

\*\*\*\*\*

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2008

The Board of County Commissioners met in continued session at 8:00 o'clock A.M. Chairman Hall, Commissioners Brenneman and Lauman, and Clerk Robinson were present.

### **Chairman Hall opened public comment on matters within the Commissions' Jurisdiction.**

Charles Lapp, 3230 Columbia Falls Stage Road commented on statements made by Deputy County Attorney Peter Steele regarding public comment, whereas he stated there was tremendous public participation in the process. He then said there was in most of it, however, the changes made by the Planning and Zoning Office that has to do with the number of review days was never reviewed by the public. Lapp stated that he has been in the process since October 18, 2005, from the beginning as the Governor of Affairs Director for Flathead Building Association. He then said the zoning regulations for Flathead County already have a setback provision in them for streams and rivers and his contention is that you can't have one document that establishes one setback and another document that establishes a different setback.

Russell Crowder, 2868 Lower Lost Prairie Road, representing American Dream Montana said in October information was presented to the Commission and the County Attorney's Office regarding illegal distribution of property owner's mailing lists by the Flathead County Planning & Zoning Office. He then read a letter sent to County Attorney Ed Corrigan in regards to an on going investigation.

Linda Christensen, 600 Bayou Road said the decision today will be a pivotal decision on the streamside setbacks and the big questions is, are we going to favor short term or long term. She then added either way change is going to happen and questioned whether we would opt for short term profits for a few developers or are we going to protect water for the long term. Christensen then stated that she sees no evidence that the current proposal will not protect our water for future generations; without conservative steps such as streamside protection we will in the future need to follow the footsteps of other communities where they have beach closures from contaminations. To protect the clean water now is the least costly path.

Wade Fredenberg, US Fish & Wildlife Service commented that 50 feet is a reasonable start if your sole objective is to maintain water quality. He then said that he feels even Paul McKenzie from Stoltz Lumber knows that 50 feet is woefully inadequate if your goal is to go beyond that and protect things such as stream integrity. In many of our streams the in-fish law requires that buffers be at least 150 feet because that is the average height of trees along the streams. Fredenberg stated that if the buffers are restricted to 50 feet that he has a great deal of concern that it is almost worse than not having anything; under the current circumstances most of the subdivisions are developing buffers that are considerably wider than that.

Mayre Flowers, Citizens for a Better Flathead said the decisions being made today are significant and she feels that what is disturbing is the broad general US Constitutional nature of the claims. She then said the comments made to date have not provided you with alternatives on how you should protect water quality in the Flathead Valley, which is an essential issue and you have not seen constructive comments that look at the issue. Flowers then stated major agencies in the state have addressed water quality and support the proposed setbacks before them today, as well as the large volume of research and science that has been presented that support them. Also noted was 83% of the property owners in Flathead County live on less than five acres and 63% live on less than one acre and what those people need at a time of economic down turn is to know that the investment they have made in their existing property will be protected by fair predictable and well researched regulations.

George Culpepper, Northwest Montana Association of Realtors, expressed that streamside setbacks are considered zoning issues and should belong in zoning regulations not in subdivision regulations, because it prevents due process for those homeowners who want to subdivide. Culpepper inquired as to whether the commission and or the planning office has asked the Flathead Indian Reservation Tribal Council office for their comments on what should be required in their portion of Flathead County. He then stated they still have not heard any suggestions from the US Army Corp of Engineers and other major agencies that are involved. Culpepper mentioned that everyone cares about water quality but there are lakeshore residents who are advocates of this issue that are currently in violation of these proposed streamside setbacks.

Mark Delray, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks commented on the letter from Stoltz Land & Lumber and said that the 50 foot buffer that is part of the stream management zone seems to work for best management practices for timber harvesting. Delray stated it is out of context to mix the timber industry with the subdivision regulations. Also stated was that once timber is harvested, requiring the 50 foot buffer is not adequate like it is for the timber industry.

Caryn Mieske, Flathead Basin Commission commented on the difference between what is needed for residential setbacks and what is needed for a timber harvest setback. Mieske stated that non point source pollutants that are delivered to the lake are substantially different from residential versus timber harvest.

**No one else rising to speak, Chairman Hall closed the public comment period.**

### **CONTINUATION OF CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION: SUBDIVISION REGULATION AMENDMENTS**

9:09:10 AM

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Others present:

Deputy County Attorney Peter Steele, Planning & Zoning Director Jeff Harris, Linda Christensen, Charles Lapp, Ardis Larsen, Russ Crowder, Richard Kuhl, George Culpepper, Wade Fredenberg, Ed Speelman, Mayre Flowers, Caryn Mieske, Mark Delray, Clerk Kile

Changes made to the proposed subdivision regulations included:

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2008**  
(Continued)

- Page 4-41 4.7.7 (n) Deleted: (i) No remainders shall be used to determine overall density in a subdivision.
- Deleted: (ii) If an exemption by a certificate of survey is used, the remaining tract of land must be surveyed and recorded as a separate parcel prior to the submission of the proposed subdivision.
- Page 4-54 4.7.18 (d) (i) (D) Added additional language to state: The anticipated nearby developments and transportation improvements, when known;
- Page 4-54 4.7.18 (d) Changed to: Subdivisions which will contribute 400 or more vehicle trips per day to the county road system shall have a Traffic Impact Study completed by a licensed professional engineer. The study shall indicate the expected increase in traffic movements on the existing roadways and adjacent major intersections serving the development and shall determine the existing conditions on roadways and major intersections likely to be impacted by the proposed subdivision.

