
MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2007

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

Commissioner Hall PT opened public comment on matters within the Commissions' Jurisdiction.

J. B. Stone, 210 North Riding Road, said that over the past 13 years that he has lived in Flathead County that the Forest Service has gone from an organization that he respected, to an out of control bureaucracy with no plans as far as work in the woods. He then specifically addressed fire treatment in regards to road #316 that runs along the back of Big Mountain, which is the only fire protection road for Big Mountain. Stone then stated a letter was issued several years ago by Senator Burns office which asked the Forest Service not to decommission any more roads until the bear DNA study was completed in the park, which will show that the grizzly bear has recovered for the purpose of the endangered species act. Also stated was a petition with 1,300 signatures was sent to the Forest Service specifically regarding road #316, and a short time later an article was in the paper that said they would reopen it on a seasonal basis, and still nothing has been done. He then said that a new bridge was built up at Kimberly Creek that is 30 yards short of a brand new kelly hump; he questions how badly the bridge was needed to get to the kelly hump. The mile of road that goes to the top of Kimberly Creek is now of no use to anyone. Stone then said that this sort of madness is going on all over the Flathead and he would like to see some sort of control put on the Forest Service.

Clarice Ryan, a Bigfork resident stated that she is very excited about the possibility of setting up a status of coordination with the Forest Service. She then said that over the years Montananan's for Multiple Use have spoken several times during public comment for the 500-600 members they have; and they are treated as if they are one individual. Ryan then said that we need to have a Forest Service that is paying attention to the needs and wants of the public, and unfortunately the management by neglect has produced a very unhealthy environment for humans as well as wildlife. She then said the fuel build up in the forest is an example of the federal government not doing their job in the interest of the county; with 80% of the land in the county being government owned, and 20% percent of the public land being controlled by the County Commissioners. She then added that she has concerns with the Forest Service, Fish & Wildlife and other federal agencies that have gotten out of control and are expanding their power and influence throughout the entire United States. Ryan then said that even our own congressman are many times seemly not operating in our best interest, and the only way we can reach the top levels of government is to start with our own elected officials; which is you the County Commissioners.

Dan Smith, a Trego resident stated that he is involved in developing a coordination plan in Lincoln County for natural resources. He then said that as an educator he is concerned with the amount of revenue that is being lost, because of the lack of timber being harvested in the forests. Smith then added that he is also involved in evaluating and rating the camp grounds in the Kootenai Forest; with concerns of having to raise fees or close campgrounds, because of the lack of revenue being received. He then said that with the coordination plan that is being proposed that the County Commissioners will have a tremendous amount of power, and he feels that some work could be done with the Forest Service to help control some of the things going on in the forest; with only a minority of people wanting to see the forest closed off.

Gina Klempel echoed everything that was spoken.

No one else rising to speak, Commissioner Hall PT closed the public comment period.

MONTHLY MEETING W/ JIM ATKINSON, AOA

[9:00:51 AM](#)

Members present:

Commissioner Gary D. Hall
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Chairman Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

AOA Director Jim Atkinson, RSVP Director Bobbie Kelly, Clerk Kile

Atkinson reported that RSVP did very well with their fund raiser at the fairgrounds this year. He then walked through his business plan and in that he stated that the fires have held up progress with various agencies meeting in regards to possible financing of Gateway West Mall. He then added that the transportation in Glacier Park is running well and that Eagle Transit is working on a new fixed route schedule. Also reported was they are working on commuter split routes, where the bus will start earlier and run later. Atkinson then said that a bus stop station has been installed on Hwy 93 next to the Salvation Army Store.

Discussion was also held relative to administrative responsibilities in regards to signature authorizations that are being questioned by Finance.

PUBLIC HEARING: ROAD ABANDONMENT #464 (COOPERATIVE WAY)

[9:32:51 AM](#)

Members present:

Commissioner Gary D. Hall
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Chairman Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

County Attorney Peter Steele, Jim Burton, Mark Johnson, Ken Sugden, Shane Jackola, Terry Tintzman, Lonny Kottraba, Wendy O. Price, Corey Thomas, Dawn Marquardt, Jim Bliss, Thor A. Jackola, Clerk Kile

Peter Steele reported that many drivers use Cooperative Way to avoid the intersection at Reserve Drive. He then said that the owner of Lot 5 has no opposition to the abandonment. He then added that the new Cooperative Way should be constructed and built to county standards before the old Cooperative Way is abandoned.

Commissioner Hall PT opened the public hearing to anyone wishing to speak in favor or opposition of the road abandonment.

Ken Sugden, General Manager of Flathead Electric, stated that what the coop is asking the county to do is abandon the existing Cooperative Way; for them it is a road re-location, because Cooperative Way as it exists goes right through the middle of Flathead Electric's property. He then added that Flathead Electric's property is bordered by Terry Road and Hwy 2. Sugden said that they have a safety problem with most of their outside stored material being across Cooperative Way from where the rest of the facilities are, so they constantly have foot traffic and forklifts crossing Cooperative Way. It was then stated that the solution they came up with was to re-locate the road around Flathead Electric's property, and that they would expect the abandonment of the existing Cooperative Way to be contingent upon the re-location of the road being built to county standards. The proposal is to re-build Cooperative Way to county standards over to Terry Road and then improve Terry Road down to the existing Cooperative Way.

