

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

Monday, July 20, 2026

Cary Phillips, South Road Foreman, met with the Board to discuss vehicle and trailer repair, gravel pits, and Road Department issues.

Roger Schara, Circle Fire Chief, met with the Board to discuss recent fires, and Fire Department issues. Burn permits are required for any fires in McCone County. The permits must be renewed each year. People may be charged for fire response if there is no burn permit before a fire is started.

Allen Piroutek, Pyrotech Spraying, met with the Board to provide an update on noxious weed spraying

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.)**

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

The July 13, 2026 minutes were approved as amended.

Commissioner Jensen reported on the Planning Board meeting he attended on July 7, 2026 at the Senior Center.

Commissioner Stempel reported on the Transportation Committee meeting he attended on July 16, 2026 in Vida.

Paul Skyberg, Sheriff, met with the Board to discuss vehicle repairs, Operation Stone Garden, and Law Enforcement issues.

Alexandra Amonette, Energy Reform representative, met with the Board, by phone, to discuss energy permitting at the federal level.

The Board attended the Board of Health meeting at 11:00 am.

The Board attended the LEPC meeting at noon.

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

Voucher #1000 for warrant #101402 in the amount of \$484.11 was reviewed and approved. **(A copy of the voucher is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Floyd Yarger met with the Board to discuss noxious weed control.

Keri Taylor, DES Coordinator, met with the Board to discuss the cemetery software. The Board will continue to look for someone to manage the software program and cemetery plots. Commissioner Taylor abstained from the discussion.

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