

BIG HORN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Room 301
Hardin, MT 59034



Members

Sidney Fitzpatrick, Chairman
George Real Bird III, Member
Larry Vandersloot, Member

BIG HORN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES June 2, 2022 9:00 AM

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by George Real Bird (protemp).

2. Roll Call

George Real Bird III; Larry Vandersloot; Sidney Fitzpatrick

3. Approve Minutes and Supporting Documents

Approved documents for resolution agreement documents.

4. Claim Approval

5. Old Business

Decision on consent to management agreement with Big Horn Hospital Association

The lease and the two amendments to the lease were published on the public portal for public comment. Lance Pederson, counsel to the commissioners, had the documents prepared and only one minor correction was made to the agreement document. A motion was made by Larry Vandersloot to approve the Resolution Order/Consent of the Board of County Commissioners of Big Horn County, MT. The motion was seconded by George Real Bird and passed.

Ambulance Barn Final Decision

The question of killing the contract and finding new contractors was discussed by the commission, legal counsel, and the county accountant. Commissioners Real Bird and Vandersloot decided in favor of continuing on with the ambulance barn because of factors such as no cost to the county to build the ambulance barn building. The Delivering Local Assistance (DLA) Grant is another factor as to why they would like to continue. The DLA Grant is a one-time grant for local government needs which the county applied for and received. They do not want to lose the grant since it is a one-time grant. Commissioner George Real Bird made the motion to approve the ambulance barn contract. Larry Vandersloot seconded the motion. Commissioner Fitzpatrick opposed the motion.

Big Horn County Cornfed Baggers - Fairgrounds Use Agreement Decision/Signing

Some changes were made to the contract agreement by legal counsel. Larry Vandersloot made the motion to approve the use agreements with the Cornfed Baggers Fair Grounds use Agreement. The motion was seconded by Sidney Fitzpatrick. Motion passed.

6. New Business

Council on Aging- Food and Budget directive

Commissioner Vandersloot wants the Council On Aging (COA) Director Joni Schaff to purchase food. Larry Vandersloot talked about the food bill and the price of food. He requested that the food purchases come from Sysco and to fill up the empty pantry. Joni Schaff said she is working on it. It is a matter of time as changes are made. The commissioners made the Directive to purchase food from Sysco and cut back on food purchases from IGA in bulk orders. American Food Services was also suggested as a place to order food. Joni Schaff asked if the letters of appointment for the two newly appointed COA Board members were ready. Joann Shane, Deputy Clerk of the county, will prepare the letters for new appointees. Tree removal at the Lodge Grass Senior Center was discussed. The commissioners approved having the tree removed and available to the public as fire wood. Schaff will resume onsite visits to Lodge Grass Center. Mike Opie gave an accounting report of food purchases of the COA.

7. Public Comments

8. Discussion

9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Sidney Fitzpatrick.