

MINUTES OF THE BIG HORN COUNTY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

NAME: Big Horn County Commission TYPE: Regular Session

PLACE: Big Horn County Courthouse Commissioner’s Chambers

DATE: April 23, 2018 TIME: 9:00 AM

Chairman: Felix Carrizales, Members, Deb Craft

Other County Representatives: Lori Smallwood, County Clerk;

List of attendees on file.

Carrizales welcomed the candidates and the public in attendance. Carrizales shared that Commissioner Hyde will not be in attendance due to a family matter. Carrizales explained that the audience would not be allowed to speak and requested their silence during the interviews.

This special meeting was held to interview and appoint a County Attorney to replace Kim Adams as of her June 1, 2018 resignation. Three nominees received from the Republican party were Michelle Burns, Marcia Bean and Kim Mickelson. All three were interviewed independently.

Carrizales asked the following questions of each candidate:

- Do you feel you are truly qualified for this position
- How would you prepare for a case that you anticipate will be difficult or that you are unsure about?
- Do you feel you have the time and desire needed to fulfill the needs of this office?
- Do you feel the county can compensate you for the time and work you will devote to this position?
- What do you think Judges and Attorneys who work with you think of you?
- Do you feel you can serve the constituents of this County fairly, and have you done your job objectively in the past?

Craft asked the following questions of each candidate:

- How do you view you will work with the Commission?
- How will you prioritize cases given there is not the budget to prosecute all cases?
- How much time will you need before you can devote 100% of your time to this position
- If you are appointed to this position do you plan to run for the office this election?
- Given the limited budget how many employees do you think you will need?
- Do you plan to remain in the office for the duration of the elected term?

Craft opted not to ask the Mickelson the question regarding full time effort because she is currently a full time deputy of that office.

Craft moved to go to executive session for personnel. The motion was seconded and carried. The executive session was adjourned and the special session was reconvened.

Carrizales thanked the candidates and public in attendance for their interest in the position and participation in the process. Carrizales noted that the Commission put a lot of work into the process if reviewing application packages and taking phone calls from citizens expressing their opinions. Carrizales highlighted that the decision was not taken lightly and was made with the good of the county as a whole in mind.

Craft moved to appoint Marcia Bean as Big Horn County Attorney effective June 2, 2018. There was no discussion, the motion was seconded and carried.

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COUNTY OF BIG HORN)

I, Lori Smallwood, County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Board of the County Commissioners, do hereby certify
April 23, 2018

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