

**June 29, 2022**

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session on June 29, 2022 in the Lincoln County Courthouse, Libby, Montana. Present were Commissioner Teske, Commissioner Letcher, Commissioner Bennett, County Administrator Jim Hammons and Clerk and Recorder Robin Benson.

Meeting allows for teleconferencing and VisionNet availability.

Commissioner Bennett opened the meeting with the **Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.**

**10:15 AM Planning / BS Ranch Subdivision Preliminary Plat / Oh Deer Subdivision Preliminary Plat / SIA Release**

**Twin Creek View Subdivision:** Present were County Planner Jesse Haag, Planning Consultant Kristin Smith, Marc McCully, Jerry Regh, Byron Sanderson, Ray Stout, Scott Shindledecker, Rebeca Nelson, Tom Lane and Winston Taylor representing Senator Daine's Office.

- Kristin explained the final release of the funds deposited 8/11/2021 for the Fire Risk Reduction work for Twin Creek View Subdivision. The fire risk reduction work as conditioned in the subdivision approval has been satisfactorily completed. Planning staff recommend commissioners to approve the final release of SIA funds of \$12,500. **Motion** by Commissioner Teske to approve the final release of SIA funds of \$12,000 back to James Katsilometes based on planning staff recommendation. Second by Commissioner Letcher, motion carried unanimously. Kristin commented that its very good that the county does offer this option.
- Oh Deer Subdivision is a 5-acre property, one lot, located on Bear Creek Road, South Libby. Kristin reviewed the subdivision report and gave an overview of the recommended 7 conditions for approval. Planning recommends commissioners to grant preliminary approval to Oh Deer Subdivision, subject to conditions and based on the findings in the staff report. There was a brief conversation about condition number three and options to bond. **Motion** by Commissioner Teske to approve preliminary plat to Oh Deer Subdivision subject to 7 conditions and based on planning staff recommendation. Second by Commissioner Letcher, motion carried unanimously.
- BS Ranch Subdivision is a 45-acre property, 3 single family lots, located on Iron Creek Road, Troy. Kristin reviewed the subdivision report and gave an overview of the recommended 11 conditions for approval. Planning recommends commissioners to grant preliminary approval to BS Ranch Subdivision, subject to conditions and based on the findings in the staff report. Commissioner Teske commented about addressing, and condition number 8 regarding road naming and a sign being installed. Kristin commented that a condition can be added to install a sign and approved by the Troy Road Department. At that end of condition number one a clause will be added that must be certified by a professional engineer (PE). **Motion** by Commissioner Teske to approve preliminary plat to BS Ranch Subdivision subject to recommended 11 conditions with two additions to the conditions as stated above and based on planning staff recommendation. Second by Commissioner Letcher, motion carried unanimously.

**10:30 AM Administrative Issues/Old Business/Board Appointments:** Present were Marc McCully, Jerry Regh, Scott Shindledecker, Ray Stout, Rebecca Nelson, Solomon Alcin and Winston Taylor representing Senator Daine's Office.

- Marc asked about the road CIP account; nobody really knows how this is supposed to work. Marc questioned how they determine the amount and when it can be used. Commissioner Bennett explained that you have 5 years to spend funds, but we can get some clarity with the county auditor and the finance department to ensure we are doing it right. Marc said since he is retiring, we just want to understand and get this defined moving forward. Jerry Regh mentioned that DJ Welch has similar questions.
- Tom talked about emergency reporting to the state and since there has been no county reporting, he is unaware of any reason at this time to declare a state of emergency. **Motion** by Commissioner Teske that the county is not declaring a state of emergency for flooding. Second by Commissioner Letcher, motion carried unanimously.
- Robin submitted the minutes for June 22, 2022 regular meeting for approval. **Motion** by Commissioner Teske to approve minutes as submitted. Second by Commissioner Letcher, motion carried unanimously.

**10:45 AM Public Comment Time:** There were no public comments.

**Meeting Adjourned**

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Jerry Bennett, Chairman

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

Robin Benson, Clerk of the Board