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## COMMISSIONERS' - Minutes July 24, 2025 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Terry Tomsheck via phone, Mary Ann Harwood, Terry Kimmet and Treva Nelson Clerk & Recorder.

This meeting in accordance with Montana law is being video recorded.

<u>Public comment is allowed on all agenda items at the direction of the Chairman and following Board rules.</u>

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Approval of July 7, 2025, Meeting Minutes: Terry Kimmet motioned to approve. Mary Ann seconded the motion, motion carried.

- 1. Consider Preferred IT Systems, three-year IT support contract with Jason Canney. Terry Kimmet motioned to approve. Terry Tomsheck seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.
- 2. Consider the Dunn Communications bid to move the radio equipment and antennas to the new 3 Rivers lease site. Terry Kimmet said the bid is for \$60,515. Terry Tomsheck said he filled out grant paperwork for \$50,000 but wouldn't know until September 2025. Terry Kimmet said the project probably wouldn't be until then anyway. Terry Kimmet motioned to approve the bid with the approval of the Sheriff about what fund this would come out of. Terry Tomsheck seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.
- 3. Consider having Matthew Pearce with Mapping and Planning Specialists Inc. (MaPS Inc.) upgrade the 911 system to the Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG911) network to properly/accurately deliver the 9-1-1 calls, to all of the State's dispatch centers. Terry Kimmet said this was a cost of about \$9,000. Terry Kimmet motioned to approve with the approval of the Sheriff. Terry Tomsheck seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

- 4. Consider contract amendment on Denning Downey and Associates CPA's Audit contract dated July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, to list the Northern Express Transportation Authority (NETA) as a discretely presented component unit of the County. Terry Kimmet motioned to approve. Terry Tomsheck seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.
- 5. Consider contract amendment to Nexus CPA Group, Certified Public Accountant contract dated July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2026, to list the Northern Express Transportation Authority (NETA) as a discretely presented component unit of the County. Terry Kimmet motioned to approve. Terry Tomsheck seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.
- 6. Consider Resolution #9-2025, a resolution requesting prosecutorial assistance for all Crossroads Correctional Center criminal cases. Terry Kimmet motioned to approve. Mary Ann seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

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## RESOLUTION #9-2025

## A RESOLUTION REQUESTING PROSECUTORIAL ASSISTANCE OF ALL CROSSROAD CORRECTIONAL CENTER CRIMINAL CASES

WHEREAS: the Toole County Attorney has requested prosecutorial assistance in the investigation and prosecution of all Crossroad Correctional Center criminal cases; and,

WHEREAS: it is desired and deemed appropriate that a Special Deputy County Attorney be appointed to assist in the prosecution of the aforementioned cases; and,

WHEREAS: the Montana Department of Corrections has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Justice for the funding of a prosecutor position to specialize in prosecuting crimes occurring in Department of Corrections facilities; and,

WHEREAS: Mont. Code Ann. § 44-4-111 authorizes and contemplates that the Training Coordinator for county attorneys and the Bureau Chief of Prosecution Services Bureau (together with the Deputies within said Bureau) act as Special Counsel on request of the County Attorney and upon the approval of the Board of County Commissioners; and,

**WHEREAS:** Mont. Code Ann.  $\S$  2-15-501(6) authorizes the Attorney General to provide assistance to county attorneys in the discharge of their duties.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the attorneys assigned to the Prosecution Services Bureau of the Department of Justice are hereby appointed as Special Deputy County Attorneys for Toole County for the purpose of assisting in the prosecution of the aforementioned cases and that any of said deputies can fulfill the functions set out

in Mont. Code Ann. \$44-4-103. This Appointment begins the date of this Resolution and expires on June 30, 2027.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That under the terms of this Agreement, no fee will be charged for attorney time provided by the Bureau based upon the fact that pursuant to the internal operational policies adopted by the Attorney General on September 1, 1999, assistance in such cases is provided without an hourly fee. Witness fees and expenses, jury costs, and other normal costs associated with trial will be the County's responsibility as with all other prosecutions.

BOARD OF TOOLE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS dated this 24th day of July 2025.

Terry Tomsheck, CHAIR

Mary Ann Harwood, COMMISSIONER

Terry Kimmet, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Treva Nelson Clerk & Recorder