Discussion was held relative to Cooperative Way being a county road that is privately maintained.

Ken Sugden then said that they would work with the owner of Lot 5 in regards to access off of Cooperative Way into his facility.

Dawn Marquardt, 285 1st Avenue E.N., stated that she was asked by the homeowners to look at the road abandonment. It was then added that once the residents realized that the road will be replaced they had no objections.

Cory Thomas, a resident in the subdivision said that she had no objections, but they want to be assured that the new Cooperative Way road will be done prior to the abandonment of the old Cooperative Way

No one else rising to speak Commissioner Hall PT closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve Road Abandonment #464, contingent upon the new road being built first and that it is built to county standards. Commissioner Hall PT **seconded** the motion. **Aye** –Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: DPHHS CONTRACT #08-07-3-01-005-0

[9:50:30 AM](#)

Members present:

Commissioner Gary D. Hall
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Chairman Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

HR Director Raeann Campbell, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the DPHHS contract and authorized the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Hall PT **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: KALISPELL SR. CENTER HEALTH PROMOTION CONTRACT/ AOA

[9:52:57 AM](#)

Members present:

Commissioner Gary D. Hall
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Chairman Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Assistant Michael Pence, HR Director Raeann Campbell, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the Health Promotion contract and authorized the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Hall PT **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: LETTER OF AGREEMENT/ TEAMSTERS UNION LOCAL NO. 2

[9:56:22 AM](#)

Members present:

Commissioner Gary D. Hall
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Chairman Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Assistant Michael Pence, HR Director Raeann Campbell, Clerk Kile

Campbell reported that the Teamsters group voted to contribute an additional fifteen cents to their pension, and that the document for signature is a letter of agreement only.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the letter of agreement for Teamsters Local No. 2. Commissioner Hall PT **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

PUBLIC HEARING: PLOYHAR ZONE CHANGE/ EVERGREEN & VICINITY ZONING DISTRICT

10:03:25 AM

Members present:

Commissioner Gary D. Hall
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Chairman Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Planning & Zoning Director Jeff Harris, Planner George Smith, Clerk Kile

Smith reviewed the application submitted by David Ployhar, DBA Summit Saw & Tool, regarding a zone change request from SAG-10 Suburban Agricultural zoning to I-1 Light Industrial within the Evergreen Zoning District and the Kalispell City-County Planning Jurisdiction Existing Master Plan and Future Land Use Maps. A public hearing was held on July 18, 2007, in which the Planning Board voted unanimously to recommend approval.

Commissioner Hall PT opened the public hearing to anyone wishing to speak in favor or opposition of Ployhar Zone Change.

No one rising to speak, Commissioner Hall PT closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve Resolution #797EN Ployhar Zone Change and authorized the publication of the Notice of Passage of Resolution of Intent. Commissioner Hall PT **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

RESOLUTION NO. 797 EN

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Montana, held a public hearing on the 20th day of August, 2007 to consider a request by David Ployhar, DBA Summit Saw & Tool, to change the zoning designation in a portion of the Evergreen and Vicinity Zoning District from SAG-10 (Suburban Agricultural) to I-1 (Light Industrial);

WHEREAS, notice of that hearing was published pursuant to Section 76-2-205(1), M.C.A., on August 9 and August 16, 2007;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners received public comment on the proposed zoning change; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners reviewed the recommendations of the Flathead County Planning Board regarding the proposed change in the Evergreen and Vicinity Zoning District.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Montana, hereby adopts the findings of fact as to the statutory criteria as adopted by the Flathead County Planning Board and, in accordance with Section 76-2-205(4), M.C.A., hereby adopts this resolution of intention to change the zoning for a portion of the area in the Evergreen and Vicinity Zoning District from SAG-10 to I-1, that area being described on Exhibit "A" hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of the passage of this resolution, stating the boundaries of the portion of the Evergreen and Vicinity Zoning District to be changed, the general character of the proposed change in regulations for the area, that the regulations for said district are on file in the Clerk and Recorder's Office, and that for thirty (30) days after the first publication of thereof, the Board will receive written protests to the change to the Evergreen and Vicinity Zoning District, shall be published once a week for two weeks.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that written protests will be received from persons owning real property within the Evergreen and Vicinity Zoning District for a period of thirty (30) days after first publication of that notice, provided that, in order that only valid signatures are counted, the freeholders who file protests are either registered to vote in Flathead County or execute and acknowledge their protests before a notary public.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if forty per cent (40%) of the freeholders within the Evergreen and Vicinity Zoning District protest the proposed change in said district, then the change will not be adopted.

DATED this 20th day of August, 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Flathead County, Montana

By: _____
Joseph D. Brenneman, Chairman

By: /s/Gary D. Hall P.T.
Gary D. Hall, Member

ATTEST:
Paula Robinson, Clerk

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

By: /s/Diana Kile
Diana Kile, Deputy

EXHIBIT A

A Zone Change request in the Evergreen Zoning District by David Ployhar, from SAG-10 (Agricultural) to I-1 (Light Industrial). The property is located at 1128 Rose Crossing and can legally be described as Tract 3AB in Section 28, Township 29 North, Range 21 West, P.M.M., Flathead County, Montana. More particularly described as follows:

All that portion of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 28, Township 29 North, Range 21 West, P.M.M., Flathead County, Montana.

