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Missoula County Commissioners Seeking Applicants for Board Positions

The terms for 28 positions on Missoula County boards and committees will expire on Dec. 31, 2019. Current members who are eligible for reappointment must submit a letter of interest to the Missoula Board of County Commissioners if they would like to continue serving. New applicants are also encouraged to apply. All applications are available online or in the Commissioners' Office, located at 199 W. Pine St. in Missoula. Submissions may be filed electronically or emailed to bcc@missoulacounty.us. Deadline for applications and letters of interest is Saturday, Nov. 23.

Airport Authority Board — One alternate member partial term running through Dec. 31, 2020. Board consists of seven members: five regular voting members and two alternate non-voting members. The Missoula County Airport Authority functions for the benefit of the public and for public and governmental purposes and as a matter of public necessity. The purpose of the authority is the planning, acquisition, establishment, development, construction, improvement, maintenance, equipment, operation, regulation and protection of the Missoula International Airport and air navigation facilities, including the elimination of airport hazards. Meetings are held at 1:30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of every month in the Airport Conference Room.

Animal Control Board — One regular member two-year term running through Dec. 31, 2021. The Animal Control Board, representing a broad array of technical experts, business and industry professionals and citizens-at-large, is charged with providing consultation to Missoula City-County Animal Control for the purpose of reviewing animal control program policies to ensure consistency with all pertinent city and county ordinances, to approve or deny requests for multiple dog permits, and to perform other duties as described in the inter-local agreement between the city and county on cooperative animal control. Meetings are held at 5:45 p.m. on the first Wednesday of every month during February, May, August and November at the Animal Control Center.

<u>City-County Board of Health</u> – One county-appointed three-year term running through Dec. 31, 2022. The Board of Health is the policymaking body that determines the goals, objectives and programs for the delivery of public health services to Missoula residents, both city and county. The board has statutory authority and responsibility, including rulemaking and adjudication, as well as budgeting authority. The board is responsible for selecting the health officer, who carries out statutory duties and directs the health department. The board is a seven-member board comprised of both city- and county-appointed members. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at 12:15 p.m. at the Missoula City-County Health Department at 301 W. Alder St.

<u>Florence-Carlton Cemetery Board</u> – One three-year term running through Dec. 31, 2022. Board consists of three members serving three-year terms. Governs and manages the Florence-Carlton Cemetery District. Meetings vary as needed.

<u>Historical Museum</u> – Three regular member three-year terms running through Dec. 31, 2022. The board consists of five voting members and one non-voting alternate member. The Historical Museum at Fort Missoula is dedicated to increasing the knowledge and understanding of the history of the county and city of Missoula, the history of Fort Missoula and the military presence in the area, and the history of forest management and the wood products industry in western Montana. The Historical Museum Board is responsible for the daily operations of the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula, except for those fiscal and personnel, statutory and administrative authorities reserved by Missoula County. The board helps maintain the physical, professional, aesthetic and fiscal health of the Historical Museum. Meetings are held at 6 p.m. the second Monday of January, March, May, July, September and November in Building T-1, Fort Missoula.

Larchmont Golf Course Board — Three three-year terms running through Dec. 31, 2022. The Larchmont Board of Directors was established to oversee and operate the golf course. The board has full power and authority to take any and all action necessary to operate and manage the golf course in an efficient and business-like manner. The board prepares and presents the proposed budget to the Missoula Board of County Commissioners and reports to the commissioners monthly. In addition, the board oversees the personnel, as required, for the efficient operation of the course. Meetings are held at 3:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at Larchmont Golf Course.

<u>Lolo Mosquito Abatement District Board</u> – Two three-year terms running through Dec. 31, 2022. Board consists of five members serving three-year terms. The Board of Trustees, Lolo Mosquito Abatement District, was created Oct. 1, 1978, as a Mosquito Abatement District by Missoula County. The district manages and controls mosquito pests and minimizes mosquito-borne diseases such as West Nile and equine encephalitis. Meetings vary as needed.

Missoula Urban Transportation District (MUTD) — One four-year term running through Dec. 31, 2023. The MUTD is a seven-member board, with three members appointed by the mayor, three members appointed by the Missoula Board of County Commissioners and one member is an alternating city/county appointment. The MUTD supplies transportation services and facilities to district residents and other persons. The district shall provide quality public service to meet the mobility needs of the community but may authorize service outside the district boundaries where deemed appropriate. The board has all powers necessary and proper to the establishment, operation, improvement, maintenance and administration of the district. Meetings are held at noon on the fourth Thursday of each month in the Mountain Line Conference Room, 1221 Shakespeare St.