Commissioner Brenneman then stated he feels a lot of what has been heard and what they have read can be characterized as misinformation, misunderstanding and money. He then said when he starting driving to town there was one traffic light and now there are five, with that being an example of the fact we are fooling ourselves if we think we are not getting more regulations with more population. In the Subdivision and Platting Act the purpose is they are to require development and harmony with the natural environment and protect the rights of property owners. In his opinion there are a number of facts that vegetative buffers are effective tools in protecting water quality. In the Subdivision and Platting Act there is a clear mandate to protect water quality and as commissioners they need to be very careful to adopt the necessary regulations and no more than that. So whatever his feeling is for ostentatious houses being built on river bluffs he doesn't feel they have the jurisdiction to regulate that; that it probably falls under zoning. It is also a fact that water quality is not improving, but instead gradually deteriorating in the lake even with agricultural decreases and dramatic improvements with waste water treatment and forestry practices. Establishing the setbacks as proposed doesn't do anything for water quality unless the land is subdivided and they then further assume that we don't have currently in place the ability to require that the subdivision as proposed mitigates its adverse affects on water quality. He then added that he feels we have sufficient means to maintain water quality with the larger subdivisions that have come before them doing a great deal to provide for the adverse affects. I would wonder if in fact we are making it less safe for the water if we were to adopt an arbitrary number. Brenneman then added that if each of us in the Flathead Valley would do a little bit we would have a pretty good chance of the water quality improving; at least not degrading. He then spoke about a forestry industry book titled "Best Management Practices for Logging" and stated that one thing that we don't have in the Flathead Valley is a "Best Management Practices for Living in the Flathead Valley" manual which he would like to develop. He further added that the number one threat to water quality on the Flathead Valley floor is American Dream Montana with all their misinformation and lack of interest for doing what is right for the valley. Brenneman then suggested that we focus on vegetative buffers and not define a number and instead say that a riparian resource management plan will be submitted with sufficient information to demonstrate that the subdivision will not involve unnecessary environmental degradation.

Page 4-43 4.7.xx Riparian Protection Requirements

The maintenance and integrity of natural river systems is crucial to the quality and quantity of water resources in Flathead County. The Commission shall require a system of stream vegetative buffers and management plans for the protection and maintenance of the stream corridor and to protect public safety and welfare. This system is needed to maintain and create conditions for enhanced water quality, wildlife corridors, watershed management and enhance recreational opportunities along stream systems while protecting persons and property. The area of riparian resource may be available to the subdivision proposal for purposes of determining density allocations or number of lots and to satisfy park and open space requirements. Riparian protection requirements are not intended to provide public access or easements of any kind and shall not do so unless expressly authorized by the subdivider.

- (a) Changed to: The vegetative buffers shall be clearly delineated on the preliminary plat and on the final plat and designated as a vegetative buffer. Each setback shall include a natural vegetative buffer. There shall be no removal of natural vegetative in the vegetative buffer area, except as permitted under these regulations and using BMP. The natural vegetative buffer shall also be clearly delineated on all plats. For the purposes of this section a stream is defined as a natural watercourse of perceptible extent that has a general sandy or rocky bottom or definite banks that confines and conducts continuously or intermittently flowing water.

Page 4-44

- (b) Deleted: Setback widths. The setback area shall extend from the high water mark to which ever of the points described below, is farthest from the stream:
- i. The edge of the 100 year floodplain shown on a FEMA map.
  - ii. A minimum width defined as a horizontal map distance from the ordinary high water mark, as follows:
    - A. Flathead River and its three forks: Stillwater River, Swan River and Whitefish River, 250 feet with a vegetative buffer of 100 feet;
    - B. Ashley Creek from Smith Lake to Flathead River and Pleasant Valley Fisher River, 200 feet with a vegetative buffer of 75 feet;
    - C. All other streams, as identified not listed above shall have a setback of 60 feet with a vegetative buffer of 50 feet.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2008**  
(Continued)

- (c) Deleted: For any streams or river covered under these regulations, when a slope adjacent to the stream rises at a grade of 50 percent or greater for at least 20 feet above the ordinary high water mark and no historic evidence of bank erosion exists the setback from a stream shall be at least 100 feet from the top of the slope, with a vegetative buffer of 75 feet. This requirement supersedes other setback requirements.
- (d) Changed to: The plan shall include but not be limited to the following:

Page 4-45

- (e) (i) Changed to: Recreational structures such as docks, boat ramps, pathways or unimproved picnic areas, pedestrian and bike trails may not be allowed in vegetative buffer areas.
- (f) Changed to: The following uses are specifically prohibited within the vegetative buffer and must be clearly shown on the face of the final plat.

Commissioner Lauman then stated he understands the desires for setbacks with all the science they received that justified it and has taken into consideration all the public comments received, as well as spoken to several people; with some of them that would be the most effected expressing their concerns to him. With some property owners owning to the high water level and others owning to the low water level he questioned what you would regulate by with the combination of both ownerships. He then stated if the main concern is not the residents then why are we focusing on them and their properties with other sources contributing to water pollution. Lauman stated dust is a source, sewage treatment, wind and blowing sand, burnt logs floating down the river are all contributing sources. If a designated setback is declared, the value of the property will decrease with limitations and restrictions. He then added he feels we already have adequate control in place by regulations from the Army Corp of Engineers, State Law, FEMA, EPA and County Health Regulations. He then stated he agrees with site specific setbacks.

Chairman Hall stated he agreed with the comments made and the proposal in regards to setbacks.