Beginning at the Northwest corner of the said Northwest Quarter of the North 89°45' East, along the North boundary thereof, a distance of 793.50 feet to the West boundary of the Great Northern Railway Right of Way; thence North 89°45' East, along the North boundary of said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, a distance of 52.78 feet to the Easterly boundary of said Railway Right of Way; thence South 18°25' West, along the Easterly boundary of said Railway Right of Way a distance of 30.00 feet, more or less, to the Southerly boundary of the county road and the True Point of Beginning of the property to be herein described; thence North 89°45' East, along the Southerly boundary of said county road. A distance of 352.00 feet to the center line of Spring Creek; thence Southerly, along the center line of Spring Creek, a distance of 208.00 feet, more or less, to the point which is due South, a distance of 208.00 feet from the Southerly boundary of said county road; thence South 89°45' West, parallel with and 208.00 feet South of the South boundary of said county road, a distance of 382.30 feet to a point on the Easterly boundary of the aforesaid Railway Right of Way; thence North 18°25' East, along the Easterly boundary of said Railway Right of Way, a distance of 219.50 feet to the Point of Beginning.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Montana, hereby gives notice pursuant to Section 76-2-205(1), M.C.A., that it will hold a public hearing to consider a request by David Ployhar, DBA Summit Saw & Tool, to change the zoning designation in a portion of the Evergreen and Vicinity Zoning District from SAG-10 (Suburban Agricultural) to I-1 (Light Industrial).

The boundaries of the area proposed to be amended from SAG-10 to I-1 are set forth on Exhibit "A".

The proposed change would generally change the character of the zoning regulations applicable to the property from allowing a district designed to protect and preserve agricultural land for the performance of limited agricultural functions and to provide a buffer between urban and unlimited agricultural uses, encouraging concentration of such uses in areas where potential friction of uses will be minimized, and providing for estate type residential development, to allowing for light industrial uses and service uses that typically do not create objectionable characteristics (such as dirt, noise, glare, heat, odors, smoke, etc.) which extend beyond the lot lines.

The regulations defining the SAG-10 and I-1 Zones are contained in the Flathead County Zoning Regulations, on file for public inspection at the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder, Courthouse, Kalispell, Montana, in Permanent File No. 93270 13500.

The public hearing will be held on the **20th day of August, 2007, at 10:00 o'clock a.m.**, in the Office of the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Courthouse, West Annex, Kalispell, Montana. At the public hearing, the Board of Commissioners will give the public an opportunity to be heard regarding the proposed change in the regulations for the described portion of the Evergreen and Vicinity Zoning District.

Written comments are encouraged and will be reviewed by the Commissioners prior to the hearing if received by the Flathead County Commissioners' Office at least three business days prior to the hearing.

DATED this 6th day of August, 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Flathead County, Montana

By: /s/Gary D. Hall P.T.
Joseph D. Brenneman, Chairman

ATTEST:
Paula Robinson, Clerk

By: /s/Diana Kile
Diana Kile, Deputy

Publish on August 9 and August 16, 2007.

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[10:09:29 AM](#)

Members present:

Commissioner Gary D. Hall
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Chairman Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Planning & Zoning Director Jeff Harris, Planner George Smith, Clerk Kile

Smith stated that the applicant has not met the conditions; therefore Lakeshore Permit FLV 07-05 needs to be continued.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to continue Lakeshore Permit FLV 07-05. Commissioner Hall PT **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION OF INTENT: 2007 AMENDMENTS TO FLATHEAD COUNTY NATURAL RESOURCE POLICY CUSTOM & CULTURE DOCUMENT

[10:31:27 AM](#)

Members present:

Commissioner Gary D. Hall
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Chairman Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

County Attorney Jonathan Smith, Planning & Zoning Director Jeff Harris, Assistant Planning & Zoning Director B J Grieve, Denise Smith, Fred Hodgeboom, Dave Skinner, Fred Hammel, Ron Sauber, Leo Gallis, Ronald Buentemeier, Charles W. Rody, Jennifer Taylor, James Hollopeter, Joyce Hollopeter, Garmen Meadows, Richard Stevens, George Everett, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Hall stated that this document would be put into the Planning Boards hands for review. He then gave opportunity for any member from the Natural Resource Committee to explain the amendments.

