

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

Monday, April 20, 2026

Cary Phillips, South Road Foreman, met with the Board, by phone, to discuss truck traffic on Watkins Road, road repairs and road conditions.

At the hour of 9 am the Commissioners met with the Department Heads with Nita Crockett, Treasurer, Savannah Hanson, Clerk of Court, Paul Skyberg, Sheriff, Virginia Richardson, TAC, by phone, Keri Taylor, DES Coordinator, Nancy Stempel, GIS Coordinator, Cary Phillips, South Road Foreman, and Kerry Eissinger, Deputy Clerk and Recorder, present.

Roger Schara, Circle Fire Chief, met with the Board to discuss Fire Department issues.

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 Taylor moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Jensen seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the agenda is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The April 13, 2026 minutes were approved as read.

Commissioner Stempel reported on the meeting he attended at the BLM office, in Miles City, on April 15, 2026.

The Board tabled the decision to review and approve the CDBG Draw for the MCHC repair project until all bills are reimbursed by the state.

The Board reviewed the Pawlowski Bid for the MCHC Repair Project. Commissioner Taylor moved to approve the bid. Commissioner Jensen seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the bid is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed the Midrivers Encroachment Permit for crossing county roads to install cable. Commissioner Jensen moved to conditionally approve the permit pending approval from the South Road Foreman and Commissioner Taylor seconded. The motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the permit is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed the bids to design the Quonset footings for the South Road Department. Commissioner Taylor moved to approve the Interstate Engineering bid of \$5,500 and Commissioner Jensen seconded. The motion passed 3-0. **(Copies of the bids are on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

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

The Board attended the Board of Health meeting with Sue Good, Public Health Nurse.

The Board met with Anne Miller, Eastern District Field Officer, and Keri Taylor DES Coordinator, to discuss current DES issues.

The Board attended the LEPC meeting at noon at the Firehall.

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

The Board met with Chad Bieber, Planning Board, and Stephanie Ray, a Stahly Engineering representative, by phone, to discuss the CDBG Grant for updating the McCone County Zoning Regulations.

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