Page 4-30 4.4.29 (g) To qualify for a density bonus or minimum lot size adjustment consideration as a cluster development the land to be preserved as open space must qualify as suitable for development.

No decision was made here.

Page 4-38 4.7.4. Lands Unsuitable for Subdivision: Will be changed to: Lands on which there is evidence of hazards such as flooding, snow avalanches, rock falls, land slides, steep slopes in excess of 40% or more grade, subsidence, high hazard fire areas, high water table, polluted or non-potable water supply, high voltage lines, high pressure gas lines, air or vehicular traffic hazards or congestion, or other features which may be detrimental to the health safety or general welfare of existing or future residents, or where development would place unreasonable burdens on the general public including the requirements of excessive expenditure of public funds or environmental degradation shall not be subdivided for building or residential purposes, unless the hazards are eliminated or will be overcome by approved design and construction plans.

All references of 30% will be looked at during the next meeting for review and possible change.

Page 4-40 4.7.7 (g) Changed to: Each lot shall have a building site (minimum 40 foot by 40 foot square pad) on existing undistributed terrain of less than 25 percent slope. Where a building site is not obvious, and when the average slope of a lot exceeds 25 percent, minimum two foot ground contour intervals shall be shown on the preliminary plat noting the specific lots which may be subject to steep terrain, and that the driveways shall be approved by the local Fire Marshal or Fire Chief as suitable access prior to the start of combustible construction.

Page 4-42 4.7.10 (c) Changed to: If any portion of a subdivision is within 2,000 horizontal feet and 20 vertical feet of a perennial stream draining an area of 25 square miles or more, and no official floodplain delineation of floodplain studies of the stream have been made, the subdivider shall furnish survey data to the Water Resources Division of the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation for review and comment.

Page 4-43 4.7.10 (d) Changed to: Survey data shall comply with the Standards for Flood Hazard Evaluation.

Page 4-51 4.7.16 (d) When a new subdivision adjoins unsubdivided land (lands or parcels not created by a recorded plat) the subdivider may require right-of-way or easements from an existing subdivision road to adjacent unsubdivided property. Subsequent subdivisions using an existing subdivision road system as a primary access shall be required to pay a pro-rata share of road maintenance of the existing subdivision.

Page 4-51 4.7.16 (e) Subdivision roads shall be designated as public access easements and shall be shown and described as such on the face of the final plat. All subdivision roads shall be maintained by the property owners within the subdivision. The commission accepts no responsibility for development or maintenance of roads unless accepted by the commission for maintenance. To ensure a proper maintenance mechanism is in place an approved Road Users' Agreement or a Property Owners' Association shall be formed which shall require each property owner to bear their pro-rata share for road maintenance within the subdivision. Individual lots accessing internal local roads within the subdivision are granted encroachment permits upon the filing of the final plat. The Road Users Agreement shall include a provision for resubdivision of an existing lot within the subdivision. The Road Users' Agreement shall be reviewed and approved by the commission and filed with the Clerk and Records office as a separate document prior to or at the same time of final plat.

Page A-14 h (i) Changed to: Describe any efforts to visually blend development activities with the existing development.

Page A-14 h (ii) Deleted: Describe and locate on a sketch map areas of important view sheds and methods to preserve the aesthetic values of these areas.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2008**  
(Continued)

Commissioner Brenneman stated he felt all references to remainders need to be removed with the Supreme Court decision being very clear.

General discussion was then held relative to remainders in which Jeff Harris stated he would bring back changes in regards to remainders.

Chairman Hall thanked all those that have worked on the regulations and stated a final document will be reviewed for adoption on December 8, 2008 at 11:00.

**8:00 a.m. Weed & Parks Board meeting @ Weed & Parks Office**  
**2:00 p.m. Commissioner Brenneman: Travel to Helena**

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on December 2, 2008.

\*\*\*\*\*

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2008**

The Board of County Commissioners met in continued session at 8:00 o'clock A.M. Chairman Hall, Commissioners Brenneman and Lauman, and Clerk Robinson were present.

**Chairman Hall opened public comment on matters within the Commissions' Jurisdiction.**

Susan Handy, 150 Little Deer Creek Road spoke about concerns she has in regards to access onto Hwy 93 from Deer Creek Road and the cumulative effect of the possible businesses. She stated without proper infrastructure in place the intersection is totally inadequate for the busy intersection. She further stated she has spoke with MDOT but feels the county should be a part of the upgrades. The main issue Handy wanted to address is to eliminate the passing zone and place a double line on the highway. Handy then explained that when entering Deer Creek road it is necessary to drive on the inadequate shoulder to avoid being rear ended. She then asked if the county would be able to assist with improvements.

Commissioner Lauman replied they would need to contact the County Road Department and have them do a traffic count on the road.

Chairman Hall explained they can request a study from MDOT. There was continued discussion on this matter and how to proceed ahead.

**No one else rising to speak, Chairman Hall closed the public comment period.**

**BI-MONTHLY MEETING W/ VICKI SAXBY, I.T.**

[9:17:25 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, I.T. Director Vicki Saxby, Clerk Kile

Saxby reported the I.T. Department is working on compiling their departmental priorities for the upcoming year. She then noted a presentation will be done by her department at an I.T. conference in Helena where they will share their experiences with Virtual Server Technology. It was reported this years CERF replacement computers have been ordered, the septic permitting application for the Health Department has been installed in a test mode, two DOS applications for the Sheriff's Office, one each for the County Attorney, Clerk of Court and Treasurer's Office need to be replaced or converted. Also noted was during the tax season 119 personal property payments were made online.

**CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF FINAL RESOLUTION: HUNTER & OGRIN/ BIGFORK ZONING DISTRICT**

[9:42:31 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve final Resolution 956CM to approve the Hunter/ Ogrin Zone Change. Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2008  
(Continued)

RESOLUTION NO. 956 CM

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Montana, held a public hearing, after the publication of legal notice, on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2008, concerning a proposal to change the zoning designation in a portion of the Bigfork Area Zoning District from SAG-10 (Suburban Agricultural) to SAG-5 (Suburban Agricultural);

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners did hear public comment on the proposed zoning change at said hearing;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners reviewed the recommendation of the Flathead County Planning Board regarding the proposed change in the Bigfork Area Zoning District;

WHEREAS, based upon that recommendation and the public testimony, the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Montana, in accordance with Section 76-2-205, M.C.A., adopted a resolution of intention (Resolution No. 956 CL, dated October 21, 2008) to change the zoning designation in a portion of the Bigfork Area Zoning District from SAG-10 (Suburban Agricultural) to SAG-5 (Suburban Agricultural);

WHEREAS, notice of passage of that Resolution was published once a week for two weeks, on October 25 and November 1, 2008, and the Board of Commissioners did not receive written protests to the change from forty per cent (40%) of the freeholders.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Montana, in accordance with Section 76-2-205(6), M.C.A., hereby amends the Bigfork Area Zoning District to change the zoning designation for the boundaries of said area being the boundaries of Tract 3 in Section 34, Township 27 North, Range 19 West, P.M.M., Flathead County, Montana, located just west of where Highway 209 crosses the Swan River at 214 Fern Lane, Bigfork, Montana, containing 10 acres, from SAG-10 (Suburban Agricultural) to SAG-5 (Suburban Agricultural), as those terms are used and defined in the Flathead County Zoning Regulations.

DATED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2008.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Flathead County, Montana

By/s/Gary D. Hall  
Gary D. Hall, Chairman

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph D. Brenneman, Member

By/s/Dale W. Lauman  
Dale W. Lauman, Member

ATTEST:  
Paula Robinson, Clerk

By/s/Diana Kile  
Diana Kile, Deputy

#### **MONTHLY MEETING W/ RAEANN CAMPBELL, HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE**

[10:03:38 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, HR Director Raeann Campbell, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the HR Transmittal form for a vet tech position. Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the revised job classification for 911 communications. Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the HR Transmittal form for 911 communications. Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the personnel transactions for the month of November, 2008, and authorized the chairman to sign. Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

Campbell reported the health insurance trust fund balance is up \$717,000 from one year ago and claims are \$832,000 with a balance of \$2.6 million. She then noted one injury was reported in November 2008 compared to five in November 2007. Campbell then stated union agreements on tool allowances have been resolved and an opinion has been received from an attorney regarding the central pension plan.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2008  
(Continued)

**CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION: DUST CONTROL POLICY**

10:17:31 AM

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, Public Works Director David Prunty, Operations Manager Road & Bridge Dept. Guy Foy,  
Assistant Deputy County Attorney Tara Fugina, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to adopt dust control policy Resolution 2178. Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion.  
**Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

RESOLUTION NO. 2178

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE DUST CONTROL COST SHARE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County wishes to adopt a policy for the administration of the Dust Control Cost Share Program where the County and individuals share costs; and,

WHEREAS, the attached document entitled: POLICY by FLATHEAD COUNTY, MONTANA, Road & Bridge Department – FOR THE ADMINISTRATION of the DUST CONTROL COST SHARE PROGRAM, has been prepared for this purpose; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners with the assistance of the Road and Bridge Department and County Attorney's Office, has reviewed the Policy.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Flathead County Commissioners that the aforementioned and attached policy be and it is hereby adopted for use by the Flathead County Road & Bridge Department; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners is authorized to sign the same.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2008.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Flathead County, Montana

By/s/Gary D. Hall  
Gary D. Hall, Chairman

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph D. Brenneman, Member

By/s/Dale W. Lauman  
Dale W. Lauman, Member

ATTEST:  
Paula Robinson, Clerk

By/s/Diana Kile  
Diana Kile, Deputy

**POLICY**

**FLATHEAD COUNTY, MONTANA  
Road & Bridge Department**

**FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE DUST CONTROL COST SHARE PROGRAM**

**STATEMENT**

The Dust Control Cost Share Program is undertaken to allow residents of Flathead County, in areas outside incorporated cities and towns, to apply dust suppressant to County maintained gravel roads. The Board of County Commissioners wish to make available a method of financial assistance that does not require the formation of a rural special improvement district. The Board of County Commissioners recognizes that Flathead County residents want an alternative method to pay for the application of dust suppressant which enables costs to be shared by the County. To this end the Board of County Commissioners hereby adopts the following procedures and guidelines for the administration of a Dust Control Cost Share Program.

**DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions and abbreviations are used throughout this policy in order to save space and avoid the need for continued defining of common terms.

BOARD shall mean the Board of County Commissioners of Flathead County.

COUNTY shall be used to refer to the political subdivision of the State of Montana known as Flathead County, its agents, and employees.

DUST CONTROL shall refer to the application of magnesium chloride or emulsified asphalt palliative (black oil) to a gravel road for the purpose of mitigating airborne dust.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2008**  
**(Continued)**

APPLICANT shall collectively refer to those residents and property owners near the certain County road identified in the application.

RESIDENCE shall refer to a building or portion thereof providing complete, independent and permanent living facilities for one family. A RESIDENT is one adult person who dwells at a residence.