Fred Hodgeboom, 1125 Whispering Pines, presented a history of where the Natural Resource Plan has been and pointed out the reason the original document needs to be amended. He then said that we are primarily dealing with the US Forest Service lands which are governed by a Land Use Plan, which was approved in January 1986 with a great deal of public participation involved. It was then added that it is a reasonable balanced plan and that one of the proposals is that Flathead County amend their Natural Resource Policy to adopt this original plan as it was approved in 1986. The plan provides a detailed land use plan for all Forest Service lands within Flathead County, as well as detailed direction in management areas for balanced wildlife and recreation. The plan also designates 80% of the potential suitable lands for commercial timber production. The problem being that the Forest Service began to amend the plan almost as soon as it was approved, with the amendments having a cumulative effect on the implementation of the objectives that are specified under the plan. What we have now in Flathead County is management of National Forest lands that haven't implemented the program that is outlined in the original plan; with the new amendments causing an 80% reduction in timber production that has caused the loss of numerous mills and tax bases that went with it. Hodgeboom stated that a lot of people in Flathead County are very dissatisfied with the current state of management of federal lands. He then said that the reason we need the amendments now is because of the fuel build up in the forest, and that the long term solution for the county government is to promote a sustained level of income from federal lands with the current growth of the forest being close to 180 million board feet a year in logs. Hodgeboom added that strategic fire breaks are one of the amendments that are being proposed. He then emphasized that for the health, safety and welfare of Flathead County that the forests need to be managed and that there is a lot of public support to do so. He then spoke about the effort that went into a ballot issue that was voted on by Flathead County with 63% of the voters saying that they wanted more road recreation and more road and timber management. He then noted that the Commissioners are in the best position to exert some meaningful input on the federal lands to cause some change in the direction they are going. Hodgeboom then stated that he presently has 380 signatures from citizens that are asking the Commissioners to represent them by implementing the amendments and proving the Counties ability to deal with the Forest Service in a meaningful way.

Ronald Buentemeier stated that he was the Chairman of the Committee that helped prepare the Natural Resource document and that he fully supports whatever they can do; that what they have done in the past has been a failure. He then added that he supports going through the process in adopting the resolution and perhaps influencing what is happening in the National Forests. Buentemeier then said that the Forest Service has made the decision that they will come out with the same rule, except they will require an EIS to be written that goes back to essentially the same process that they had back in the development of the 1986 plan; where they will have to justify everything.

Commissioner Hall said that every time a project is proposed that it will take a couple of years if an EIS is required.

Ron Buentemeier then said that an EIS would have to be written for the individual project as well as the forest plan itself. He then added that this is something we need to try in order to get better management on our National Forests. He then stated that as of the most recent figures in the newspaper the Chippy Creek Fire has burned 96,154 acres and the Brush Creek Fire has burned 29,676 acres for a total of 125,830 acres. He then added that one truck load of logs from each one of the 125,830 acres that have burned would be enough logs to run the Stoltz Sawmill for 18 years.

Fred Hammill with Montananan's for Multiple Use / Constitutional Party said that there are two companies that are willing to come into this valley and take out the bio-mass to make into products. He then said that they could make beams up to 50 feet long by taking the mass laying on the ground and crushing it as well as producing energy with it. He then added that right now this valley is living on a service economy and destroying the base economy of the valley. Hammill spoke in support of the resolution.

Dave Skinner a resident in Whitefish stated that the Chippy Creek Fire has burned approximately 100,000 acres and at 12,000 feet an acre given the historical pattern of the fires in the past, he estimates that 600 million board feet of timber has gone up in smoke; at 25¢ a board foot that is \$150 million on the Chippy Creek Fire alone that could have been put into the economy at some point, and that 25% of that would be shared with the affected counties. Skinner then also reported the statistics for the Brush Creek Fire and stated that this timber now will probably never be salvaged under the current regime and plans.

Richard Stevens with the Flathead Constitutional Party stated that he was there on behalf of the party to encourage the adoption of the resolution. He then emphasized that the Commission was elected to represent the people and that their voice in the Federal Government and Forest Service has been ignored for several years, even with the vote of 81% of the people wanting more roads open. He then added that he knows what it is like to fall on deaf ears with the Federal and State Government and asked that the Commission adopt the plan.

Denise Smith spoke in favor of the resolution on behalf of Flathead Business and Industry Association.

Clarice Ryan questioned why the Forest Service is performing as they are, or as non-functioning as they are. She then stated that there is a bill that everyone needs to pay attention to in regards to the Northern Rockies Eco System Protection Act, which is a horrendous bill that will affect the north western states of Montana, Idaho, Wyoming and Oregon to close down 23 million acres of Forest Service land to additional wilderness. She then added that in addition to that it will be taking private property for corridors. She further noted that this is an indication to her that everything that has been happening in the negligence and mismanagement of the forests has been targeted at reducing access, multiple uses and harvesting. Ryan then said that there is a brand new park from the Canadian border running down to the Big Mountain area; which will take the North Fork with it.

Commissioner Hall spoke about a meeting in Washington DC that he attended in regards to a budget hearing for the Forest Service where individuals were upset with the way the Forest Service is being managed and the lack of income to the treasury that has been happening through the years; with taxpayers money having to go towards fighting fires instead of managing the forests. He then added that senators in Washington DC are unhappy with the way the Forest Service is managed.

Fred Hammill said that up until 10 years ago the Forest Service was self sustained; that it was not a drain on the tax payers. He then added that now they are draining the economy.

B J Grieve reviewed the sequence of events in the planning process of the resolution.

Commissioner Hall then reviewed Resolution #1777D and stated that the amendments are timely and appropriate for what needs to be done.

Commissioner Lauman commented that he grew up in the timber industry and that we need to take responsibility and manage the timber. He then added that he fully supports the resolution.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to forward Resolution #1777D to the Planning Office for review. Commissioner Hall PT **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS: ENGINEER/ BIGFORK STORM WATER PROJECT

[10:22:59 AM](#) & [11:37:18 AM](#)

Members present:

Commissioner Gary D. Hall
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Chairman Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

Assistant Michael Pence, County Attorney Jonathan Smith, Grant Writer Debbie Pierson, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to authorize the publication of the Notice of Request for Qualifications for the Bigfork Storm Water Project and authorized the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Hall PT **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the Request of Qualifications for Engineering Services with the criteria that is set forth in regards to engineering requirement percentages. Commissioner Hall PT **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Hall and Lauman. Motion carried by quorum.

