

Park County Commission Meeting Minutes
Week of January 3 – 7, 2011
Park County, Montana

January 3, 2011

Selection of Commission Chairperson for 2011

@8:32:14 a.m., Commissioner 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; Raea Morris, executive assistant; Ed Hillman, road; Jill Ouellette, HR; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to select Commission Chairperson for 2011.

Commissioner Malone opened the floor to nominations for 2011 Commission chairman. Commissioner Durgan nominated Commissioner Taylor as chairman if he is willing to serve in that capacity. Taylor said he is willing to serve as Commission chairman. Commissioner Malone seconded that nomination.

Commissioner Durgan made a motion the Commission cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Taylor as chairman of the Commission for 2011. Commissioner Malone seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@8:33:58 a.m., Malone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 3, 2011

Daily Correspondence/Agenda and Briefing on Current County Projects

@9:01:28 a.m., Chairman Taylor called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Raea Morris, executive assistant; Ed Hillman, road; Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; Russell Ferguson, airport manager; Kerry LaDuke, airport board; Dan Karell, Ray Sundling, Chuck Donovan and Craig Ames, PCRFD#1; 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. Big Bear Contracting storage facility upgrade estimate
- Memo from MACo re. bison bill
- Memo re. YNP gate passes

- Memo re. Envirocon certificate of liability insurance

Airport Manager Russ Ferguson said the airport has been using an Oshkosh snow plow machine on loan from the county. Commissioner Taylor said the Commission thought the plow was sitting inactive at the airport. Sundling said the machine belongs to the county so the county can use it whenever it needs it. He said the Oshkosh needs chains for use in heavy snow. Ferguson said there is no jumping in it and going in the case of emergency, as the truck is a diesel and has air.

Park County Rural Fire District#1 (PCRFD#1) Board Member Ray Sundling asked why PCRFD#1 wants to be in the snowplowing business. Commissioner Taylor said PCRFD#1 was thinking about using the Oshkosh as a water tender. Sundling said PCRFD#1 does not have the budget to keep the Oshkosh running and his feeling is Rural 1 should keep to the fire fighting business and leave the snow plowing business to the road crew. He said the Wineglass is private, and that homeowner's association needs to contract with someone for snow plowing if it is concerned with keeping roads open. Sundling said the machine does a good job when run at 20 MPH or below. Road Supervisor Ed Hillman said \$20,000 was put into the machine in 2007.

Commissioner Durgan said the Commission was thinking of ways to assist with snow plowing over the Thanksgiving snowfall event, and the Oshkosh was brought up in that discussion. Sundling said he can provide the Commission with a list of people who will plow snow in emergency situations for free.

PCRFD#1 Board Member Dan Karell said there is a big difference between plowing a road and plowing a road to reach an emergency situation. He said his problem is the airport has claim to the Oshkosh since the county loaned it the machine, and the airport must remain open to air travel in the event of a critical incident. Karell said he does not want a snowplow sitting at the fire department if another entity can use it and wants it, especially if another entity had it first.

PCRFD#1 Board Member Craig Ames said PCRFD#1's insurance will not cover snow plowing.

PCRFD#1 Board Member Chuck Donovan asked why the Oshkosh plow was being discussed when the topic is scheduled for a public meeting on January 4. The Commission said meeting attendees showed up to provide public comment.

Airport Board Member Kerry LaDuke said he thinks the county road crew should be running the snow plows, not PCRFD#1. He said there needs to be an agreement of which entity will pay for maintenance of and fuel for the Oshkosh if it is shared.

In other discussion, Civil Deputy County Attorney Shannan Piccolo said she wanted the Commission to think about whether to appoint a committee to review and make a selection recommendation for the Zia Report update contractor in order to decide whether or not to appoint a committee at the meeting to open the proposals.

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

January 3, 2011

Review of Minutes for Week of December 27, 2010

@10:10:58 a.m., Chairman Taylor 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 Commission meeting minutes for the Week of December 27, 2010.

Commissioner Malone requested a revision to Page 3 of 16, striking the following sentence, "Civil Deputy County Attorney Shannan Piccolo said she suggests the landowners draw up the deed." On Page 11 of 16, the first sentence should read, "Citizen Chuck Donovan said the ranch road agreement was a forward looking attempt to tie the road into a five-lot minor subdivision."

Commissioner Taylor requested a revision to Page 14 of 16, noting the correct title of Community Health Nurse Suzanne Brown.

