

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ADMINISTRATIVE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

MISSOULA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 199 WEST PINE STREET, ADMIN ROOM 206
January 29, 2026

How to attend the meeting

Hybrid meeting: You can attend in person in Conference Room 206 of the Missoula County Administration Building (199 W. Pine st) or virtually by using our Microsoft Teams link found here: <http://missoula.co/bccpublicmeeting>

ATTENDANCE

Present: Josh Slotnick, David Strohmaier, Juanita Vero, Chris Lounsbury, Andrew Czorny, Jason Mitchell, Elisha Buchholz, Annie Cathey, Melissa Fisher, Allison Franz, Cheryl Hartman, Carey Powers, Mattie Scott, Brian West
Other Attendees: Tenzin Lhaze, Patricia Spotted Wolf, Kyla Lehnerz, Jill Johnson, Erik Dickson, Chelsea Rabideau, Peggy Miller, Tom Tucker, Kris Handley, Griffen Smith, Martin Kidston, MCAT

I. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Peggy Miller spoke requesting that a Missoula water supply study be done.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

None

III. ACTION ITEMS

1. Request board approve employment agreement with Jessica Yang to serve as the Chief Financial Officer for Missoula County beginning Feb 16, 2026 to June 30, 2029 at a rate of \$74.52.

Presenter:

Chris Lounsbury

Moved:

Juanita Vero

Second:

David Strohmaier

Motion:

Motion passed as written

Vote:

Yes 3, No 0, Abstained 0

Additional Info:

Contract/Project Begin Date:

2/17/2026

Contract/Project End Date:

6/30/2029

Agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1124 Page 445. Electronically sent to Chris Lounsbury, Commissioners' Office.

2. Request board approve professional services agreement with DJ&A for an amount not to exceed \$21,000 for engineering services related to structural repairs to the Sunset Hill Bridge.

Presenter:

Erik Dickson

Moved:

David Strohmaier

Second:

Josh Slotnick

Motion:

Motion passed as written

Vote: Yes 2, No 0, Abstained 1
Additional Info: Juanita Vero abstained from the vote
Contract/Project Begin Date: 1/26/2026
Contract/Project End Date: 6/30/2026
Agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1124 Page 447. Electronically sent to Erik Dickson, Public Works.

3. Request board approve Community Council bylaws.

Presenter: Kyla Lehnerz
Moved: David Strohmaier
Second: Juanita Vero
Motion: Motion passed as written
Vote: Yes 3, No 0, Abstained 0

Additional Info:
Contract/Project Begin Date:
Contract/Project End Date:
Electronically sent to Kyla Lehnerz, Lands and Communities. By Laws filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer:
2026 Bonner-Milltown Bylaws - Book 1124 Page 448
2026 Clinton Bylaws - Book 1124 Page 450
2026 East Missoula Bylaws: Book 1124 Page 451
2026 Lolo Bylaws - Book 1124 Page 452
2026 Seeley Lake Bylaws - Book 1124 Page 453
2026 Swan Valley Bylaws - Book 1124 Page 454
2026 West Valley Bylaws - Book 1124 Page 455

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter 2026-020 to state Department of Commerce in support of Missoula Economic Partnership grant application to fund rural programming — signed 1/27/26

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

VI. UPCOMING EVENTS AND INVITATIONS

None

VII. SIGNING OF ITEMS APPROVED AT PUBLIC MEETING

None

VIII. OTHER COMMENTS/INSTRUCTIONS

None