Glacier County Commissioners
Tuesday, March 24, 2026
Regular Meeting
Browning, MT

The Glacier County Board of Commissioners met at a regularly scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 24, 2026. Commissioners Vernon "Napi" Billedeaux, Mary Jo Bremner and Sam Bird III were present. Mandi Bird Kennerly was taking minutes.

Present at the Meeting: Marla Billedeaux, Blackfeet MSU Extension; Opal Boggs, Public; Tom Seifert, Glacier County Sheriff; William "Bill" Gobert, Glacier County Undersheriff; John "Snoop" Evans, Glacier County Road Supervisor; Jimmy Racine, Glacier County Deputy Road Superintendent/Weed Coordinator

Present via GoToMeeting: (1) Caller; 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 tabling Item H to the 3/26/2026 Cut Bank Agenda; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

C. Discussion/Approval: 2026 Charging Home Stampede 4-H Fair Contribution ($5,000.00) – Marla Billedeaux, MSU Blackfeet Extension
Marla Billedeaux, Blackfeet MSU Extension is present to request approval from the commissioners for the 2026 Charging Home Stampede 4-H Fair Contribution. The fair is usually held the second week of July during North American Indian Days week.

Public Comment
Jimmy Racine, Glacier County Deputy Road Superintendent/Weed Coordinator commented.
Opal Boggs, Public commented.

Commissioner Bird moved and Commissioner Bremner seconded to approve the 2026 Charging Home Stampede 4-H Fair Contribution in the amount of $5,000.00; motion carried.

D. Discussion/Approval: Follow-Up Right-of Way (East Glacier Cut Across Road) – Opal Boggs, Public
Opal Boggs, Public presented the commissioners with the following:

- Blackfeet Tribe Resolution No. 658-2023 Right-of-Way for Opal Boggs – Approved May 17, 2022
- Consent of Owners to Grant of Right-of-Way/Easement (Rian Conway)
- Consent of Owners to Grant of Right-of-Way/Easement (Elizabeth Hays)
- Blackfeet Tribe Resolution No. 174-2026 Amendment to Grant a Right-of-Way for Glacier County/Roads Maintenance on East Glacier-Heart Butte Cut Across Road – Approved September 25, 2025

- Consent for Right of Way (Blackfeet Tribe/Robert Morrissey – landowner/Boggs family siblings – landowners)

She states that she will need a document from Glacier County granting the right-of-way off the gravel road. Commissioner Billedeaux asks if she has contacted the county attorney in which she responds that she has not been able to. Commissioner Billedeaux states that she will need to talk with Terryl Matt, Glacier County Attorney before any decisions are made.

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

There were no decisions made.

E. Discussion/Approval: Drug Money Seizure Share with BLES (Blackfeet Law Enforcement Services) – Tom Seifert, Glacier County Sheriff/Jill Brown, Glacier County Sheriff Administrative Assistant

Tom Seifert, Glacier County Sheriff is present to request approval from the commissioners to share a portion of the Drug Money Seizure Share with Blackfeet Law Enforcement Services (BLES) and this would be due to BLES not having an E-Share Account. He states that it would be split evenly between the two entities. The commissioners agree to approve.

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Commissioner Bremner moved and Commissioner Bird seconded to approve the 50/50 split between Glacier County & Blackfeet Law Enforcement Services (BLES) of the Drug Money Seizure E-Share monies recovered; motion carried.

F. Discussion/Approval: Taser Purchase/Upgrade – William "Bill" Gobert, Glacier County Undersheriff/Tom Seifert, Glacier County Sheriff

William "Bill" Gobert, Glacier County Undersheriff presents the commissioners with a quote from Axon Enterprise for 12 Tasers in the amount of $137,232.00 (10-Year Total) to replace the aging tasers that are over 11 years old. Also, we would like to put a down payment of $70,000.00 from the OPIOD lawsuit funds and payments of $7,423.00 per year. We did discuss this with the CFO and were given the ok to request. The commissioners agree this is a need.

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Commissioner Bremner moved and Commissioner Bird seconded to approve the purchase of 12 Tasers from Axon Enterprises in the amount of $137,232.00 (120 Months) with $70,000.00 down payment from OPIOD lawsuit funds and payments of $7,423.00 per year for the next 10 years; motion carried.

G. Discussion/Approval: Purchase Grader Teeth (Northwest Parts & Equipment $23,142.00) – Jimmy Racine, Glacier County Deputy Road Superintendent/Weed Coordinator

Jimmy Racine, Glacier County Deputy Road Superintendent presents the commissioners with a quote from NorthWest Parts & Equipment in the amount of $23,142.00 to purchase grader teeth due to the cost that is raising daily. He explains that they're trying to save some money in the budget by buying in advance as the teeth will last around 5 to 6 months & this amount will get them through the season. The commissioners agree this is a need.

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Commissioner Bird moved and Commissioner Bremner seconded to purchase the grader teeth from NorthWest Parts & Equipment in the amount of $23,142.00; motion carried.

H. Discussion/Approval: Resolution No. 2026-07 Emergency Declaration due to Destructive Wind Event – Judd Milender, Glacier County Office of Emergency Management Director
This item was tabled in the approval of the agenda. It will be moved to the Thursday, March 26, 2026 Cut Bank Agenda.

I. Discussion/Approval: Resolution No. 2026-08 FY2025-2026 Appropriation of funds for Glacier County Fire Protection Services – Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO
Chancy Kittson, Glacier County CFO presents Resolution No. 2026-08 FY2025-2026 Appropriation of funds for Glacier County Fire Protection Services for approval. He states that this is to commit the funds to Cut Bank VFD (2341), East Glacier VFD (2343) & Babb-St.Mary VFD (2344) from the General Fund to the Fire Dept Funds.

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Commisisoner Bird moved and Commissioner Bremner seconded to approve Resolution No. 2026-08 FY2025-2026 Appropriation of funds for Glacier County Fire Protection Services; motion carried.

GLACIER COUNTY RESOLUTION
FY2025-2026 APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR GLACIER COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-08

WHEREAS, Montana Code Annotated (2023)(MCA)§ 7-4-4006, provides a governing body the authority to appropriate money and provide for the payment of the debts and expenses of the local government; and,

WHEREAS, the Glacier County Board of Commissioners views the County Fire Protection Services as vital and critical entities for public safety; and,

WHEREAS, Fire Protection Services are a vital component of creating and maintaining thriving and prosperous communities; and

WHEREAS, The Glacier County Board of Commissioners are desiring to commit revenue to each County Fire Department; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Glacier County, Montana appropriate revenue to the established County Fire Protection Service departments listed with the responding Fund Numbers:

County Fire Protection Department	**Fund #**	**Amount**
Cut Bank Volunteer Fire Department (CBVFD)	Fund #2341	**$43,893**
East Glacier Volunteer Fire Department	Fund #2343	**$21,215**
Babb-St. Mary Volunteer Fire Department	Fund #2344	**$35,114**

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 24th DAY OF MARCH, 2026.

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:

J. Public Comment
Commissioner Billedeaux commented.

K. Next Meeting – Thursday, March 26, 2026 – Cut Bank
Commissioner Bird moved and Commissioner Bremner seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:54 a.m.; motion carried.