

CASCADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

January 8, 2008

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

COURTHOUSE ANNEX, ROOM 111

9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Lance Olson, Commissioner Joe Briggs. Commissioner Peggy Beltrone excused. Clayton M. Braden, Rina Ft Moore, Tony Morrison, Brian Clifton, Brian Hopkins, Milo Halverson, Earl Salley, Steve Erwin, Dave Campbell, Jess Anderson, Susan Conell, Mary Jarazeski, Sheriff Castle, Undersheriff Corneliusen, Dave Sutton, Jackie O'Fallon, Media, and Marie Sickels-Recorder.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Lance Olson called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was recited.

READING OF THE WEEKLY CALENDAR: Jackie O'Fallon read the calendar. Chairman Olson added a meeting to the calendar for 7:00 p.m. Thursday January 10, 2008 for the Road Advisory Board in the Commission Chambers.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

WARRANTS:

Commissioner Briggs made a **MOTION** to approve purchase orders and accounts payable warrants # 163128 through #163481 totaling \$1,026,513.39 dated 12/14/2007 through 12/20/2007. Also purchase orders and accounts payable warrants #163482 through #163651 totaling \$605,396.33 dated 12/21/2007 through 12/31/2007. Also payroll warrants for December 2007 totaling \$344,784.69 #53396 through #53835 In addition direct payroll deposits for December 2007 totaling \$373,012.23.

Motion carries 2-0

CONSENT AGENDA: Commissioner Briggs made a **MOTION** to approve the consent agenda and minute and minute entries and routine contracts as follows;

- ❖ **♦Resolution 08-01 establishing A Regular Cascade Commission Meeting Schedule For Year 2008.**
- ❖ **♦Resolution 08-02 Order Setting Cascade County Classification As A First Class County W/ A Taxable Valuation Of More Than \$50 Million.**
- ❖ **♦Resolution 08-03 Budget Appropriation W/Sheriff's Office for Central Montana Rocky Mountain HIDTA Program In Amt Of \$833.**
- ❖ **♦Resolution 08-04 Establishing An Additional Commission Meeting For A Public Hearing On January 15, 2008 At 3:00 PM.**
- ❖ **♦Cory S. Forbrook Employment Contract W/Sheriff Office for Continued Education at the Law Enforcement Academy From 1-6-2008 thru 3-28-2008.**

- ❖ ♦**Robert J Neal Employment Contract W/Sheriff Office For Continued Education At The Law Enforcement Academy From 1-6-2008 Thru 3-28-2008.**
- ❖ ♦**William A. Darby Employment Contract W/Sheriff Office for Continued Education at the Law Enforcement Academy From 1-6-2008 Thru 3-28-2008.**
- ❖ ♦**Kronos Contract Amendment Number One To RFP HR-0029 with J & H Office Equipment For Completion Of Automated Time Entry System For Cascade County In The Amt Of \$95,404.**
- ❖ ♦**Agreement For Transfer Of Ownership From Cascade County To Sun Prairie Village Water And Sewer District of The Utility Extensions Connecting Sun Prairie Water & Sewer District to The Cascade County Shop Complex.**
- ❖ ♦**Allene Mares, Executive Director of City-County Health Appointed As The Cascade County Representative On The Center For Mental Health Governing Board.**

Clayton M. Braden questioned the automated time clock system and asked if all County employees including the Road Department would be using the system. Chairman Olson stated it would apply to all departments, he also asked Tony Morrison if the \$95,404 was a continuation of the existing contract. Mr. Morrison affirmed that it is and continuation.

Motion carries 2-0

AGENDA ITEM #1

MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE FINAL PLAT OF PHASE II OF THE TRI VIEW ESTATES MAJOR SUBDIVISION

Commissioner Briggs made a **MOTION** to conditionally approve the Final Plat of the Tri View Estates II Phase II Major Subdivision, located in Section 24, Township 20 North, Range 2 East, P.M.M., Cascade County, Montana and the accompanying Findings of Fact subject to 16 conditions.

Susan Conell gave a synopsis of this Final Plat there were no comments.

Motion carries 2-0

AGENDA ITEM #2

MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE UPDATED BY-LAWS FOR THE NATIVE AMERICAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

Commissioner Briggs made a **MOTION** to disapprove the By-Laws for the Native American Local Government Commission.

Commissioner Briggs stated he had issues with the Native American Local Government Commission and had many unanswered questions at this time. **Motion carries 2-0**

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Jess Anderson-Treasurer gave an update on taxes stating that 38 million was collected with a 5.5% delinquency rate and 2.3% being protested. Parties protesting taxes are; Conoco Pipeline, PPL, Quest, Northwestern Energy, United Materials, and Verizon. He also notified the Commission of his new Motor Vehicle system will be up and running on February 19, 2007.

Sheriff Castle reported on the HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Traffic Area) program stating that it is a Multi-Jurisdictional Team that has made 150 felony arrests, confiscated 52 pounds of marijuana, several pounds of methamphetamines, \$60,000 in cash, \$75,000 in vehicles and \$10,000 in bling (jewelry). He also announced that they closed four meth labs and meth arrests are up which means there are less labs in the area.

AGENDA ITEM #3

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN DECISIONS OF BOARD AND ALLOWANCE OF PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS THE COMMISSION HAS JURISDICTION

Mr. Braden questioned why when the City Municipal Court sends people to jail they don't help pay the extra \$42.00 cost per day and why the Cascade County taxpayers have to pay it? He also requested that other people speaking state their names and address so everyone knows who is speaking. In closing he thanked the Commission.

Milo Halverson stated he noticed that some uninsured motorists were fined and questioned if all the money went to the City of Great Falls? Jess Anderson stated it did.

Chairman Olson announced that they would be taking applicants for the Vaughn Fire District vacancy. Applicants should get their applications to the Commission by January 18, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

A Special Public meeting will be held January 15, 2008

The regular meeting will be a work session held on January 16, 2008 at 2 p.m.