

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

Monday, March 23, 2026

At the hour of 10:00 a.m., the Board of Commissioners of McCone County, Montana, met in regular session with 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 2-0. **(A copy of the agenda is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The March 16, 2026 minutes were approved as amended.

Commissioner Jensen reported on the MDT Meeting he attended, in Glendive, on March 18, 2026 for road repair updates.

Mayor Shennum, Town of Circle, met with the Board to begin discussions on extending the contract for Law Enforcement with the Town of Circle.

Roger Schara, Circle Fire Chief, met with the Board to discuss the Fireman's Ball, current fire conditions, and an equipment purchase.

Cary Phillips, South Road Foreman, met with the Board, by phone, to discuss excess equipment for a future auction, and road repairs.

Tandi Kassner, Extension Agent, Doug Shennum, Shennum Construction, and Uriah Kirkegard, Kirkegard Construction met with the Board to discuss the new Fairgrounds Building. Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the purchase of a replacement building for approximately \$380,000 and a foundation with preparation work for approximately \$248,000 and Commissioner Stempel seconded. The motion passed 2-0. **(A copy of the contract is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Nita Crockett, Treasurer, met with the Board to present the updated Cash Reconciliation and Investment Reports for January 2026 and February 2026. Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the reports and Commissioner Stempel seconded. The motion passed 2-0. **(Copies of the reports are on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

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

Nancy Stempel, GIS Coordinator, met with the Board to discuss upcoming GIS training. Commissioner Stempel abstained from the discussion.

The Board reviewed and approved Voucher #1035 for the amount of \$37.49 for a fuel purchase. **(A copy of the voucher is on file in the Commissioners' files)**

Kerry Eissinger, Deputy Clerk and Recorder, met with the Board to discuss County issues.

Paul Skyberg, Sheriff, met with the Board to discuss Law Enforcement issues.

Correspondence occupied the Board for the rest of the day.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 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