

Agenda
Bonner Milltown Community Council
Bonner School Cafeteria and Via Zoom

May 11th, 2026, at 7:00 PM

To Join Zoom Meeting:

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Meeting ID is: 748 996 3769

Password: Bonner

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Call to order: (Please put cell phones on vibrate or silent)

Roll Call:

Approval of Agenda:

Approval of Minutes: April 13th, 2026

Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda:

Bonner History Tidbit:

Announcements: None

Guest Speakers:

Robert Morris *Lance Energy Chair* Montana Technical University
Water and Energy use with AI Data Centers

Bouquet Period:

Public Comment:

Communications:

- The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) and Riverside Contracting, Inc. anticipate pausing work on Montana Highway 83 (MT 83) near Swan Lake until early June. More information can be found on the project website at www.mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/mt83bridges/
- **Answers available for frequently asked questions for potential data center in Bonner** The [Bonner Data Center project page](#) on missoulacountyvoice.com has been updated to include [Frequently Asked Questions](#) regarding the potential data center at Old Bonner Mill. A complete application has not yet been submitted. This is a special exemption request, so this project is subject to approval by the Missoula County Consolidated Land Use Board, not the county commissioners. MCCLUB meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Missoula County Courthouse in the Sophie Moiese Room.

- **Commissioners approve resolution of intent to adopt zoning regulations billboard amendment; residents welcome to public meeting May 12**

On March 26, county commissioners approved a resolution of intent to adopt the zoning regulations billboard amendment, which would prohibit new billboards in areas of Missoula County zoned as industrial center light and industrial center heavy. The amendment also prohibits conversion of existing static copy billboards to electronic message display billboards. The commissioners will consider final adoption at a public hearing meeting at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 12. Residents are welcome to attend this meeting in-person and virtually.

- **Playground equipment removed at West Riverside Community Park; new playground coming in 2027**

Crews from Missoula County recently removed aging playground equipment at West Riverside Community Park to make way for future improvements. While this equipment has been a valued part of the park and holds many memories, it had reached the end of its lifespan.

Removing the old equipment creates an opportunity to thoughtfully plan for a new playground, with a target installation in 2027. The park will remain open during this transition. These efforts are part of a broader commitment to provide a safe, modern and accessible recreational spaces that serve the needs of the West Riverside and Milltown neighborhoods now and into the future.

- **Answers to FAQs about floodplain mapping project: Clark Fork River, Bitterroot River and Rock Creek**

Missoula County hosted four public open house meetings to share information and gather questions about the ongoing floodplain mapping project.

Answers are available for questions asked during the open house meetings. [Click here to view the questions and answers.](#)

If you are still looking for one-on-one assistance, Missoula County Floodplain Administration staff are available for appointments. To make an appointment, please contact county staff at 406-258-4657 or floodplain@missoulacounty.us.

If you live within city limits, please contact the City Floodplain Administration at 406-552-6625 or zoningdesk@ci.missoula.mt.us.

If you'd like to receive updates on the floodplain mapping project as the process moves forward, sign up to follow the [Floodplain Mapping Update project page](#) on MissoulaCountyVoice.com.

Treasurer's Report: Budget due 6-1-26

Action Items: None

Discussion items:

1. Blackfoot Crossing
2. Bonner Mill AI Center (Special Exception Permit Process – invite Crambo, Public Health, Water Quality District, DNRC, DEQ, and NorthWestern Energy/PSC as able)
3. Open Council Positions
4. City / Community Signage (add additional signs)
5. Milltown State Park – recreational river closures this summer and next (invite park manager and/or a Front Country Alliance representative)

Public Comment:

Next Meeting: June 8th, 2026

Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

1. Blackfoot Crossing
2. Bonner Mill AI Center (Special Exception Permit Process – Speakers TBD)
3. Filled Council Positions
4. Chair opening and resignation
5. City / Community Signage (add additional signs)
6. Milltown State Park – recreational river closures this summer and next (invite park manager and/or a Front Country Alliance representative)

Adjournment:

Council Members: Council Members: Rick Hall, Chair, Jane Kipp, Vice Chair; Kaaren James, Treasurer; Emily Herndon, Secretary; John Wilke, Member, Jessica Glebke Alternate Member; email bcommunitycouncil@gmail.com