

Commission Meeting Minutes; Park County, Montana
Week of March 3 - 7, 2008

March 3, 2008

County Road Issues

@8:30:20 a.m. Chairman Lahren opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Lahren and Murphy were present. Also present were Ed Hillman, road supervisor; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. There were no members of the public present, and no public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss county road issues.

There was discussion about fixing the Carbella bridge. Lahren spoke with an engineering firm about doing an engineering study on the bridge to assess if fixing the existing bridge is possible. The firm feels it is possible to fix the existing bridge. Lahren has been in discussions with Richard Miller, road manager for Beaverhead County who has repaired many bridges in Montana, and a PE, PhD bridge specialist at Bucknell University to determine if the Carbella bridge can be repaired. A preliminary cost estimate to fix the bridge is \$150,000. There was discussion about county budget funds and possible citizen loans to pay for a bridge fix. There was discussion about Old Yellowstone Trail South road maintenance at Point of Rocks and other points, as well as installing a heavy equipment turnaround at the entrance of Carbella bridge for bridge repair work. The bridge will be restored as a single lane bridge. There was discussion about placement of speed limit and other signage at the bridge, as well as the problem of overweight loads going over the bridge. Hillman will contact Roscoe Steel and Rich Miller about getting a steel deck for Carbella bridge. There was discussion about riprap stored on Convict Grade Road.

There was discussion about a budget issue and keeping Dave Amunrud on staff. Hillman said the road crew is grading and graveling roads.

Durgan noted a concern he'd received from a Pray citizen regarding runoff water running down the borrow pit and down the road. It needs a culvert. Hillman is aware of the problem, but said he cannot put a culvert in until the ditch is dry.

Landfill personnel picked up 240 pounds of tires and rims, wood and metal, and household garbage on Swingley Road between Stands gravel pit and the Beaver Creek School.

There was discussion about possibly reopening a county road route to access the proposed gravel pit near the wind generators.

@9:06:27 a.m. Murphy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 3, 2008

Review and Approve Minutes

@9:08:33 a.m. Chairman Lahren opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Lahren and Murphy were present. Also present was Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. There were no members of the public present, and no public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to review and approve meeting minutes for the Week of February 25, 2008.

Murphy questioned a line in the minutes, asking about a letter stating the Montana Department of Administration had not received Park County's annual financial report. The department of administration has received the report.

On Page 6 of 10, Murphy clarified that Mackin does have a structural engineer on staff.

Durgan requested a revision to Page 8 of 10, adding that Murphy did not attend a Western Mental Health meeting in Butte because he was out of town.

Lahren made a motion to approve the minutes as observed and commented on. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@9:12:07 a.m. Murphy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lahren seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 3, 2008

Planning Issues and Informational Updates

@10:01:14 a.m. Chairman Lahren opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Lahren and Murphy were present. Also present were Ann Hallowell, city planning board member; Hillary Taylor, planning; Philip Fletcher, planning; Michael Inman, planning; Tara DePuy, civil attorney; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. There were no members of the public present, and no public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss planning department issues and provide informational updates.

Lahren acknowledged that everyone knew new planning director Philip Fletcher.

Providing an update of the planning board's progress on recommendations to amendments to the 2006 subdivision regulations, Civil Attorney DePuy reported that the planning board conducted analysis of written public comments at its February board meeting. The planning board will analyze oral comments at its March 20 meeting to

determine whether to incorporate changes into its previous recommended amendments and to make findings.

DePuy explained the process that must take place per Montana law to prepare subdivision regulations and amendments for Commission approval. The planning board completes its public comment analysis, makes findings, and submits amendments to the Commission. The Commission must hold a public hearing, take public comment at that hearing, conduct an analysis of new public comment, and make findings based on public comment. The Commission then makes a final decision to accept, reject or change amendments.

Mike Inman gave a report on a community wildfire meeting. Inman attended a communities and wildfire conference in Bozeman put on by firesafemontana.org. At the meeting, fire industry professionals encouraged formation of citizen-based groups to promote education and the defensible space concept around structures within the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI). There are grant monies available for educational citizen-based groups. There was discussion at the conference about the reality of state and federal funding for wildland fire planning and firefighting decreasing. Inman said local counties will be required to identify and map their WUI areas and come up with mitigation strategies to mitigate wildfires there. State law requires all Montana counties to have a WUI map by Oct. 1, 2009. Inman reported that senators attending the conference said counties will be responsible for handling wildfire issues through zoning or other actions necessary to mitigate wildfire within the WUI. A new concept of defending homes versus evacuation was discussed at the conference, as was the idea that defensible, survivable space around dwelling structures needs to become the responsibility of homeowners.