**SECTION 2: APPLICATION**

It shall be the policy of the Board that the Applicant is responsible for completing and submitting a Dust Control Cost Share Program Application ("Application") by the Application deadline. The Application must be completed in its entirety by the deadline set forth by the Flathead County Road Department (Road Department).

**SECTION 3: ROADS CONSIDERED FOR THE DUST CONTROL COST SHARE PROGRAM**

It shall be the policy of the Board to utilize the Dust Control Cost Share Program for County maintained gravel roads. Roads must be public roads maintained by the Flathead County Road Department, excluding subdivision roads, and shall not include any portion of any road within the boundaries of any city or incorporated town. Each section of proposed dust control on a road must be a minimum of 0.5 mile in length, or the entire length of the road, whichever is less. The County may require a proposed section of dust abatement on a road to adjoin existing or other proposed sections of dust abatement, pavement, or intersections with other roads, unless separated by a minimum of 1320 lineal feet.

The Road Department will rank each road considered for the Dust Control Cost Share Program utilizing existing Average Daily Trips (ADT). Roads with the highest ranking will receive funding until funding for the Dust Control Cost Share Program is exhausted. The County may deny or delay Dust Control due to pending road improvements, availability of staff, or current road conditions. Roads considered for the Dust Control Cost Share Program must have a health and safety benefit to the residents, a road maintenance benefit to the County, and be considered in the best interests of the general traveling public.

**SECTION 4: COUNTY SHARE**

The County may share in the cost of Dust Control in an amount not to exceed Fifty Percent (50%) of the total costs of the improvements including labor, materials, money, contingencies or any combination thereof for magnesium chloride. If the applicant(s) choose petroleum based palliative, the County will provide funding equivalent to Fifty Percent (50%) of the application cost of magnesium chloride. The balance will be funded by the applicant(s). The County's contribution shall not include costs associated with preparing the road for application of the dust suppressant. The County may contract out all services to apply the dust palliative including grading, watering and palliative application. Dust suppressant will only be applied to a road or a section of any road through the Dust Control Cost Share Program once per calendar year.

**SECTION 5: GUARANTEE OF PRIVATE CONTRIBUTIONS**

Applicant must provide payment for the resident's portion of the cost share by the deadline established by the Flathead County Road Department. Such payment shall be in the form of cash, cashier's check, or money order.

**SECTION 6: COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Road Department will have authority to create forms and procedures necessary to administer the Dust Control Cost Share Program. The Road Department will provide an Application for the Dust Control Cost Share Program and will institute deadlines for Application acceptance, payment by the applicant for the Resident's portion of the cost share, and dust suppressant application. The Flathead County Public Works Director, or his designee has authority to accept, evaluate, and authorize Applications for the Dust Control Cost Share Program. The Road Department will prepare any necessary bid documents required to utilize a Contractor for dust suppressant application. The Road Department will coordinate with the contractor to determine the exact schedule for application of dust suppressant.

After dust suppressant is applied, the County shall continue to maintain the road when necessary at the County's discretion.

**SECTION 7: DISCLAIMER**

The Flathead County Road Department is not financially or otherwise responsible for the effectiveness of the dust suppressant.

**SECTION 8: COMPLIANCE**

It shall be the policy of the Board to insure that the requirements of this policy be followed. failure of Applicant to do so is grounds to deny further action on the inclusion in the Dust Control Cost Share Program. Exceptions to the procedures set forth in this policy will only be made by the Flathead County Public Works Director, or his designee in instances where the provision of the policy cannot be met due to circumstances beyond the control of the Petitioner or County.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2008.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Flathead County, Montana

By/s/Gary D. Hall  
Gary D. Hall, Chairman

ATTEST:  
Paula Robinson, Clerk

By/s/Diana Kile  
Diana Kile, Deputy

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2008  
(Continued)

**MONTHLY MEETING W/ GUY FOY & DAVID PRUNTY, ROAD DEPT**

[10:20:53 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, Public Works Director David Prunty, Operations Manager Road & Bridge Dept. Guy Foy,  
Clerk Kile

Prunty began the meeting with updating the commissioners on McMannamy Draw. Commissioner Lauman and Guy Foy met with the residents and the school and explained to them what the road was going to look like, what trees would be removed and what fences would be removed. Prunty reported the responses as of now there are 2 no's, 19 yes's, and 5 no responses. Commissioner Hall inquired about further communication to those who have not responded. Prunty replied they were going to send another letter to the 5 who have not responded. Further discussion was held in regards to what would occur next if and when all residents have responded and hopefully eventually have a unanimous yes response.

Foy reported they are hauling gravel to Hubbard Dam, Boon Road and the north side of Ashley. Foy also stated the North Fork slash piles are officially burned.

Prunty reported a Road Advisory Committee Meeting will be held on December 11 with Peccia & Associates.

Discussion was held regarding Deer Creek Road public comments and what role the Road Department will play on the issues proposed.

Prunty commented on the millings project on Holt Stage Road and stated they had finished the shoulder work to county specs and will be chip sealing next summer. Prunty also reported that work on: Trumble Creek, Braig and Prairie View Road are 50/50 splits and he is pleased on how they are maintaining.

Discussion was held regarding proposing a flat fee versus variable fees for closing a county road. Foy explained that to close a county road the closure process will still have to be fully completed.

Commissioner Hall told Foy and Prunty that they had the support of the Commissioners regarding PILT monies.

Discussion was held relative to getting started with a survey on Mennonite Church Road and possible upcoming RSID'S.

