

April 1, 2009

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session on April 1, 2009 in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present are Commissioner John Konzen, Commissioner Marianne Roose, Executive Assistant Bill Bischoff and Clerk and Recorder Tammy Lauer. Commissioner Tony Berget is out of town on County business.

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

9:03 AM: **USFS: Paul Bradford, Paul Stantus, and Cami Winslow:** Paul Bradford began with showing a letter written to the Glen Lake Irrigation District about their Natural Resource Plan. On page 6 of the letter it specifies Forest Service coordination responsibilities. The supplement to the EIS for grizzly bears will be coming out next week. There is a public meeting on the 16th in the Ponderosa meeting about the power line proposals for Montanore. There are national interagency incident teams for fires that are called out when fires are really big. The team would like to come up here and get familiar with the area and help with the preparation for fire season. Paul feels that the Kootenai is very prepared but will have them here anyway. The Economic Stimulus point of contact is Paul Stantus. He said that there are "10% projects" and the Kootenai did receive one of those for \$120,000 for equipment rental. They used an existing contract for road maintenance and they awarded that to those contractors. The other 90% of the money has not been determined yet. Cami talked about the RAC meetings. They are presenting projects right now. RAC committee membership is still being determined. Commissioner Konzen discussed a meeting he had been to in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho recently.

10:30 AM: **Administrative Issues:**

The Commissioners received a letter from the Montana Department of Revenue stating that there was an error on taxes paid on a **mobile home for Robert and Peggy Collette**. Commissioner Roose moved to refund Collette the overage they paid on taxes for their mobile home in 2005 and 2006. The motion carried.

Commissioner Roose moved to cancel the taxes on Tax #201421 current and delinquent for **Joseph Johnson's mobile home** that was destroyed in 2006. It was a 1972 Detroit mobile home. The motion carried.

The Commissioners signed a letter to the **Glen Lake Irrigation district** with a letter from the County Attorney attached. The County attorney is asking for additional information. The Commissioners have had a lot of public input on their proposal.

11:00 AM: **Bids for Rollers for Road Departments:** Addendum for trade-in rollers was not received by everyone so the final bid including trade-in was not read aloud.

Titan Machinery in Great Falls: \$96,652. each for model BW211

Rowland Machinery Company \$102,183.20 each for #362D
\$96,371.15 each for #260D

Western States Equipment \$94,825 + warranty amounts for each CS54

Modern Machinery \$85,940 for each Hamm 3410
\$95,940 for each Hamm 3412

There were no additional bids. Commissioner Roose moved to take the bids under advisement as the road foremen are all in Great Falls at a meeting. The motion carried.

11:20 AM: **Leroy Thom and Karol Spas** came in to make a call to Mary at the Department of Health and Human Services concerning LAMP funds. They talked to Mary about reports that had been submitted and the requirements according to Jane Smiley.

1:00 PM: **Phone Conference with EPA concerning the Stinger Welding project.** Present are Gary Spencer and Paul Rumelhart. People from the Board of Investments were also present by phone. The group tried to form a timeline for the project but more information is needed.

1:37 PM: **Subdivision Review:** Lisa Oedewaldt, Ken Peterson, Kristen Smith

1:38 PM: **Avondale Trailer Park Expansion**, 1 additional lot, preliminary decision: Lisa reminded the Commissioners of the subdivision presented last week. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat according to the planning staff recommendations and it carried.

1:39 PM: **Weasel Creek Amended Lot 2 of North Shore**, 14 lots, preliminary decision: Lisa reminded the Commissioners of the subdivision presented last week. There was a discussion about the fire department concerns. It was determined that the fire condition would read that one of the existing dry hydrants be converted to a pump with a pipe leading to a hydrant in the subdivision and the second dry hydrant be made accessible and operational. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat according to planning staff recommendations with the new wording on the fire suppression condition and it carried.

2:09 PM: **Yoder Subdivision**, 2 lots, final plat: Commissioner Roose moved to approve the final plat and it was so moved.

2:10 PM: **Family transfer**, Ken Stephens wants to transfer land to his son Nathan Stephens. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the family transfer and it carried.

2:11 PM: **Robert Wilson Easement variance:** This was presented in Eureka last month for the Moonshine Mountain Meadow Subdivisions I & II, but Commissioner Konzen was not present for comment. Commissioner Konzen was updated on the situation. He has some questions for Mr. Wilson and so this will be discussed in Eureka on the 15th.

2:31 PM: The Commissioners read the **minutes of the March 25, 2009 meeting**. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the minutes as written and it carried.

3:00 PM: **Three Rivers Challenge Cooperative Stewardship, Restoration, Recreation and Conservation Act of 2009:** Present were Wayne Hurst, Robyn King, Kurt Rayson, Jim Hammond, Greg Larson, Kathy Ann Randall, Jimmy Martin, Donna

O'Neil, Brent Shrum, Doug Chapel, Joel Chandler and Jerry Wandler. This project has been going on for three years so far. They are here today to obtain the Commissioner's support so they can take it to the legislature. Wayne Hurst spoke about the logging industry with respect to stewardship projects. He spoke about the advantage Idaho loggers have in Lincoln County currently and that they obtain most of the projects in the forests. He would like to see jobs in the area going to Lincoln County people. Kurt Rayson said that State lands are being logged by Idaho loggers as well. Several people spoke about their involvement in the group and the value of the project. Commissioner Roose told them that the diverse group is key to getting through the process. Commissioner Konzen and Commissioner Roose will present this to Commissioner Berget and others from the group will talk to him as well.

4:40 PM: **Lincoln County Fair Board** requested to appoint Betty Mack to fill the vacant seat left by Brian Roeder. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the appointment of Betty Mack and it carried.

4:41 PM: **Eureka Fire Service Area Board** requested to re-appoint three board members. Commissioner Roose moved to reappoint Jerry Heyman, Jack Jesienouski and Donald Lundeen to the board and it carried.

4:42 PM: The **meeting was adjourned**.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner John Konzen, Chairman

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