November 3, 2015

Commissioner Gartner opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m., with Adam Gartner, Doug Buxbaum and Gary Kartevold present. Also present were, Art Gehnert, Jason Stuart, Ranger Review Reporter, and Shirley Kreiman, Clerk & Recorder.

Prior Meeting Minutes:
A motion was made to accept and approve minutes for October 20, 2015. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Items added to posted Agenda: 2 Correspondence Items

Previously Approved Administrative Items:

Travel Requests: Travel requests were approved for:
- Trish Olson to Billings for workshop on Secondary Traumatic Stress on November 17th
- Steve Engerbretson to Sidney for Oil/Gas Rulemaking Committee, November 5th

New Administrative Items:

Travel Request-A motion was made to approve the travel request for:
- Tacee DeSaye to Las Vegas for Fair Convention, Nov 29th – Dec 3rd. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Encroachment Permit-MDU applied for bore crossing on Airport Road, T16, R55E, S28 (Lifetime Encroachment) The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment regarding Agenda Items-Art Gehnert stated that we need all communities represented on the planning board. Why are we trying to separate the two? Commissioner Gartner stated that they are working on an inter-local agreement for a joint planning board. Mr. Gehnert commented that the city and county have not been working together. There are flood plain issues that have never gotten resolved. The planning board is in disrepair and is not working together for the good of the community. Commissioner Gartner stating they are working towards a joint planning board and the issues he is referring to are in the past and they are working together to get an inter-local agreement and by-laws.

Old Business:
Planning Board-Commissioner Gartner stated that the commissioners have submitted and responded to a request proposal from the city for an inter-local agreement for a joint city/county planning board and they are working on a draft of by-laws.

New Business:
Request to Close Sr. Citizen Center on November 27th-The commissioners approved a request to close the Sr. Citizen Center on November 27th, the day after Thanksgiving. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motor Fuel Excise Tax-The commissioners reviewed the fact that they received a request from the City/Mayor and Sandy McGovern to have this tax put on the ballot.
- Commissioner Buxbaum stated he felt this was an unfair tax-it only taxes those who burn gas and not diesel. He doesn’t feel it is fair to pay tax again. He feels we don’t need an additional tax. The city has mills they’re not levying, he feels it would be better for them to levy it.
- Commissioner Gartner doesn’t feel the city is any different from the county as the county didn’t levy their limit this year either.
- Commissioner Kartevold-stated 7.8 gallons are distributed in Dawson County and the tax generates 2 cents that is $155,000 and split 3 ways it might do 1 block and we don’t know yet if there will be an administration cost for this
- Commissioner Gartner stated that it is an issue of interest to the public and that is their opinion, let the public vote on it to voice their opinion.
- Commissioner Kartevold-stated he felt it could hurt local businesses as once the word is out people will drive on by and fuel up in Miles City. Four other counties have tried it and it has failed
- Commissioner Buxbaum-stated that it singles out gas vehicles
• Commissioner Gartner-My opinion it is up to the public to decide. He stated they have heard there may be a petition filed to have it on the ballot. He suggested they hold a public meeting and regarding the issue to see what the public is thinking in regards to the matter.

The commissioners agreed they would table the issue and have a public meeting where they could take input in regards to placing the issue on the ballot.

TWE Contract-Commissioner Gartner stated that have received a proposed contract in regards to maintenance on generators. Mary Jo Gehnert with DES is researching this some more and checking with the prison to see who they use for maintenance on their generators. There was some comment from Art Gehnert in regards to the fact that the communications towers were built with volunteers. The item was tabled.

Resolution #2015-23 Resolution to close Richey Public Cemetery District-Commissioner Gartner stated they had a public hearing in Richey on October 22. No protests were received. It was noted that the county will assume the cemetery district into the county general fund and keep a separate Richey Cemetery Board. A motion was made to approve Resolution #2015-23 and close the Richey Cemetery District. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence/Information
• Notice from MACO Health Care Trust that they are amending the Plan Document in regards to temporary Layoffs and Leave of Absences.
• A letter was received in regards to January 24-30th being National School Choice Week and asking the commissioners to make it a proclamation.

