

Meeting Minutes, March 9, 2007  
Missoula County Marijuana Oversight Committee

The meeting was held in the County Courthouse, Room 201 and was convened at approximately 10 a.m.

**Members in attendance:** Donna Hamilton, Michael Bailey, Angela Goodhope, Paul Ryan, John Masterson, Steve Lohning, Steve Zellmer, and Charles Tiernan

**Members absent:** John Kneedler

**County Government Employees participating:**  
known PRESS present: Independent, KPAX

**Order of events:**

Minutes from February 23, 2007 meeting were approved via consensus nod by committee. Chair Masterson suggests we use a consensus model for decision-making. When a consensus is unreachable in given time frame, committee will vote. \*consensus reached\*

Chair Masterson addresses committee- explains email list; website availability is in the works. Respecting Montana Open Meeting Laws, anytime the majority of committee members is together and discussing committee business, it must be open to the public; less than 5 members can meet and conduct committee business, i.e. sub-committees

Resolution entitled, "A Resolution of the Community Oversight Committee Encouraging the Board of County Commissioners to Delay Any Amendments to the Initiative for an Evaluation Period of Not Less than Two Years." is discussed. It is agreed to take a vote. 6 yeas, 2 nays, 1 abstention; resolution adopted by committee via majority vote. N.B. Member Kneedler voted via email prior to meeting.

Sub-Committees- charged with meeting as a group, agreeing on course(s) of action, reporting back to full committee at the next committee mtg.

Form Subcommittee

Angela Goodhope- Chair  
Paul Ryan  
Donna Hamilton  
Charlie Tiernan  
\*charged with asking Sheriff for current form used (intake); requesting current policy and procedures; answer Sheriff's letter

Grievances Subcommittee

John Kneedler  
Steve Zellmer  
Steve Lohning  
John Masterson  
\*will nominate chair during first meeting; address Sheriff's letter

By-Laws Subcommittee

John Masterson  
Michael Bailey  
Angela Goodhope  
\*will address email voting; meeting procedure

Floor is opened to Members for discussion-

It is decided that Chair Masterson will present recently approved resolution to the County Commission at the public hearing, March 21<sup>st</sup>. As Committees are typically charged with public outreach themselves, it is determined the committee will prepare and issue a press release regarding approval of resolution. Chair Masterson and Vice Chair Zellmer are collaborating on press release. all members must agree to any information being put forth into the community by the committee prior to release- \*consensus reached\*

Committee agrees to a future meeting date late April / beginning of May and/or also just after the March 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. Members agree to use email to finalize mtg day and time.

Public is asked to comment. Card carrying Medical Marijuana patient addresses committee. Speaks to the importance of truth, the power of votes, and the importance of respecting the decisions of the people, etc.

Meeting is adjourned approximately 11:15 a.m.