

**CASCADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**July 28, 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, Commissioners Peggy Beltrone, and Bill Salina. **Staff seated with Commission** – Brian Hopkins, Carey Ann Shannon, Brian Clifton, Lisa McGilvra 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 attached sheet of sign ins). Dave Sutton, Ray Hitchcock, Steve Erwin, and media.

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

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

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

**APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**WARRANTS:** Commissioner Beltrone made a **MOTION** to approve purchase orders and accounts payable warrants # 181225 through #181597 totaling \$799,552.24 dated 07/14/09 through 07/17/09. Also purchase orders and accounts payable warrants #181598 through #1811887 dated 7/20/09 through 7/23/09.

**Motion carries 3-0**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

- ✓ Formal award of the State Fiscal Year 2010 Department of Homeland Security Emergency Management Performance Grant with the Department of Emergency Services
- ✓ Planning Grant Agreement with the Department of Natural Resources And Conservation for the Black Eagle Stormwater/Streetscaping Technical report No. RPG-10-0208
- ✓ Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Program Contract Extension #MT-CDBG-EDPG04-10
- ✓ Subordination Agreement with Belt Valley Bank and Nikki Gulick
- ✓ Proposal with Milliman to provide initial Governmental Accounting Standards Board 45 Analysis

- ✓ Community Development Block Grant with the city of Great Falls to provide the Meals on Wheels Program
- ✓ Revised County Credit Card Policy
- ✓ Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Cascade County Deputy Sheriff Association
- ✓ Renewal of the Federal Equitable sharing Agreement and Certificate
- ✓ Interlocal agreement with the City of Great Falls for the 2009 Byrne JAG Program for air cards in the mobile data terminals
- ✓ Resolution 09-75 Lowering the speed limit on McIver Road from 45 miles per hour to 35 miles per hour

### **City-County Health Department**

- Resolution 09-74 Budget Modification to maximize their current fiscal year budget in the amount of \$19,748
- Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Health and Human Services and Benefis for satellite phone installation
- Maintenance Agreement with CHC Software for a period of one year
- Department of Environmental Quality contract #51002 for the Air Pollution Control Program

Commissioner Beltrone requested that Dave Sutton provide more information concerning Resolution 09-75 lowering the speed limit on McIver Road from 45 miles per hour to 35 miles per hour. Dave Sutton stated the speed limit is due to a sight distance problem which was discovered after a speed study. Commissioner Beltrone thanked Susan Colburn for beginning the petition process to allow this speed change and making residents aware of the need for it. There was also discussion concerning enforcing the new speed limit and placing the speed trailer to remind them of the reduced speed limit.

Chairman Briggs opened the meeting to comment in which Brian Hopkins Chief Deputy suggested some need corrections to some previous minutes. Corrections are as follows;

For the minutes and meetings held on July 22, 2009 the Commission Board present were Peggy Beltrone and Chairman Joe Briggs. Commissioner Bill Salina was excused.

Also for the Commission meeting held on July 14, 2009 agenda item #8 was changed to 2-1 instead of 2-0. Revision is listed below.

#### **AGENDA ITEM #8**

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE A REQUEST FOR BUDGET MODIFICATION, BUDGET TO PAY OUTSTANDING BILLS, AND ENCUMBERED REVENUE FOR THE SHERIFFS OFFICE**

There was discussion concerning the bills that need to be paid, it was decided that there was not enough information to proceed and to table this until more clarification.

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** to table this motion until further information is provided.

**Motion carried 2-1 Briggs for, Salina for, Beltrone against**

There were no additional comments.

**Motion carries 3-0**

**AGENDA ITEM #1**

**MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM CONTRACT #STMGF-60-CP-008 FOR COUNTY BUILDING ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$243,449**

Commissioner Beltrone made a **MOTION** to approve the Local Government Infrastructure Grant Program Contract #STMGF-CP-008 for County Building Energy Performance Contract in the amount of \$243,449

Randy Hand stated this was a match grant and Chairman Briggs stated this is money from the Montana Legislature concerning HB 645.

There were no comments on this item.

**Motion carries 3-0**

**AGENDA ITEM #2**

**MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE ONE APPOINTMENT TO THE CASCADE COUNTY PLANNING BOARD**

Brian Clifton stated that the current Chairman of the Planning Board has resigned and a replacement would be needed until December 30, 2009 to full fill the term.

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** to appoint Brad Davey as Chairman of the Planning Board.

Commissioner Beltrone spoke in approval for Mr. Davey as Chairman and stated that this fall would give them time to look closely at the Board before the new appointments in December 2009.

No further comments were made.

**Motion carries 3-0**

**AGENDA ITEM #3**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN MATTERS THE BOARD HAS JURISDICTION ON ITEMS NOT COVERED BY TODAY'S AGENDA**

Chairman Briggs opened the meeting for comment.

Stuart Lewin of 615 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue North approached the Commission expressing his concerns stating that the County has not been adequately dealing with the rivers and the Commission is not consistent in their decisions. He stated he

believes that there needs to be a restructure of the Planning Board that would benefit the river. He continued to share his concerns regarding the recent approvals of subdivisions Big Bend and the Industrial Park, also additional traffic on river road, and the importance of greater setbacks than required.

Commissioner Beltrone responded by stating she normally does not respond but felt that he was not characterizing the Board not having stewardship for the river is blatantly unfair, she stated that there are so many things the Board has done and gave examples of Whitmore Ravine, Superfund sites and Upper and Lower River Road. She stated that they are and have been friends of the river.

Brian Clifton commented on Mr. Lewins' comments by giving several examples of how the Board has gone above and beyond the standard regulations to protect the river, and stated he was mistaken in his facts.

**AGENDA ITEM #4**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 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 August 5, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.