General discussion was held regarding improvements on Grayling Road in preparation of being paved.

**PRELIMINARY PLAT: TIMBER AXE**

[11:05:52 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Planner Allison Mouch, Erica Wirtala, Clerk Kile

Mouch entered into record FSR 08-09; an application submitted by John Ottman with technical assistance from Sands Surveying for preliminary plat approval of Timber Axe, a 5 lot minor subdivision on 35.27 acres located at the intersection of Sullivan Crossroads and Hwy 206. The proposed lots range from 3.13 acres to 4.99 with a total net acreage of 18.8 with approximately 14.67 acres reserved for open space. The lots would be served by individual wells and either individual or multi-user septic systems. Mouch clarified the report was intended to be individual septic systems. Mouch reported that upon review the proposal is generally compliant with the growth policy and the review criteria. She then stated there was one exception with some minor ground water issues and explained the area that would most likely experience any ground water issues has been designated as the open area space. Mouch stated that she agreed the water, wastewater and storm drainage systems must be reviewed by EHS and/or DEQ prior to final plat.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to adopt findings of fact as amended. Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

Commissioner Hall inquired about Timber Axe Subdivision conditions. Wirtala stated condition 9 was duplicative of condition 18. The commission agreed to remove condition 9 and amend condition 18 to state:

The proposed water, wastewater treatment and stormwater drainage systems for the subdivision shall be reviewed by the Flathead City-County Health Department and approved by the MDEQ. The proposed individual water and wastewater treatment systems shall be located on the highest ground identified on each lot and shall be reviewed by the Flathead City-County Health Department, approved by the MDEQ and constructed accorded to recommended standards.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve preliminary plat of Timber Axe as amended. Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2008**  
**(Continued)**

STANDARD CONDITIONS

1. The applicant shall receive physical addresses in accordance with Flathead County Resolution #1626. All road names shall appear on the final plat. Street addressing shall be assigned by the Address Coordinator. [Section 4.7.17(iv), Flathead County Subdivision Regulations (FCSR)]
2. The applicant shall show proof of a completed approach permit for Timber Axe Lane onto Sullivan Crossroad from the Flathead County Road Department or the Montana Department of Transportation indicating the approach has been built and received final inspection and final approval. [Section 4.7.17, FCSR]
3. A dust control plan shall be submitted that addresses measures to minimize construction dust and includes post-construction dust mitigation measures. [Section 4.7.14, FCSR]
4. The applicant shall comply with reasonable fire suppression and access requirements of the applicable fire district. A letter from the fire chief stating that the plat meets the requirements of the fire district shall be submitted with the application for Final Plat. [Section 4.7.27, FCSR]
5. All areas disturbed during development of the subdivision shall be re-vegetated in accordance with an approved Weed Control Plan and a letter from the County Weed Supervisor stating that the Weed Control Plan has been approved shall be submitted with the final plat. [Section 4.7.26, FCSR]
6. Timber Axe Lane shall be certified by a licensed engineer and constructed in accordance with the Flathead County Minimum Standards for Design and Construction. [Section 4.7.17, FCSR]
7. With the application for final plat, the applicant shall provide a Road Users' Agreement which requires each property owner to bear his or her pro-rata share for maintenance of the roads within the subdivision and for any integral access roads lying outside the subdivision. [Section 4.7.16(e), FCSR]
8. New electrical and telephone utilities shall be extended underground to abut and be available to each lot, in accordance with a plan approved by the applicable utility providers. [Section 4.7.24, FCSR]
9. The mail delivery site shall be provided with the design and location approved by the local postmaster of USPS. A letter from the postmaster stating that the applicant has met their requirements shall be included with the application for final plat. [Section 4.7.29, FCSR]
10. The developer shall contact the Superintendent of Schools and, if required, provide and improve a location for the safe loading and unloading of students. [Section 4.7.30, FCSR]
11. The following statements shall be placed on the face of the final plat applicable to all lots:
  - a. Address numbers shall be posted at the commencement of construction and be clearly visible at all times thereafter. Numbers shall be placed in the driveway entrance and at any subsequent divergent points of access for shared driveways. All address numbers shall be displayed on a contrasting background using a minimum four-inch numeral height. [Section 4.7.27.c, FCSR]
  - b. All utilities shall be placed underground. [Section 4.7.24, FCSR]
  - c. Solid Waste removal for all lots shall be provided by a contracted solid waste hauler. [Section 4.7.23, FCSR]
  - d. Lot owners are bound by the Weed Control Plan to which the developer and the Flathead County Weed Department agreed. [4.7.26, FCSR]
  - e. The owners shall abide by the guidelines set forth in the approved Dust and Air Pollution Control and Mitigation Plan during and after site construction and development activities. [Section 4.7.14, FCSR]
  - f. 

