage.

Commissioner Malone said five sealed bids were submitted to the clerk and recorder's office before the closing deadline. Malone opened the sealed bids, which included:

Kovash Enterprises Inc. with a total bid amount of \$135,655.73 and an addendum for modification of the bid price for \$135,112.33. Battle Ridge Construction Inc. with a total bid amount of \$139,129.00. CST Consultants with a total bid amount of \$269,500.00.

HM Miller Construction Company with a total bid amount of \$173,200.00. David Bushnell Construction with a total bid amount of \$129,878.00.

The Commission said county legal counsel will review the bids for compliance and the bid will be awarded in a public meeting after that review.

@9:46:41 a.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 4, 2010

Discussion of Fire Planning

@1:31:19 p.m., Chairman Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; Philip Fletcher, planning; Bob Fry, county fire warden; Greg Coleman, Paradise Valley Fire; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss fire planning efforts.

County Fire Warden Bob Fry provided the Commission with a progress report of Gordon Rothe's accomplishments as a temporary assistant deputy fire warden. Fry said he will provide a written proposal to hire Greg Coleman of the Paradise Valley Fire Department to continue the temporary assistant deputy fire warden position using Title III funds.

Planning Director Philip Fletcher said the planning department may contact Fry to assist with Wildland Urban Interface planning efforts.

The Commission asked Civil Deputy County Attorney Piccolo to research funding parameters of Title III monies before Fry submits his proposal.

@2:03:50 p.m., Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

March 4, 2010

7:00 P.M. – Upper Yellowstone Watershed Basin Meeting – St. John's Church, Emigrant, MT – Commissioner Malone attended

March 5, 2010

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@8:32:10 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; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

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

- Memo from Steve Koontz re. gravel hauling estimate
- Memo re. clerk and recorder general fund expenditures data
- Citizen memo re. Swingley Road condition - To executive assistant for action
- Memo from treasurer re. county investment cash reports
- Citizen memo re. bear-proof boxes at Trail Creek green box site
- Memo re. March 2 fire council meeting minutes
- Memo re. road safety audit webinar - To road supervisor for review
- Memo re. March 9 Transportation Commission conference call - To Commissioner Durgan for review
- Memo re. pioneer tickets sales in courthouse lobby
- Memo from Senator Tester representative re. March 6 Secretary of Agriculture Montana visit
- Memo from planning department re. Eagle's Bluff Subsequent Minor Subdivision - To commissioners for review
- Memo from Guardian Title re. title commitment for Gardiner Sewer District

The Commission discussed starting weekly solid waste operations updates with Transfer Station Manager Richard Wright.

Commissioner Malone reported on a March 4 Upper Yellowstone Watershed meeting in Emigrant.

@8:45:30 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

Denise Nelson
Clerk & Recorder
Park County, Montana