

March 25, 2009

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session on March 25, 2009 at the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present were Commissioner John Konzen, Commissioner Tony Berget, Executive Assistant Bill Bischoff and Deputy Clerk Jill Blomdahl. Marianne Roose is on vacation.

8:53 AM: Commissioner Konzen called the **meeting to order** with the Pledge of Allegiance.

8:55 AM: **Ken Boyd, Lincoln County Maintenance Dept.:** The Commissioners discussed a few issues of concern from the Sheriff's Department. Ken talked to the Commissioners about repairing the roof above Motor Vehicles and the Courtroom. He will get the information to Bill to start the process for bids. Other maintenance concerns were discussed.

9:26 AM: **Kathi Hooper:** The animal control truck needs to be repaired as several motor and body repairs are needed. The Commissioners suggested taking the truck to the county shop to see what they can do. Commissioner Konzen suggested they look for a used vehicle in the price range of \$14,000 to \$15,000. Kathi would like to have the old vehicle repaired and sent to Eureka. The Eureka Friends of the Shelter contract ends in June. They would like to continue to use the county shelter until their new building is finished this fall. The Commissioners have no problem letting them stay. Kathi discussed landfill issues with the Commissioners.

9:55 AM: **Laurie Woods & Rhett Parker, Plum Creek:** Laurie wants to keep the discussion open between Plum Creek and the Commissioners. Today she has no specific topic to be discussed. Commissioner Konzen brought up the Growth Policy hearing and how well Plum Creek handled the responses from the public. Laurie gave the Commissioners a map of the cooperative roads in Lincoln County. There are 260 miles of roads that are Forest Service and 380 miles that are Plum Creek. The Commissioners got the impression the Forest Service will be gating the roads. Laurie assured the Commissioners it is not the intent of the Forest Service to gate the roads. Commissioner Berget would like to be reassured from the Forest Service regarding this issue. The economy has slowed the developing of Plum Creek land. They only sold 4 lots in 2008 in Lincoln County. Their mills are struggling and only open as demand is made. There will be a constant evaluation of mills until the economy picks up. Plum Creek has reached a verbal agreement with the Libby Rural Fire Dept. to donate land to build a water storage facility in the Flower Creek/Parmenter Creek area.

11:10 AM: **Stephanie Hicswa and CFO Tad Torgison, Community College:** Stephanie wants to discuss the process it took in getting the Flathead Valley Community College extension in Libby. She wants to do the same thing in Miles City. All aspects of this process are being discussed.

1:00 PM: **Jeff Gruber, Centennial Update:** Next Thursday, at 4:00 PM, in the Libby Dam basement, the Centennial committee is having a media day. They would like all entities that would like to use the centennial celebration in conjunction with their events to come and talk to them. They will show designs of the coin and information on the book. The price of the coins has gone down because they switched vendors. Commissioner Konzen asked Jeff to bring in the invoice when he receives it. The county fair will be the first to kick off the centennial celebration. Commissioner Konzen congratulated Jeff on all his hard work.

1:20 PM: **Subdivision Review:** Lisa Oedewaldt. Present were Kristin Smith, County Planner, Kendra Lind, Ned & Lorraine Decker, John Damon, Ken Davis, Tim Rooney, Marc Liechti, and Aaron McConkey.

1:21 PM: **Little Hoodoo View II, 5 lots, Final Approval:** All conditions have been met. Commissioner Berget moved to approve the final plat and it carried.

1:24 PM: **Amended lot 2, Minor #5451, 3 lots, Preliminary Plat decision:** Commissioner Berget moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat according to planning staff recommendations and it carried.

1:30 PM: **Avondale Trailer Park Expansion, 1 additional rental space, Public Hearing:** Lisa presented the subdivision and conditions. Ned Decker, owner, has some DEQ questions that are being answered by Kendra Lind.

1:32 PM: **Weasel Creek, Amended Lot 2 of North Shore, 14 lots, Public Hearing:** Lisa presented the subdivision and conditions. Commissioner Konzen has questions regarding the length of the cul-de-sac and the Forest Service easement that are being answered by Ken Davis, the surveyor and Lisa. Ken Davis wanted to know who determines cash value of a tract of land dedicated to the county. This is done by the Planning Department with help from the Department of Revenue. The fire risk assessment is being discussed with the Commissioners. Commissioner Konzen spoke to Bull Lake Volunteer Fire District and they are concerned about the dry hydrants in the area. Lisa received a letter from the law office of Reynolds, Motl, & Sherwood representing homeowners Max and Linda Agather. They have questions regarding water quality, fire risk, covenants and environmental assessment. Lisa has answered the questions as well as Aaron from APEC Surveying. Commissioner Konzen has DEQ questions being answered by Kindra. The public hearing was closed.

1:58 PM: **Coffee Subdivision, 5 lots, Preliminary Plat approval:** Commissioner Konzen has questions regarding the cul-de-sac that are being answered by John Damon. A condition is being added that the developer reconstruct of the old county road. Commissioner Berget moved to approve the subdivision as Preliminary Plat according to planning staff recommendations and it carried.

2:00 PM: Ron Masters wanted to discuss putting a septic system on his property for a mobile home. He has been told that it can't be done because of the sale of the adjoining property. Kindra explained DEQ rules to him.

2:21 PM: **Ken Davis** is questioning the engineering on minor subdivision roads. He also questioned if an engineer must sign off the road, why must they put physical and legal access on the plat. Lisa read the regulation to him. Ken has questions regarding new noxious weed plans and fire risk assessments on the amendment of a subdivision recorded 3

years ago. Lisa explained they are required and Kristin suggested that a provision be added to the new subdivision regulations regarding a time frame for these requirements.

2:25 PM: **Subdivision review committee.** Lisa would like the names from the Commissioners so she can plan the meetings. The committee will only be reviewing the amendments to the regulations.

2:40 PM: The Commissioners approved the **minutes of the March 18, 2009** meeting as corrected.

2:41 PM: The commissioners signed **Resolution No. 819** agreeing to apply for funding for the **Stinger Welding Project** on behalf of the Kootenai Business Park Industrial District.

2:42 PM: The **meeting was adjourned**

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John Konzen, Chairman

ATTEST:

Jill Blomdahl, Deputy Clerk