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

The Flathead County Board of Commissioners is soliciting Statement of Qualifications for engineering services to assist the County with the preparation of a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) meeting the Uniform PER Outline as adopted by the Water, Wastewater, and Solid Waste Action Coordination Team for stormwater facilities in the Bigfork area. The County received financial assistance from the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) for the preparation of the PER. Once the funding for the proposed project has been identified and approved, the County may at its option, utilize the selected engineering consultant for grant administration, final design, and construction services. The PER must be completed by March 2008.

Copies of the detailed Request for Qualifications, including a description of the services to be provided by respondents, the minimum content of responses, and the factors to be used to evaluate the responses, can be obtained by contacting the Flathead County Commissioners' Office, 800 South Main, Kalispell, MT, 59901, (406) 758-5501. Questions should be directed to: Joe Brenneman, Flathead County Commissioners' Office, 800 S. Main, Kalispell MT, Phone - 406-758-5501.

All responses must be **received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 14, 2007.**

Dated this 20th day of August, 2007.

Board of County Commissioners
Flathead, County

By: /s/Gary D. Hall P.T.
Joseph D. Brenneman, Chairman

ATTEST:

Paula Robinson, Clerk

By: /s/Diana Kile
Diana Kile, Deputy

Publish on August 26 and September 2, 2007.

MONTHLY MEETING W/ DEBBIE PIERSON, GRANT WRITER

[11:25:13 AM](#)

Members present:

Commissioner Gary D. Hall
Commissioner Dale W. Lauman

Members absent:

Chairman Joseph D. Brenneman

Others present:

County Attorney Jonathan Smith, Grant Writer Debbie Pierson, Clerk Kile

Pierson reported that they completed the Fish Wildlife & Parks Recreation Trails Program grant to purchase grooming equipment for Blacktail cross country ski trails. She then added that she has worked with Jim Watson to complete the National Park Service Association Rivers, Trails, Conservations System Program. Pierson further noted that there has been a request to develop a county wide master plan for trails and parks. She also reported on the Assistance to Firefighters Grant, Kalispell Feed & Grain property, COPS Grant and the Bigfork storm water project.

MONTHLY MEETING W/ MARK PECK, OES

This meeting was not held.

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on August 21, 2007.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2007

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

9:00 a.m. Commissioner Hall to Flathead on the Move meeting (till 4:30)
6:30 p.m. Commissioner Hall to MDOT Community Hwy Safety Forum @ FVCC Campus Cafeteria, Rm. 159

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on August 22, 2007.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2007

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

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

FINAL PLAT: SADDLEHORN SUBDIVISION

[9:15:31 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

Planner Kirsten Holland, Michael Fraser, Jim Frizzell, Frank Landis, Ralph Walton, Doug Averill, Chase Averill, Gesine Thomson, Clerk Kile

Holland reviewed the PUD plan for Saddlehorn Subdivision; a mixed use SAG-5 PUD subdivision creating 127 (includes 13 common area) lots. Holland stated that they are asking the applicant to notify them before requesting the release of collateral; so an on site visit can be made.

Commissioner Hall made a **motion** to approve the Saddlehorn Subdivision PUD. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hall made a **motion** to approve the SIA for Saddlehorn Subdivision and authorized the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Holland then reviewed the application submitted by Saddlehorn, LLC with technical assistance from Michael Fraser, P.E. for final plat approval of Saddlehorn Subdivision; a mixed use SAG-5 PUD subdivision creating 127 (includes 13 common area) lots. This subdivision is located in Bigfork near the intersection of Hwy 209 and Hwy 35. Preliminary plat approval was granted on January 31, 2007, subject to 24 conditions.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve final plat of Saddlehorn Subdivision. Commissioner Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

[9:28:07 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

Dick Morrow, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Hall made a **motion** to approve budget amendment Resolution # 2088. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NO. 2088

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined, and various department heads have requested and verified, that budget revisions between line items for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, 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 2006-2007; 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 22nd day of August 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 Flathead County, Montana

By: /s/Joseph D. Brenneman
 Joseph D. Brenneman, Chairman

By: /s/Gary D. Hall
 Gary D. Hall, Member

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

ATTEST:
 Paula Robinson, Clerk

By: /s/Diana Kile
 Diana Kile, Deputy

DATE OF ISSUE:		August 22, 2007		BUDGET ENTRY		VOUCHER NO:	
DATE OF RECORD:		RESOLUTION #		2088		Entered by:	
Fund	Dept	ACTIVITY	OBJECT	ACCT DESC.	DEBIT	CREDIT	
2990	0726	450329	110		7,750.00		
2990	0726	450329	120		1,675.00		
2990	0726	450329					
2990	0726	450329	141		35.00		
2990	0726	450329	142		425.00		
2990	0726	450329	143		575.00		
2990	0726	450329	145		750.00		
2990	0726	450329	147		150.00		
2990	0726	450329	150		20.00		

