
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2009

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

Chairman Lauman opened public comment on matters within the Commissions' Jurisdiction, no one present to speak, Chairman Lauman closed the public comment period.

MONTHLY MEETING W/ JIM ATKINSON, AOA

9:01:05 AM

Members present:

Chairman Dale W. Lauman
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman
Commissioner James R. Dupont

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, AOA Director Jim Atkinson, Clerk Kile

Atkinson presented a statistics report on Agency on Aging services that continue to grow in all areas. He then reported bus ridership has increased from 3,774 in 2007 to 5,900 in 2008. Discussion was then held relative to AOA's move to Gateway West Mall as well as the feasibility of including Coral West into their new location that would include revenue producing centers.

MEETING W/ LORI WOODS/ PLUM CREEK RE: UPDATE

9:30:01 AM

Members present:

Chairman Dale W. Lauman
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman
Commissioner James R. Dupont

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, Lori Woods, Rett Parker, Clerk Kile

Woods explained it is Plum Creek's desire to continue meeting on a regular basis in order to keep communications open between them and Flathead County. She then reported the first phase of the Montana Legacy Project closed in December between Plum Creek and Nature Conservancy for 129,000 acres; the second phase closed in the middle of February which was mostly in Missoula and Lake County; the third phase is scheduled to close at the end of 2010. It was noted there are no Montana Legacy Lands in Flathead County. She then reviewed the sequence of events for cost share easements between Plum Creek and the Forest Service that she reported they are presently not moving ahead with. Woods stated now when property is sold on a road with a cooperative agreement a clause is put in the purchase/sale agreement to ensure the buyer understands the Forest Service is the road manger. She then added Plum Creek has undergone big changes with the economy and they are looking at their options on a daily basis. The Columbia Falls mill re-opened last week and the Evergreen mill will likely stay curtailed through April. She also reviewed their land sales program for 2008 with 6,300 acres on the market and they sold 565 acres; 4 parcels.

Discussion ensued relative to historic right-of-way issues.

MONTHLY MEETING W/ CINDY MULLANEY, OES & LINCOLN CHUTE, FIRE SERVICE AREA MANAGER

10:00:04 AM

Members present:

Chairman Dale W. Lauman
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman
Commissioner James R. Dupont

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, Interim OES Director Cindy Mullaney, Fire Service Area Manager Lincoln Chute, Clerk Kile

Mullaney reported the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan passed the state office and has been forwarded to FEMA for pre-approval; which means if they have any issues it can come back again for further work. She then stated once approval is received a resolution of adoption will be needed from the county and city before final approval. Mullaney then explained she is attempting to figure out why Local Emergency Planning Committee meetings are not attended by many members and what their actual responsibilities are. Also reported was a MIPA training workshop will be held in Whitefish in May this year with Flathead County sponsoring it.

Discussion was held relative to reimbursement for a generator on Big Mountain.

Chute reported work is continuing with the CWPP in regards to fire logistics and adding layers to GIS mapping. He then stated he has been working on the communications AFG regional radio grant with Ed Burlingame, Jack Speelman and Grant Writer Debbie Pierson, which is for approximately one million that will put a new truck radio in almost every fire truck and ambulance attached to a fire department, and also add about 12 hand held radio's per fire department; each fire department was asked to budget \$175.00 per radio in case enough grant money isn't received. Chute then reported DNRC hosted wildland training this past winter on evenings and weekends with an average of 12 per class attending and he also attended an advanced fire behavior class in Missoula. Also noted was auditing of properties not in fire districts will resume again in spring.

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DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: ENGINEERING SERVICES/ PECCIA & ASSOCIATES

[10:30:32 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Dale W. Lauman
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman
Commissioner James R. Dupont

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, Deputy County Attorney Jonathan Smith, Clerk Kile

Pence explained this document is the next phase of the planning process in putting together a road management plan that will give them the final product to help in determining priorities.

Commissioner Dupont made a **motion** to approve the engineering services contract with Peccia & Associates. Commissioner Brenneman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Lauman, Brenneman and Dupont. Motion carried unanimously.

FEMA BUDGET AMENDMENT: SHERIFF'S OFFICE

[10:31:27 AM](#)

Members present:

Chairman Dale W. Lauman
Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman
Commissioner James R. Dupont

Others present:

Assistant Mike Pence, Sheriff Mike Meehan, Detective Dave Leib, Finance Comptroller Joe Garza, Clerk Kile

Meehan reported \$198,940.55 was received from FEMA to purchase protection equipment for a buffer zone around Hungry Horse Dam.

Commissioner Brenneman made a **motion** to adopt Budget Amendment Resolution 2195. Commissioner Dupont **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Lauman, Brenneman and Dupont. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENT
RESOLUTION # 2195

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined, and various department heads have requested and verified, that budget revisions between line items for Fiscal Year 2008-2009, are required, and;

WHEREAS, Section 7-6-4031, M.C.A. and Budget Resolution No. 1689, allow budget transfers to be made between items in the same fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached list of transfers and revisions shall be made in the budget for Flathead County for Fiscal Year 2008-2009; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution and the attached list of transfers and revisions shall be entered into the minutes of the Board of Commissioners.

