

August 6, 2008

The Lincoln County Commissioners met for a regular session at the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present were Commissioner Rita Windom, Commissioner Marianne Roose, Commissioner John Konzen, Bill Bischoff and Deputy Clerk and Recorder Jill Blomdahl.

Commissioner Windom called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

9:05 AM: **Paul Bradford, USFS:** Also present was Tony Berget and Dan Rose. \$1,200,000,000 is the projected amount that is going to be spent this fiscal year on fire suppression. The Parmenter Fire cost \$1,000,000 with 1/3 of that amount on the initial attack. That particular fire was a great example of how all the agencies, federal, state and county, work together. Dan Rose gave the Commissioners the Community and Structure Fire Protection Guidelines for 2008. He stated homeowners need to take the responsibility for making their property fire safe. Insurance companies are becoming more aware of properties in fire areas and will not write policies for these properties.

Paul stated the Forest Service is currently working on vegetation management. Several areas are still tied up in court. The Northeast Yaak Project has 99 acres in Grizzly Bear country. Paul commented that work is continuing on the Grizzly Bear Access Amendment. He hopes to have something for the public by next month. The Forest Service will have the motor vehicle use maps by next year.

9:45 AM: **Terry Crooks.** Also present is Sheriff Daryl Anderson. Terry presented a warning/informational sign he had printed for Kootenai Falls, particularly the swinging bridge, due to the recent fatality. There is a new, large sign to be installed soon at the entrance of the park and Commissioner Konzen has no problem with the warning sign being placed on it. Paul Bradford stated the Forest Service is aware of the problems.

10:34 AM: The Commissioners read the **minutes of July 30th meeting.** Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

10:35 AM: **Administrative Issues:** Commissioner Windom gave her letter of resignation to the board. She plans to work through September to complete the budgets. Commissioner Roose moved to accept the resignation. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

10:43 AM: Clyde Rexroad asked for reimbursement of his 2007 property taxes. He has been exempt for several years but due to an error last year the exemption was not processed. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the request for reimbursement of taxes. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

10:48 AM: **Lisa Oedewaldt.** Lisa discussed the Cargill shoreline violation with the Commissioners.

11:00 AM: **Road Foremen.** Ron Downey, Marc McCully, Tim White. The road approach application has been modified by the Road Foremen and they submitted a proposal. They will submit the final application for approval at a later date. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the \$50 fee. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

11:40 AM: **Jason Moothart,** Frontier Communications. Everything is in place to start the fiber optic project from Troy to Libby. Jason asked the Commissioners if they would call the State Road Department, and encourage them to get the permits signed.

1:30 PM: **Deb Blystone:** Deb wanted to discuss some road changes with the Commissioners.

1:44 PM: **Subdivision Review:** Lisa Oedewaldt and Ken Peterson

1:44 PM: **Brush Creek Views,** S27T32NR34W, 3 lots, Commissioner review. Lisa presented the subdivision and conditions and opened the public hearing. There were no public comments.

1:50 PM: **McIntyre,** Amended lot 15A of Tetrault View Estates, 3 lots. Lisa presented the subdivision and conditions and opened the public hearing. She stated the Planning Department cannot recommend approval of this subdivision. Covenants of Tetrault View Estates state no lot shall be subdivided. KSI will have a letter of extension drawn up.

1:55 PM: **Solitude Bay,** S15T36NR28W, 9 lots. Lisa presented the subdivision and conditions and opened the public hearing. The Commissioners had a few questions that the developer and surveyor answered.

2:00 PM: **Whiskey Ridge,** 5 lots, preliminary plat approval. Lisa reviewed the subdivision and conditions that were presented last week. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

2:04 PM: **Andreessen,** Am lot 1-A of Kootenai Meadows, 2 lots, preliminary plat approval. Lisa reviewed the subdivision and conditions that were presented last week. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

2:07 PM: **Lakeshore Construction,** Kari AuClair, Bull Lake Estates. She would like to re-landscape the shoreline creating a beach, remove some vegetation and add steps for a dock. Commissioner Konzen stated creating a beach would not be keeping with the natural shoreline of the lake but removing brush and steps would work with what has been done before. Lisa will re-write the permit. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the permit as modified. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

2:12 PM: **Sharin Prusia, Upper Thompson Lake.** The lakeshore permit was previously approved in February, 2008, but a signed permit was never completed. The permit was signed by Commissioner Windom.

2:16 PM: **Byron Sanderson,** KSI. Byron asked the Commissioners to look at the roads in a proposed subdivision. Due to the topography of the land, the standard road configuration would not work. He has met with Lisa and adhered to what she requested as to pullouts. Lisa stated that at least a few more cul-de-sacs would need to be added. Commissioner Roose will take a look at the property and speak to Byron at the next Commissioner meeting.

2:33 PM: The Commissioners discussed some **administrative issues.**

4:10 PM: The meeting was **adjourned**.

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Rita R. Windom, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Jill Blomdahl, Deputy Clerk