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

@10:14:12 a.m., Malone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 3, 2011

10:30 A.M. – Swearing in of Elected Officials – District Courtroom

January 3, 2011

Signing of Agreements for Cooke City/Silver Gate Resort Tax Allocations

@1:05:20 p.m., Chairman Taylor 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; Raea Morris, executive assistant; Lani Hartung, finance; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to sign agreements for the Cooke City/Silver Gate Resort Tax allocations.

Finance Director Lani Hartung obtained Commission signature for a First Interstate loan due January 1, 2011.

Commissioner Malone made a motion to award the resort tax allocations as determined in the meeting on December 19, 2010, in Cooke City. Commissioner Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@1:14:11 p.m., Malone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 4, 2011

8:00 A.M. – City/County Meeting - Community Room

January 4, 2011

Daily Correspondence/Agenda and Briefing on Current County Projects

@9:01:57 a.m., Chairman Taylor called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. @9:02:00 a.m., Commissioner Malone made a motion to recess the meeting until 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting recessed.

@10:07:20 a.m., Taylor reopened the meeting. 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 City Manager Ed Meece re. bridge transportation plan
- Memo re. 9th Street Bridge timeline
- Memo re. City/County Building retrofit lighting disposal costs
- Memo re. updated Fleshman Creek timeline
- Memo re. transfer station scale registration and licensing

Commissioner Taylor said City Manager Ed Meece said the city is having issues with TCA not submitting complete information for the 9th Street Bridge Replacement Project.

@10:19:17 a.m., Malone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 4, 2011

County Road Updates

@9:02:18 a.m., Chairman Taylor called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Ed Hillman, road; Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; Raea Morris, executive

assistant; Citizens Greg Coleman, Toby Harris and Bill Harris; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss county road issues.

Citizen Bill Harris said he wondered if he missed a meeting to take place at Haw's. Commissioner Taylor said no meeting has taken place. Harris said he appreciates the county plowing snow over the weekend.

Greg Coleman of the Montessori Island School in the Five Acre Tracts said there is potential for an accident at the intersection of Miller and Guthrie Lanes. He said he proposes to control both sides of Miller east and west by removing the existing stop sign, or make a controlled stop on Guthrie if a second stop sign cannot be put on Miller Lane due to a driveway creating a five-way stop at the corner. He said a third alternative is to remove all stop signs and make an uncontrolled intersection to require people to slow down and use caution

Commissioner Malone suggesting pulling the stop sign and create an uncontrolled intersection. The Commission directed Hillman to pull the stop sign off the junction of Miller and Guthrie Lane.

Commissioner Durgan said a resident from Hylite Road wondered why the county does not plow to the end of Hylite Road while the road grader is on Big Creek Road.

Malone said any bit of wind will blow Pray Road in due to existing high snow drifts.

Hillman said snow may have to be trucked from Tana Lane if it blows closed again because there is no more room to place snow.

@9:29:18 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 4, 2011

Human Resources Department Updates

@9:33:05 a.m., Chairman Taylor called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Jill Ouellette, HR; Martha Miller, auditor; 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 said she has been working on Sheriff's Office longevity pay issues. Ouellette said she reviewed a Montana Economy at a Glance article about retention and how Park County fared in that capacity. She provided an update of

the number and positions of Park County's recent hires. She provided an update of employees who have less than 40 hours of sick and vacation leave.

Ouellette provided an update on her longevity work. She said a Teamsters Union representative reviewed a longevity worksheet and she will meet with union individuals on the matter in the near future.

Commissioner Malone asked Ouellette to look into on-call and volunteer road work pay. Ouellette said she can generate an Excel spreadsheet to document available, on-call road crewmen and will run the issue by the county's union negotiator.

@10:02:15 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 4, 2011

Consider Decision on Agreement with PCRFD#1 and Park County for the Oshkosh Plow

@10:31:29 a.m., Chairman Taylor 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; Courtney Lawellin, attorney; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to consider a decision on agreement with PCRFD#1 and Park County for the Oshkosh plow.

Park County Rural Fire District #1 (PCRFD#1) Chief Dann Babcox said the Oshkosh plow was in discovery phase during initial discussions and he apologizes for any misconception that PCRFD#1 wants to plow county roads. Babcox said the sole intent of PCRFD#1 using the Oshkosh plow would have been for emergency purposes during a snowstorm to plow out housing subdivisions with one-way-in one-way-out. He said PCRFD#1 has no intention of plowing county roads.

