TREASURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 6TH, 2026

10:08 AM -Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance with Commissioners, Marlo Moehr, Chairman Ruth Baue, Vice Chairman and Ruth Baker, Board Member; Treasure County Clerk & Recorder, Marlee Sears; Treasure County Attorney, Hanna Schantz; Treasure County Sheriff's Department, Scott Upchurch; Treasure County Council on Aging, Megan Metcalf; and Guest(s), Dave McNaney; Rosebud County Sheriff's Department, Allen Fulton.

10:11 AM – Minutes Approval, Claims & Payroll

- Approval of minutes for Regular Meeting September 15th, 2026.
  - **MOTION** - Baue moved to approve the minutes for September 15th, 2026, Baker 2nd motion carries.
- Approval of Special Meeting Minutes for September 21st, 2026
  - **MOTION** - Baker moved to approve the minutes for Special September 21st, 2026 meeting, Baue 2nd motion carries.
- Claims: Claims for September in the amount of $31,029.48. Claim numbers 33138 through 33168.
- Payroll: Payroll in the amount of $109,476.54 was approved for payment. Chairman Moehr came in to sign checks on September 24th, 2026. Check numbers 23751 through 23770 were signed and approved for September Payroll.
- *All Other Claims were approved & paid.

10:30 AM – Treasure County Road Department, Robin Rich – not present

- Dump Key Discussion
  - There was a lot of trash that was placed in the wrong areas at the canister site, metal in particular. It was recognized the individual that dumped the items in the wrong areas as there were letters and boxes with the individuals name all throughout the trash that was placed within the burn pile.
  - Hanna, the Treasure County Attorney, was present to give a recommendation to send a formal letter to request that the individual only be allowed to come during regular business hours and not to come in to the Clerk's office to get the afterhours checkout key.
- Discussions/ Updates
  - Robin would like to have the snow pusher back on the agenda for next meeting.
  - The Road department is currently continuing works on Pease Bottom Road repairs.

11:00 AM – Public Comment –

- Dave McNaney – Gumbo Hill Road and Webb Road was not good and there were lakes in the middle of the roads. Millings road he drove down and could drive the speed limit with little to no issues. Discussion of Haveman hill is an unmaintained County Road.

11:15 AM – Monthly Conference Call with Stahly Engineering, Adam Hagel

- Bridge Grant Application
  - There is a deadline due on October 20th, 2026
  - Adam is suggesting to switch the bridge for this specific grant. Better Local Bridges Program. There are criteria that each bridge has to meet. Pumphouse bridge is posted for 7 to 9 tons and falls into a 3rd priority category. Adam believes if we change to another bridge, more competitive. After many discussions of different bridges that need work within the county the consensus is to just proceed with Pumphouse bridge.
  - Baue hopes to apply for a quick fix application in the amount of $75,000. to assist with Wilson Road bridge. Wilson structure needs a deck it has a major hole in it that needs repairs. Adam is going to look into it and see what can be done. BLB funding accepts applications at 10am on October 20th, 2026.
  - Discussion of Mackley Bridge by Kenny Rogers place. Baue is looking for cargo flats. Stahly did not do a load rating on that bridge. If it is posted for under 5 tons it would.

11:45 AM – Treasure County Attorney, Hanna Schantz

- Review of the Procurement Policy
- Anything between $3,500 to $25,000. There should be or try to have three quotes should be obtained this can be by email phone call and written from is great but at least shop around a little bit.
- Architects, engineers and land surveyors should have qualifications for proposals for $25,000.
- Anything $80,000 competitive and sealed bid for proposals and invitations to bid or request proposals.
- See Attached

11:45 AM – Recess for Lunch –Baue moved to adjourn for lunch, Baker 2nd, motion carries.

1:15 PM –Reconvene after Lunch

- Treasure Belle's, Megan Metcalf
  - Use of the Mainstreet firehall for trunk or treat.
  - Megan requests that the Treasure belles use the firehall for the trunk or treat. All proceeds go to the Beef to School program for our local Hysham School.
  - ****MOTION**** - Baue moved to allow the Treasure Belles to use the firehall at no charge for the facility as they carry their own insurance, Baker 2nd motion carries.

1:25 PM – DES Coordinator & Fire Department – Nicole Stephenson, Not Present

- Nicole is not present.

1:34 PM – Treasure County Sheriff's Department, Scott Upchurch

- Approval of grants
  - Treasure County received both grans one in the amount of 92,000.00 for the patrol and the other grant is for Search and Rescue grant in the amount of $127,000.00
    - ****MOTION**** - Baue moved to approve the acceptance of the grant funds for both grants. The first in the amount of $92,000.00 and the other in the amount of $127,000.00.
- Calendar
  - Scott can provide a calendar to see who is working what days.

- **Sheriff's Pay Discussion –**
  - Discussion regarding sheriff's pay. Per Statute MCA 7.4.2503.(g) Coroner salary can be set. After long discussion the board approved a $5,000.00 increase for the combined title of coroner.
  - Clerk Sears will have to create a wage-pay line for the coroner. This is not an additional onto base pay for the Sheriff's wage this is an increase for the coroner only.
  - Sheriff Upchurch is scheduled to go to coroner school in December of this year. Sheriff Alan Fulton ensured that he can still do coroner duties a year prior to attending coroner school.
  - ****MOTION**** - Baker made the motion to pay the combined office of Sheriff/Coroner an additional $5,000.00 only to increase the coroner wage effective this pay period for the Treasure County Sheriff/Coroner, Baue 2nd motion carries.

2:10 PM – Commissioner Discussions

- **Community Center Floors –** Baker makes a motion to table the community center flooring, Baue 2nds motion carries. Community Center flooring tabled until further notice.
- **Road Tour Dates –** Discussion regarding possible dates for a road tour after the October 20th meeting.

2:35 PM – Commissioner Meetings to Report –

- **Ruth Baker –**
  - MACO in Helena – Sept. 27th
- **Ruth Baue -**
  - MACO in Helena – Sept. 27th
  - Montana DOT October 1st
  - Eastern Montana Mental Health – Sept. 24th
  - Senior Companion Sept. 30th
- **Marlo Moehr – No Meetings**

2:45 PM - Adjournment, being no further business to come before the Board, Ruth Baker moved for adjournment, Ruth Baue 2nd the motion, motion carries.

Dated this 20th day of October, 2026.

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Marlo Moehr, Chair

ATTEST:
Marlee Sears, Clerk & Recorder

BY:_____
Dani Erickson, Deputy Clerk & Recorder