FLATHEAD COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
COMMITTEE B
MEETING MINUTES
September 13, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 3:37 PM by Chairman Cross. Members in attendance were Gordon Cross, Bob Keenan and Mike Mower. BJ Grieve and Andrew Hagemeier of FCPZ were also present. Alex Hogle was scheduled to join the meeting in progress. Erika Wirtila and Marilyn Noonan, members of the public, were also in attendance.

The first item discussed was establishing a process to review the proposed B1-GR zoning district that was postponed by the Planning Board last week. Some of the debate centered on the merits of the proposal. The remainder focused on the importance of involving all elements of the public in the discussion process. The general feeling was that this district was needed and its creation would generate widespread interest.

In the end it was decided to present the members of Committee A with the following proposal for proceeding.

A. Instruct staff to compile information on similar measures in the state and also locate the information on the subject compiled for the Long Range Task Force. Staff would prepare a presentation on all the issues surrounding such a zone and present them at a full board workshop.
B. Schedule a Planning Board Workshop (October 6?) to hear the presentation and get comments from board members and the public.
C. Staff will prepare a draft that incorporates the suggestions of the public and the board.
D. Schedule a second PB workshop (to consider the draft and get public comment.
E. If a consensus has been reached, then staff will prepare a final draft for a public hearing. If not, then further workshops would be scheduled to reach consensus.
F. The Board would reconsider the original proposal at its October 13 the meeting under Old Business and, most likely, postpone again until a date after the new version has been finalized.

Mr. Grieve then presented his working list of items that needed attention in the Zoning Regulations after Mr. Hogle joined the meeting. It was decided that he would categorize his list into tasks by degree of difficulty. Simple issues would be on one list and more complex ones on another. The Committee will meet to review the simple list and hopefully instruct staff to prepare a text amendment covering all the simple items for the Board to consider.
Once that is done the committee will take up the more complex issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58.