

## **RESOLUTION 2025 – 15**

### **A RESOLUTION ORGANIZING THE CRAIG-WOLF CREEK MOSQUITO DISTRICT BOARD**

WHEREAS, the Lewis and Clark Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 1983-46 and established the Craig-Wolf Creek Mosquito Control District (the District); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 7-11-1004, a special district in existence on July 1, 2009, continues in existence and remains subject to the provisions of the statutes under which it was created or established, as those statutes existed on June 30, 2009.

WHEREAS, the Lewis and Clark Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2011-191 and a Standard Policy on Board and Committee Appointments; and

WHEREAS, Mont. Code Ann. § 7-1-201 requires the Board of County Commissioners to adopt resolutions that contain specific information to organize certain boards.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Lewis and Clark Board of County Commissioners hereby organizes the Craig-Wolf Creek Mosquito Control District Board (the Board), subject to the contents of this resolution.
2. The Board shall have three (3) voting members, appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the Board of County Commissioners.
3. The Board shall, with the approval of the Board of County Commissioners, establish bylaws to govern the operation of the District.
4. To qualify for appointment to the Board, a candidate must be at least 18 years old, a citizen of the United States, and reside within the District.
5. The terms of the members shall be conducted in accordance with Resolution 2011-191.
6. Voting members shall be entitled to mileage.,
7. The Board of County Commissioners may appoint one Commissioner and one County employee to serve as ex officio members of the Board.
8. The Board is responsible administering the District pursuant to all applicable Federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and policies, including but not limited to all County policies involving contracts, purchasing, procurement, employment, and notice.
9. The Board shall have the powers and duties as established in Mont. Code Ann. § 7-22-2415
10. The Board may not sue or be sued independently of the County. Any contracts necessary to implement the mosquito control program shall be approved and signed by the Board of County Commissioners.
11. Two (2) present Board members constitutes a quorum for the purposes of conducting business and exercising powers and responsibilities.



12. The Board shall provide for the keeping of written minutes, including the final vote on all actions and the vote of each member. This information must be kept and shared with the County for proper records management.
13. The Board shall provide by rule for the date, time, and place of regularly scheduled meetings and file the information with the Board of County Commissioners.
14. The Board of County Commissioners shall establish a mosquito control fund. The proceeds from the tax and fees must be placed in a separate fund with the County Treasurer and must be used solely for the purpose for which the District was created. Warrants upon such fund shall be drawn by the Board of County Commissioners upon the presentation of claims approved by the Board. The Board shall utilize County Public Works Department on budget planning and requests.
15. Subject to Mont. Code Ann. § 15-10-420, the Board of County Commissioners shall finance the operation of the district by levying a tax on the taxable value of all taxable property situated within the district at the time fixed by law for levy and assessment of taxes.
16. Instead of or in addition to imposing a tax levy, the Board of County Commissioners may, upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified voters residing in the mosquito control district, collect an annual fee from the owners of structures that are benefited by the mosquito control services offered by the district. These annual fees must be collected with the general taxes of the County. The assessments are a lien on the property assessed.
17. On or before February 1 of each year, the Board shall submit to the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services and Department of Agriculture, for their review and advice, a written report of its operations for the preceding year and a written plan covering its control program for the ensuing year. This report must be kept and shared with the County for proper records management.

DATED this 27 day of February, 2025.



LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Candace Payne, Chair

ATTEST:

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Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board