Babcox said PCRFD#1 volunteers are trained to the level of paid professionals and sometimes more. He said PCRFD#1 is not trying to build an empire and he only wants to help the people of the district. Babcox said PCRFD#1's mission statement states nothing about fire, but protection of property and life for the people of the district, so volunteers will continue to do whatever is called upon for them to do until the board changes its mission statement. Commissioner Taylor said volunteers are precious in that they give of their time and life and they deserve to be treated with respect. He said the Commission appreciates its volunteers and would not stand to discredit them. Taylor said the Commission was unaware the Oshkosh was being used by the airport. He said the county's best option during a snow emergency is for a road crewman in town to get to the road shop and use equipment, but for general usage general snow plowing is not a good option for use of the Oshkosh.

PCRFD#1 Board Member Dan Karell said he was assisting with opening airport road over Thanksgiving and he thinks the machine is in the right place. He said he doubts PCRFD#1's board would be receptive to taking the machine because it is old and will need maintenance. Karell said he does not think the Oshkosh is the answer for PCRFD#1. He said the different entities in the county are as close to working toward a common goal this winter as he has ever seen, and the Commission and Babcox should be commended for moving in that direction.

PCRFD#1 Board Member Chuck Donovan said the county put \$20,000 in the Oshkosh transmission and front end two years ago, so it would pass DOT standards, but the machine works well at the airport.

Citizen Kevin Funk said he believes the county has the responsibility to get the right equipment in place to assist emergency services. He said he thinks the county needs something that can respond quickly and needs a better vehicle to handle emergency snow events. He said he is willing to assist the county in finding such a vehicle.

Taylor said the Oshkosh will stay at the airport.

@10:56:39 a.m., Malone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 4, 2011

Opening of Proposals for Solid Waste Update of Zia Report

@11:03:47 a.m., Chairman Taylor 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; Courtney Lawellin, attorney; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to open proposals for a Zia Report solid waste update.

Civil Deputy County Attorney Shannan Piccolo said three firms picked up proposal packages, but only one firm returned a proposal. Piccolo said the county has the option of re-advertising the proposals but must first gain permission from the Park County Concerned Citizens (PCCC) to do so. Commissioner Durgan said he would like to communicate with the Park County Solid Waste Board and PCCC that the Commission received one proposal and will open it if there is no objection, but they need to grant permission for the county to re-advertise if they have issue with just one proposal.

PCCC Attorney Courtney Lawellin said the Commission can open the proposal to review it. The Commission opened one sealed proposal from Bell and Associates, Inc. of Camas, Washington.

Commissioner Malone made a motion to have a committee, yet to be appointed, review the RFP, and the county reserves the right to reject or accept any proposal. Commissioner Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@11:19:16 a.m., Malone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 4, 2011

12:00 P.M. - Designated Surveillance Area Meeting - Twin Bridges, MT – Commissioner Malone attended

January 5, 2010

8:00 A.M. - Meeting with Energy Engineers - Billings, MT – Commissioner Taylor attended

January 5, 2011

Daily Correspondence/Agenda and Briefing on Current County Projects

@9:14:14 a.m., Commissioner Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Malone were present. Also present were Raea Morris, executive assistant; Bob Jovick and Bob Ebinger, Museum Board; Harold Blattie, MACo; 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 Montana Clean re. city men's bathroom light
- Memo re. January 21 ICS elected official's training
- Memo re. MACo winter conference Feb 7 – 10

The Commission telephoned Harold Blattie of MACo to discuss a proposal of Yellowstone Gateway Museum (YGM) employees not being county employees and thus not falling under the Public Employment Retirement System (PERS) or alternative worker's compensation. Blattie said law requires employees of a publicly funded entity, such as YGM, to be entered into PERS for fringe benefits. He said the museum building and collection are owned by the county, its operations are covered under Park County's insurance, and MACo simply cannot have a situation where the county is providing liability coverage but has no control over the actions of the employees. Blattie said MACo would never support such a proposal. He said another issue is any county insured by MACo is required to consult with MACo human resources attorneys on any decision that could result in termination of an employee. He said there is a slim likelihood of volunteer boards have knowledge and understanding of the Fair Labor Act and appropriately dealing with personnel issues.

Blattie said there is provision in law enabling a county to lease a facility and turn operations over to an independent entity, such as a 501c-3, with a transfer of funds to that entity. He said that is the only way under current law the museum could separate operations and employees from the county.

YGM Board Member Bob Jovick said current law allows museum boards to hire personnel, and the proposal was for the Commission to give the museum board the ability to set benefits of employees. Blattie said creation of a countywide district is an option. He said the Commission can adopt a new resolution that grants the museum board a lot of operation issues, but it cannot circumvent Montana law regarding employment by resolution.

