Glacier County Commissioners
Tuesday, December 23, 2025
Regular Meeting
Browning, MT

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regularly scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 23, 2025. Commissioners Vernon "Napi" Billedeaux, Mary Jo Bremner and Sam Bird III were present. Mandi Bird Kennerly was taking minutes.

Present at the Meeting: Tom Seifert, Glacier County Undersheriff; Jamie & Blake Seifert, Tom & Gail Strader and Tom Seifert, Public; Crystal R. Cole, Glacier County Election Administrator; Michael Kittson, Glacier County Human Resources Director; Judd Milender, Glacier County Office of Emergency Management Director; Jill Brown, Glacier County Administrative Assistant to the Sheriff; Shawn Augare, Tristen Redhorn and Jolee Bullshoe, Glacier County Sheriff Deputies; Maurice Redhorn, Glacier County Sheriff; Rachel Redhorn, Public; Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO; Doug Reevis, Glacier County Browning Satellite Maintenance; Shannon Pepion, Glacier County Maintenance Supervisor

Present via GoToMeeting: kimmet

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

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

NEW BUSINESS:

C. Swearing-In: Sheriff (December 24, 2025 @ 12:01 a.m. to December 31, 2026) Tom Seifert – Glacier County Commissioners
Tom Seifert, Glacier County Interim Sheriff recites the Oath of Office with Commissioner Billedeaux. Tom will fill in for the remainder of the term from December 23, 2025 at 12:01 a.m. to December 31, 2026 at 12:00 a.m.

D. Discussion/Approval: Glacier County Principal Executive Officer's Determination and Termination of Local Emergency – Judd Milender, Glacier County Office of Emergency Management Director/Glacier County Commissioners
Judd Milender, Glacier County Office of Emergency Management Director presented Commissioner Billedeaux with the Glacier County Principal Executive Officer's Determination and Termination of Local Emergency that had went into effect on December 17, 2025 due to the damaging winds in Glacier County that was signed before the meeting and is the first step in terminating the emergency process.

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Commissioner Bremner moved and Commissioner Bird seconded to rescind the Glacier County Principal Executive Officer's Determination and Termination of Local Emergency; motion carried.

E. Discussion/Approval: Resolution 2025-22 Glacier County Termination of Local Emergency – Judd Milender, Glacier County Office of Emergency Management Director/Glacier County Commissioners

Judd Milender, Glacier County Office of Emergency Management Director presents Resolution No. 2025-22 Glacier County Termination of Local Emergency for approval.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Bremner moved and Commissioner Bird seconded to approve Resolution No. 2025-22 Glacier County Termination of Local Emergency; motion carried.

TERMINATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA TERMINATING A LOCAL EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION

Resolution No. 2025-22

WHEREAS, Section 10-3-402(1)-(3), M.C.A., provides that a local emergency proclamation may be issued only by the principal executive officer of a political subdivision and may terminate when the principal executive officer determines that the emergency no longer exists; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-3-404(1), M.C.A., provides that an order or resolution terminating an emergency shall indicate the nature of the emergency, the area threatened, and the conditions which make possible termination; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Glacier County, Montana, as the principal executive officer, previously issued a Local Emergency Proclamation dated December 17, 2025, and ratified aby the Board of Commissioners on December 18, 2025, relating to a high wind event and associated impacts within Glacier County; and

WHEREAS, conditions within Glacier County have improved such that the high wind threat has diminished and the immediate peril to life or property that justified the Local Emergency Proclamation no longer exists; and

WHEREAS, Glacier County response operations are transitioning from emergency response to recovery and restoration activities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Glacier County, Montana, does hereby:

1. Termination. Terminate the Local Emergency Proclamation referenced above, effective 12/23/2025, at 0900 hours.

2. Nature / Area / Conditions. Confirm that the emergency involved a high wind event with widespread power outages and hazardous conditions affecting areas throughout Glacier County, and that termination is made possible because the high wind threat has diminished and conditions have improved.

3. Revocation of Emergency Delegations. Provide that any delegations or emergency authorities issued solely under the Local Emergency Proclamation (including any Delegation of Authority issued for Incident Command) are hereby revoked as of the effective time of termination, except for actions necessary to complete orderly demobilization and closeout.

4. Filing of Copies. Direct that copies of this Resolution and the Principal Executive Officer's written termination determination be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder, the County Assessor, and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena, Montana.

5. Dissemination. Pursuant to Section 10-3-404(1), M.C.A., direct that this Resolution be disseminated promptly by means calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public.

6. Effective Date. Provide that this Resolution shall be effective upon passage, approval, and adoption.

DATED this 23rd day of December, 2025.

BOARD OF GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

\s\ Vernon "Napi" Billedeaux, Chair
\s\ Mary Jo Bremner, Vice-Chair
\s\ Sam Bird III, Member
ATTEST:
\s\Mandi Bird Kennerly, Glacier County Clerk & Recorder

OTHER BUSINESS:

F. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

G. Next Meeting – Wednesday, December 31, 2025

Commissioner Bird moved and Commissioner Bremner seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 a.m.; motion carried.