There was discussion that Park County could not comply with any future state-mandated zoning because its growth policy is suspended. It was mentioned that Bob Fry is a member of the FireWise program and is a wildfire specialist within the county.

Philip Fletcher will compile information and comments from this meeting and Mike's conference to come up with a strategic plan so the county can begin acting on this issue.

Public comment was made by Ann Hallowell. Hallowell suggested asking local nonprofit groups to help educate citizens about defensible space around structures through their differing points of view.

There was discussion about the ability of a governing body such as the Commission to pass an ordinance where if a homeowner doesn't take FireWise and defensible space steps to safeguard their structures against wildfire, then the county can charge them with the cost to fight a fire on their property through a property lien on their taxes.

Ann Hallowell reported on activities/actions at the last city planning meeting. The city changed Park Street from highway commercial designation so private residences can exist on Park Street and other highway commercial streets in order to promote a mixed-

use community. The planning board recommended approving six residential townhouse lots against I-90 across from Alberton's. The recommendation must be officially approved by the City Commission.

Tara DePuy provided a legal update. There are no new Montana Supreme court cases involving subdivision or zoning to report. DePuy mentioned a Ravalli County district court case, Westmont Developers v. Ravalli County, where a district judge ruled that a county commission can go back and request additional information after a planning staff sufficiency review is completed.

There was no additional public comment.

@10:55:17 a.m. Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lahren seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 3, 2008

12:00 P.M. – Community Network Meeting – Job Service

March 3, 2008

Review Correspondence, Public Contacts and Determine Action Plan

@1:00:48 p.m. Chairman Lahren opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Lahren and Murphy were present. Also present were Mary Anne Anderson, MSU Extension; Bill Hurley, operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. There were no members of the public present, and no public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to review correspondence, public contacts and determine action plans.

There was discussion about: expanding County Attorney Linneweber's office into the current MSU Extension office. Durgan voiced concern Extension personnel would not have enough space if the county attorney office expanded. There was discussion about reorganization of Extension handouts and erecting a bulletin board outside of the office to refer citizens to the Extension office for assistance; and the new Extension agent determining which bulletins and materials can go to the quansot or archives.

The Commission reviewed status of task board activities.

There was discussion about the Gardiner, Park County Water and Sewer District (GWSD) and it ceasing to exist as a county entity once the vote passed February 19. The county has sent 30-day termination notices to contract employees currently operating the Gardiner sewer system. The GWSD board and their attorney will meet with the county and its attorney. When GWSD signs agreement, the discharge permit transfer process can commence.

There was discussion about fulfilling DEQ requirements of an \$18,000 sewer spill fee.

The Fleshman Creek RFP for engineering report will be due by mid-May.

There was discussion about the Transfer Station lease. The lease offer expires March 12 and the lease ends April 15.

There was discussion about the Carbella bridge project.

There was discussion about RC&D funding likely not being renewed by Congress. The RC&D board met last week and Marty Malone drafted a letter to encourage RC&D funding. The Commission will put the letter on Park County letterhead and the Commission will sign it.

Correspondence included:

- Correspondence re. Park County civil attorney job description - To file.
- Memo re. Commission approval to respond to letter
- Building Vital Communities workshop in Bozeman
- Sonoran Institute annual report
- Memo from Miller re. job description survey forms
- HKM landfill gas monitoring results - To Hurley and file.
- Museum schedule
- Memo from DePuy re. correspondence/information in DePuy's box needs to be signed
- Memo from Dann Babcox re. fire season - To DePuy
- Memo re. Wise River forest health
- Memo re. dealing with kitchen fires
- Memo from Molly Anderson re. new e-mail address
- Library board minutes
- Jim Nys avoiding wrongful discharge seminar in March @ Livingston Best Western - To Durgan for review
- Memo from Ron Archiletta re. weed management subcommittee
- Memo from Malone re. Mill Creek Irrigation Water District literature in district filing cabinet and purchasing cell phone - To Durgan for review
- Kids Care press release
- Memo re. Cooke City Shoofly Center funding
- Memo from MT Law Enforcement Academy re. public safety media relations training in May

@1:59:34 p.m. Lahren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Murphy seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 3, 2008

Auditor Follow-Up Interview

@2:01:01 p.m. Chairman Lahren opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Lahren and Murphy were present. Also present were Don Holland, public citizen; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to conduct an auditor follow-up interview with position candidate Don Holland. The candidate was asked to respond to five questions.

