Glacier County Commissioners
Thursday, October 23, 2025
Regular Meeting
Cut Bank, MT

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regularly scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 23, 2025. Commissioners Vernon "Napi" Billedeaux, Mary Jo Bremner & Sam Bird III were present. Kimberly Ankerpont was taking minutes.

Present at the meeting: David Kemp, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Grizzly Bear Management Specialist Wildlife Division; Jake Gustafson, Leavitt Group Insurance Producer

Present via GoToMeeting: Chancy

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

B. Approval of Agenda
Commissioner Bird moved and Commissioner Bremner seconded to approve the agenda; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

C. Discussion/Approval: Coordinating HB648 Policy for Management of Large Predators - Dave Kemp, Grizzly Bear Management Specialist/Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks
Dave Kemp, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Grizzly Bear Management Specialist is present to update, discuss and coordinate HB648 with the commissioners. He explains that HB648 passed in the 2025 Legislative Session and was effective as of October 1, 2025. The bear staff of FWP throughout the state have been meeting with commissioners all over the state. The bill requires that we establish a communication procedure (written/verbal) with commissioners & the sheriff of the county if we are relocating a black/grizzly bear from another county to your county. There is one FWP commission approved release site for black/grizzly bears in Glacier County, and it is Pike Creek Road near the continental divide near Hwy#2. Also, he mentions that there is a 24-hour notice requirement to the county but due to FWP being out in the field and discovering that they will need to relocate a bear it would be hard to notify via email at the time. Dave mentions that the counties he's worked with have determined the best communication would be to call 911 dispatch for the verbal notification (phone call) and the message would be relayed to the Commissioners & Sheriff. Then it would be followed up with an email to the Commission Chair/Commissioners & Sheriff upon reaching the office afterward. It has been decided that Glacier County will prefer the phone call to 911 dispatch, then the follow-up via email.

Public Comment
Jake Gustafson, Leavitt Group Insurance Producer commented.

OTHER BUSINESS:

D. Review/Sign: Payroll/Claims

Dated for October 23, 2025

CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

FUND	*ACCOUNT*	*AMOUNT*
1000	General Fund	$ 96,979.96
2110	Road Fund	$ 117.31
2140	Weed Control	$ 38.65
2180	County District Court	$ 108.25
2220	Library	$ 401.72
2230	Ambulance	$ 74.99
2260	Emergency Disaster (DES)	$ 336.55
2300	Public Safety (Law)	$ 11,281.83
2343	East Glacier VFD	$ 162.01
2360	Museum	$ 181.90
2850	911 Emergency (Sheriff)	$ 501.93
2863	Glacier County Transit	$ 76.95
2918	Sheriff Law Enforcement Grant (Stonegarden)	$ 641.53
2960	Health Grants - Emergency Prep	$ 77.30
2971	Women Infants & Children (WIC)	$ 38.65
7302	West End Cemetery	$ 5,234.91
	TOTAL CLAIMS	**$ 116,254.44**
	PAYROLL	**$ 288,314.19**
	TOTAL PAYROLL & CLAIMS	**$ 404,568.63**

E. Public Comment

Jake Gustafson, Leavitt Group Insurance Producer commented.

F. Next Meeting – Tuesday, October 28, 2025 – Browning

Commissioner Bremner moved and Commissioner Bird seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 a.m.; motion carried.