2990	0726	450329	220		20,700.00	
2990	0726	450329	231		350.00	
2990	0726	450329	239		750.00	
2990	0726	450329	350		20.00	
2990	0726	450329	361		850.00	
2990	0726	450329	378		42,495.00	
2990	0726	450329	398		1,200.00	
2990		242000				77,745.00
2990		172000				77,745.00
2290	0726	345003			77,745.00	
Explanation					155,490.00	155,490.00
Budget amendment for Contract for Glacier Park Agreement # 1435060156						

Commissioner Hall made a **motion** to approve budget amendment Resolution #2089. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NO. 2089

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined, and various department heads have requested and verified, that budget revisions between line items for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, are required, and;

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Flathead County, Montana

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Joseph D. Brenneman, Chairman

By: /s/Gary D. Hall
Gary D. Hall, Member

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

ATTEST:
Paula Robinson, Clerk

By: /s/Diana Kile
Diana Kile, Deputy

Date of Resolution		August 22, 2007	RESOLUTION #		BUDGET ENTRY		VOUCHER NO:
Fund	Dept	ACTIVITY	OBJECT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT	
2958	0200	521000	820			9,492.59	
2958		242000			9,492.59		
1000	0200	521000	820		9,492.59		
1000		242000				9,492.59	
				SEE NOTE A			
1000	0200	521000	820			6,975.23	
1000		242000			6,975.23		
2927	0221	383000			6,975.23		
2927		172000				6,975.23	
				SEE NOTE B			

3529		242000			10,000.00	
3529	0200	490300	610			10,000.00
				SEE NOTE C		
2830	0707	521000	820			17,500.00
2830		24200			22,300.00	
2830	0707	430800	361			4,800.00
4001	0707	383001			17,500.00	
4001		172000				17,500.00
				SEE NOTE D		
2953		172000			4,800.00	
2953	0221	31113				4,800.00
2953		242000			4,800.00	
2953	0221	420600				4,800.00
				SEE NOTE E		
2980		242000			3,247.76	
2980	0190	440110	110			899.33
2980	0190	440110	141			2.90
2980	0190	440110	142			37.12
2980	0190	440110	143			181.34
2980	0190	440110	145			60.49
2980	0190	440110	228			2,066.58
2980	0190	331129			3,090.23	
2980		172000				3,090.23
				SEE NOTE F		
2374	0224	344110			124,292.00	
2374	0224	344121			105,494.00	
2374	0224	343131			5,691.00	
2374	0224	36000			450.00	
2374		172000				235,927.00
2374	0224	440180	110		23,160.00	
2374	0224	440180	120		1,466.00	
2374	0224	440180	141		76.00	
2374	0224	440180	142		1,852.00	
2374	0224	440180	143		7,899.00	
2374	0224	440180	144		1,547.00	
2374	0224	440180	145		1,816.00	
2374	0224	440180	147		362.00	
2374	0224	440180	150		67.00	
2374	0224	440180	378		174.00	
2374	0224	440180	380		2,000.00	
2374		242000				40,419.00
				See Note G		
2120	0201	450141	351		11,820.00	
2120		242000				11,820.00
				SEE NOTE H		
2273	0222	440110	398		7,000.00	
2273		242000				7,000.00
				SEE NOTE I		
4011	0201	411200	398			150.00
4011		24200			150.00	
				SEE NOTE J		
4238	0200	490300	354			55.00
4238		242000			55.00	
				SEE NOTE K		
Explanation					386,839.63	386,839.63

Note A: Budget amendment for transfer of negative fund balance for Helena Bike Path. Project complete and no budget expenditure in FY07

Note B: Budget amendment for transfer of positive fund balance for War Supplemental Grant. Grant is complete and no expenditure in FY07.

Note C: Budget amendment for extra principal payment for Crosswinds SID in FY07.

Note D: Budget amendment for transfer from Junk Vehicle to Junk Vehicle Cap Improvement.

Note E: Budget Amendment for VFA Fund. Request authority to spend additional revenue. Expenditures were largely monies distributed to Special Fire Districts for participation in program.

Note F: Obesity program budget adjustment. Program runs in 2 contracts. One for 3.5 months and one for 8.5 months.

Note G: Budget amendment for Home Health Program. Adjust Revenues and Expenditures.

Note H: Increase budgeted expenditures for Poor Fund. More burial expenditures than budgeted for.

Note I: Increase expenditure budget for Special EMS program.

Note J: Increase budget expenditure for Flathead Land Acquisition Program.

