

**CASCADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**May 12, 2009**  
**COMMISSION CHAMBERS**  
**COURTHOUSE ANNEX, ROOM 111**  
**9:30 a.m.**

**Notice: These minutes are paraphrased and reflect the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners. MCA 7-4-2611 (2) (b)**

**PRESENT:**

**Commission-** Chairman Joe Briggs, Commissioner Bill Salina, and Commissioner Peggy Beltrone excused. **Staff seated with Commission –** Brian Hopkins, Susan Conell, Joe Laforest, Rina Ft. Moore, and Marie Sickels.

Many members of the public, media and other departments did not sign in. The list below reflects the entries on the sign in sheet (see exhibit #1), Clayton M. Braden, David F. Brown, Brian Shepherd, Bob Stubbs, and media.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Briggs called the meeting to order.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**WELCOME:** Chairman Briggs welcomed visitors from Russia that were visiting to learn about American government.

**READING OF THE WEEKLY CALENDAR:** Lisa McGilvra read the calendar, with some additions and corrections.

**APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**WARRANTS:** Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** to approve purchase orders and accounts payable warrants # 178584 through #178776 totaling \$694,833.64 dated 04/24/09 through 04/30/09. In addition payroll warrants #56831 through #57039 was issued totaling \$115,205.89 and direct deposits were issued totaling \$707,173.57 during the month of April.

**Motion carries 2-0 Beltrone excused**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** to approve the consent agenda and minute and minute entries, and routine contracts as follows;

- Resolution 09-36 renumbering of a resolution to extend the office hours in the Elections Department (previously approved on January 13, 2009 meeting)
- Resolution 09-37 renumbering of a resolution to extend office hours in the Clerk and Recorders office (previously approved on January 13, 2009 meeting)
- Renumbering of the Northpoint Tax Incremental Financing TIF District Ordinance to 09-02

- Resolution 09-38 Budget modification within the Treasurer's office in the amount of \$6,500.
- Resolution 09-39 Budget modification within the Clerk and Recorders office for remodeling of the vaults in the amount of \$15,000
- DUI Task Force Annual Plan
- Contract with Boland Well Systems for the High Plains Heritage Museum CTEP project in the amount of \$84,773
- Noxious Weed Trust Fund project grant agreement- MDA #2009-054

**City/County Health Department**

- ✓ Resolution 09-40 Budget appropriation for WIC Breast Feeding Support program in the amount of \$3,886
- ✓ Resolution 09-41 Budget appropriation for a grant received for the Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies program in the amount of \$15,000
- ✓ Resolution 09-42 for a grant received from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 for increased services in the amount of \$187,902

**Chairman Briggs opened the consent agenda items for discussion.**

Clayton M. Braden questioned if the WIC Breast Feeding Support program provided bras with the monies they receive? Chairman Briggs stated he did not know and Mr. Braden could receive more information from the techs.

**Motion carries 2-0 Beltrone excused**

**AGENDA ITEM #1**

**PUBLIC HEARING WITH A MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE RESOLUTION OF INTENT 09-43 FOR THE REZONING OF PARCEL # 2712800 AND #2715000 FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL AND OPEN SPACE TO HEAVY INDUSTRIAL FOR SOURCE GIANT SPRINGS INC.**

Chairman Briggs called the Public Hearing to order at 9:37 a.m.

The reading of the public notice was waived with no objections.

The public notices were placed in the record (see exhibit #2).

Susan Conell gave the background of this rezone of parcels #2712800 and #2715000 (which can be found in the Action Agenda Report for May 12, 2009). She stated that there was no written testimony on this item.

Chairman Briggs opened the public hearing to include;

Applicant: David Brown the President of Giant Source Springs stated many people have been requesting this property due the valuable resources of water and rails. He also stated he is aware of the parks concern of the view shed and stated he would continue to be good neighbors with them.

Proponents: Chairman Briggs called three times in which no one commented.

Opponents: Chairman Briggs called three times in which no one commented.

Informational Witnesses: No one came forward.

Chairman Briggs closed the public hearing at 9:55 a.m.

Commissioner Salina thanked Susan Conell for her presentation and hard work. Chairman Briggs echoed.

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** approve the Resolution of Intent 09-43 for the rezoning of parcels 2712800 and 2715000 from Light Industrial and Open Space to Heavy Industrial for Source Giant Springs, Inc.

**Motion carries 2-0 Beltrone excused**

### **AGENDA ITEM #2**

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH JOHNSON CONTROLS**

Brian Hopkins presented the Johnson Controls contract stating that the figures have changed since April 16, 2009 which means a greater savings to the County. Commissioner Salina provided updated figures for the record (see exhibit #3) he also stated this will pay off in the long run and add 70 additional jobs. Chairman Briggs thanked all involved for helping this contract be final.

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** approve the contract with Johnson Controls Inc.

**Motion carries 2-0 Beltrone excused**

### **AGENDA ITEM #3**

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COUNTY INSURANCE COMMITTEE FOR CHANGES TO THE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS**

Brian Shepherd Chairman of the County Health Benefits Advisory Board presented the Commission with option #1 or option #2. (See exhibit #4) Mr. Shepherd stated that this year and last year have been good years as of this time, and that it is comforting that the county is in a position to restore benefits to its employees when other businesses are raising rates and taking away benefits.

Commissioner Salina thanked the Board for all their work and requested that they continue to monitor this. Chairman Briggs also thanked the Board and mentioned that this system has been in deep trouble in the past.

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** approve Option #1 as recommended by Randy Hand Finance Officer. Chairman Briggs clarified that the copayment would stay the same.

**Motion carries 2-0 Beltrone excused**

**AGENDA ITEM #4**

**MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR A CHANGE IN THE FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT ADMINISTRATOR**

Stacey Bird Human Resource Director presented a new provider ICMI Insurance Coordinators which is a subsidiary company of Blue Cross/Blue Shield. She stated this would be a no cost plan to the County and a benefit to the employees, due to the fact they would receive their claims back faster.

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** approve new flex spending provider ICMI Insurance Coordinators.

**Motion carries 2-0 Beltrone excused**

**AGENDA ITEM #5**

**MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE HORSE RACING CONTRACT WITH MONTANA RACING LLC**

Chairman Briggs announced that the contract has been received by FedEx, and they are able to proceed.

Lisa Bracco requested the Commission approve this contract with Montana Racing LLC, as it would be a benefit to the community.

Commissioner Salina stated it was important for them to allow for the training schedule and he looked forward to the new relationship. He also wished them a good racing season.

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** approve the horseracing contract with Montana Racing LLC.

**Motion carries 2-0 Beltrone excused**

**AGENDA ITEM #6**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN DECISIONS OF BOARD AND ALLOWANCE OF PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS THE COMMISSION HAS JURISDICTION, ON ITEMS NOT COVERED BY TODAY'S AGENDA.**

Chairman Briggs opened the meeting to public comment.

No one came forward.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

**All meetings are held in the Commission Chambers at the Courthouse Annex.**

The next meeting will be a work session meeting that will be held on Wednesday May 20, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.