

PETROLEUM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2026

Petroleum County Courthouse

302 E. Main – Winnett, Montana

Commissioners:

Chair: Paul McKenna
Commissioner: Craig Iverson
Commissioner: Sig Pugrud

Staff:

Clerk: Nikki White
Treasurer: Krista Rowton-absent
Road: Ray Rowton

Meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Sig motions to approve the February 23rd agenda, Craig seconds the motion. Motion carries.
- Sig motions to approve the February 9th meeting minutes. Craig seconds the motion. Motion carries.

ROAD DEPARTMENT- RAY ROWTON

- Road damage report-none at this time
- Grader lease buyout done February 9, 2026
- Commissioners' commended the work done at the shop
- Ray talked to Robin about DES Resiliency rip rap grant and will get her the information needed

TREASURER

- No reports

COUNTY CLERK

- Sig moves to approve and pay claims #2099-2105, Craig seconds the motion. Motion carries.
- Sig moves to approve timecards. Craig seconds the motion. Motion carries.
- Sig moves to approve and pay Courthouse Rehab claims #2106-2113, Craig seconds the motion. Motion carries.

COMMISSIONERS

- No update on the Flood Plain
- HRDC letter has been signed
- Audit is in process
- Discussion on interest in Sheriff's position

- Discussion was held on Town of Winnett Law enforcement contribution
- Bounty program check in will be done by the Predator Board. They will get us dates and times.
- EMPG Grant Application was denied by the State
- Sig moves to approve payout #14. Craig seconds the motion. Motion carries.
- Pam Walling with MACo will be at meeting on March 9, 2026 to go over options with employees.
- Sig moves to approve signing the MOU/DES OCA agreement for \$5000 for Courtroom Security. Craig seconds the motion. Motion carries.

COURTHOUSE REHAB:

- Unable to proceed due to electrical issues.

Adjournment 1:43 p.m.

Signed: Paul M^s Kenna
Attest: Rikki L. White

