

April 22, 2009

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session on April 22, 2009 in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present were Commissioner Roose, Commissioner Berget, Executive Assistant Bill Bischoff and Clerk and Recorder Tammy Lauer. Commissioner John Konzen is on vacation.

9:30 AM: Commissioner Roose **opened the meeting** with the Pledge of Allegiance.

9:31 AM: **Gordon Sullivan:** Gordon came with some friends to talk about the EPA. At a Trout Unlimited meeting last night they talked about the clean up on the creeks. Tim Linehan said that with regard to the river and streams the immediate fix by EPA has been to dump a bunch of rip rap. He believes that there is a better way. They spoke of forming a committee to look at possibilities. They asked about a fishing pond for kids in Libby and about the boat ramp that was supposed to be put in above the old WR Grace site.

10:00 AM: **Sheriff's Department:** Daryl Anderson, Jerry Rust, Scott Kerzman and Ron Langley. The telephone system in the Sheriff's Department is archaic. Scott has provided a bid for a newer system for dispatch and the Sheriff's department. Scott explained the bid and the new equipment. Jerry talked about the possibility of more room for the equipment they need. He feels that the only available room is to ask the Highway Department to find another office space. Ron talked about the upgrade of the electrical system. He has an estimate for that project. The generator is not sufficient; it is 30 years old and will not do what is expected of it right now. It is a fair estimate that the whole project could cost \$200,000. Commissioner Berget asked if we were putting a band-aid on the problem and should we be looking at a long term fix instead?

11:00 AM: **Tim Orthmeyer, Morrison Mairilee:** Tim brought agreements for the current projects on the Libby and Eureka Airports. The Commissioners signed the agreements. Tim updated the Commissioners on the process. He will be back in May for the opening of the bids.

11:37 AM: **Tobacco Valley Business Park** Tracy McIntyre and Jennifer Nelson: Tracy talked about some of the prospects looking at the Eureka area. She gave the Commissioners a handout about the Business Park. She is updating the Commissioners on the status of the prospects. The documents will be sent to the County Attorney for examination.

1:30 PM: **Subdivision Review:** Lisa Oedewaldt and Kristin Smith

1:34 PM: **Comstock Meadows**, 4 commercial lots, Preliminary Plat review: Lisa reminded the Commissioners of the subdivision presented last week. Commissioner Berget moved to approve the preliminary plat according to planning staff recommendations and it carried.

1:40 PM: **Amended lot 10 of Kooconusa Whispering Pines**, 2 lots, final plat approval: Commissioner Berget moved to approve the final plat and it carried.

1:43 PM: **Family Transfer Hardship**, John Damon from KSI came on behalf of the Haidle Family Transfer. The family transfer was approved last year but now due to job loss the family is requesting that the transfer be reversed and the property be put back in the name of the parents. Commissioner Berget moved to accept the transfer with a letter from the bank requesting that the father be put on the land and it carried. The letter was received later today.

1:56 PM: The Commissioners read a request for Heather Carvey to be added to the **Planning Board** for the Eureka area. Commissioner Berget moved to accept Heather Carvey to the planning board based on Commissioner Roose's recommendation. The motion carried.

2:00 PM: **Kristin Smith**, Planning Director, talked to the Commissioners about the newest road books that Deb Blystone has been working on. She also talked to the Commissioners about a grant that she is trying to get funded from 2007. The Commissioners signed a letter for the request for funding.

2:38 PM: Commissioner Berget moved to sign the DNRC Application for **Administrative Grant Funds for the Lincoln Conservation District**. The motion carried and the Commissioners signed the application.

2:40 PM: **Flathead Valley Chemical Dependency Clinic** wrote to the Commissioners requesting that they be named to receive the funds from the County alcohol tax. Commissioner Berget moved to designate Flathead Valley Chemical Dependency Clinic to receive earmarked alcohol tax monies.

2:43 PM: The Commissioners read the **minutes of the April 8, 2009 meeting**. Commissioner Berget moved to approve the minutes as written and it carried.

2:45 PM: **Bill Bischoff** had some letters for the Commissioners to sign on business that had been discussed previously.

2:46 PM: Commissioner Berget moved to appoint Mike Casey and Gerald Wallace to the **Bull Lake Rural Fire District Board** per the request of the board. The motion carried.

2:27 PM: The **Libby Volunteer Ambulance** has requested that the Commissioners approve the sale of Ambulance #12 which has been replaced by a new ambulance in February. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the sale of the ambulance by LVA and it carried.

2:52 PM: **Lincoln County Fair Board** wrote a letter requesting the reappointments of Shelley Fisher, Mike Cole, Valerie Hogan and Sandra Fulgham. Commissioner Berget moved to accept the reappointments and it carried.

2:54 PM: Carly Thompson of the **DUI Task Force** submitted a copy of the Grant Funds Plan for the next fiscal year. The Commissioners signed the grant request. Commissioner Berget moved to support the grant application and it carried.

2:57 PM: The meeting was adjourned.

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Marianne Roose, Acting Chairman

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