

January 12, 2011

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session on January 12, 2011, in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present are Commissioner Roose, Commissioner Berget, Commissioner Downey, Executive Assistant Bill Bischoff and Clerk and Recorder Tammy Lauer.

10:00 AM: Commissioner Roose **opened the meeting** with the Pledge of Allegiance.

10:00 AM: **Tom Horelick, Title III funding:** Tom would like to discuss the Title III spending. He is concerned about the Provider Pals funding of \$45,000. It was approved in September but there is supposed to be a 45 day comment period. Commissioner Berget told him that we are in the 45 day period now. Tom talked about things that happened in 2004 and 2005. He was told that there is no point in debating something that happened over 6 years ago. Tom also asked about Noel Williams and Ed Levert.

10:34 AM: **Gordon Sullivan:** Gordon wants to address the issue of private property owner's rights and the operation and maintenance of the superfund site. He explained his past to Commissioner Downey. Gordon said that in 2000 the EPA came for emergency response to remove hazardous materials. He feels that they are ready to leave and has concerns. Gordon would like the Commissioners to gather a 5 person study commission to get answers to the questions he has about the responsibility of removing additional asbestos after the EPA is gone. He also wonders what institutional controls will be left when the EPA is gone.

11:11 AM: **Eric Klepfer, Montanore Mine:** Eric updated the Commissioners on the process the mine is going through to open. Commissioner Berget asked if it would be beneficial for the Commissioners to write some letters of support. Eric said any support is appreciated. Eric talked about the hurdles he is facing and said he will be dealing with the Montana Legislature. He talked about the Grizzly Bear study.

1:30 PM: **Paul Rumelhart, CDBG Grant for Hospital:** The hospital will need the city to expand the utilities to the new location. This would cost about \$415,000. Because the hospital is creating 25 new jobs with the new hospital, this would qualify for an economic development grant. Jeannie Gentry came to elaborate on some of the things Paul talked about.

1:55 PM: **Vic White, EMA Director:** Vic came to update the Commissioners about the Flower Creek Dam. The dam is damaged and the engineers feel that it will last 5 years at the most. This is the dam that holds all of the city of Libby's water. There is currently a peer review in process and then more decisions will be made.

2:22 PM: The Commissioners read the **minutes of the January 5, 2011 meeting**. Commissioner Downey moved to approve the minutes and it carried.

2:23 PM: **Administrative Issues:** The Commissioners discussed some budget issues.

2:34 PM: **KaiEllen Bucher** was not able to make her meeting due to bad road conditions.

3:00 PM: Dr Amy Paris asked to postpone her appointment due to a court hearing.

3:01 PM: The **meeting was adjourned**.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Marianne Roose, Chairman

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