DATED this 16th day of March 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Flathead County, Montana

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

By/s/Joseph D. Brenneman
Joseph D. Brenneman, Member

By/s/James R. Dupont
James R. Dupont, Member

ATTEST:
Paula Robinson, Clerk

By/s/Diana Kile
Diana Kile, Deputy

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DATE OF ISSUE:			BUDGET ENTRY		VOUCHER NO.:	
DATE OF RECORD:					Entered by:	
			RESOLUTION #2195			
Fund	Dept	ACTIVITY	OBJECT	ACCOUNT DESC	DEBIT	CREDIT
2926	0190	331111		FEMA Grant	198,940.55	
2926		172000		Revenue Control		198,940.55
2926	0190	420604	212	Small Item Equipment		55,068.00
2926	0190	420604	900	Capital Equipment		143,872.55
2926		242000		Expense Control	198,940.55	
FY08 Buffer Zone Plan (BZP) and Vulnerability Reduction Purchase Plan (VRPP)						
Establish Budget and Spending Authority for FY09 portions of 100% Federally funded FEMA Grant						
Hungry Horse Dam Award # 2008-BZ-T8-0028						
Explanation					397,881.10	397,881.10

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT/ 911 CENTER

[10:35:36 AM](#)

Members present:

- Chairman Dale W. Lauman
- Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman
- Commissioner James R. Dupont

Others present:

- Assistant Mike Pence, Sheriff Mike Meehan, Detective Dave Leib, Deputy County Attorney Jonathan Smith, Debbie Boreson, Clerk Kile

Smith reviewed the changes made to the interlocal agreement which included adding additional language to the document to say the county will fund ½ of the salary of the Director and an Office Assistant; including ½ of the benefits. The other additional language was the center building will be owned by Flathead County and no rent will be charged to other parties.

Commissioner Brenneman made a **motion** to authorize the chairman to sign the interlocal agreement as presented. Commissioner Dupont **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Lauman, Brenneman and Dupont. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING W/ FLATHEAD BUILDING ASSOCIATION

This meeting was not held.

STIMULUS FUNDING DISCUSSION

[11:18:41 AM](#)

Members present:

- Chairman Dale W. Lauman
- Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman
- Commissioner James R. Dupont

Others present:

- Assistant Mike Pence, Sheriff Mike Meehan, Public Works Director Dave Prunty, Library Director Kim Fleming, Fair Director Jay Scott, 4-H Director Karole Sommerfield, Extension Agent Pat McGlynn, Finance Comptroller Joe Garza, Clerk & Recorder Paula Robinson, AOA Director Jim Atkinson, Clerk of Court Peg Allison, Clerk Kile

Pence explained the meeting was being held to discuss stimulus funding from the state in regards to the project list submitted to Senator Baucus.

General discussion was held relative to appropriation of stimulus money.

12:00 p.m. Commissioner Brenneman: MACo Conference Call

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on March 17, 2009.

TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009

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

- 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Brenneman: Hazmat Conference at KwaTaqNuk Resort in Polson**
- 4:00 p.m. Commissioner Dupont: RAC meeting @ Forest Service Office**
- 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Brenneman: Meeting w/ Cayuse Prairie School Board re: Lake Blaine Road Bike Path**

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on March 18, 2009.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2009

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

- 9:15 a.m. Commissioner Lauman: RSVP Board meeting @ Heritage Place**
- 11:00 a.m. County Attorney meeting @ Co. Atty's Office**
- 11:30 a.m. Commissioner Brenneman: Agency Administrators' meeting @ McKenzie River Pizza in Whitefish**
- 12:00 a.m. DUI Task Force meeting @ The Summit**

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on March 19, 2009.

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2009

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

FLATHEAD COUNTY PLANNING BOARD LUNCHEON DISCUSSION

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Members present:

- Chairman Dale W. Lauman
- Commissioner Joseph D. Brenneman
- Commissioner James R. Dupont

Others present:

- Planning & Zoning Director Jeff Harris, Frank DeKort, Randy Toavs, Marie Hickey-AuClaire, Gordon Cross, George Culpepper, Mike Mower, Mayre Flowers, Clerk Kile

Chairman Lauman said the discussion today he feels will be beneficial to the Commission and Planning Board staff in order to see what their thoughts and ideas are on issues they both deal with in regards to land use issues in Flathead County.

Discussion was held relative to the position Commissioners should play in creating a positive role in the community and refuting negative comments. Discussion ensued relative to Planning Boards frustration when decisions are overruled by the commission, with them feeling they don't play a meaningful role in the process. It was questioned whether they are a statutory part of the process opposed to an advisory part of the process. It was asked by the Planning Board that when a denial is changed to an approval by the Commission that they be given the courtesy of being told why. Discussion also included reviewing the sequence of events prior to and during the meeting held in regards to forming a land use advisory committee in Evergreen. Planning Board members spoke about concerns with Chapter 10 of the Growth Policy in regards to neighborhood plans, costs associated with mailing surveys for potential neighborhood plans and disbanding of the Long Range Planning Task Force.

- 2:00 p.m. Commissioner Brenneman: Health Board meeting @ Earl Bennett Building**
- 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Lauman: Road Advisory Committee meeting @ Solid Waste District Conference Room**

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on March 6, 2009.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2009

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

- 9:00 a.m. Subdivision Review 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 March 23, 2009.