@2:07:02 p.m. Lahren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Murphy seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 3, 2008

Auditor Follow-Up Interview

@2:30:16 p.m. Chairman Lahren opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Lahren and Murphy were present. Also present were Martha Miller, public citizen; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to conduct an auditor follow-up interview with position candidate Martha Miller. The candidate was asked to respond to five questions.

@2:39:44 p.m. Lahren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Murphy seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 3, 2008

Auditor Follow-Up Interview

@3:03:46 p.m. Chairman Lahren opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Lahren and Murphy were present. Also present were Sara Handl, public citizen; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to conduct an auditor follow-up interview with position candidate Sara Handl. The candidate was asked to respond to five questions.

@3:06:21 p.m. Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Murphy seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 3, 2008

6:00 P.M. – City of Livingston Composting Meeting – Community Room

March 4, 2008

Park County Passmore Trial Expenses

@8:30:43 a.m. Chairman Lahren opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Lahren and Murphy were present. Also present were Bernadette Rambow, accounting clerk; Brett Linneweber; county attorney; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. There were no members of the public present, and no public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss Passmore trial expenses.

County Attorney Linneweber reported that Mr. Passmore's defense team retained an expert psychiatrist for the trial that the county is responsible for paying for as a trial expense. The total bill for the psychiatrist is \$3,750.00. The county attorney does not have funds in its professional services budget to pay the expense.

The Commission directed Bernadette Rambow to research from where within the county budget funds exist to pay the bill.

@8:39:50 a.m. Lahren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Murphy seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 4, 2008

Title III Forest Payments; Consider Proclamation for Cowboy and Ranch Heritage Week; Discussion of Montana Rail Link Property Lease on Transfer Station; Consider Resolution for Fire Season

@9:01:06 a.m. Chairman Lahren opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Lahren and Murphy were present. Also present were Dann Babcox, Rural District Fire #1; Bill Hurley, operations; Tara DePuy, civil attorney; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. There were no members of the public present, and no public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss Title III federal forest reserve monies; consider a proclamation for Cowboy and Ranch Heritage Week; discuss a Montana Rail Link property lease for the transfer station; and consider a resolution for a 2008 fire season.

Addressing Title III federal forest reserve monies, Lahren read an overview synopsis of Title III monies provided in the past by the US Forest Service and past and current county budgeted and expended Title III monies.

There was discussion about Title III monies the county currently has and those it will receive by the federal government. It is predicted that no more Title III monies will be disbursed to Park County or other entities throughout the country. There was discussion about a required public notice procedure of advertising for what purposes Title III funds will be budgeted.

Addressing a Montana Rail Link Property lease on the transfer station, there was discussion about terms of a lease renewal and a stipulation within a proposed lease renewal that would require Park County to move the transfer station off MRL property upon a 30-day notice.

Murphy and Hurley will begin negotiations with MRL regarding a lease renewal.

Addressing a proclamation establishing a Cowboy and Ranch Heritage Week, Murphy read the proclamation into the record.

Durgan made a motion to approve the proclamation. Murphy seconded that motion. Motion passed.

Addressing establishment of a 2008 fire season, Murphy read Resolution #1015, Establishment of a Fire Season for the 2008 Season, into the record.

The fire season will extend from March 1, 2008, through August 31, 2008. The resolution is proposed to correct an incorrect date for the fire season contained with a similar resolution passed the Week of February 25, 2008.

Dann Babcox commented that there is no clear understanding of what an individual can and cannot legally burn per the permit. Babcox's fire station is distributing a list of what can and cannot legally be burned. Toxic items such as painted wood and furniture coated with varnish cannot be burned. Babcox will provide Denton with burn instructions, and she will submit a press release to the newspaper and a public service announcement to the radio.

Durgan made a motion to pass Resolution #1015. Murphy seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@9:41:23 a.m. Lahren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Murphy seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 4, 2008

Year End Ground Water Monitoring at Landfill and Future Monitoring

@9:59:41 a.m. Chairman Lahren opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan, Lahren and Murphy were present. Also present were Dave Erickson, Water and Environmental Technologies, Inc.; Bill Hurley, operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. There were no members of the public present, and no public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss year-end and future ground water monitoring at the Park County landfill.

