

January 23, 2008

The Lincoln County Board of Directors met for a regular session on January 23, 2008, at the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present were Commissioner John Konzen, Commissioner Marianne Roose, Bill Bischoff and Clerk and Recorder Tammy Lauer. Commissioner Rita Windom is on vacation.

10:00 AM: **Ken Peterson:** Present were Steve Newman and Brent Shrum. The Commissioners and Bill had asked Ken to look at the condition of the Planning Department. Ken said that Deb and Lisa are doing very well with the E911 address changes. Plat reviews are still taking place as well. He recommends that Lisa and Deb take some training soon to help them. Flood Plain management is not taking place and the GIS system is at a standstill. Ken wondered if the Planning Board should be looking at subdivision review and flood plain reviews. Commissioner Konzen said that the Planning Board is working on the last aspect of the growth plan and then they can get involved in subdivision review. Ken said that it would be helpful to get a clerical staff member for planning to answer the phone and direct calls and help walk in people so Lisa and Deb could do more work. Ken will work 15 to 20 hours a week in the Planning Department, until they can find a Director. Commissioner Roose and Commissioner Konzen told Ken to sit down with Bill and work out a plan. Ken will look at the budget and the fee schedule first. Steve Newman asked about the status of the address changes. Commissioner Konzen explained the current issues with the changes.

10:33 AM: **Safety Committee:** Present were Sami Pierson, Robin Benson, Carmen McKinney, Amy Smart, Dennis Day, Marc McCully and Kelly Brown. The Safety Committee has met 7 times since Jessica Drake became director. They feel that they accomplished more and more each meeting and have made good progress. Jessica quit working for the County in late November and since then they have been without a Safety Director. They are wondering what direction they should be taking now. Commissioner Konzen asked if they need anything else besides the new director. They stated that for the most part they need direction. Commissioner Konzen said that the County isn't sure of the budget situation right now and may appoint an interim person until they find that out. Bill and Robin will coordinate to set up a meeting with Amelia from MACO to discuss what is necessary. Commissioner Konzen said that it would also be beneficial to check with other Counties to see what they are doing with the position of Safety Director.

11:30 AM: **Kathi Hooper and Ray Miller:** Open bids for 1995 Volvo Compactor Truck being sold from the Landfill. The three bids were: Joe Johnson from Eureka bid \$28,518, Montana Waste System of Great Falls bid \$36,860.86, and Sold Waste Systems of Spokane, Washington bid \$16,000. Commissioner Roose moved to award the truck to the Montana Waste System of Great Falls, for \$36,860.86. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

11:42 AM: **Tax Abatement:** Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the tax abatement for Marvel Logging Inc. for a dually billed piece of equipment. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

1:30 PM: **Subdivision Review:** Lisa Oedewaldt

1:30 PM: Variance Request for length of Road for **Bobtail Creek Estates:** Present were Ken Davis, John Damon, Noel Williams, Kendra Lind, John Ague and Paul Bunn. Davis and Bunn would like a road 24 feet wide with turnouts and a turnout at the end. Commissioner Konzen told them that they cannot grant a variance until the public has input. He told them that a clause that says the land cannot be further subdivided would be helpful in the process of granting the variance.

1:55 PM: **Kootenai Acres Amended Lots 12 and 13 of Enders Acres:** Kendra, John Damon, Ken Davis, Noel Williams. Kendra presented the variance request for groundwater monitoring to be completed during the 2008 season. Commissioner Roose moved to deny the request for variance. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

2:05 PM: **D'Arcy Subdivision,** 4 lots, NW1/4, Sec 11, T37N R27W: Lisa presented the subdivision last week. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

2:07 PM: **Brush Hog Acres Subdivision,** 2 lots, S1/2 Sec 2, T37N R28W: Lisa presented the subdivision last week. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

2:08 PM: **Grave Creek Subdivision,** 2 lots, S1/4 SE1/4 Sec 1, & N1/2 NE1/4 Sec 12, T35N R26W: Lisa had presented the subdivision at the last Commissioner meeting. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

2:10 PM: Final Plat Approval: **DBMS Hideaway Amended lot 4.** Commissioner Roose moved to approve the final plat. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

McDowell Subdivision: Commissioner Roose moved to approve the final plat. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

Amended Plat of lot 3 of Glen Lake Meadows: Commissioner Roose moved to approve the final plat. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

Hurricane Ranch Amended lots 1 and 2 of Koocanusa Heights: Commissioner Roose moved to approve the final plat. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

2:18 PM: Kendra wanted to talk to the Commissioners about the property in Eureka that is going to be Steins IGA, Comstock Acres. The subdivision has to be resubmitted because of the change in water systems and from residential to commercial. The Commissioners agreed.

2:28 PM: **Noel Williams:** The Commissioners and Noel met to construct a letter to be sent to many government offices and put in the newspapers to express the impact losing the secure school funding would have on Lincoln County.

3:12 PM: The Commissioners reviewed the **minutes of the January 16, 2008, meeting.** Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

3:26 PM: The meeting was **adjourned**.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

John Konzen, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Tammy Lauer, Clerk of the Board