Glacier County Commissioners
Tuesday, December 3, 2024
Regular Meeting
Cut Bank, MT

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regularly scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 3, 2024. Commissioners Vernon "Napi" Billedeaux and John B. Overcast were present. Commissioner Mary Jo Bremner was absent. Kimberly Ankerpont taking minutes.

Present at the meeting: Mark W. Hanson, Assistant Area Port Director (Port of Great Falls) U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Douglas W Claybourn, Del Bonita Port Director CBP; Raylee Johnson, Chief of Staff (Port of Great Falls) CBP; Eugene Matt, Tom McKay and Glenda Hall, Glacier County Study Commission; Crystal R. Cole, Glacier County Election Administrator; Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resources Director; Don Wilson, Glacier County Treasurer; Tom Seifert, Glacier County Undersheriff

Present via GoToMeeting: KD; kimmet

A. Roll Call
The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

B. Approval of Agenda
Commissioner Overcast motions to approve the agenda with no changes; Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

C. Discussion/Approval: Appoint (5) Glacier County Study Commission Members (John Myers, Judd Milender, Glenda Hall, Tom McKay & Gene Matt) was tabled on 11/26/2024 – Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resources Director/Crystal R. Cole, Glacier County Election Administrator
Crystal R. Cole, Glacier County Election Administrator is present to have the commissioners appoint the new Glacier County Study Commission Board. Commissioner Billedeaux administered the Oath of Office to Glenda M. Hall and Commissioner Overcast administered the Oath of Office to Eugene Matt, Sr.and Thomas McKay.

D. Discussion/Approval: Update on the Del Bonita, MT Port of Entry (POE) Border Crossing Hour Change – Mark W. Hanson, Assistant Area Port Director U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Mark W. Hanson, Assistant Area Port Director (Area Port of Great Falls) U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Douglas W. Claybourn, Del Bonita Port Director CBP and Raylee Johnson, Chief of Staff (Area Port of Great Falls) CBP introduce themselves to the commissioners. Mark explains that they wanted to talk with the commissioners about the time change at the Del Bonita Port of Entry. They talk about the hours changing during COVID and that they will now be aligning their hours with the Canadian Port. Commissioner Billedeaux asks if there will be continued statics taken and maybe a change in the future.

Mark explains that CBP is constantly evaluating traffic patterns and if there were to be a big uptick in patterns it could be something that's considered. Although, going forward this will be the permanent plan. They have a continued discussion on the different borders within the county. Mark hands out an information sheet to the commissioners of the time change which will be effective on Monday, January 6, 2025 and the sheet also includes an email address for any questions. The commissioners thank Mark, Douglas and Raylee for attending the meeting in person.

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DEL BONITA PORT OF ENTRY

Effective **MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025,** the **Del Bonita, MT Port of Entry** will remain open **daily** from **9 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

Alternate crossing locations include:

Sweetgrass, MT
Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Roosville, MT
Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

porthoursseattlefieldoffice@cbp.dhs.gov

OTHER BUSINESS:

E. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

F. Next Meeting – Thursday, December 5, 2024 – Cut Bank

Commissioner Overcast motions to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 a.m.; Commissioner Billedeaux seconds the motion; motion carried.