

October 16, 2006 Regular Session of the County Commissioners

The Board of Commissioners, in and for Beaverhead County, Montana, met in session on October 16, 2006, at 9:15 a.m. Present: Chairman Garth Haugland, Commissioner Mike McGinley, Commissioner Tom Rice, and Secretary Patti Odasz.

The minutes of the October 10, 2006 meeting were read and the following motion was made:

MOTION: Commissioner McGinley moved and Commissioner Rice seconded that the minutes of the October 16, 2006 meeting be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

County Attorney Marv McCann and Deputy County Attorney Kurt Steadman joined the meeting. Kurt informed the Commissioners that he met with John Whittingham from Basic Biological Services about the contract for the Plant Park. The scope of work for this project will be to gravel the trail, install irrigation, purchase the plants, and complete the fence. Kurt will write the contract stating the scope of work. After further discussion the Commissioners appointed Kurt as project manager for this grant.

Kurt informed the Commissioners that he has been working with the Sheriff on the E911 Committee bylaws.

Marv informed the Commissioners that he did a summary judgment for Lovell Road.

Kurt has talked to Myra Shultz, MACo Joint Powers Insurance Authority Attorney, about the City of Dillon taking jurisdiction of one mile outside the City limits. The conclusion was that the County can't give up its jurisdiction unless a time consuming procedure to do so is completed. Marv and Kurt left the meeting.

Planner Rick Hartz joined the meeting. Rick referred to a letter the County received from Bob Miller's Attorney John Warren regarding the amendment of the Declaration of Covenants of the Southwind Subdivision 2. A meeting of the Subdivision's Homeowners Association was held to discuss the proposed amendment to Article IV of the Covenants. At this meeting the Association voted to amend Article IV of the Covenants. These covenants cannot be amended or appealed without the prior written consent of the Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Rice moved and Commissioner McGinley seconded that the amendment to the Southwind Subdivision #2 be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

The draft of the Fiscal Impact Analysis of Future Growth Scenarios for Beaverhead County was briefly discussed. The Commissioners will review this document and have their comments to Rick by November 10th.

Rick informed that Commissioners that he sent letters and a ballot to the North Lane residents last. Rick has heard from several of the residents regarding this matter and one residence has sent in a ballot voting against the proposal. The Commissioners will need to make a decision whether or not to proceed with this project. Rick left the meeting.

Sheriff Ken Brunkhorst, DES Coordinator Larry Laknar, Rural Addressing Coordinator Scott Marsh, and Deputy County Attorney Kurt Steadman joined the meeting. Creating bylaws for the E911 Committee was discussed. Ken submitted a rough draft of bylaws that he wrote using Flathead County's bylaws as a template. State E911 Coordinator Becky Berger sent Scott copies of bylaws from other counties for review. Scott will make copies of these bylaws for Ken, Kurt, and Larry. There was discussion as to the membership of the Board and the technical committees. Using Ken's draft and the other bylaws, Kurt will write the draft bylaws for the Committee.

Ken informed Scott that wiring estimated to cost \$500 was actually \$937.50. Larry left the meeting.

The Public Safety mill levy was discussed. Ken and Deputy Sheriff Jay Hansen will meet with the Commissioners this afternoon to discuss the strategy on informing the public of the need for this levy. Ken, Scott, and Kurt left the meeting.

Chairman Haugland recessed the meeting at 12:00 p.m. for the lunch break and reconvened the meeting at 1:30 p.m. with all Commissioners in attendance.

Sheriff Ken Brunkhorst and Deputy Sheriff Jay Hansen joined the meeting to discuss the methods of informing the public of the need for the Public Safety mill. After lengthy discussion it was decided that a quarter page stating the reasons why the levy is needed would be published twice in *The Dillon Tribune*. There will also be public meetings held in Lima, Wisdom, Wise River and Dillon to inform the people of why the levy is needed and to answer questions. Ken and Jay left the meeting.

Chairman Haugland went over the day's business with the news media

It was discussed that County Superintendent of School Dottie Donovan has informed the Commissioners that the Human Resource Council is interested in trying to find "new blood" for the Council, Dottie wants to know if any one else would like to represent the County on this Council. The Commissioners feel that Dottie is doing an excellent job, and to support Dottie one of the Commissioners will attend the next Council meeting.

Commissioner McGinley informed the Commissioners that Jim Boetticher called regarding a private sign and gate on Twin Lakes Road that makes the road look like a private road. The Commissioners will ask Road Manager Richard Miller about this and will set a date to do a site inspection.

The Commissioners reviewed and approved the October 8-14, 2006 invoices for a total of \$36,972.23. The Invoice Payment Schedule is located in the Financial Administrator's Office.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Attest: _____ Approved: _____
Clerk of the Board Chairman of the Board