

September 5, 2007

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting on September 5, 2007, at 9:00 am in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present were Commissioners Marianne B. Roose, John Konzen, and Chairman Rita Windom, Bill Bischoff and Deputy Clerk & Recorder, Jill Blomdahl.

9:00 AM: **Forest Service Update:** Present were Charlie Webster, Paul Bradford, and Paul Stantus. The Forest Service has selected a contractor for Forest Service road work. The contractor plans to start mid-September. A total of 171 fires in the KNF so far this year. Quick responses to fires have kept the damage to a minimum. \$1.5 million has been spent this year for fire preparedness and fighting fires in the KNF. There will be a public meeting in September regarding private docks on Lake Kooconusa.

10:00 AM: Personnel issues in the **Sanitation Department** were discussed with Kathi Hooper.

10:15 AM: **Animal control contracts** for Troy and Libby were presented to the board. Commissioner Konzen moved to accept dog control agreements for 2007-08 for Troy where they are paid \$5,500 per year and Libby pays \$9,000 per year. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

10:25 AM: The Commissioners discussed **personnel issues** with Bill Bischoff.

11:05 AM: The Commissioners had a discussion with Ric Kesling regarding the future of **Kootenet**. He presented four options. Commissioner Roose moved to approve Option 3 and re-evaluate in January. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

1:30 PM: **Mary Klinkham, Subdivision Review:** Present were Surveyors Ken Davis and Al Hughes.

1:33 PM: **Saddle Mountain Views**, final plat approval. Everything is complete. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

1:36 PM: **Velvet Meadows**, final plat approval. Everything is complete. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

1:40 PM: **Mill Subdivision**, pre-approval. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

1:40 PM: **Rosenthal Family Transfer.** Mary Klinkham recommended approval for this transfer. Al Hughes, Kootenai Surveyors, Inc., answered questions from the commissioners. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the family transfer. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

1:44 PM: **Golden Eagle Estates**, final plat approval. Mary presented pictures of the road and informed the commissioners that it was in fact a county road. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

1:52 PM: **Creek Side Estates**, final plat approval. The commissioners were waiting for authorization permit from the forest service which Mary has today. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

1:56 PM: **Keeler View**, final plat approval. Ken Davis let the Commissioners know that Timberlane Road has been graveled and is in great condition. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

2:00 PM: **Sauls Subdivision**, final plat approval. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

2:05 PM: Mary is continuing her research into **family transfer** abuses. She has done preliminary reviews and for the last 2 years, 85% of the family transfers have been sold within 5 minutes to 1 year. Mary asked to have her statement on record, that she has never presented hearsay information to the Commissioners. Ken Davis suggested monthly meetings between Mary and the local surveyors to answer questions and keep everyone updated.

2:50 PM: Mary updated the commissioners on the **change of addresses**. 2,613 documents were hand delivered to residents in 2004 and 2,461 letters were left on doorsteps regarding 911 enhancements. Over 2,000 residents did not receive letters. GEO Com. has offered to credit the county for services that were not completed. Commissioner Windom moved to accept the proposed credit. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

3:03 PM: Mary told the Commissioners that there has been one response for the position of Examining Land Surveyor and 10 applications for the Planning Assistant. Ken Davis has concerns with the applicant for Examining Land Surveyor. The applicant does not live in the area and surveyors would like him to be available for meetings. Mary stated she would look into this when considering this applicant.

3:45 PM: The Commissioners worked with Tammy Lauer and Coral Cumming regarding budget issues.

4:45 PM: The meeting was adjourned.

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Rita Windom, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Jill Blomdahl, Deputy Clerk of the Board