Waiver of Protest  
Participation in Special Improvement District  
[per County Resolution 503-M]

\_\_\_\_\_ (Owner) hereby waives any and all right to protest which it may have in regards to any attempt to be made by a local governmental entity, to initiate a Special Improvement District which includes \_\_\_\_\_ Subdivision, shown on the plat therefore, for any of the purposes related to roads, water facilities and systems, and sewer facilities and systems, set forth in Sections 7-12-2102 and 7-12-4102, M.C.A.; provided however that \_\_\_\_\_ understands that (he/she/it/they) retains the ability to object to the amount of assessment imposed as a result of the formation of a Special Improvement District, including the right to object on the basis that the property is not benefited by the Special Improvement District. \_\_\_\_\_ agrees that this covenant shall run to, with and be binding on the title of the real property described above and shall be binding on the heirs, assigns, successors in interest, purchasers, and any and all subsequent holders or owners of the real property shown on the subdivision plat for \_\_\_\_\_ Subdivision.
12. The final plat shall comply with state surveying requirements. [Section 76-3-608(b)(i), M.C.A.]
13. Where the aggregate total disturbed area of any infrastructure construction in the proposed subdivision as defined in A.R.M. 17.30.1102(28) is equal to, or greater than one acre; or where when combined with subsequent construction of structures such disturbed area will be equal to, or greater than one acre, a Montana State Department of Environmental Quality General Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Activity (General Permit) shall be obtained and provided to the Flathead County Planning & Zoning office prior to any site disturbance or construction. [17.30.1115 Administrative Rules of Montana (A.R.M.)]
14. All required improvements shall be completed in place or a Subdivision Improvement Agreement shall be provided by the subdivider prior to final approval by the County Commissioners. [Section 4.2.19 FCSR]
15. The final plat shall be in substantial compliance with the plat and plans submitted for preliminary plat review, except as modified by these conditions. [Section 4.2.15 FCSR]

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2008  
(Continued)**

16. Preliminary plat approval is valid for three years. The final plat shall be filed prior to the expiration of the three years. [Section 4.2.13 FCSR]

**PROJECT SPECIFIC CONDITIONS**

17. The proposed water, wastewater treatment, and stormwater drainage systems for the subdivision shall be reviewed by the Flathead City-County Health Department and approved by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality. The proposed individual water and wastewater treatment systems shall be located on the highest ground identified on each lot and shall be reviewed by the Flathead City-County Health Department, approved by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality and constructed according to recommended standards [Section 4.7.13, FCSR].

18. The following statement(s) shall be placed on the face of the final plat, applicable to all lots:

- ii. In areas prone to flooding and where a high water table is present, landowners shall be advised the construction of basements is prohibited.
- iii. Landowners are notified that this subdivision has been reviewed and approved for single family residential use. Any changes that materially alter any portion of the approved subdivision plat, its land divisions or improvements, or that will modify the approved use of land within the subdivision, must be made by filing an amended plat showing all alterations, per the Flathead County Development Code. [Section 4.2.18/4.4.26, FCSR]
- iv. Lot owners are alerted to the presence of potentially dangerous wildlife in the area and are reminded that **feeding big game is illegal**.
- v. Lot owners are encouraged to contact the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks to obtain information on safely living near wildlife and minimizing habitat impact, including such things as bear proofing, pet control, and removing food sources.

19. The following statement shall appear on the face of the final plat:

- i. All new subdivision roads are public access easements. All roads in the Road Users' Agreement shall be maintained by the property owners within the subdivision. The County Commission accepts no responsibility for development or maintenance of roads unless accepted by the Commission for maintenance. [Section 4.7.16(e), FCSR]

20. In addition to the bicycle and pedestrian easement currently shown along Montana Highway 206, a 10-foot bicycle and pedestrian easement shall be located along Sullivan Crossroad, a public collector road, and shown on the face of the final plat (in accordance with FCSR Section 4.7.20).

**CONSIDERATION OF EXTENSION REQUEST: HARBOR SPRINGS TOWNHOUSE SUBDIVISION**

[11:31:02 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Planner Allison Mouch, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve an extension request for Harbor Springs Townhouses Subdivision until April, 2010. Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

**CONSIDERATION OF EXTENSION REQUEST: RIDGEVIEW PARK**

[11:32:03 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the extension request to February 9, 2010 pending a letter. Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

**8:00 a.m. Commissioner Hall: 2009 Children's Legislative Agenda @ Earl Bennett Bldg.**  
**4:00 p.m. Commissioner Hall: Natural Resource Committee meeting @ Commissioners' Meeting Room**

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on December 3, 2008.

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2008

The Board of County Commissioners met in continued session at 8:00 o'clock A.M. Chairman Hall, Commissioners Brenneman and Lauman, and Clerk Robinson were present.

### **Chairman Hall opened public comment on matters within the Commissions' Jurisdiction.**

Bill Myers residing in Bigfork started public comment by thanking Commissioner Brenneman for the creative proposed setback change issue. Myers then stated he wanted to clarify the word buffer that has been used in a lot of hearings. He then said that a buffer to Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks, US Fish Wildlife Services and the County Planning Office was an area that was allowed to grow wild with over growth in it. Myers then read a letter from a local state senator that contained template language of a bill that will be introduced into the state senate in the near future. The letter contained information regarding best management practices/ buffer zones.

**No one else rising to speak, Chairman Hall closed the public comment period.**

### **PERSONNEL MATTER**

[9:07:34 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, HR Director Raeann Campbell, AOA Director Jim Atkinson, Eagle Transit Director Dave Polansky, Alex Saylor, Storm Yetter, Clerk Kile

This meeting was closed to protect the privacy of the employee.

### **BI-MONTHLY MEETING W/ MINDY COCHRAN, GIS**

[9:30:09 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, GIS Director Mindy Cochran, Clerk Kile

Cochran reported the GCDB has been completed and there was general discussion in that regard. She then noted the IMS website has been enhanced and now one of the search tools will provide information prior to 1984 which was previously unattainable through the recordation system. Cochran explained land surveyors and the public are able to attain information back to 1894 by a simple search tool. She then added her department is also scanning all the corner recordation documents which had not been scanned in the past; now the public and land surveyors will have access to these documents on the internet. Condominium re-addressing problems are being worked on and her department is continuing to maintain infrastructure. Cochran also reported there were several requests for maps throughout the general election.

