TREASURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Regular Meeting Minutes May 6th, 2025

10:05 AM -Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance with Commissioners, Ruth Baue, Ruth Baker, and Marlo Moehr Chairman. Treasure County Deputy Clerk & Recorder, Dani Erickson, Treasure County Attorney, Hanna Schantz; Treasure County Road Department, Robin Rich Supervisor, & Joe Watson, along with Guest, Wayne Giles from Dust Pods; Treasure County Sheriff's Department, Will Seastrom; Also present were guests; Bart Icopini, Lenore Welch. 10:10 AM - Minutes Approval, Claims & Payroll

- Approval of minutes for Regular Meeting for April 15th, Special Meeting April 22th, & Special Meeting April 28th, 2025.
 - **MOTION**- Baue moved to Approve the minutes for April 15th, 2025, Baker 2nd motion carries.
 - **MOTION**- Baue moved to Approve the minutes for April 22rd, 2025, Baker 2rd motion carries.
 - **MOTION**- Baue moved to Approve the minutes for April 28th, 2025, Baker 2nd motion carries.
- o <u>Claims</u>: Claims for April 30th, 2025 were presented for payment in the amount of \$207,306.50, for check numbers 32194 through 32225.
- Payroll: Payroll for April was paid, April 30th in the amount of 95,220.58
- *All Claims were Approved & Paid*.

10:30 AM - Treasure County Road Department Discussion, Robin Rich

- Road Business
 - Guest, Wayne Giles with Dust Pods, Discussion on Pease Bottom Rd; Going to Re-Roll and Tighten it up again and then the final Seal Coat will go on. Dust Pods offers a 4inch guarantee of 3 coats, to make the application last. Giles reports that Treasure County is first in line for the application and it is favorable to apply when it is very warm out. He is hopeful for June. He would prefer to keep traffic at a minimum or close the road; but to local traffic only. Commissioner Baue told him they cannot close the road and this should be done during the week rather than a weekend, the Road Department can place signs and get the word out once they know when they will be there. The final polymer application is expected to be done in half a day but depending on the heat can take up to 24hours to set.
 - **MOTION**- Baker moved to proceed with the project with Dust Pods on the Pease Bottom Re-Roll & Sealant Job, Baue 2nd motion carries.

11:00 AM - Public Comment -

• Bart Icopini exchanges multiple questions and discussions pertaining to the project with Wayne Giles and Commissioners.

11:15 AM - County Road Supervisor, Robin Rich

- Rich reports they are finishing up on Gibson Rd.
- The County has won the bid that was approved to be placed on the Red REA pickup.
 The county received the bid for \$7,500.

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11:20 PM - Treasure County Attorney, Hanna Schantz

- Schantz presents a Certificate of Survey to the Commissioners for approval. Fred Johnson Ranch Agriculture Exemption Survey. Rick Johnson is keeping 160ac of this parcel. Schantz reports that Stahly Engineering has already reviewed, as has the County Treasurer. Fees and Taxes have been paid.
 - * **MOTION**- Baker moved to Accept the Certificate of Survey with Agriculture Exemption, Chairman Moehr 2nd motion carries.
 - **NOTE** Commissioner Baue abstains
- o BNSF Railway Bill & Contract was received; It is discussed that it is the County's feelings that the main part of the contract is State not County. Therefor the Bill that was received should not be the County's responsibility. Commissioners agree that Schantz should contact both the State Department of Transportation and BNSF that it is the County's feelings, that this bill or job is not the County's responsibility.

11:30 PM - Treasure County Sheriff, Will Seastrom

- O Discussion on hiring a part-time Civil Secretary. Seastrom expresses the need to aid with office work until he can hire a deputy. He offers a suggestion of \$15.50/hour or a monthly Stipend with a minimum of 20 hours/month and a maximum not to exceed what the state says is under full time to not receive optional benefits. It is discussed that a job description would need to be made and the position opening would need to be posted.
 - **MOTION**- Baue moved to Approve that the Sherriff proceed with the process of hiring a part-time Civil Secretary, Baker 2nd motion carries.
- Seastrom provides update, on a conference he recently attended on Anaheim CA that was sponsored by CNADA (Custer Network Against Domestic Violence).
- He provides an update that the new Patrol Pickup is ready for police regulated fittings with the company in Livingston.

11:50 PM - Commissioner Discussion Topic

- O Discussion on possible Sale of County owned building that is currently used as the Towns Junk Store (Antique/2nd Hand Store). The Commissioners discuss the possible Sale or Auction of the building with current main proprietor, Lanore Welch, Commissioners ask for Welches Views/Thoughts; Welch says it would be great if someone could grow the business and restore the building and make it great. She says she just does not have the time. Commissioners discuss with County Attorney Schantz the possibility of contacting auction companies like they did with the sale of the 309 Elliott Property.
 - **MOTION**- Baue moved for Attorney Schantz to contact Auction Companies for terms/conditions for the sale of the Junk Store Building, to possibly be conducted in the Fall, Baker 2nd motion carries.

12:05 PM - Recess for lunch

1:10 PM -Reconvene

- o Commissioner Discussions Continued
 - Discussion from previous Auditor Meeting; pertaining to the findings stated by Auditor Bob. Commissioners would like the Ambulance Budget and CCOA Budget looked into, specifically if there are any journal entries needed or if the Auditor missed that they had been done.
 - Discussion on County Accounts
 - **MOTION**- Baue moved to have Accounts looked into at both First State Bank of Forsyth and Stockman Bank, to Attain a list of all accounts using/under the Counties E.I.N. or T.I.N. Baker 2nd motion carries.

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- Discussion on the Yellowstone Irrigation District and Hysham Irrigation District and how their Warrants and Accounts are used and ran through the County Fund. Icopini has some questions and discussion about the accounts with the Commission.
- Icopini asks questions in the capacity as a Weed Board member, pertaining to County Roads and some clarification on the County Fuel Tax map; Commissioners, Icopini and Deputy Clerk & Recorder Erickson convene to the hall where the County Fuel Tax Map is located. Discussion on County vs State Maintained Roads for the Weed Districts spraying responsibilities.
- Return to Courtroom at 2:30 PM, Discussion Canister Site Porta-John, It is suggested that a new or rented one be brought to the site.
- **MOTION**- Baue moved to have Commissioner Mochr look into the purchase and delivery of a new Porta-John for Canister Site, Baker 2nd motion carries.

3:00 PM Correspondence to Commission

- Presentation of Treasure Counties 3 Court Districts Jury Lists for Review/Approval
 - Hysham City Court
 - 16th Judicial District Court
 - Hysham Justice Court
- **MOTION**- Baue moved to Approve the 3 sets of Jury Lists, Baker 2nd motion carries.
- Meetings to Report
 - Ruth Baker -
 - Ruth Baue -
 - Marlo Moehr -

3:35 PM Adjournment, being no further business to come before the Board, Ruth Baue moved for adjournment, Ruth Baker 2nd the motion.

TREASURE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Marlo Moehr, Chair Marlee Sears, Clerk & Recorder

Dani Erickson, Deputy Clerk & Recorder