

December 5, 2007

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session at the Lincoln County Courthouse on December 5, 2007. Present were Commissioner John Konzen, Bill Bischoff, and Jill Blomdahl. Chairman Commissioner Rita R. Windom attended by phone.

9:00 AM: Commissioner Konzen called the **meeting to order**.

9:01: am: **Kootenai National Forest**: Paul Bradford and Malcolm Edwards are present. Due to the recent snow and rain, Commissioner Windom asked Paul Bradford if there is any flooding on the Kootenai National Forest. Paul reported, as of this date, no flooding has been reported. There is still no Forest Plan due to the Supreme Court decision. Paul believes they will know what the new rules will be by the end of January, 2008, with a final decision in February, 2008. Paul let the Commissioners know they are working on a Travel Management Plan that is due in 2009. This is regarding motor vehicle use on Forest Service roads and is a basis to cite someone on Forest Service land. Commissioner Windom asked if they are heading towards a system of all roads are closed unless posted open. Paul believes this is the case. They are working with other agencies and they plan to have The Grizzly Bear Access Amendment completed by late spring or early summer 2008.
9:40am: Libby Creek Road: Malcolm Edward is working on an analysis of discussions and public comments for the impact study. The Environmental Assessment is due in December and covers year round motorized access, including snowplowing. Mr. Edwards believes, from preliminary feedback from The Fish and Wildlife Services, that the Bull Trout will be adversely affected by the snowplowing on Libby Creek Road.

9:55am: **Hard Rock Impact Plan**. Present were Eric Klepfer from Mines Management, Mary Klinkam and Lisa Oedewaldt. Per a discussion with Joe LaForest, Mines Management or Lincoln County may submit a petition for an amendment to the original plan to the Board for approval. Mines Management is willing to submit the petition. After 10 days of submitting the petition, a public notice will be issued. After the 60 day comment period, the Board can then make its decision. The plan is then reviewed annually. This allows the county to plan and adjust to the needs of the county. Commissioners Konzen and Windom agreed to have Mines Management submit the petition. Mary Klinkam will share all the information she has to prepare the petition.

1:35pm: Subdivision Review with Mary Klinkam and Lisa Oedewaldt. Chairman Commissioner Windom is present.

1:35pm: **Pipe Dream Subdivision**, 1 lot and a remainder lot, NW4, S2-T31N-R31W, Commissioner Review: Mary presented the subdivision. Byron Sanderson from Kootenai Surveyors is also present. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

1:40pm: **Upper West Vista**, 3 lots, W2, S1-T29N-R31W, Commissioner Approval: Mary presented the subdivision. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

1:43pm: **DBMS Hideaway**, 2 lots, S4-T26N-R27W, Commissioner Approval: Mary presented the subdivision. Commissioner Windom had a few road questions that were answered by Byron Sanderson. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

1:47pm: **Cabinet Mtn. Views**, 5 lots, NE4 NE4, S27-T30N-R31W, Commissioner Approval: Mary presented the subdivision. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

1:50pm: **Mountain Foothills Estates**, 21 lots, NW4, S7-T36N-R26W, Commissioner Approval: Mary presented the subdivision. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

1:52pm: **Paradise View**, 2 lots, NE4 NW4, S14-T36N-R28W, Commissioner Approval: Mary presented the subdivision. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

1:55pm: **Timber Glen III**, 2 lots, NE4 NW4, S26-T36N-R26W, Commissioner Approval: Mary presented the subdivision. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

1:58pm: **Dancing Prairie**, 2 lots, NE4, S23-T37N-R27W, Commissioner Approval: Mary presented the subdivision. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

2:03pm: **Tax abatements** from the Department of Revenue were submitted for commissioner's signatures. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the tax abatements. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

2:06pm: The Commissioners received a request for appointment of Bruce Edwards to **Bull Lake Rural Fire District Board of Trustees**. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve this appointment. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

2:24pm: **Energy Performance Contracting Presentation**. Mike McCourt from Johnson Controls, Peggy Williams from Libby City Council and Dan Thede for The City of Libby were present. Mike McCourt presented examples of how Lincoln County can save money on utilities. Commissioner Konzen moved to have Johnson Controls due an analysis for Lincoln County. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

3:50pm: The meeting was adjourned.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

John Konzen, Commissioner

ATTEST: _____
Jill Blomdahl, Deputy Clerk of the Board