

**Town of Ennis**  
**Local Government Review Commission**  
**Madison Valley Public Library**  
**210 Main St.**  
**Ennis, MT 59729**  
**Monday, March 10, 2025 at 2:00pm**  
**(rescheduled from Thursday, March 6, 2025 at 2:00 pm)**

**Minutes:**

1. **Open Meeting** by Elser 2:02pm
2. **Roll Call of Commission**
  - a. Kelly Elser - localgovtkelly@gmail.com (Presiding Officer)
  - b. Brittney Hirsch - lgrennisbrittney@gmail.com
  - c. Lisa Roberts - localgovtlisa@gmail.com (Secretary)
  - d. Karen Ketchu - karenk@ennismontana.org (Ex-Officio)
3. **Approval of Minutes from February 10 & 18, 2025:** Roberts moved to approved.  
Seconded by Hirsch. Motion carried
4. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:** NONE
5. **Public Comment on Agenda Items:** NONE
6. **New Business**
  - a. **Public Hearing #1 Debrief**

Public hearing was well attended by approximately 30-35 ppl. The following questions (with responses) were asked on large pieces of papers around the community room.
  - b. **Public Hearing #2 June 18** Ketchu to reach out to MSU Local Government Center for scheduling. It was suggested by Ketchu to send out another postcard before hearing to residents as outreach. All agreed there was a good response from the previous postcard that is a good use of funds.
  - c. **Budget report from Town Clerk/Treasurer:** Report is not up to date as it is missing a few items. MSU-Local government charge and staples charges. Ketch will email MSU to see if the bill has been sent to town. To review again at the next meeting.
  - d. **Survey end date Current survey results:** Survey to close March 31, 2025  
Discussion was had on to further engage the public in the survey. It was decided that a Madisonian ad would be appropriate along with more posting on facebook. Roberts will make a 1 page flyer to correspond with survey link for residents to understand that 70% of voters in the primary election voted for the Local Government Review.
  - f. **Current and former employees and elected officials survey:** Questions to be finalized at the next meeting.
  - g. **Brochure and other materials disbursement.** Copies to be available at Library, Post office, Town Hall, Banks etc.
  - h. **Scheduling MSU for Community Engagement Facilitation** Ketchu will email MSU Local government center with our preferred date of June 18, 2025 in the evening.

i. **Study Commission webpage updates** NONE all information is updated. Ketchu likes that the "more information" tab links directly to the Local Government Center webpage.

**7. Commission Correspondence**

Elser requested a copy of Montana Town forms of government from Town Clerk, no copy provided as of today. Hirsch received an email from Mayor Haas with Attny Guza's review of LGR bylaws-this will be on next meeting's agenda. Madison Co. Commissioner Todd reached out to Ennis LGR inviting them to present to Madison Co. LGR. Consensus agrees to present when a date and time is scheduled.

**8. Next scheduled meeting Thursday, March 20, 6pm**

**9. Close Meeting:** Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm

*Kelly Elser 3/10/25*