

## December 10, 2008

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session on December 10, 2008, in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present were Commissioner John Konzen, Commissioner Marianne Roose, Commissioner Tony Berget, Bill Bischoff and Deputy Clerk and Recorder Jill Blomdahl.

9:00 AM: Commissioner Konzen **opened the meeting** with the Pledge of Allegiance.

9:01 AM: **Forest Service**, Paul Bradford and Cami Winslow: Paul spoke about the Secure Rural Schools funding. Cami said they are in the process of cleaning up the project spreadsheet so it is easier to understand. They also talked about the need for RAC (Resource Advisory Council) members. There are four vacancies and the deadline for applications is December 22. Commissioner Konzen is concerned the general public doesn't know they have input on how RAC spends the money. Commissioners Konzen and Roose are working on the funding for the juvenile program where juveniles who need to pay restitution, work in the forests to pay off the debt. Paul supports any program that makes a connection with the forest. Cami and Paul will research for more definition on policies for these programs. Paul wanted to give a heads up to the Commissioners regarding bills for special uses sent to homeowners for right-of-ways through Forest Service property. The rates for these right-of-ways have increased significantly and he suspects the Commissioners will be hearing from property owners. Paul gave the Commissioners a letter from the regional office explaining the upcoming priorities for the Forest Service. There are no significant changes in the priorities and Paul briefly explained each priority.

10:05 AM: **EPA Update**: Present are Mike Cirian, Russ Leclerc, Victor Ketellapper, Ted Linnert, Kathi Hooper, Brad Fuqua, and D.C. Orr. On the phone were Bruce and Kirby from Senator Baucus's office, Virginia from Senator Tester's office, and Katherine from Helena. Mike introduced the new EPA people and explained their positions and who they are replacing. Mike stated in 2008, the EPA has finished 149 properties and the creek projects are complete. To date, 1,103 properties have been cleaned. Mike said the EPA is done with the physical construction for this year and is preparing for the clean-up in 2009. He let the Commissioners know that three areas in two creeks have been identified for clean-up. Victor stated the EPA will have a plan available for the public in January for 2009 projects and long term plans and they will present this plan to the Commissioners in February. There will be a 30 to 60 day public comment period once the plans are available. The plans will also review what work has been done and what still needs to be done. The plans will be available at the EPA Information Office. Mike let the Commissioners know that the ambient air in schools is being tested. The testing started December 9 and should be done by the 16<sup>th</sup>. There are 10 sampling ports each at Asa Wood School, Plummer School, the Middle and High Schools and the Administration Building. The Libby ambient air study will be available in January for the public to review.

11:05 AM: **Plum Creek, Legacy Project Update**: Laurie Wood spoke about the amendment the Forest Service has drafted regarding road issues. She believes the amendment is a good idea but needs a little work. She informed the Commissioners that other counties share the same concerns that Lincoln County has.

11:36 AM: **Kootenai Pets for Life**: Present are Judy Hyslop, Carol McAllister and Kathi Hooper. KPFL has used all of the money allocated to them in July. They would like the Commissioners to consider another allocation. Judy spoke about a spay and neuter clinic room they are putting in their new building and asked the Commissioners for funds for this also. The Commissioners will consider this request and make a decision later today.

11:55 AM: **Plum Creek, Legacy Project Update continued**: Lori reiterated that the amendment is the right thing to do and answered questions from the Commissioners.

1:30 PM: **Subdivision Review**. Lisa Oedewaldt, Ken Peterson, Ryan Jones, Dawn Marquardt, Debbie Shoemaker, Brad Linnell, Terry Smith, Sharon Kelly, Marilyn and James Irwin, G.B. Gatz, Mary Lou Gentry, Jerry Snell, and Kelly Fitz.

1:31 PM: **Bear Hollow Amended Lot 2 Deanna Tract 2**, 4 lots, 5.02 acres, Public Hearing. Lisa opened the public hearing by reading the details of the subdivision and the conditions. George Gentry read a letter from property owner Ken Pannell who had concerns regarding the amount of homes and how close they would be on 5 acres. Questions from the Commissioners were answered by Lisa and the developer. Lisa closed the public hearing.

1:45 PM: **Pheasant View Forest Amended Lot 2 Whitetail Terrace**, 4 lots, 46.67 acres, Public Hearing: Lisa opened the public hearing by reading the details of the subdivision and the conditions. Questions from the Commissioners were answered by Lisa. Lisa closed the public hearing.

1:50 PM: **Trails End Amended Lot 1 Diamond T Estates**, 2 lots, 25.09 acres, Public Hearing: Lisa opened the public hearing by reading the details of the subdivision and the conditions. She answered questions regarding the roads leading to and in the subdivision from the Commissioners. Lisa closed the public hearing.

2:00 PM: **Kootenai Acres Amended Lots 12 & 13 Enders Acres**, 4 lots, 1.37 acres, Public Hearing: Lisa opened the public hearing by reading the details of the subdivision and the conditions. Terry Smith has concerns about junk in that area and is asking for covenants to keep the junk out. The developer is open to the covenant idea. Sharon Kelly from Moore Oil has safety concerns now that there are large tanker trucks delivering propane on Spencer Road Ext. The developer is willing to talk to Moore Oil regarding these concerns. Brian Jones spoke about the access issues on Spencer Road. Marilyn Irwin had the septic system explained to her by the developer. Questions from the Commissioners were answered by Lisa. Lisa closed the public hearing.

2:20 PM: **Amended Lot 4 Rexford Bench No. 4**, 4 lots, 18.872 acres, Commissioner Decision: Lisa reviewed the subdivision presented last week. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat and it was so moved.

2:22 PM: **Amended Lot 11 Airpark Village**, 2 lots, 2.78 acres, Commissioner Decision: Lisa reviewed the subdivision presented last week. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat and it was so moved.

2:26 PM: Ken and Lisa discussed the suggested **changes for the subdivision regulations** with the Commissioners. Ken gave the Commissioners a list of the changes and a meeting was scheduled in January to discuss the changes in depth.

2:55 PM: The Commissioners agreed to allocate \$10,000 from PILT for **Kootenai Pets for Life**. The funds will be run through the Sanitation Department allocating \$4,000 for spaying and neutering animals and \$6,000 for the spay and neuter clinic room in their new building. Commissioner Roose moved to allocate the funds and it was so moved.

3:00 PM: **Bid Opening for electrical updates for the Port Authority** (CDM Bldg.). Present are Paul Rumelhart, and representatives from C & G Electric and Kalispell Electric.

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| Star Electric – Kalispell      | \$35,500 |
| American Electric – Kalispell  | \$15,200 |
| Kalispell Electric – Kalispell | \$20,250 |
| C & G Electric – Libby         | \$31,994 |
| Preferred Electric – Libby     | \$22,000 |

Commissioner Roose moved to take the bids under advisement and it was so moved.

3:10 PM: **Personnel issues** were discussed.

4:25 PM: The **meeting was adjourned**.

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Commissioner John Konzen, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jill Blomdahl, Deputy Clerk and Recorder