

COMMISSIONERS APPROVAL

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PLETTENBERG (Clerk & Recorder)

Members Present.....Commissioner J.R. Iman, Commissioner Greg Chilcott, Commissioner Suzy Foss, Commissioner Matt Kanenwisher and Commissioner Ron Stoltz

Date.....June 20, 2011

► Minutes: Beth Perkins

► The Board met for discussion and decision to adopt I.T. policies with Department Head input at 9:00 a.m. Present were I.T. Director Joe Frohlich and Human Resource Director Robert Jenni.

Joe gave a brief review of the previous meeting. Copies of the draft I.T. policies were distributed to the Department Heads for input. **Commissioner Kanenwisher made a motion to adopt the I.T. policies. Commissioner Foss seconded the motion and all voted "aye". (5-0)**

Joe met with a small committee to review the copier, printer and fax situation. The consensus was to consolidate among offices for new purchases. Commissioner Chilcott requested Joe to contact Julie Foster at the RCEDA since equipment was received that could be utilized at a reasonable cost. Discussion followed regarding issuing an acknowledgment form to employees to sign and return to Human Resources.

► The Board met for discussion and possible decision on speed limits for Westside, West Fork and Golf Course Roads as well as Road Department update, approval of encroachment for Hamilton School District #3 (Kurtz Lane) at 9:30 a.m. Present were Road & Bridge Supervisor David Ohnstad, Mike Nichols, Duby Santee, Jonathan Gass from WGM Group and several citizens.

David requested approval of an encroachment permit that does not exactly meet the criteria for an encroachment but there is mitigation for Hamilton School District #3. Jonathan Gass from WGM Group gave a presentation of the traffic issues at Daly Elementary School and Administrative Building backing up traffic onto Daly Avenue. The School District investigated ways to improve the traffic conditions with a circular pattern for student drop-offs. The plan would reduce the excess traffic on Daly Avenue. There will also be crosswalk improvements with a flashing beacon as well as parking space improvements. **Commissioner Chilcott made a motion to approve the encroachment permit for Hamilton School District #3 (Kurtz Lane). Commissioner Kanenwisher seconded the motion and all voted "aye". (5-0)**

David then discussed the speed limit on Golf Course Road. There was a traffic analysis completed for the road with results of average daily trips (A.D.T.) at 584 per day with a speed of 45.8 mph. He recommended a 35 mph up the hill and the curve then into a 45 mph. **The Board concurred to schedule the ordinance hearings for the speed limit reduction.** Westside Road also had a traffic analysis completed with an A.D.T. of 670 with an average speed of 44.5 mph. David recommended a speed limit of 35 mph from West Bridge Road to Wyant Lane and 45 mph from Wyant Lane south between Roaring Lion. **The Board also concurred to schedule an ordinance hearing for Westside Road.** David then discussed the West Fork Road with the Board. Currently, everything above the dam is set at 35 mph. He sees no reason to change it. He recommended from Painted Rocks dam north to the Nez Perce Road be changed to 35 mph. (1/2 mile) To mile marker 19 is posted at 55 mph and he proposed a 35 mph speed limit in certain areas due to the conflicts of vertical slopes and overhanging rocks (2 miles). The traffic analysis resulted in a range of 128-238 A.D.T. (school was in session) with an average speed of 45.2-54.5 mph. **The Board concurred to schedule the ordinance hearings for the speed limit reduction of West Fork Road.**

Commissioner Iman opened public comment.

Mike Jeffords resides in Victor and accesses Meridian Road. He asked if the washboard on Pistol Lane is going to be fixed. David replied it was planned to have recycled pavement but 23 out of 25 residents responded with "no". Mike Jeffords commented on the West Fork Road with a speed limit of 55 mph. He does not see the necessity of placing signage when the road dictates how fast you are going to go.

Commissioner Iman closed public comment.

► The Board met for an interview with applicant Katie Gerhard for Victor Park Board at 10:30 a.m.

► Minutes: Glenda Wiles

► The Board met with Attorney Michael Hayes regarding discussion and decision on a contract for services for the representation of the Department of Public Health and Human Services, Child and Family Services Division in civil child abuse and neglect matters for FY 2012 at 11:00 a.m. Also present at this meeting was County Attorney William Fulbright. Michael presented background and history on the contracted services for Ravalli County. It is noted the payment for services remains the same for FY 2012 as in FY 2011. The only changes in the contract language was the removal of certain contract language for services not necessary due to Montana Code, and the addition of the word "rate" per hourly services. **Commissioner Chilcott made a motion to approve the professional legal services/agreement for representation of the Department of Public Health and Human Services matters for FY2012 with Hayes & Hayes, PLLP. Commissioner Kanenwisher seconded the motion and all voted "aye". (5-0)**

► Minutes: Beth Perkins

► The Board met for an interview with applicant Paul Carlson for Board of Health at 11:30 a.m.

► The Board met for approval of letter to FEMA regarding revised floodplain maps at 1:30 p.m. Present were Planning Administrator Terry Nelson, Floodplain Administrator Eric Anderson, and Civil Counsel Karen Mahar.

Eric Anderson presented the Board with a draft letter for FEMA regarding revised floodplain maps that would change Zone D to Zone A. Karen gave a summary of the previous meeting with the request that the letter be reviewed by Civil Counsel in comparison with federal regulations specifically focusing on floodplain insurance. Discussion followed regarding risk management and risk areas within floodplain Zone D. Commissioner Kanenwisher suggested adding the language that if FEMA does not agree with Ravalli County's position, they are welcome to come and meet with the Board for discussion. **The Board concurred to add the language to the letter.** Commissioner Iman expressed his concern with the acceptance of changing Zone D to Zone A with a terrible definition and no basis to change the category. There are unintended consequences with navigable waters. Discussion followed regarding the changing of Zone A to Zone D in 1982 by petition and how this change will require some people to obtain flood insurance when they did not have to in the past.

Commissioner Kanenwisher made a motion to approve the letter to FEMA regarding revised floodplain maps as amended here today. Commissioner Chilcott seconded the motion and all voted "aye". (5-0)

► The Board met for an interview with applicant Michelle Buker for Victor Park Board at 2:30 p.m.

► Commissioner Chilcott attended a RC&D WUI Taskforce meeting at 3:00 p.m.