Note K: Increase expenditure budget for Big MTN RSID #138.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve budget amendment Resolution #2090. Commissioner Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NO. 2090

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined, and various department heads have requested and verified, that budget revisions between line items for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, are required, and;

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DATED this 22nd day of August 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Flathead County, Montana

By: /s/ Joseph D. Brenneman
Joseph D. Brenneman, Chairman

By: /s/ Gary D. Hall
Gary D. Hall, Member

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

ATTEST:
Paula Robinson, Clerk

By: /s/ Diana Kile
Diana Kile, Deputy

DATE OF RESOLUTION:		August 22, 2007		BUDGET ENTRY		VOUCHER NO:	
DATE OF RECORD:		RESOLUTION #		2090		Entered by:	
Fund	Dept	ACTIVITY	OBJECT	ACCT DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT	
2977	0190	334115		MASS FLUE REVENUE	10,000.00		
2977	0190	440160	110			5,083.00	
2977	0190	440160	120			219.00	
2977	0190	440160	141			17.00	
2977	0190	440160	142			246.00	
2977	0190	440160	143			889.00	
2977	0190	440160	144			327.00	
2977	0190	440160	145			360.00	
2977	0190	440160	147			76.00	
2977	0190	440160	222			2,783.00	
2977		172000		Revenue Control		10,000.00	
2977		242000		Expenditure Control	10,000.00		
2996	0190	344085			16.00		
2966	0190	440110				16.00	
2966		172000				16.00	
2966		242000			16.00		
Explanation					20,032.00	20,032.00	
Budget Amendment for Mass Flu and Radon Test Kit							

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: MDOT AMENDMENT #1, CONTRACT #103563/ EAGLE TRANSIT

[9:40:28 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

Clerk Kile

Commissioner Hall made a **motion** to approve the MDOT Amendment #1 for contract #103563. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: N.W. HEALTHCARE AMENDED SERVICE AGREEMENT/ EAGLE TRANSIT

[9:41:51 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the N.W. Healthcare Service Agreement. Commissioner Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: MDOT AMENDMENT #1, CONTRACT #103440/ EAGLE TRANSIT

[9:42:58 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

Clerk Kile

Commissioner Hall made a **motion** to approve the MDOT Amendment #1 for contract #103440. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING W/ LARRY VAN RINSUM/ FLATHEAD CONSERVATION DISTRICT RE: TAX ISSUE

[9:48:44 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

County Attorney Peter Steele, Larry VanRinsum, Pete Woll, Clerk Kile

Larry VanRinsum reported that he has been working with Grant Writer Debbie Pierson to help in finding money for the Bigfork Bay study. He then stated that he would be writing a grant for \$15,000.00 out of a 223 program that is available to Conservation Districts and they will help to co-fund a study to help bring them up to where they can meet the dollar figure of approximately \$35,000.00. VanRinsum stated that as long as the Flathead Conservation Board is willing that DNRC would fund them at that level. He then spoke about subdivision water rights that are becoming an issue, and what they are attempting to do through the Clark Fork Basin Task Force is to devise a scheme, by which DNRC could lease between 250,000 and 500,000 cubic area feet of water from DOR. They would then lease to whom ever comes and asks for it, which should alleviate the problem with water rights here in the drainage in the immediate future for approximately the next 20 years. He then added that a study needs to be done to measure the average consumption of how much water is being drawn out of the system and not being returned. The grant will be written through DNRC for about \$50,000.00 to work with a local consultant, the district and DNRC Staff in Helena. VanRinsum then stated that he would need a letter of support from the Commissioners.

Chairman Brenneman asked if the developer would pay a lease fee to the Conservation District for the amount of water they use.

Larry VanRinsum then stated that they are facilitating it; that they would work directly with DNRC or DOR. He then added that they are actively working with DNRC to get some questions resolved.

Discussion was then held relative to district boundaries that were created for the Conservation District back in 1945. VanRinsum stated that the Conservation District board requested that a spot audit be done to make sure all the annexations were coming in and staying on the rolls. He then noted that none of them have been and they are trying to figure out the best way to fix the problem. He then stated that with the Commissions approval he would like to approach the GIS Department to seek assist in identifying the areas.

BI-MONTHLY MEETING W/ KIM CROWLEY, LIBRARY

[10:04:57 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

Library Director Kim Crowley, Assistant Library Director Lisa Kean, Finance Director Laurel Raymond, Clerk Kile

Crowley reported that they have a contract with an Architect to do a feasibility study on the Tidyman's building to weigh out different options. She then stated that she has been in contact with the City of Columbia Falls in regards to air conditioning in the library and also added that they are looking at remodeling the library site. Crowley then said that they are working on hiring a foundation director and have now posted it as a full time position.

AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: MEDICAL LEVY FY 07-08

[10:25:28 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

Assistant Michael Pence - via phone, Finance Director Laurel Raymond, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the authorization to publish the Notice of Public Hearing for the Medical Levy FY 07-08 and authorized the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PERMISSIVE MEDICAL LEVY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 2-9-212, M.C.A., that the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Montana, will hold a public hearing to receive comment from the public on the Board's intention to levy \$959,642 for the permissive medical levy. The increase in the permissive medical levy for the 2008 fiscal year is \$160,247. The permissive medical levy is used to pay for premium contributions for the group health insurance program for County employees and is not subject to the statutory limitations on increases in County mill levies.

The public hearing will be held on the **6th day of September, 2007, at 9:30 o'clock a.m.**, in the Office of the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Courthouse, West Annex, 800 South Main, Kalispell, Montana.

Any member of the public may appear and will be heard concerning the Board's intention to levy \$959,642 for the permissive medical levy.

For further information, please contact Paula Robinson, Flathead County Clerk and Recorder, 800 South Main, Kalispell, Montana 59901, Telephone 758-5530.

Written comments are encouraged and will be reviewed by the Commissioners prior to the hearing if received by the Flathead County Commissioners' Office at least three business days prior to the hearing.

