

June 25, 2008

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present were Commissioner Rita Windom, Commissioner John Konzen, Bill Bischoff and Clerk and Recorder Tammy Lauer. Commissioner Marianne Roose attended the afternoon session only due to a medical appointment.

10:00 AM: **Bid Opening for Legal Advertising:** Three bids were received for Legal Advertising. Kootenai Valley Record bid 70% of State rate, The Western News bid 68% of State rate and The Montanian 100%. Commissioner Konzen moved to take the bids under advisement. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

10:06 AM: Commissioner Windom **opened the meeting** with the Pledge of Allegiance.

10:15 AM: **Gas and Diesel Bids:** Moore Oil bid only for Troy. Golden State Oil bid for Libby and Troy. Big Sky bid for Eureka. Commissioner Konzen moved to take the bids under advisement. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

10:30 AM: **Gravel Crushing Bids:** Remp Sand and Gravel bid all 3 road districts. Ward bid all three districts. Kootenai Aggregate LLC bid only Eureka road district. Commissioner Konzen moved to take the bids under advisement. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

10:37 AM: **Eureka Area Dispatch Board** wrote a letter asking to reappoint Roger Pitman to the Board for another term. Commissioner Konzen moved to reappoint Roger Pitman. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

10:40 AM: The Commissioners reviewed a **contract with Pathways for mental patients**. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the contract. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

10:45 AM: **Road Oil Bids:** Kootenai Paving wrote a letter of availability and bid all 3 districts. McAsphalt bid all three districts. Commissioner Konzen moved to take the bids under advisement. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

11:00 AM: **Maggie Anderson-Community Change:** Montana Community Change project is focused on an environmental prevention. They take one group of kids and establish what group of people has an influence on those kids. Youth drinking is targeted. Her goal is to inform people in the community in order to gain support and help for the project. Montana is number one in the nation for binge drinking. Binge drinking is 5 or more drinks in a 2 hour period. Over 50% of Lincoln County High school students admit to binge drinking in the last 2 weeks. Maggie gave the Commissioners a great deal of statistics on the alcohol problem in Lincoln County. The Community Readiness Assessment was given to the Commissioners to read. It is a poll of people in Lincoln County and what they feel the first steps should be for this project.

11:41 AM: **Road Foremen Marc McCully and Ron Downey** came to talk to the Commissioners about oil prices and what they mean to the County. Marc said that doing black top projects in the fall rather than the spring would save a lot of money on oil.

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

1:31 PM: **Two Lakes, Amended Lot 2B Crystal Acres**, 14 lots, E1/2 Sec 24, T27N R28W, Public Hearing: Present were George Wood, Ken Peterson, Debbie Decker, Sheila Kenelty, Richard Schrade, Karla Schrade, Don Browns, Ron Johnson, Michael Munro, Debbie Shoemaker, Byron Sanderson and John W. Peterson. Lisa presented the subdivision and conditions. Richard Schrade is representing adjacent property owners with questions regarding road and dust control. Byron Sanderson said the developers could decide to provide some type of dust abatement. Ken Peterson said that there is a road maintenance agreement with proposed subdivision agreements that specifies road issues. Mr. Schrade also asked about the plat showing that there is an access on Lot 16 to the lake. Byron said they intend to keep that access only for Crystal Lake subdivision and Two Lakes Subdivision. Sheila Kenelty said that the easement was exclusive for Crystal Lake Subdivision. The easement described in the Warranty Deed said "nonexclusive" use. Commissioner Windom said that the County attorney will have to give an opinion on that. Sheila still maintains that the 35 foot access should be only for Crystal Lakers. Richard said that Lot 15 has disappeared. Lisa said that the lot was part of a boundary line adjustment and now is in Two Lakes Subdivision. Richard asked the developers if they would consider a road by Lot 10 that would provide a private access for the Crystal Lakers. Lisa continued the Public Hearing until they can obtain an opinion from the County Attorney about the lake access.

1:50 AM: **Airpark Village**, Final Plat Approval: Commissioner Roose moved to approve final plat for Airpark Village. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

1:56 PM: **Majestic Mountain Views**, 5 lots, Final Plat Approval: There is a cut and paste job on the Mylar so this will go back to Davis Surveying for a new Mylar.

2:02 PM: **Hanks Place, Amended lot 2 Truman's Special**, 2 lots, Final Plat approval. Commissioner Roose moved to approve final plat. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

2:04 PM: **Brush Hog Acres**, 2 lots, final plat: Commissioner Roose moved to approve the final plat. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

2:06 PM: **Hanley, Amended lot 1 of Deer Park**, 2 lots, Final plat approval: There is an issue with the road easement size. Lisa will call her and explain it to her.

2:14 PM: **Family Transfer** for Thomas Lyman. History on this property shows an evasion of subdivision. Commissioner Konzen moved to deny the family transfer due to the history of time involved between family transfers and sales. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

2:16 PM: **Pinkham Creek Ranch**: There was a concern about the wording on the plat of “not to be transferred without Governing Body approval.” There was a discussion about the wording of it. Commissioner Windom agreed with the developer. Commissioner Roose moved that the wording not be changed. Commissioner Konzen seconded and Commissioner Roose moved to approve the Pinkham creed Ranch subdivision as preliminary plat. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

2:25 PM: **Buckhorn Ridge Subdivision** variance request. Commissioner Roose moved to deny the variance request due to a visit to the site and an opinion that the road is too steep. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

2:30 PM: **Jeff Gruber, County Centennial**: Next year, 2009, Lincoln County will be 100 years old. A lot of counties in the State are having centennials. The Historical Society will provide training and workshops about celebrating the centennial. Jeff knows the reality of the financial situation of the County, but hopes they can do something. Jeff has a couple of ideas. He thought that maybe something could be incorporated into the County Fair by ending with a celebration at the fair. He also would like to get some Indian tribes involved. He hopes to involve school kids by making a publication about the area in the past and what they want for the future. He brought a publication called “Lincoln County’s War Record” from the 1920’s showing what the County was doing during the First World War. Commissioner Konzen stated that they feel this is an important event and are certainly willing to come up with some funding. The Commissioners spoke about the Metal Mines economic development funds being used for this.

2:58 PM: **Hawkweed grant signed**. Commissioner Roose moved to approve and sign the Hawkweed grant. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

3:00 PM: **County Compensation Board meeting**. The County Compensation Board voted unanimously to give elected officials the same raise as the sheriffs department of 5.3%.

4:06 PM: The Commissioners read the **minutes of the June 18, 2008 meeting**. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

4:19 PM: Commissioner Konzen moved to **accept the salary committee’s recommendation concerning the wages** of the elected officials. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

4:20 PM: Commissioner Konzen moved to approve a **wage increase for the County employees** equal to the wage increase of the elected officials of 5.3%. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

4:22 PM: The Commissioners signed the contract with the **Job Service for the rent agreement** on the room in the Eureka Annex.

4:24 PM: Commissioner Konzen moved to keep the **benefits package** the same for the County employees. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

4:26 PM: The Commissioners went into executive session for a **personnel issue**.

5:00 PM: The meeting was **adjourned**.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Rita R. Windom, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Tammy D. Lauer, Clerk of the Board