

Deer Lodge, Montana

February 27, 2012

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Donna Young and Member Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

The Board met with CDM Engineers, Randy Huffsmith and Jason Knapp regarding the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) project worksheet 00656, replacement of concrete blocks west of Main Street in Deer Lodge that were damaged in the June, 2011 flood. Also present were: Mayor Mary Ann Fraley, JR Horswill, City Attorney Jana McGill and Jason Mercer, Morrison Maierle Engineer. By consensus, CDM will investigate methods for replacing the blocks within the budget available. Mr. Horswill will try to locate pea gravel and rip rap as the City contribution.

Khrys Suckow and Sheila Thompson of the Kohrs Library met with the Board to discuss their request of the possibility of forming a Library District and running an election for the purpose of funding for the library. They will visit with communities to determine interest in the outlying areas. Commissioner Mannix stressed that the County does not intend to enter into an arrangement for a County Library or a City/County Library. If the outlying communities express interest in forming a district financially supporting the Kohrs Library, a Petition process and voter approval would be required. Elections Administrator, Diane Grey, discussed that the cost of a special election would need to be paid for by the Library.

At 1:00 P.M., Commissioner Mannix moved to approve the transfer of Community Development Block Grant – Montana Distressed Wood Products Industry Recovery and Stabilization Program (CDBG-WPIRS) loan administration to Headwaters Resource Conservation and Development. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Young and the motion carried.

At 2:00 P.M., Planner Brian Bender gave a monthly update of the Planning office.

On motion the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

APPROVED:


DONNA YOUNG, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:


DIANE S. GREY, Clerk

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The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Donna Young and Member Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

The Board sent the following letter of support to the Forest Service for the East Side Stewardship Project alternative three.

February 28, 2012

Brent Lignell
Butte Ranger District
1802 Meadowlark Ln
Butte, MT 59701

Dear Sir:

As you probably know, the Powell County Board of Commissioners was approached by the Watershed Restoration Committee six years ago with their concerns about the danger of fire through the Pine Bark Beetle killed trees in the east side of the valley and the disastrous effect it would have on the watershed. The Board of Commissioners agreed and provided \$80,000.00 to do an initial study. This was the beginning of the East Side Stewardship Project and we have supported and continue to support this as a stewardship project. Although we are disappointed by the small amount of acres which can be harvested and the length of time that has elapsed, we do wish it to move forward for the benefit of the county, the watershed and the forest.

In response to the Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the East Deer Lodge Valley Landscape Restoration Management Project, we feel that alternative number three is the best option available in this proposal and will support it going into effect with the least possible delay.

Sincerely,
Powell County Commissioners
s/ Donna Young, Presiding Officer
s/ Ralph E. Mannix, Jr., Member
s/ Cele Pohle, Member by Donna Young

cc: Charlene Bucha Gentry

The Board sent a letter to the Human Resource Council, District XII, requesting the reappointment of Liz Smith to a three year term. A copy of the letter is on file in the Clerk and Recorder's office.

At 11:00 A.M., Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Darryl Barton met with the Board with an update on activities.

At 1:00 P.M., a bid opening was held for road work/install associated with Dempsey Creek Bridge. Bids received were: Groomes - \$44,046.45 plus \$2,400.00 and \$5,820.00 additives; TNT -

\$111,695.00 plus \$3,000.00 and \$4,640.00 additives; M & P Excavating - \$76,749.85 plus \$2,500.00 and \$7,751.99 additives; Mungas Co. - \$63,465.00 plus \$1,440.00 and \$3,950.00 additives; Zemljak - \$65,017.00 plus \$1,257.00 and \$6,750.00 additives; H & H Contracting - \$67,907.50 plus \$2,300.00 and \$4,250.00 additives; and Deer Lodge Asphalt - \$57,626.50 plus \$2,400.00 and \$3,045.00 additives.

