

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA**  
**January 2, 2018**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Carol Brooker, Presiding Officer and Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner.

The Boards and Committees that the Commissioners will attend in 2018 are as follows:

<u><b>Commissioner Cox</b></u>	<u><b>Commissioner Brooker</b></u>	<u><b>Commissioner Magera</b></u>
Avista Management Committee	Child Development Center Board of Directors, Chair	Sanders County (SC) 911 Advisory Board
Flathead Valley Chemical Dependency Corporation, Board of Directors	Governors Board of County Printing	Area Agency on Aging Board Area VI, Chair
SC Board of Health	MACo Natural Resources/Public Lands	Community Action Partnership
MACo Transportation Committee	Litigation Fund Committee	Hot Springs Refuse Disposal District
SC Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District	MACo Resolutions & Legislative	SC Community Housing Organization
MACo Board of Directors	SC Board of Health	SC Council on Aging
SC Aquatic Invasive Plants Task Force	SC Community Development Corporation, Board of Directors	SC Council on Aging Financial Committee
<b>Boards Attended:</b>	SC Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District	SC Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District
SC DUI Task Force	Thompson Falls Community Trails	SC Transportation Task Force
Resource Advisory Committee	Western Montana Regional Mental Health Center, Board of Directors	<b>Boards Attended:</b>
Terrestrial Resources Tech Advisory Committee	Wildhorse Sports Authority	Dixon Refuse Disposal District
Thompson Falls Airport Advisory Board	Joint Powers Trust, Board of Directors	Hot Springs Airport Advisory Board
SC Fair Commission	<b>Boards Attended:</b>	Sanders/Lolo National Forest Collaborative Group
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	Paradise Elementary School Preservation Committee	SC Fair Commission
	Plains/Stohr Airport Advisory Board	Eastern SC Hospital Board
	Middle Clark Fork River Plains Reach Committee	
	SC Fair Commission	
	Thompson Falls Main Street	

The Board met with John Roseler, Citizen to discuss: a request for abatement on Personal Property Tax ID No. 400215. The Board has taken the matter under advisement.

Commissioner Magera joined the Board at 10:25 a.m.

The Board met with Doug Ferrell, Chairman, Scotchman Peaks Wilderness to discuss: the Kootenai Forest Stakeholders Coalition (KFSC). Mr. Ferrell requested a letter of support from the Board. The Board has consensus to write a letter of support for the KFSC. Also in attendance was Grete Gansauer, Northwest Montana Field Coordinator, Montana Wilderness Association.

The Board met with Richard Wallace, Director of Human Resources, to discuss: Safety Report/Incident Update-19 days without incident. Open County Positions: Chief Financial Officer (CFO)/Controller, posted externally until Monday, January 29, 2018. Detention Officer (part-time), extended external posting until January 10, 2018. Relief Attendant (part-time), extended external posting until January 5, 2018. Further discussion was held on a claim that was submitted and had purchases on December 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017, without a physician's note. Commissioner Brooker has received another department questioning the purchases that have been made. Mr. Wallace is waiting for a return call from Jim Muskovich, Loss Control Specialist, Montana Association of Counties (MACo) to discuss ergonomic studies done on County employees.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. and resumed the session at 2:14 p.m.

The Board requested to meet with Rich Wallace, Director of Human Resources as he was not on the scheduled agenda to discuss: the open Chief Financial Officer/Controller Position.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Carol Brooker, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner, Clerk & Recorder-Assessor-Surveyor

BY: \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary  
Jennifer Ekberg

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA  
January 3, 2018**

The Board of Commissioners of Sanders County, Montana, met in regular session on Wednesday, January 3, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. Present were Carol Brooker, Presiding Officer; Glen E. Magera, Commissioner and Anthony B. Cox, Commissioner.

The Board met with Rick Ruiz, Business Development, Facility Improvement Corporation (FICO) to discuss: the Courthouse heating and cooling system. Also in attendance was Les Lantz, Supervisor, Maintenance. Mr. Lantz will provide a tour for Mr. Ruiz of the Courthouse heating and cooling system. Thereafter, Mr. Ruiz will follow up with the Board with recommendations, if need be.

The Board met with Richard Wallace, Director of Human Resources, to discuss: the salary of the consolidated offices of the Sanders County Clerk and Recorder/Assessor/Surveyor and the Treasurer/Superintendent of Schools, as well as the salary for the consolidated offices of the Sanders County Sheriff and Coroner. The Board has consensus that no change is needed to salaries at this time. Also in attendance was Roberta M. Christenson, Deputy Election Administrator, Clerk and Recorder and Robert Zimmerman, County Attorney-Public Administrator.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m. and resumed the session at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Cox and Commissioner Magera requested to meet via teleconference with Harold Blattie, Executive Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo); Eric Bryson, Deputy Director, MACo; and Brian Hopkins, General Counsel/Personnel Services, MACo as they were not on the scheduled agenda, to discuss: Montana Code Annotated (MCA) 7-4-2503 and Sanders County combining offices of the County Sheriff and Coroner.

Commissioner Brooker joined the Board at 2:00 p.m.

The Board met with Bob Church, Vice President, Great West Engineering (GWE) via teleconference; Craig Erickson, Certified Grant Writer, GWE via teleconference; Bob Murdo, Bond Counsel, Jackson, Murdo and Grant (JMG), PC via teleconference; Nathan Bilyeu, Attorney, JMG, PC via teleconference; Dan Johnson, Area Specialist Rural Development (RD), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) via teleconference; Jason Peterson, Supervisor, Sanders County Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District; and Mike Thilmony, Commercial Loan Officer, First Security Bank to discuss: the Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District loan and draw down status with First Security Bank; project status; bond anticipation notes and water supply.

**ROUTNE COUNTY BUSINESS**

Commissioner Cox motioned to execute Landowner Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Agreement No. 90 between Sanders County and Nick Zavoianu. Commissioner Magera seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Magera motioned to approve December 27-28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Cox seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Carol Brooker, Presiding Officer

Nichol Scribner, Clerk & Recorder-Assessor-Surveyor

BY: \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary  
Jennifer Ekberg