

LINCOLN COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

MINUTES

JANUARY 19, 2010

1. **5:36PM** - Meeting called to order by Board President; Joe Kelly
In attendance: Kristin Smith (**KS**), Dave Johnson (**DJ**) *via teleconference*, Joe Kelly (**JK**), Paul Tisher (**PT**) Mark Romey (**MR**), Ted Anderson (**TA**), Stew Brisikin (**SB**) Charlie Newton (**CN**) & Heather Carvey (**HC**)

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Pam Flowers (PF) and Dave Harmon (DH)

NOT ATTENDING: Ted Clarke

2. APPROVAL OF **DECEMBER 15TH 2009** MINUTES
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT: NON-AGENDA PLANNING BOARD ITEMS**
None
4. **6:00PM - AGENDA**

- a. **MCSHEA MEADOWS SUBDIVISION REVIEW**

KS presented the staff report and recommendations. PT asked about Murray Springs location in relation to the proposed subdivision. PF presented some data demonstrating the hydrology of the area that was prepared by the USACE, she will be forwarding a copy to the Planning Department. KS talked about individual, or exempt, wells and how they are reviewed by DEQ, but do not require a permit from DNRC – they are “by right” allowed, provided they meet DEQ standards for separation from contaminants and adequate water flow for domestic use.

There was some discussion about the proximity to the springs, the adjacent property ownership and land use and the potential for groundwater and subsequently, spring contamination. Pam stated that the 20-acre parcels in the area, other than the 2 owned by her, can only be further subdivided into 10-acre lots according to the area’s covenants.

The board reviewed TC’s comments. His comments had been submitted prior to receiving the staff report so most were addressed during the project discussion. Pam stated she spoke to the Forest Service biologist, Dave Devin and there is no sensitivity for wildlife in the area and there are no sharptail grouse in western Montana.

PT made a motion to recommend approval of the subdivision, MR seconded. Motion carried.

5. **PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORT** – **KS** reported to the Board that the revisions to the subdivision regulations were on track to be adopted the following day after 2 public hearings and some additional input.

PLANNING BOARD COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

HC shared some information on the status of real estate in the north part of the county.

6. **NEXT MEETING: FEBRUARY 16TH 2010 @ 5:30PM COMMISSIONER'S ROOM, LIBBY**
7. **7:00PM – MEETING ADJOURNED**