Dave Erickson of Water and Environmental Technologies, Inc., distributed to the Commission a report titled Ground Water Monitoring Report - November 2007 - Park County Landfill.

Erickson reported that the remediation system is running very well. The landfill is meeting all groundwater quality performance goals except one, which DEQ is aware of and okay with. Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) concentration levels recorded from Jan. 1, 1990 to-date have dropped significantly. There was discussion about other contaminant level goals being monitored and which the landfill is working to meet. Water and Environmental Technologies, Inc., conduct four monitoring events per year, two of those are site-wide events as required per the landfill permit, and four are remediation system monitoring events. There was discussion about county spring monitoring and drought event effects on groundwater table dynamics.

Erickson mentioned the life of the fans, blowers, and oxygenation system in the monitoring equipment will end. It is predicted that one or more of those equipment items will need maintenance in the near future, which will increase the overall monitoring expenses from this year, which were down.

@10:22:29 a.m. Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Murphy seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 4, 2008
City/County Meeting

@4:08:23 p.m. Vice-Chairman Durgan opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Present were Ed Meece, city manager; Bruce Martin, county maintenance; Bill Hurley, director of operations; Rick VanAken, city commissioner; Mary Bebee, city commissioner; Patricia Grabow, public citizen; Bill Moser, public citizen; Marc Richards, GIS/IT; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller.

There was no public comment.

Addressing the third agenda item, Bresnan, Marc Richards gave an update of the Bresnan Communications issue regarding fixing the line coming into the building, as well as how to get the fiber optic line into the building. There was discussion about which outfit is best suited to do the work. Bresnan representatives were in last week and toured the city/county building with county staff to look at options. There was discussion about completing the work before the city repaves Callender Street this year. Richards, Bruce Martin and Clint Tinsely will continue to coordinate with Bresnan on the issue.

Addressing agenda item four, elevator maintenance contract, there was discussion of two contracts and maintenance costs quoted in each. KONE Corporation quoted \$350 and ThyssenKrupp Elevator services quoted \$584 per month. The county is proposing to partner with the city in sharing the maintenance contract of the main building elevator. The city's portion would be 37 percent of the monthly maintenance contract cost. The

contract would be entered into between the county and KONE and would commence April 1, 2008. The current maintenance contract with Thyssen Krupp will not be renewed. Ed Meece said the city is comfortable with the county contracting with KONE for elevator services.

Public comment was made by Bill Moser. He asked if a penalty clause for failure to perform was included in the contract language. He advised the county it would be covered much better if it included a penalty clause for failure to perform.

Addressing agenda item five, cardboard baler, Ed Meece proposed the idea of the city purchasing a cardboard baler with a portion of the \$18,000 DEQ, Gardiner wastewater spill penalty funds. Meece said the city joining with Park County in cardboard recycling would make cardboard recycling a revenue-generating commodity.

Bill Hurley reported the county intends to pursue a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) as part of its Fleshman Creek restoration project. Hurley said it wasn't likely that DEQ would approve the county's SEP if it entered into an SEP with the city to purchase a cardboard baler. There was discussion about proposing to DEQ an SEP where the creek project would serve as the county's primary objective for the SEP funds, and the purchase of a cardboard baler would be its secondary objective. Hurley said such an approach would count against the county's chances for securing the SEP, because DEQ won't approve an SEP that has revenue generating potentials.

Public comment was given by Bill Moser. Moser offered to rent his cardboard baler to the county in the interim.

No Other Business was discussed.

Public comment was made by Bill Moser. Moser said he believes Bennett Street access to the Yellowstone Bridge project will be a calamity to Park County and the City of Livingston. He said the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) Environmental Assessment of the bridge project contains erroneous and fraudulent information. In his personal experience in dealing with MDT, MDT has actively responded to dozens of road safety issues he's raised to MDT. He said MDT will fix road issues if it is provided with logical reason and viewpoint of a fix. Moser asked the county and city to act now and send letters to MDT as two of five stakeholders, giving required fix solutions so Bennett Street does not become a 19th Street in Bozeman.

Public comment was made by Patricia Grabow. Grabow addressed the city and county presenting the state's 2008 strategic tourism plan and the millions of dollars the Yellowstone region generates from tourism. Grabow discussed the amount of bed tax and other tourism dollars Park County is not collecting as result of being left out of the last legislative session. The money can go toward capital projects. Grabow commented Park County is not included in the Travel Montana board, and Yellowstone Country is not representing interests of Park County and its businesses.

