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PUBLIC MEETING
MISSOULA BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2010 – 1:30 P.M.
ROOM 201 – COURTHOUSE ANNEX
MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

[1:32:02 PM](#) Chair Michele Landquist called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Jean Curtiss, Commissioner Bill Carey and Chair Michele Landquist. Absent: None.

Staff Present: Rural Initiatives Planner Nancy Heil, Deputy County Attorney James McCubbin, Public Works Survey Technician Tony Holloway, and Public Works Examining Surveyor Manager Steve Smith.

2. [1:32:16 PM](#) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. [1:32:38 PM](#) PUBLIC COMMENT

4. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS AND PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Weekly Claims List - \$260,724.77

[1:32:46 PM](#) Commissioner Jean Curtiss made a motion that the Board of County Commissioners approve the weekly claims list in the amount of \$260,724.77. Commissioner Bill Carey seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 3-0.

b. [1:33:14 PM](#) Public Announcements

5. Proclamation

a. Chief Curt Belts Appreciation

[1:34:40 PM](#) Chair Michele Landquist introduced the [proclamation](#).

[1:34:52 PM](#) Commissioner Bill Carey read the proclamation.

6. HEARING (Certificate of Survey)

a. John & Nancy Pickering Family Transfer

[1:36:04 PM](#) Chair Michele Landquist opened the hearing.

[1:36:25 PM](#) James McCubbin presented the [staff report](#). [1:37:22 PM](#) Notation regarding previous family transfer of September 2005; reapplying

[1:38:18 PM](#) James McCubbin questioned the applicant, Bonnie Pickering

[1:41:17 PM](#) Questions from Commission

[1:41:37 PM](#) Staff comment, James McCubbin, clarification of map in staff report

[1:42:38 PM](#) Public Comment

[1:42:46 PM](#) Executive Session

[1:42:59 PM](#) Commissioner Bill Carey made a motion that the Board of County Commissioners approve the request by the Pickerings [John and Nancy Pickering] to create one additional parcel by use of the family transfer exemption based on the fact that there does not appear to be an attempt to evade subdivision review . Commissioner Jean Curtiss seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 3-0.

7. HEARING

- a. Madsen/Rock Creek Open Space Bond Project (County)

[1:43:42 PM](#) Chair Michele Landquist opened the hearing.

[1:43:55 PM](#) Nancy Heil presented the [staff report](#).

[1:47:05 PM](#) Easement holder presentation, Greg Tollefson, Five Valleys Land Trust ([PowerPoint](#))

[1:59:56 PM](#) Public Comment

[2:00:04 PM](#) Questions/Comments from Commission

[2:01:54 PM](#) Executive Session

[2:02:02 PM](#) Commissioner Jean Curtiss comment/discussion

[2:03:35 PM](#) Commissioner Jean Curtiss made a motion that the Board of County Commissioners approve the expenditure of \$40,000 in Open Space Bond funds via the attached resolution, which is Attachment D, for the purchase of a conservation easement on the Madsen/Four Bar M project, based on the findings that the project qualifies for funding, the recommendations of the Open Land Citizen Advisory Committee, public hearing comments, written comments, and staff's analysis. Commissioner Bill Carey seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 3-0.

8. DECISION (from [March 10, 2010](#) Hearing)

- a. Petition to Abandon a Portion of Woodworth Road (Emerald Lake Estates) - East of Salmon Lake)

[2:04:38 PM](#) Chair Michele Landquist opened the hearing.

[2:05:04 PM](#) Steve Smith presented the [viewer's report](#). ([staff report](#))

[2:06:59 PM](#) Commissioner Jean Curtiss comment

[2:07:42 PM](#) [Staff Presentation](#), Steve Smith

[2:12:10 PM](#) Questions from Commission

[2:12:47 PM](#) Staff question, James McCubbin

[2:13:11 PM](#) Staff comment, Steve Smith and James McCubbin

[2:15:08 PM](#) Toby Dumont, PCI and discussion

[2:17:05 PM](#) Staff question, James McCubbin and discussion

[2:27:13 PM](#) Clarification of procedure

[2:28:12 PM](#) Public Comment

[2:28:16 PM](#) Toby Dumont

[2:29:36 PM](#) Staff comment, James McCubbin and discussion

[2:34:02 PM](#) Hearing continued to April 7, 2010 and discussion

[2:34:07 PM](#) Additional site visit scheduled for Monday, April 5 at 2:30 p.m., Jean Curtiss and Steve Smith and discussion

9. [2:36:04 PM](#) OTHER BUSINESS

10. [2:36:09 PM](#) RECESS

There being no further business to come before the Board of County Commissioners, the meeting was recessed at 2:36p.m.