Open Lands Citizen Advisory Committee (OLC) — Five three-year regular member terms running through Dec. 31, 2022. The committee is comprised of 13 voting members, up to four non-voting alternates and additional technical advisers when needed. The OLC advises the Missoula Board of County Commissioners and represents the citizens of Missoula County in the protection and preservation of open space and the rural way of life for present and future generations. Meetings are held at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month in the Community and Planning Services conference room.

Missoula Consolidated Planning Board (MCPB) — Four regular member, and one alternate (non-voting) member, two-year terms running through Dec. 31, 2021, are open to applications. The MCPB is comprised of nine city and county members. The objective is to enable units of local government within Missoula County to cooperate in promoting quality of life and healthy environment through the orderly development of those units and their environs by planning for the improvement of the present health,

safety, convenience and welfare of their citizens and the future development of their communities. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month in the City Council Chambers.

Weed Control Board — Three regular member three-year terms running through Dec. 31, 2022. In addition, two three-year alternate terms remain vacant with a term end date to be determined at time of appointment. The board consists of nine regular members and two alternate positions. The board oversees the planning, implementing and developing of a coordinated program that includes education, prevention, management and research as described in the Weed District's Noxious Weed Management Plan. The members represent landowners' interests county-wide. Meetings are held at 4 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month, September through May, at the Missoula County Extension and Weed District Office.

Zoning Board of Adjustments – Two regular member and one alternate member two -year terms running through Dec. 31, 2021. The Missoula County Zoning Board of Adjustment provides equality and flexibility in the implementation of county zoning. The board administers provisions of the County Zoning Resolution and hears and decides appeals, variances and special exceptions to terms in the County Zoning Resolution upon which the board is required to pass under that resolution. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month in the Missoula County Courthouse Sophie Moiese Room.

Additional board vacancies:

<u>Election Advisory Committee</u> – One alternate non-voting member term running through Jan. 31, 2022, is vacant. Objectives of the Elections Advisory Committee (EAC) are to listen to stakeholders, conduct sound research and learn best practices, and offer thoughtful advice and recommendations with the goal of increasing public participation in the election process. The EAC is comprised of seven members, and meetings are held quarterly but may meet more frequently during federal election years. Meetings are held from 3-4:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month at the Elections Office.

Evaro-Finley-O'Keefe Community Council – One vacant three-year term running through May 31, 2022. Members of the council are elected to advance and promote the interests and welfare of the citizens of the Evaro-Finley-O'Keefe community by providing useful, beneficial and helpful information that can affect the decision-making process of the Missoula County commissioners. The council is comprised of five members who are registered voters within the **Evaro-Finely-O'Keefe Community Council boundary description**. Meetings are typically held from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month at the Evaro Community Center.

Missoula City-County Library Board – The remainder of the alternate term is open to new applicants. This partial term runs through June 30, 2022. The library Board of Trustees is the policymaking body of the library and has control over expenditures of the public library fund, construction or leasing of the library building, and operations and care of the library. The board also hires the library director. The board is composed of five members: One member residing within the city is appointed by the mayor, with the advice and consent of the city council. The remaining four members and the one alternate member are appointed by the county commissioners; at least one county member must be a resident of the City of Missoula. Members are expected to attend all meetings, both regular and special. Regular meetings are held at 6 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month in the library director's office.

<u>Missoula Development Authority</u> – One vacant term running through June 30, 2021. The MDA board is seeking county applicants who live outside Missoula city limits and have economic development experience. The board maintains oversight of the development and management of Missoula County's three tax

increment districts: the Missoula Development Park Technology District, the Bonner Mill Tax Increment Financing Industrial District and the Bonner Targeted Economic Development District. The MDA markets property owned by Missoula County in the tax increment districts and advises the county on other economic development issues. MDA meetings are at 3:15 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of every month.

<u>Planning and Zoning Commission</u> — One vacant term running through Dec. 31, 2021. The Planning and Zoning Commission consists of three county commissioners, either the county surveyor or the county clerk and recorder, two citizen members, each of whom resides in a different <u>citizen-initiated planning and zoning district</u> or, if only one district exists in a county or is proposed, both from that district, and a county official appointed by the county commissioners. Meetings vary as needed.

Swan Valley Community Council – One vacant term running through May 31, 2022. Members of the council are elected to advance and promote the interests and welfare of the citizens of the Swan Valley community by providing useful, beneficial and helpful information that can affect the decision-making process of the Missoula County commissioners. The council is comprised of five members who are registered voters within the boundaries of the Swan Valley School District. Regular meetings are held at 6 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month at the Swan Valley Community Center.

The deadline for all applications and letters of interest is Saturday, Nov. 23.

Applications are available online at https://www.missoulacounty.us/community/volunteer. Please submit letters or emails of interests to bcc@missoulacounty.us. For further information, contact the Commissioners' Office at 406-258-4877. All board vacancies are listed at https://www.missoulacounty.us/community/current-vacancies.

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