Planner Brian Bender reported he met with Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) for a site visit on Cottonwood Creek west of Main Street concerning the concrete blocks. Comments from FWP will be forwarded to CDM Engineering.

County Attorney Lewis Smith and Planner Brian Bender met with the Commissioners regarding flood plain and building issues. Planner Bender has met with Brandon Thomas about flood plain issues in Elliston.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

APPROVED:


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February 29, 2012

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Donna Young and Member Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

Ted Dodge and Will McDowell representing the Water Restoration Council (WRC) and Planner Brian Bender met with the Board to discuss the proposed flood mitigation/stream restoration project on the Doug Johnson property on Cottonwood Creek east of I-90. The County agreed to participate in the planning process. The county on call engineers, Great West Engineering, will coordinate with the partners on this project.

At 1:00 P.M., a Public Hearing for the bid award of the Dempsey Creek Bridge installation and associated road work was held. The Board met with District One Road Foreman, Gary Larson. Commissioner Mannix moved to award the base bid and addendum #1 for demolition to Groomes Construction. Commissioner Young seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The Commissioners agreed to extend the current lease of county space to the Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) Lease #8010-B at a rate of \$9.68 per square foot per House Bill #2. Response was made to Tom Gustin by email.

Jim Cordial was in to inquire about the status of the old hospital.

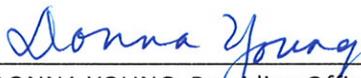
Sheriff Howard stopped by with an update of Law Enforcement activities.

County Attorney Lewis Smith met with the Board regarding the gravel permit process for the McKee pit.

The drawing of salary warrants for Officer, Deputies, Foremen, Clerks and Appointees from various accounts for the month of February, 2012, were approved and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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DONNA YOUNG, Presiding Officer

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March 5, 2012

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Donna Young and Member Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

Clerk and Recorder Diane Grey presented correspondence.

Planner Brian Bender met with the Board to receive input on the revision of the Right of Way Occupancy Permit.

Joyce Ackerman, Environmental Protection Agency, was in to request use of gravel stored at the roundhouse site to help deal with the muddy conditions for the work currently underway.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of February, 2012, and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Jim Lemieux requested a thank you note be sent from the Deer Lodge Rural Fire District to the West Valley Fire in Helena for the truck he obtained. Commissioners will pass on the request to the Fire District.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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March 6, 2012

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Donna Young and Members Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Cele Pohle.

Commissioner Mannix attended the Safety Meeting.

At 10:30 A.M., Steve Flynn, Sun Mountain Forester, briefed the Commissioners on timber sales.

At 11:30 A.M., Commissioner Mannix reported on the Safety Meeting. The goals for 2012 are:

1. Inspection of buildings
2. Hazard prevention controls
3. MSDS Book/Log
4. Safety and health training

Commissioner Cele Pohle moved to appoint Earl Hall as Fire Warden for Powell County. Commissioner Mannix seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Commissioner Pohle moved to enter into the following Memorandum of Understanding with Headwaters Resource Council and Development (RC&D) to establish an equipment loan agreement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mannix and the motion carried.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Headwaters RC&D Area, Inc.

And

Powell County

1. Purpose. The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to establish loan and equipment loan agreement between Headwaters RC& D Area, Inc., and Powell County.
2. Description. Please complete the following for the equipment being loaned:

<u>Type of Equipment</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
1. Dell Laptop Computer	Y8PHT	JQFLGR1
2. LG 42" Television	42LK520.AVS	111RMPG31120
3. LegiTech Webcam	C910	PIDLZ145SX

Physical Location. Equipment will be located at the following address:

Powell County Courthouse
 409 Missouri Avenue, Deer Lodge, MT 59722

- a. Term of MOU. The term shall be for one year, to start on Jan. 1, 2012 and may be renewed with mutual consent. The term of this MOU shall include the time for any necessary mobilization, breakdown, transportation, setup, training and demobilization of the loaned equipment from Lender and return to Lender.
- b. Equipment Replacement Cost. Both parties agree that the value of the loaned equipment stated above is \$1,184.00.
- c. Equipment Maintenance. Lender (Headwaters RC&D, Area, Inc.) shall be responsible for all set-up, maintenance and repair. Maintenance is at the discretion of the Lender.
- d. Equipment Security. Borrower shall provide 24-hour, seven days a week security on all loaned equipment during the term of the MOU.
- e. Borrower Provided Services. The Borrower will provide the following services at the following values:
 Access to internet at a speed of _____ valued at \$30.00 per month.
 Use of room for teleconference meeting between Headwaters staff and clients, Board Members and peer organizations at a value of \$ _____ per month.
 Site scheduler and conference call set-up at a rate of \$ _____ per hour.
- f. Scheduling of Conference Network. Borrower will coordinate the use of the conference network through Headwaters designee to assure network availability.

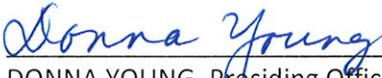
Powell County Commissioners
 Name of Borrower

s/ Donna Young 3/06/12

s/Jennifer Spring 846-9724

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

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March 7, 2012

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer, Donna Young and Members Ralph E. Mannix, Jr. and Cele Pohle.

Commissioner Pohle reported on the Landfill Board meeting.

At 1:00 P.M., Commissioner Mannix attended a meeting on wolves with the Fish, Wildlife and Parks (WFP) in Helena, Montana.

At 3:30 P.M., a Public Hearing on Center Street and Willow Road bridges was held.

PUBLIC HEARING

March 7, 2012

Center Street and Willow Road Bridges

The Public Hearing for the Center Street and Willow Road Bridge replacements was called to order by Commissioner Donna Young at 3:30 P.M., March 7, 2012. Those attending were Commissioner Young, Commissioner Cele Pohle, Clerk and Recorder Diane Grey and Chris Laity and Jonathan Weaver with Great West Engineering.

Mr. Weaver identified that Center Street Bridge needed replacement. Discussion was held regarding different options for the structure. They are recommending the Prestressed Concrete Trideck Beams or Alternative 1A. Commissioner Young asked about the floodplain and Chris Laity stated that it would be close to 100 years because the structure would be larger.

There were no members of the public present and there was no opposition to the Environmental Assessment.

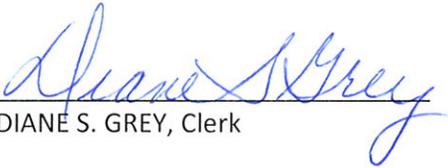
The Willow Road Bridge was then discussed as also needing to be replaced. Again, discussion was held regarding the structure and they are recommending the Prestressed Concrete Trideck Beams or Alternative 1A. There were no members of the public present and no opposition to the Environmental Assessments.

The Public Hearing was closed at 4:00 P.M.

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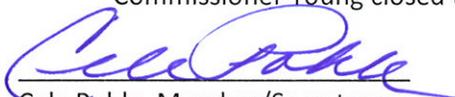
The Public Hearing at Race Track Hall March 7, 2012.

Presiding Officer Donna Young opened the public hearing at 6:00 P.M. The purpose of the public hearing was for comments from the public for the TSEP grant proposal for the replacement of Willow Road and Center Street Bridge.

Commissioner Pohle introduced Great West Engineers Jonathan Weaver and Chris Laity. Jonathan Weaver presented the proposals and environmental assessments on both Willow Road and on Center Street Bridges.

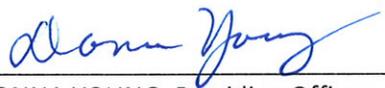
Questions from the public were primarily about the grant process and how important it will be to have these two bridges replaced.

Commissioner Young closed the public hearing at 6:45 P.M.


Cele Pohle, Member/Secretary

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 o'clock P.M.

APPROVED:


DONNA YOUNG, Presiding Officer

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