

May 25, 2011

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session on May 25, 2011, in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present are Commissioner Tony Berget, Commissioner Ron Downey, Executive Assistant Bill Bischoff and Clerk and Recorder Tammy Lauer. Commissioner Marianne Roose is on vacation.

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

9:00 AM: **Phone Conference on the HRSA funds:** Present are Commissioner Roose, Tom Morris, KaiEllen Butcher and Leslie Graves on the star phone and Tanis Hernandez in person. The group discussed the immediate future of the HRSA funds and the PILOT program.

10:00 AM: **Project Manager for HRSA funds/Decision:** Pintler Billing Services, LLC with owner Leslie Graves is the only proposal received. Commissioner Downey moved to negotiate the contract with Pintler Billing Services and it carried. The Commissioners called Leslie and said that they would draw up a contract soon to get her started.

11:10 AM: **RC&D office space in the Lincoln County Courthouse Annex Building:** Commissioner Berget is proposing office space for the RC&D temporarily. Commissioner Downey moved to approve the office space for RC&D for a period of three months and then review it again. Commissioner Berget seconded and it carried.

11:30 AM: **Vic White, EMA:** Vic updated the Commissioners on the flood situation on all creeks in the county. He is especially concerned about Miller Creek Dam because the DNRC is worried about the dam being compromised. He talked about the recommendations that the DNRC has for the Miller Creek Dam. Commissioner Downey moved to send a letter to the owner concerning the potential loss of the dam and it carried.

1:30 PM: **Panoramic View Estates Subdivision,** final plat approval: All conditions have been met. Commissioner Downey moved to approve the Panoramic View Estates final plat and it carried.

1:33 PM: **Interlocal Agreement with Troy for planning:** Kristin Smith, planning director, has an agreement for signatures. Commissioner Downey moved to approve the agreement and sign the document and it carried.

1:35 PM: **Lazy AJ Acres,** 6 lots: This subdivision had a public hearing last week. There is a question on condition #9 involving a road issue but it would not delay the preliminary plat approval. Commissioner Downey moved to approve the subdivision as preliminary plat according to planning staff recommendations and it carried.

1:55 PM: The Commissioners read the **minutes of the May 18, 2011 meeting.** Commissioner Downey moved to approve the minutes as written and it carried.

1:58 PM: The **Tax Appeal Board** is asking that Janis Neuman be reappointed to the Board for another term. Commissioner Downey moved to approve the reappointment and it carried.

2:15 PM: **Libby Airport Bid:** Morrison Maierle recommends the bid be awarded to Jim Regh on the ADA compliant restroom as he was the low bidder for the project. Stumboldt Electric out of Glasgow, MT was the low bidder on the airfield electrical work. Commissioner Downey moved to accept the bids recommended by Morrison Maierle and it carried.

2:20 PM: **Gary Hablutzel, EBMS:** The trust had a great year this year. Lincoln County has an increase for the next year of 3%. If at least 50% of the employees of Lincoln County attend the next wellness meeting they will lower the increase to 1%. The changes this year include removal of the lifetime maximum and make it a \$2 million annual maximum. Gary talked about the different options available. Commissioner Berget said that the Commissioners will wait until Commissioner Roose is available and then decide on the renewal.

2:46 PM: **County Cell Phones:** Commissioner Berget was advised by Verizon that the county may be able to get local service on their phones if they wrote a letter requesting it. Commissioner Downey moved to authorize Dallas to write a letter to Verizon requesting that the county not be required to go through the corporate offices and may use the local office for service. The motion carried.

3:10 PM: The Commissioners signed the annual contract with **Pathways in Kalispell.** The contract is the same as last year.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tony Berget, Acting Chairman

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Tammy D. Lauer, Clerk of the Board