Public Comment:
Art Gehnert was present and stated that he the Commissioners are the Administrators of the county and they need to resolve an issue he has with his weed bill. He did not use the amount of spray that he was billed for. The spray was used in his district and he doesn’t feel it is fair to charge the residents there for this much. He has spoken to both the Weed Coordinator and the Weed Supervisor and they have not taken care of the matter to his satisfaction. Commissioner Buxbaum stated that he has already set up a meeting at 1:30 p.m. for all parties to come and explain their side of the issue.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

DATED this 3rd day of November, 2015.

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Adam J. Gartner, Member

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Douglas A. Buxbaum, Member

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Gary Kartevold, Member

ATTEST: _________________________
Shirley A. Kreiman, Clerk & Recorder
November 17, 2015

Commissioner Gartner opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m., with Adam Gartner and Gary Kartevold present. Also present were, Jason Stuart, Ranger Review Reporter, and Shirley Kreiman, Clerk & Recorder.

Prior Meeting Minutes:
A motion was made to accept and approve minutes for November 3, 2015. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Administrative Items added to agenda-Correspondence from Fish, Wildlife and Parks

Previously Approved Administrative Items:
  • Travel Requests-Gary Kartevold to Las Vegas for fair convention Nov 29-Dec 2

Old Business:
  • Planning Board-Commissioner Gartner stated they are having ongoing conversations with City Council on the matter.
  • Motor Fuel Excise tax on ballot – Meeting for comments is scheduled November 24th
  • Generator Maintenance Contract-The commissioner’s stated that Mary Jo Gehnert is still checking into information. The item was tabled.

New Business:
  • September Claims- All claims against the County were audited and approved for the month of September 2015. This list contains all claims against the County including payroll withholdings, deductions and contribution warrants.
  • Resolution #2015-24 Fees for Services-The commissioners noted that they have been in discussion with public works department and they feel the need to add a tiered fee structure for hookup fees for the Metropolitan Sanitary Sewer District and have amended the fees Resolution adopted in July:

Hookup fee for the Metropolitan Sanitary Sewer District shall be defined as: each individual lot that has the capability of being hooked-up to the Metropolitan Sanitary Sewer District.

Amends the Fee Schedule Attachment A, for the West Glendive Public Works hookup fees within the Metropolitan Sanitary Sewer District as follows.

1. Residential single family dwelling, including mobile/manufactured homes-$500.00
2. Multi-family residential units:
   A: First Unit - $500.00
   B: Each additional unit after $250.00
3. Commercial & Nonresidential properties-$4,000.00
4. Motels & Hotels
   A: For the office - $500.00
   B: For each group of three units $250.00
   C: Additional fees/regulations may be added for pools, kitchens, but not limited

They have asked the county attorney to look at the wording related to using the phrase lot or unit. A motion was made to approve the resolution pending the county attorney’s approval of the wording. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence/Information:
  • Notice of budget amendment from Dawson County High School
  • Notice from MT Public Svc Commission of application for:
    ➢ Class E Transportation network Carrier from Rasier-MT LLC between all points and places in MT
Certificate of compliance from In Style Arrivals LLC Class B Passengers between all places and points in Broadwater, Gallatin, Jefferson, Madison, Park and Silver Bow Counties

Certificate of compliance Magic City V.I.P. LLC Class B Passengers between all places and points in MT with a limitation that they must originate or terminate in Bighorn, Carbon, Gallatin, Golden Valley, Meagher, Musselshell, Park, Rosebud, Stillwater, Sweetgrass, Treasure, Wheatland and Yellowstone counties.

Protests must be postmarked by November 24, 2015.

- Estimates of probable costs for West Glendive Wastewater Improvements
- Public meeting on November 24th at 5:30 p.m. for input on gas tax issue to be placed on ballot
- Fish, Wildlife & Parks notice of proposed ARM Amendment, which there will be no public hearing on and will be effective 2-19-16.

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 a.m.

DATED this 17th day of November, 2015.

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Adam J. Gartner, Member

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Gary Kartevold, Member

ATTEST: ______________________________
Shirley A. Kreiman, Clerk & Recorder