The next meeting date will be either April 1 or April 8.

@4:58:07 p.m. Durgan adjourned the meeting.

March 4, 2008

6:30 P.M. – Computer/Public Information Advisory Committee – Community Room - Canceled

March 5, 2008

9:00 A.M. – Planning and Zoning Commission – Cokedale West District – Community Room – MEETING MINUTES AVAILABLE IN THE COUNTY PLANNING OFFICE

March 6, 2008

8:30 A.M. – Leave Courthouse to View Old Yellowstone Trail in the Point of Rocks Area (On Site at 9:00 A.M.)

10:00 A.M. – Gardiner Sidewalk Project Request for Qualifications Review Committee – Murphy - Emigrant Community Center

March 6, 2008

Review of Correspondence, Public Contacts, and Determine Action Plan

@1:31:44 p.m. Vice-Chairman Durgan opened a meeting in the Commissioner's Chambers. Commissioners Durgan and Murphy were present. Also present were Bill Hurley, director of operations; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. There were no public citizens present, and there was no public comment.

The meeting was scheduled to review correspondence, public contacts and determine action plans.

There was discussion about the concern of Old Clyde Park Road being used as a detour when the 89 Yellowstone bridge replacement project commences. The Commission will request that the Montana Department of Transportation place their letter in MDT's bridge project environmental assessment. There was discussion about considering an underpass at Bennett Street when the bridge is replaced.

Correspondence included:

- Memo re. public safety media relations training at MT Law Enforcement Academy - To Allen Lutes for review
- Letter to US Senators and Representatives re. RC&D funding. Letter will go on county letterhead
- Memo from Patrick Murtaugh re. transferring assets of Gardiner sewer district

- Letter re. MT Dept of Administration received county's annual financial report
- Memo from Dept. of Administration re. application for annual financial report
- Memo from Laura Holtzman re. webinar on project management
- Letter from Bill Moser re. gun rights
- Memo from Lisa Ballard re. transportation meeting on March 6 - To Murphy for review
- Memo from Ken Britton of US Forest Service re. office requesting garbage tags - Will be put on meeting agenda
- NACo County News - To Durgan for review
- On tap drinking water news magazine - To Durgan for review
- Governing magazine - To Durgan for review
- Municipal sewer and water magazine
- Informational pamphlet from US Dept of Justice
- Memo from Dept of Commerce re. application to HOME funds program - To Benner for review
- Memos from Great West Engineering re. Gardiner sewer district- To Hurley for review
- Commission postage use log
- Memo from Office of Governor re. emergency preparedness summit April 22
- Memo re. Upper Yellowstone Watershed meeting
- JSEC meeting minutes - To Murphy for review
- Memo from Jerry Brekke re. Deep Creek Bench Road is not a county road - To file and road book
- Memo from Mr. Vandersnick re. overcharged for refuse assessment
- Rockin' HK outfitters advertisement
- Memo from Polly Miller re. employee surveys
- Memo re. weed coordinator interview questions request - To Clay Williams for review
- Memo re. comment on Beaverhead National Forest re. NEPA process
- Memo re. call committee for Beaverhead County - To Durgan for review
- Memo from Beaverhead County re. NEPA process - To Durgan for review
- Memo from AP clerk re. Verizon cell phones roaming software update instructions
- Memo from Kathy Stocker re. Carbella bridge bussing comments - To Barich for review, file, and road book
- Application for issuance of beer and wine license to photography gallery in Gardiner - To file and Larkin
- Memo from Bob Fry re. 2008 operating plan fire council meeting March 11 in Emigrant
- South Central Zone Local Interagency Operating Plan from MT DNRC - To file
- Memo re. Horse Butte bison capture facility permit renewal
- NACo newsletter
- Yellowstone Gateway Museum minutes - To Lahren for review