@9:47:48 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 5, 2011

Consider Decision on Building Rental for Search and Rescue Equipment

@9:48:44 a.m., Commissioner Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Malone were present. Also present were Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; PCSO Representatives Scott Hamilton, Gregg Todd and Tom Totland; Wendy Wood SAR; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to consider a decision on building rental for Search and Rescue (SAR) equipment.

Commissioner Malone said he telephoned Manny Goetz about renting building space and Goetz quoted \$300 per month for half the building. Malone said Goetz will pay taxes on the building and the county will submit a rental check. Civil Deputy County Attorney Shannan Piccolo said she has not completed drafting a lease agreement. Piccolo said the proposal is for a month-to-month lease so the county can quickly get out of it in case it builds a storage facility.

Undersheriff Scott Hamilton said the Sheriff's Office will need unrestricted access to the storage building, equipment cannot be blocked in, and the office will need a say in who will be sharing space because of security reasons. Hamilton said the Sheriff's Office did not budget for rental space.

Commissioner Durgan made a motion the civil attorney draft an agreement between the county and Mr. Goetz for rental of the old Yellowstone Country Motors building on a month-by-month basis. Commissioner Malone seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@9:56:05 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 5, 2011

Maintenance Department Updates

@10:02:10 a.m., Commissioner Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Malone were present. Also present were Bruce Martin, maintenance; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss activities in the Maintenance Department.

Bruce Martin, maintenance, said he took down all building Christmas decorations, is putting castors on voting machines, put an employee suggestion box in the break room, and a contractor is coming this morning to look at plumbing and electric bid specifications issues for a building retrofit project.

Commissioner Malone asked what maintenance needs to be done. Martin said the building roof still leaks and the parking lots need to be resurfaced and striped. He said the Commission Durango and sanitarian's Ranger use oil and the Neon will need new tires in the spring. Martin said he suggests the copper wiring within a building water re-circulating line be replaced with PEX tubing.

Martin said he spends his work days putting out fires that arise, shovels snow, fixes lights and plumbing, and ferries the weed coordinator when he is working on his trucks. Commissioner Durgan said there was a suggestion to push excess snow from between motor pool cars to avoid freezing. Martin said that is hard to do until the lot is plowed.

Malone asked Martin to keep a list of maintenance issues the Commission needs to budget for and for Martin to clean up his office and storage area. He said maintenance update meetings will be held once a month.

@10:17:38 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 5, 2011

Consider Decision to Lease County Property Adjacent to Rocky Mountain Campground

@11:01:32 a.m., Commissioner Malone called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Malone were present. Also present were Shannan Piccolo, civil deputy county attorney; Philip Fletcher, community development; Lynelle Dahn, Rocky Mountain Campground; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to consider a decision to lease county property adjacent to the Rocky Mountain Campground in Gardiner.

Lynelle Dahn of Rocky Mountain Campground said she prepared a site map of the property in question. Dahn said she and her husband leased the property that formerly had RVs on it, but there now is discrepancy of what the property can be used for.

Malone said he suggested the county lease the property to the Dahns with an agreement in lieu of sale. He said the county cannot rent any property for less than the estimated property taxes. Malone said the estimated Department of Revenue taxes for the parcel in Gardiner are \$365, and the Dahns have offered \$2,400 annually.

Dahn said the property would have hard-sided RVs, a 15-foot corridor on the property would remain at this time, and a fence would be moved on the property to separate it from an adjacent property. She said landscaping is planned for the property. She said water and electric is installed but the sewer was pulled when the last lease expired, so the sewer will have to be reinstalled if the plan goes through. Dahn said the property will be used for six months a year.

Piccolo said she has not gone through the agreement completely and must look into existing trail or other possible easements. She said the county cannot enter into a right of first refusal on any property it owns, and statutorily any lease agreement has to be subject to the county selling the property. She said the county would provide the Dahns notice in the event of sale. Piccolo said the county can automatically renew a contract up to a ten-year period, and the county can agree to lease a property for 10 years at a time.

There was discussion the county will need to look at any possible restrictions on the land if it was dedicated as park land.

Commissioner Malone made a motion the county lease the property to the Dahns for the amount of \$2,400 for one year payable semiannually pending agreement of lease language by the county attorney and lessee. Commissioner Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@11:27:36 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 5, 2011

3:00 P.M. – Parks and Recreation Board – West Room – Meeting minutes available in the Community Development Department

January 6, 2011

Daily Correspondence/Agenda and Briefing on Current County Projects

@8:39:49 a.m., Chairman Taylor called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Raea Morris, executive assistant; Ed Hillman, road; Philip Fletcher, community development; 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. Angel Line driver funeral services
- Memo from JSEC re. January 21 OSHA 10-hour training in Billings
- Memo re. Parks Board officers election
- Memo re. Oil and Gas Counties board of directors vacancy
- Memo re. 911 agreement with Yellowstone National Park
- Memo from MT DEQ re. December landfill methane monitoring results
- Memo from Dept of Revenue re. centrally assessed companies in litigation
- Memo re. Jan 11 Board of Health agenda - To Commissioner Taylor for review

Commissioner Malone said he forwarded a 9th Street Bridge Project traffic plan to the city that was submitted to him by CTA Engineering on January 5.