Discussion was held relative to concerns in regard to the 911 Center and whether or not it will be on the county network. Commissioner Brenneman expressed that yes it should definitely be on the county network. There was general discussion in regards to this matter including software issues, placement of employees involved in this project and how to make this project cost effective.

Corner Recordation Forms have a new tracking index system to allow surveyors to more easily locate corner pins. There was continued discussion regarding the tracking of sensitive data layers. There was general discussion on historic roads and where to obtain additional information on these roads.

### **BI-MONTHLY MEETING W/ KIM CROWLEY, LIBRARY**

[9:56:41 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, Library Director Kim Crowley, Clerk Kile

Crowley reported book checkouts are up 13% over last year. She also explained the Whitefish Branch has approximately 400 patrons a day which is considered heavy traffic but does not have a large amount of actual book checkouts. The big read program finished up in October with 22 events with 502 adults and 1,066 children participating in the program according to Crowley. The community fund for A Better Bigfork contributed up to \$2,000.00 for a minor remodel in the Bigfork Branch consisting of display shelving for the video and audio books. Crowley then reported the Little Kittinger Foundation contributed \$6,250.00 for map cases for maps upstairs in the reference area. She noted she attended a workshop along with two coworkers offered by the state library regarding board training and board minutes.

Commissioner Hall requested an update on the Columbia Falls First Best Place Task Force. The Columbia Falls First Best Place Task Force is located in the formerly known as First Citizens Bank and will soon be the new location for the County Library. Crowley stated they have decided to move forward with the architects for the second phase of preliminary design.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2008  
(Continued)

**DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: GOING-TO-THE-SUN ROAD TRANSIT SYSTEM MODIFICATION NO. 5/ EAGLE TRANSIT**

[10:29:58 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Brenneman made a **motion** to approve the document for signature for the Going-To-The-Sun Road transit system and authorized the chairman to sign. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS: MISCELLANEOUS**

[10:15:48 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Gary D. Hall  
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman  
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, Planning & Zoning Director Jeff Harris, Office Administrator Mary Sevier, Jeff Larsen, Ardis Larsen, Charles Lapp, George Culpepper, Denise Smith, Clerk Kile

Harris pointed out for the record that multiple advertisements were run in the Daily Inter Lake, Whitefish Pilot, Hungry Horse News and Bigfork Eagle.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to appoint Mark Boardman as the Corporate Timber Representative from Stoltz Lumber Company to Ashley Lake Land Use Committee and Rob Driscoll and Tim Coleman as the on-lake representatives. Commissioner Brenneman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Brenneman made a **motion** to re-appoint Jennifer Draband to the Columbia Falls City-County Planning Board. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to re-appoint Charles Jacquette to the Egan Slough Planning & Zoning Commission. Commissioner Brenneman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Brenneman made a **motion** to appoint C. Mark Hash and Craig Wagner to Flathead County Board of Adjustments. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Brenneman made a **motion** to appoint Frank DeKort to the Flathead County Planning Board as the Flathead Conservation District Representative. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to re-appoint Marie Hickey-Au Clair, Mike Mower and Rita Hall and appoint George Culpepper to the Flathead County Planning Board.

Commissioner Brenneman stated that when we have choices available from people not directly involved in the industry of one side or the other that they should take advantage of them. When they have someone that comes before them regarding a certain viewpoint one has to evaluate if that is going to be in the best interest of the community at large. He then added that he agreed in appointing the returning board members.

Chairman Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. **Opposed** – Brenneman. Motion carried by quorum.

Commissioner Brenneman made a **motion** to re-appoint Jan Stephens and Loren Vranish to the Helena Flats Land Use Advisory Committee. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Brenneman made a **motion** to appoint Philip Crissman to the LaBrant Lindsey Lane Land Use Advisory Committee. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Brenneman made a **motion** to appoint Patricia Wagner and Robert Carlin to the LaBrant Lindsey Lane Land Use Advisory Committee. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to appoint Mark Schwager, David Tutvedt and Les Keller to the West Valley Land Use Advisory Committee. Commissioner Brenneman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2008**  
(Continued)

Commissioner Brenneman made a **motion** to appoint Sharon Morrison as the county representative to the Whitefish Lakeshore Protection Committee. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall, Brenneman and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

- 11:00 a.m. County Attorney meeting @ Co. Atty's Office**
- 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Brenneman: Meeting w/ Greg Barkus re: Legislation**
- 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Brenneman: Housing Affordability Ladder meeting @ Insured Title**
- 5:00 p.m. Commissioner Hall & Commissioner Brenneman: Kalispell Chamber of Commerce 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Party & Flathead Regional Business Center Open House @ Kalispell Chamber**

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on December 4, 2008.

\*\*\*\*\*

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2008**

The Board of County Commissioners met in continued session at 8:00 o'clock A.M. Chairman Hall, Commissioners Brenneman and Lauman, and Clerk Robinson were present.

- 8:30 a.m. Commissioner Lauman: AOA TAB meeting @ Eagle Transit**
- 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Brenneman: Rotary @ Hilton Garden Inn**
- 4:00 p.m. Commissioner Lauman: GNESA meeting @ Central School Museum**

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on December 5, 2008.

\*\*\*\*\*

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2008**

The Board of County Commissioners met in continued session at 8:00 o'clock A.M. Chairman Hall, Commissioners Brenneman and Lauman, and Clerk Robinson were present.

**NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED**

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on December 8, 2008.

\*\*\*\*\*