

CASCADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
September 29, 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 Beltone excused. **Staff seated with Commission-** Brian Hopkins, Brian Clifton, Rina Ft. Moore, Bonnie Fogerty 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). **Public-** Marci Lorio, Janine Poulsen, Sheryl Carr, Pamela Johnstone, Blue Corneliuson, Barbara Bessette, Karl Puckett, Duane Golie, Marvizio Primiani, Cynthia Schultz, Clayton M. Braden.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was recited.

READING OF THE WEEKLY CALENDAR: Bonnie Fogerty 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 # 183068 through #183513 totaling \$292,525.06 dated 08/31/09 through 09/04/09. Purchase orders and accounts payable warrants #183514 through #183983 totaling \$707,773.45 dated 09/09/09 thru 9/11/09, and purchase orders and accounts payable warrants #183984 through #184159.

Motion carries 2-0

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- Proclamation for National Alcohol & Drug Addiction Recovery Month- September 2009 Presented by Barbara Bessette, the Prevention Coordinator for Gateway Community Services (see attached).
- Resolution 09-84: Temporarily Limiting Traffic on Rainbow Dam Road due to reconstruction of the Rainbow Hydropower Plant by Pacific, Power & Light (PPL). This is a major project which will significantly impact the use of Rainbow Dam Road beyond the boat launch Burlington Northern Santa Fe easement

- Resolution 09-86: Designating Cascade County as a Class I County, based on taxable values certified by the Department of Revenue
- Cascade County Clerk and Records Office agree to provide copies of images and data on disk to Chicago Title, Mountain Title, Stewart Title and First American Title for a fee of \$125.00 per month (standard contract) no increase in fees.

Motion carries 2-0

AGENDA ITEM #1

DESIGNATING ALL OF CASCADE COUNTY AS A RECOVERY ZONE FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) OF 2009

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** to approve Resolution 09-85 designating all of Cascade County as a Recovery Zone for the purpose of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

Chairman Briggs stated that these are a series of bonds available to Cascade County.

Motion carries 2-0

AGENDA ITEM #2

MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE CONTRACT #05-50-0036 MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ASSIST AREA VIII AGENCY ON AGING IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TRANSIT FACILITY TO INCLUDE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, MEETING AREA AND BUS STORAGE WITH LIGHT MAINTENANCE. TOTAL COST OF THE PROJECT \$ 1,088,130.00 THIS IS A LAND MATCH

Brian Clifton presented this stating that the County match would be the land, and that this is the final move towards construction and an upcoming request for proposals.

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** to approve Contact #05-50-0036 Montana Department of Transportation to assist Area VIII Agency on Aging in the construction of a transit facility to include administrative office, meeting area, and bus storage with light maintenance. Total cost of the project \$1,008,120.00. This is a land match.

Motion carries 2-0

AGENDA ITEM #3

**MOTION TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE RESOLUTION 09-87
APPLICATION OF STEEL ETC. FOR TAX ABATEMENT BASED ON
QUALIFYING AS AN EXPANDING INDUSTRY. THE BUSINESS HAS
RELOCATED TO 1408 52ND AVENUE NORTH GREAT FALLS MT
59403 PARCEL #2616700 PUBLIC HEARING WITH MOTION TO
FOLLOW**

Chairman Briggs called the public hearing to order at 8:40 a.m.
The reading of the public notice was waived without objections.
The public notice was made part of the record (see attached).

Brian Hopkins stated that he and Jess Anderson went over this application and that they qualified for the expanding industry.

The applicant Bob McIntire gave no presentation but stated he was available for questions if needed.

There was no written testimony presented.

Chairman Briggs called for Proponents three times in which there was none.
Chairman Briggs called for Opponents three times in which there was none.
Chairman Briggs called for Informational Witnesses three times in which there was none.

Chairman Briggs closed the public hearing at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Salina made a **MOTION** to approve Resolution 09-87 approving a tax benefit application of Steel Etc. for a tax abatement based on qualifying as an expanding industry.

Motion carries 2-0

AGENDA ITEM #4

NOTIFICATION OF BUDGET HEARINGS 2009-2010

Chairman Briggs announced that budget hearings will begin on October 2, 2009 @ 9:00 and continue from day to day until October 9, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m. Chairman Briggs also referred to the Public Notice which states that The Board of County Commissioners of Cascade County Montana for the fiscal year 2009/2010 and said budget has been placed on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder and is open for inspection The Board of County Commissioners will meet on Friday October 2, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. In the Commission Boardroom Room 111, Courthouse Annex, 325 Second Avenue North, Great Falls, Montana at which time any taxpayer may appear and be heard for or against any part of said budget. The hearing will continue from day to day until Friday October 9, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. prior to the time of fixing tax levies and setting a final fiscal year 2009/2010 budget.

AGENDA ITEM #5

PRESENTATION FROM CORKY GROVE FROM THE GREAT FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT 911 DISPATCH CENTER

Corky Grove gave a power point presentation on the 911 Dispatch Center with the Great Falls Police Department (see agenda packet). There was discussion concerning the upgrading of the towers, statewide trunking of towers and upcoming needs of the dispatch center. The Commission thanked Mr. Grove for his presentation.

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.

Cynthia Schultz of the Great Falls Airport Authority approached the Commission to have them consider a few projects that could be considered as Recovery Zone and ARRA funding.

She introduced Marvizio Primiani, from AvMax which is a company that does heavy maintenance and provides paint services for aircrafts worldwide.

She presented a flyer (see attached) and requested help with Phases 4, 2.

The Commission thanked them for the presentation and stated this is a great success story.

Jean Paulson approached the Commission to present them with a petition to lower the speed limit on Third Avenue North West from 27th to 34th Street. She stated the unpaved road is dangerous and should be 15 miles per hour instead of 25. Chairman Briggs stated he was unsure if they could legally lower the speed limit but would seek legal counsel and will notify her by phone.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 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 October 7, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.