

**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
McCONE COUNTY, MONTANA
CIRCLE, MONTANA**

Monday, February 23, 2026

At the hour of 10:00 a.m., the Board of Commissioners of McCone County, Montana, met in regular session with Ty Taylor, Lonny Jensen, and Alan Stempel present. Presiding Officer Alan Stempel called the meeting to order. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Stempel seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the agenda is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The February 9, 2026 minutes were approved as amended.

Commissioner Stempel and Commissioner Jensen reported on the MACO Conference they attended, in Billings, from February 16 to February 18, 2026.

Roger Schara, Circle Fire Chief, met with the Board to discuss Fire Department issues. The Board approved the use of Fire Department funds to purchase SCBA Systems to replace outdated equipment for approximately \$25,000.

Jeanna Massar met with the Board to discuss the Mount Antelope Type I Zoning project.

The Board tabled the second reading of the resolution increasing the Stockyards Usage fees to update the resolution. **(A copy of the resolution is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed the bids for the Fairgrounds buildings.

The Board reviewed the Acknowledgement for Circle Insurance. Commissioner Taylor moved to approve the Acknowledgement. Commissioner Jensen seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the Acknowledgement is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed the Transport Specimens Plan for Public Health. Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the Plan. Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the Plan is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed the Public Health Independent Contractor for Pathways. Commissioner Taylor moved to approve the Independent Contractor. Commissioner Jensen seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the paperwork is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Cary Phillips, South Road Foreman, met with the Board to discuss road department issues.

The meeting was opened to public participation at 1:00 p.m.

At the hour of 2 p.m. the Commissioners held a public meeting in the courtroom to discuss Type I Zoning for the Mount Antelope Park Planning and Zoning District. The Board tabled the Resolution Creating the McCone County Mount Antelope Park and tabled the Resolution Denying the McCone County Mount Antelope Park. The Board is scheduled to meet at 2 pm on March 2, 2026 in the courtroom to review and approve a resolution concerning the McCone County Mount Antelope Park and Zoning District.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

The minutes are also available on the Commissioner page of the McCone County website at www.mcconecountymt.com.

McCone County Commissioners

Attest:
(Seal)

Alan Stempel, Presiding Officer

Sherry Kluth, Clerk and Recorder