

Ravalli County Commissioners Office

From: Chris H <hockman_cw@hotmail.com>
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To: Ravalli County Commissioners Office
Subject: Partial Automation of Commissioner Meeting Noticing

Dear Commissioners,

After participating in the 12MAR2015 meeting regarding Resolution 2979, Resolution Providing for Public Participation, Meetings and Open Government, I considered the insurmountable workload that Glenda Wiles currently experiences as the Administrative Assistant for the Commissioners. Her exhaustive efforts to keep the public informed and able to meaningfully participate in the decisions made by the County Commissioners must be acknowledged and applauded. Unfortunately, today's meeting appeared to create an additional workload for Mrs Wiles.

In order to alleviate some of the labor involved in creating entries in multiple commissioners' meeting notice dissemination tools (Outlook, CivicPlus, Granicus), I suggest having part of the process of noticing automated. It seems possible to create a script of code that would export meetings in Outlook calendar to CivicPlus' calendar and possibly to Granicus as well. CivicPlus vendor. The proposed functionality of this script may already be available from the This should negate the need to create events in all three manually. This, theoretically, would free up time to provide more meeting detail in the agendas as discussed during today's meeting.

Please investigate the possibility of this suggestion.

Sincerely,
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