

January 6, 2010

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session on January 6, 2010, in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present are Commissioner John Konzen, Commissioner Marianne Roose, Commissioner Tony Berget, Executive Assistant Bill Bischoff and Clerk and Recorder Tammy Lauer.

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

9:00 AM: **KNF Update:** Present are Paul Stantus, Quinn Carver and Cami Winslow.

The group began by asking the Commissioners what their concerns are at present. Commissioner Konzen said the Forest Plan is the main concern. Quinn said that it is moving forward and feels that the concerns are being heard. Quinn estimated the timeline for the Forest Plan to be 2 years from now. Cami said that the RAC confirmations are on the way. Quinn updated the group on the current lawsuits against the Forest Service. They are based on the Grizzly Bear concerns. Paul had some information on the Stimulus projects. They sent cards to all the contactors on their lists to make people aware of contracts coming up. Contracts must be submitted by May 1, 2010. Some have been awarded already and Paul feels that they will make that deadline. There was a discussion about Forest Highways and work needing to be done on them.

10:15 AM: **Public Hearing on Bull Lake Rural Fire District annexation of Hibiscus Estates.** No public comment is heard. No one from the public is present at the hearing. Commissioner Konzen read the resolution. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the annexation and it carried.

10:20 AM: The Commissioners read **Resolution #837 declaring the Holidays and mileage** and meeting dates for 2010. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the resolution and it carried.

10:30 AM: **Board of Crime Control Grant:** Maggie Anderson is here to discuss a grant application through the Sheriff's Department. The Grant is called Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws Grant (EUKL). Most underage drinking takes place outside of City Limits. This has worked in other communities. Cross jurisdictional enforcement is being talked about as well with Sanders County and Flathead County. Manpower issues and money issues are the barriers in Lincoln County and this grant would help with both of those. Commissioner Roose moved to support the grant application and the Memorandum Of Understanding between the Sheriff's Department and the Strategic Prevention Solutions. Maggie wrote a letter of support to be signed by the Commissioners. The Commissioners signed the letter and returned it to Maggie.

10:50 AM: **Administrative Issues:** Commissioner Berget talked about writing a letter in support of the Forest Service personnel commending their cooperation with the Commissioners.

10:55 AM: **Homeland Security Grant Program:** Bill presented the grant papers for Vic White who couldn't be here today. Commissioner Konzen signed the grant application. The Grant is for an upgrade on emergency services. Commissioner Berget moved to approve the grant and it carried. Commissioner Roose moved to accept the contract by Crisis Management Consulting to do the work for the grant and it carried.

10:58 AM: The Commissioners read the minutes of the last meeting. Commissioner Berget moved to approve the **Minutes of the December 16, 2009 meeting** as written and it carried.

11:00 AM: Commissioner Berget presented the CTEP project he is working on for signatures. Commissioner Berget moved to approve the **Bike Path in Libby CTEP project #7214** and it carried. Commissioner Konzen wanted to clarify that any amount spent on CTEP projects over \$300,000 will be brought back to the Commissioners for approval. Commissioner Berget moved that the limit spent per project would be set at \$300,000 CTEP funds and anything over that amount would have to be approved by the Commissioners and it carried.

11:15 AM: Bill informed the Commissioners about an email he received yesterday from **Jack Holstrom at MACO**. It concerned small contractors with the County.

11:20 AM: The Commissioners discussed **a personnel issue** with Bill.

11:30 AM: The Commissioners **discussed misuse of funds** by departments for Christmas Cards and other unnecessary costs.

1:30 PM: **Subdivision Review:** Kristin Smith

1:31 PM: **Yarnell Subdivision**, 5 lots, final plat: All conditions have been met. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the final plat and it carried.

1:32 PM: **McGinnis Creek Flat IV**, Phasing plan Amendment: The preliminary plat was signed in October. This is a phasing plan subdivision that the Planning staff recommends approving. Commissioner Roose moved to approve the phasing plan and it carried.

1:44 PM: **Administrative Items:** Commissioner Konzen signed the Preliminary Plat approval for Therriault Pass Acres and Easy Street subdivisions. Kristin presented the Amended Covenants of Airpark Village and AJ Estates. These subdivisions were approved long ago when the Commissioners were required to approve changes to covenants. Commissioner Roose moved to accept the changes to the covenants on both subdivisions and it carried.

2:00 PM: **Public Hearing for Amended Subdivision Regulations:** No one from the public is present for the hearing. Kristin presented the amended regulations. Lincoln Electric wrote a letter with a couple of questions which Kristin addressed. The public meeting was closed at 2:20 PM.

2:25 PM: The Commissioners had a discussion with Kristin about city governments and Fire Wise contracts.

2:50 PM: The Commissioners went into **executive session** for a personnel matter.

3:10 PM: The **meeting was adjourned.**

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Commissioner John Konzen, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Tammy D Lauer, Clerk of the Board