

Commission Proceedings

11-30-2023

The Board of Carter County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, November 30, 2023, in the Carter County Commission Board Meeting Room of the Carter County Courthouse at 214 Park Street in Ekalaka, Montana. Mike Watkins, Vice Chairman and Pamela Castleberry, member were present. Rod Tauck, Chairman was absent.

County Maintenance Bob Jacobs joined the meeting to discuss the Utilities at the Stenseth house. The Commission agreed to keep the service on for the time being, as the boiler heat system will require water to maintain the water levels. Bob left the meeting.

The commission approved the Claims in the amount of \$376,302.88 and payroll in the amount of \$279,066.43.

There was a discussion regarding the Travelers Insurance claim for the wrecked 1996 Peterbilt. The insurance paid \$68,880.48 that will be used to purchase a replacement truck.

Fallon/Carter Extension Agent Amanda Williams stepped into the meeting to give an update on schedule and budget.

Commissioner Castleberry made a motion to approve the minutes for November 6, 13 and 20, 2023. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. There was no public comment and the motion carried.

The meeting broke for lunch at 12:00 and was called to order at 1:00 pm.

Custer National Forest Service District Ranger Kurt Hansen joined the meeting with the plans for the upcoming Box Elder Creek crossing project. This includes 2 box culverts, concrete curbs and possible gravel turn out on either side of the road. Construction is projected to begin in 2025.

The Cooperative Road Agreement between Forest Service and Carter County expires in 2025. Kurt suggested that the County take over maintenance of the bridges and car gates on the Snow Creek Rd and Stagville Road.

The Forest Service has done some maintenance on Trenk Pass Road, with plans for work on the Lost Pine and Devils Canyon Rd.

There was also an update on prescribed burns, Talking Trail signs, and timber thinning projects.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Board of County Commissioners

Carter County, Montana



Rod Tauck, Chairman

Attest:  -DEPUTY

Clerk of the Board