Commissioner Taylor reported on a bioenergy electric power plant presentation he attended on January 5 in Billings.

Community Development Director Philip Fletcher said the Parks and Recreation Board elected new officers at its January 5 meeting and will address changes in bylaws at the February meeting for Commission review. Fletcher said he suggest the Commission think about a work session to address county needs and possibilities of including those in the county capital improvements plan. Fletcher said he thinks Yellowstone River Ranch Estates funds issues need to be addressed before budget discussions. Taylor said a meeting should be scheduled to discuss the issue.

Taylor asked if the county should bring in various experts to assess Park County's solid waste issues and needs rather than spend \$70,000 on a Zia Report update that may not produce results favorable to county citizens or the county's solid waste needs.

Road Supervisor Ed Hillman said he did not receive a call back from BioSeal about insulation in Clyde Park and Wilsall road shops. Hillman sand Montana Highway Patrolman Shawn Fowler telephoned and said Mill Creek Road needs to be sanded because three accidents have occurred there. Hillman said he drove up the road and cannot see why anyone would have any problem there unless they were not driving carefully. He said the county will have to sand every road if it begins sanding one road.

@9:35:39 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 6, 2011

9:00 A.M. – Discussion of New Law, Justice & Emergency Service Center – Community Room – Postponed

January 6, 2011

Signing of Audit Contract with Olness and Associates

@11:03:17 a.m., Chairman Taylor 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 sign an audit contract with Olness and Associates.

Finance Director Lani Hartung said the county has a three-year contract with the current auditors, Olness and Associates. She said Civil Deputy County Attorney Shannan Piccolo said the Commission does not have to go out for bid for the auditor service. Hartung said she suggests the Commissions sign the contract if it is comfortable with the current auditors.

Commissioner Durgan made a motion to sign the contract for a three-year term. Commissioner Malone seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@11:09:29 a.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 6, 2011

Consider Decision on Change of Precinct Boundary Lines

@1:02:03 p.m., Chairman Taylor called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Raea Morris, executive assistant; Ed Hillman, road; Philip Fletcher, community development; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to consider a decision on changes to precinct boundary lines.

Clerk and Recorder Denise Nelson said Montana Code Annotated 13-3-101 states establishment of election precincts are created by the governing body with consultation from the county clerk and recorder. Nelson said the goal is to have fairly equal numbers of voters in each precinct, and that is not the case currently in Park County. Nelson said she would like permission to work with Terri Chambers in the IT Department to generate a proposed precincts map for Commission review.

Commissioner Malone made a motion Nelson work with IT Technician Terri Chambers to produce a map of precincts for Commission review. Commissioner Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@1:06:47 p.m., Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Malone seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 6, 2011

Amendment of Motion for Fire District Board Members from May 10, 2010, Meeting

@1:31:14 p.m., Chairman Taylor called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Malone and Taylor were present. Also present were Dann Babcox, PCRFD#1; Raea Morris, executive assistant; Denise Nelson, clerk and recorder; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment made.

The meeting was scheduled to amend a motion for fire board members made in a May 10, 2010, meeting.

Commissioner Taylor said the Commission will amend a motion it made in a May 10, 2010, meeting. Referencing Taylor's comment, Commissioner Malone said he is concerned the Commission is making a decision on board members for the citizenry of PCRFD#1, which is supposed to be an elected board.

Commissioner Malone made a motion to amend the motion to allow Mr. Donovan and Mr. Karell to serve out the full three-year terms to which they were appointed. Commissioner Taylor seconded that motion. Motion passed.

Clerk and Recorder Denise Nelson said the terms will end in May 2013.

@1:40:08 p.m., Malone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Taylor seconded that motion. The meeting adjourned.

January 6, 2011

3:00 P.M. – Update of 9th Street Bridge Project Meeting – Community Room

January 7, 2011

No Meetings Scheduled

Randy Taylor, R.S.
Chairman, Park County Commission
Park County, Montana

Denise Nelson
Clerk & Recorder
Park County, Montana