

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

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

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

The Board of Commissioners of McCone County, Montana, met in regular session with Lonny Jensen, Ty Taylor, 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 August 24, 2026 minutes were approved.

Commissioner Stempel reported on the DNRC meeting he attended on August 26, 2026 at the Senior Center about a potential land exchange for state land.

The Board reviewed and approved the payroll for the month of August, 2026. Voucher #2 for warrants #83697 through #83700 was issued in the amount of \$4,862.00. Voucher #1006 for automatic deposits in the amount of \$109,672.11 for a total payroll of \$114,534.11 was reviewed and approved. **(Copies of the voucher and payroll register are on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed and approved timesheets for August, 2026 for the employees and department heads under the supervision of the County Commissioners.

The officers' reports for August, 2026 were reviewed and approved for the District Court, Sheriff, Clerk and Recorder, and Justice Court. **(Copies of the reports are on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Voucher #1007 for warrants #83701 to #83703 in the amount of \$46,637.01 was reviewed and approved. **(A copy of the voucher is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Voucher #1008 for warrant #101496 in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the Fairgrounds Building was reviewed and approved. **(A copy of the voucher is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Zoning Compliance Form for the Quick Gravel Pit was reviewed.

The Wright Family LLC Gravel Purchase Agreement was reviewed and approved.

The Dreesen Horse Pasture Lease was reviewed and approved.

The Board reviewed and approved the Encroachment Permits from MidRivers Communication.

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

Colden Brown, Small Business Administration, met with the Commissioners to discuss potential assistance for businesses due to a Winter Storm event in December of 2025.

The Board reviewed and approved county claims for the month of August, 2026. Voucher #1009 for the amount of \$144,999.16 was signed at this time. **(A copy of the claim register and voucher is on file in the Commissioners' files)**

Doug Shennum, Shennum Construction, and Tandi Kassner, Extension Agent attended a conference call with the Commissioners to determine potential additional reimbursements for the Fairgrounds Building based on work completed and expenses paid.

Sherry Kluth, Clerk and Recorder, met with the Board to discuss the 26-27 Budget.

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