

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADMINISTRATIVE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

MISSOULA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 199 WEST PINE STREET, ADMIN ROOM 206
July 7, 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, Anne Hughes, Jason Mitchell, Elisha Buchholz, Annie Cathey, Melissa Fisher, Allison Franz, Melissa Gordon, Cheryl Hartman, Vincent Pavlish, Carey Powers, Jessica Yang

Other Attendees: Patricia Spotted Wolf, Jill Hohnson, Jackson Lee, Melissa Richards, Michael Tester, Griffen Smith, Katie Fairbanks, MCAT

I. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved: Juanita Vero
Second: David Strohmaier
Vote: Yes 3, No 0, Abstained 0
Additional Info: All consent agenda items passed as written

1. Request board approve a resolution documenting the maintenance amendments to the Subdivision Regulations.

Resolution 2026-087 filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 466.
Electronically sent to Tim Worley, Planning and Development Services.

2. Request board approve memorandum of agreement between Missoula County and the Missoula Mountain Bike Coalition for trail construction and maintenance services at Marshall Mountain Park.

Memorandum of Agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 465.
Electronically sent to Jackson Lee, Marshall Mountain Park Manager.

3. Request board approve grant amendment #2 for Lolo Street Bridge. This application will be for the construction and construction administration portion of the Protect Grant. This will take us through the construction closeout.

Electronically sent to Jason Mitchell, Public Works.

4. Request board approve independent contractor agreement with Flaherty Consulting LLC for Strategic Alliance for Improved Behavioral Health Facilitation services in an amount not to exceed \$65,000 for July 15, 2026, to June 30, 2027.

Electronically sent to Melissa Gordon, Grants.

5. Request board approve and authorize Commissioner Vero to sign the grant contract amendment for the STEP grant program.

Grant approval filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 467. Electronically sent to Chris Lounsbury, Commissioners and Angie Phillippi, Sheriff's.

6. Request board approve successor collective bargaining agreement between Missoula County and the Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE), Federation of Missoula County Employees (FMCE) for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028.

Agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 1001. Electronically sent to Chris Lounsbury, Commissioners' Office.

7. Request board approve second amendment to application for service provider agreement with Personify Health extending the employee wellness technology solution through June 30, 2028.

Electronically sent to Erica Grinde, Risk and Benefits.

8. Request board approve and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to sign the separation closing agreement between PHC and Missoula County.

Separation closing agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 453. Electronically sent to Chris Lounsbury, Commissioners' Office.

9. Request the board approve chair to sign the Western Region Juvenile Detention Grant Application. The Western Region Juvenile Detention Grant through the State of Montana Board of Crime Control provides grant funds with local match to support both secure juvenile detention costs and non-secure detention costs. Missoula County administers the grant for Flathead, Lake/Sanders, Lincoln, Mineral, Missoula, and Ravalli counties. The total grant award is expected to be \$178,519.00, of which Missoula County is expected to receive \$59,234.43 based on projected population numbers. Missoula County will also receive an administrative fee, for grant administration, in the approximate amount of \$3,570.39.

Grant award filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 469. Electronically sent to Sheryl Ziegler, Sheriff's Detention.

10. Request board approve chair to sign professional services agreement amendment between St Patrick Hospital (SPH) and the Missoula City-County Health Department (MCCHD) for the Coordinated Approach to Child Health (CATCH) program. No increase in compensation to MCCHD.

Electronically sent to Anissa Gabrielson, Missoula Health Department.

11. Request board approve professional services agreement amendment with Jeremy N Smith LLC for leadership development services.

Amended agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 470. Electronically sent to Chris Lounsbury, Commissioners' Office.

12. Request board approve resolution to sign and accept portions of the Lower Miller Creek Road associated with a 2023 petition to alter/abandon portions of Lower Miller Creek Road right-of-way.

Resolution 2026-091 filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 432. Electronically sent to Michael Tester, Surveyors.

13. Request board approve to accept a public road right-of-way easement for Aluminum Road between Missoula County and Treasure State Endeavors LLC.

Right-a-way filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 435. Electronically sent to Michael Tester, Surveyor.

14. Request board approve to accept a public road right-of-way easement for Aluminum Road between Missoula County and Cartage Warehouse LLC.

Right-a-way filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 436. Electronically sent to Michael Tester, Surveyor.

III. ACTION ITEMS

1. Request board approve chair sign the Montana Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant Program Contract #MT-CDBG-HSP-25-05 in the amount of \$500,000 to support single-family home rehabilitation for low- to moderate income owner-occupied homes to address failing septic systems and health/safety issues.

Presenter:

Melissa Richards

Moved:

David Strohmaier

Second:

Juanita Vero

Motion:

Motion passed as written

Vote:

Yes 3, No 0, Abstained 0

Additional Info:

Contract/Project Begin Date:

3/2/2026

Contract/Project End Date:

12/31/2031

Grant award filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1130 Page 1006. Electronically sent to Melissa Richards, Grants.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter to the director of the federal Office of Management and Budget outlining concerns with the proposed rule rewriting 2 CFR 200 (Uniform Grant Guidance). The letter will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget ahead of the July 13 public comment deadline.

BCC signed Letter 2026-159

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Notice of lawsuit and intent to accept service: Anastasia Chinikailo v. County of Missoula, DV-26-268.

VI. UPCOMING EVENTS AND INVITATIONS

None

VII. SIGNING OF ITEMS APPROVED AT PUBLIC MEETING

None

VIII. OTHER COMMENTS/INSTRUCTIONS

None