DATED this 22nd day of August, 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Flathead County, Montana

By: /s/Joseph D. Brenneman
Joseph D. Brenneman, Chairman

Paula Robinson, Clerk

By: /s/Diana Kile
Diana Kile, Deputy

Publish on August 26 and September 2, 2007.

AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: BUDGET FY 07-08

[10:25:59 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

Assistant Michael Pence - via phone, Finance Director Laurel Raymond, Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the authorization to publish the Notice of Public Hearing for the FY 07-08 Budget and authorized the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to change the time of the public hearings from 10:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Flathead County, Montana, has completed the Proposed Budget for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and that said budget is on file in the Office of the Flathead County Clerk and Recorder, 800 South Main, Kalispell, Montana, and is open to public inspection.

The Board will meet on the **6th day of September, 2007, at 9:30 o'clock, a.m.** for the purpose of holding a hearing and fixing the final budget and making appropriations. Said Meeting is to be held in the Office of the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Courthouse, West Annex, 800 South Main, Kalispell, Montana.

Any taxpayer may appear at the hearing and will be heard for or against any part of the proposed budget.

For further information, please contact Paula Robinson, Clerk and Recorder, 800 South Main, Kalispell, Montana 59901, Telephone 758-5530.

Written comments are encouraged and will be reviewed by the Commissioners prior to the hearing if received by the Flathead County Commissioners' Office at least three business days prior to the hearing.

DATED this 22nd day of August, 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Flathead County, Montana

By: s/ Joseph D. Brenneman
Joseph D. Brenneman, Chairman

Paula Robinson, Clerk

By: s/ Diana Kile
Diana Kile, Deputy

Publish on August 26 and September 2, 2007.

PUBLIC HEARING: ROAD ABANDONMENT #463 (30' HAPPY VALLEY HOMESITES, LOT 529)

10:39:16 AM

Members present:

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

Others present:
Clerk Kile

Chairman Brenneman opened the public hearing to anyone wishing to speak in favor or opposition

No one rising to speak Chairman Brenneman closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Hall made a **motion** to approve Road Abandonment #463. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Watne, Hall and Brenneman. Motion carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF DISCONTINUANCE
OF PUBLIC ROADWAY
NO. 463

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Viewers have reported favorably to the Board of Flathead County Commissioners on the discontinuance of a certain public roadway in Flathead County, Montana, described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 22 WEST, PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, MONTANA, FLATHEAD COUNTY, MONTANA AND BEING A PORTION OF HAPPY VALLEY HOMESITES, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT ON FILE WITH THE FLATHEAD COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER'S OFFICE AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 529 OF SAID HAPPY VALLEY HOMESITES AND WHICH POINT IS THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

THENCE S89°19'E, ON AND ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID LOT 529, A DISTANCE OF 170.01 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 529; THENCE S00°14'W, AND LEAVING SAID SOUTH BOUNDARY OF LOT 529, A DISTANCE OF 30.00 FEET TO A POINT AND WHICH POINT LIES ON THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID HAPPY VALLEY HOMESITES; THENCE N89°19'W, ON AND ALONG SAID SOUTH BOUNDARY OF HAPPY VALLEY HOMESITES, A DISTANCE OF 170.01 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE N00°14'E, AND LEAVING SAID SOUTH BOUNDARY OF HAPPY VALLEY, A DISTANCE OF 30.00 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, THIS TRACT CONTAINS 0.117 ACRE AND SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH ALL APPURTENANT EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

Notice is hereby given to the petitioners or landowners as disclosed by the last assessment roll of Flathead County, owning land abutting the roadway described above and being considered for abandonment.

The hearing on this petition for abandonment is set for **Wednesday, August 22, 2007, at 10:30 A.M.** in the County Commissioners' Office, West Annex, Courthouse, Kalispell, Montana.

DATED this 6th day of August, 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Flathead County, Montana

By: s/ Joseph D. Brenneman
Joseph D. Brenneman, Chairman

PAULA ROBINSON,
CLERK AND RECORDER

By: /s/Diana Kile
Diana Kile, Deputy

Publish on **August 9 and August 16, 2007**

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: CTEP KILA/ SRTS PROJECT AGREEMENT

[10:54:01 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

Planning & Zoning Director Jeff Harris, Planner Alex Hogle, Clerk Kile

Hogle reported on the revised agreement for the Kila Bike Path that will combine SRTS and CTEP funding.

Commissioner Hall made a **motion** to approve the CTEP project agreement and authorized the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Lauman **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE: GROUP INSURANCE AMENDMENT/ HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE

[11:10:48 AM](#)

Members present:

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

Others present:

Clerk Kile

Commissioner Lauman made a **motion** to approve the group insurance amendment for Human Resources. Commissioner Hall **seconded** the motion. **Aye** - Brenneman, Hall and Lauman. Motion carried unanimously.

11:00 a.m. County Attorney meeting @ Co. Atty's Office

At 5:00 o'clock P.M., the Board continued the session until 8:00 o'clock A.M. on August 23, 2007.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2007

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

4:00 p.m. Long Range Planning Task Force Land Use 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 August 24, 2007.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 2007

The Board of County Commissioners met in continued session at 8:00 o'clock A.M. Chairman Brenneman, Commissioners Hall 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 August 27, 2007.