- Fire safety instruction notice from Livingston Fire Department re. use of extension cords, maintaining wiring in good condition, replacing ceiling tiles - To Bruce Martin for review
- Letter from Dwayne Long re. boulders blocking road in Whispering Pines re. requesting county to remove them by March 14 - To DePuy for review
- Memo from Houck Energy Resources – mineral rights lease offer of \$15/acre/year for land Park County owns - To DePuy for review
- Mental Health Oversight Committee re. summit review - To Murphy for review
- Memo from Larkin re. insurance committee officer confusion
- Memo re. road foreman death in Custer County
- Memo from Polly Miller re. insurance committee
- State Workforce Investment Board Jan. 10 meeting draft minutes available on website
- Letter from Patricia Grabow re. venue for Asleep at the Wheel concert
- Memo from Gallick and Baldwin re. plaintiff motion to dismiss plaintiff in court affidavit for Denise Nelson - To Lahren for review
- Memo from Steve Miller re. company digitally archiving government records - To Lahren for review
- Memo from Marc Richards re. security code change - To file
- Correspondence re. setting up meeting with Gardiner water board - To Gardiner sewer book
- Gardiner Community Newsletter - To file
- Memo from Newt Gingrich
- Memo from Larry Lahren re. article on Yellowstone River 205 studies
- Minutes for Feb. LEPC minutes - To Durgan for review
- Memo from Denise Nelson re. request to collect boxes for election activities
- 2008 summit on grants for courts - To Judge Swandal for review
- Memo from Marc Richards re. Commission items on county homepage outdated? - To Denton for review
- Memo from Denise Nelson re. title company request to copy deed files
- Memo from Peggy Glass re. status of generator
- Crash report for Carbella bridge accident - To file and road book
- Correspondence from Marty Malone re. housing Mill Creek water district files
- Memo from Marty Malone re. decision on selling Malone cell phone

Al Jenkins reported that the Sheriff's dept does not have a key to enter the Park County quansot on their end of the hut, requiring them to pass through his secure area of the hut. Jenkins requested the Commission take care of that issue.

@2:34:52 p.m. Murphy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

@2:36:18 p.m. Durgan reopened a meeting to review additional correspondence.

Correspondence included:

- Livingston Employer Breeze magazine
- Letter from Judy Churchwell re. Cinnebar Basin road conditions for school busses and requesting meeting with Commission re. county road maintenance - To Denton to schedule meeting
- Kris Denton deposition re. lawsuit by MT Homebuilders Association and other plaintiffs - To Lahren for review
- Memo from Brad Shepard and Mary Lemon re. 205 flood control study - To file
- Memo from DePuy re. Wilsall green box lease schedule
- Memo from Marilyn Hartley re. violation of Park County policies and procedures when requesting attorney assistance - To Durgan for review
- Memo from Hartley re. annual renewal for liability insurance FY '09 - To Durgan for review
- Memo from MSU Local Government Center re. taxable valuations
- Memo from Robin Hoover re. Yellowstone Country regional tourism - To Durgan for review
- Memo from Lahren and DePuy re. copy of appointing county board members resolution for review
- Public contact via telephone included Bob Moore requesting cutting hole between kitchen and exhibit building to serve as bar at Fairgrounds - To Fair board for review; and
- Dan Semaens from Dorsey and Whitney requested contact with DePuy re. election and paperwork transfer of the Gardiner Sewer District - To Durgan for review

@2:57:43 p.m. Murphy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 6, 2008

Consider Auditor Appointment

@3:30:35 p.m. Vice-Chairman Durgan opened a meeting. Commissioners Durgan and Murphy were present. Also present were Sara Handl, public citizen; and Commission Minutes Clerk John Mueller. There was no public comment.

The meeting was scheduled to appoint a candidate to the county auditor position.

There was discussion about the importance of candidates having experience in government accounting. Murphy noted his choice for appointment as candidate Don Holland. Durgan noted his choice for appointment as candidate Don Holland.

Murphy made a motion to hire Don Holland as county auditor. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@3:35:37 p.m. Durgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Murphy seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

March 6, 2008

4:00 P.M. – Transportation Advisory Committee – Murphy – Counterpoint

March 6, 2008

7:00 P.M. - Upper Yellowstone Watershed meeting – Emigrant

March 7, 2008

9:00 – 10:30 A.M. - Review Correspondence, Public Contacts and Determine Action Plan – Commissioner’s Chambers - Canceled

March 7, 2008

Fleshman Creek RFQ Review Committee Recommendation

@1:05:49 p.m. Commissioner Murphy opened a meeting.

The meeting was scheduled to hear Fleshman Creek RFQ Review Committee Recommendations.

There was not a quorum of commissioners, and the meeting was postponed to a to-be scheduled date.

@1:06:24 p.m. Murphy closed the meeting.

March 7, 2008

2:00 P.M. – County Road and Mechanic Issues – County Road Shop - Durgan, Murphy and HR Director Polly Miller

Larry A. Lahren
Chairman, Park County Commission
Park County, Montana

Denise Nelson
Clerk & Recorder
Park County, Montana