

Commission Meeting Minutes; Park County, Montana
Week of November 17 – 21, 2008

November 17, 2008
Park County Road Updates

@9:24:04 a.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Denton and Durgan were present. Also present was Ed Hillman, road supervisor; Shannan Piccolo, deputy county attorney; and Bill Hurley, director of operations. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss county road issues.

Commissioner Durgan noted Road Supervisor Ed Hillman was meeting with MACo on an important matter at the current time and the meeting will be recessed until time Hillman is present.

@9:24:44 a.m., Durgan recessed the meeting. @11:11:59 a.m., the meeting reopened.

Road Supervisor Ed Hillman said MACo provided a seminar today for the entire county road crew on liability issues as individuals and a county as they pertain to the road crew regarding signs, welding, road grading, and bridges. Hillman said the discussion cleared up the issue on welding, and MACo ensured the crewmen they are completely covered by MACo individually and as a county employee for any welding work they do as a county employee.

Hillman said Park County needs to contact a licensed bridge inspector in Stillwater County to inspect all Park County bridges less than 20 feet in length. Hillman said the state will not inspect bridges less than 20 feet in length.

Hillman said the culvert and wiring is in on Cinnabar and the crew is finishing the road top with gravel. Hillman said a caution sign or something similar is needed for a tough corner there. Hillman said the county also needs to put up a sign that says “one-lane traffic ahead” or “narrow road ahead” to remove the county from liability.

Hillman said he has locates for the Deep Creek Bridge so he can erect the load limit signs there. Hillman said he called in locates on Miller Road and materials for Miller Road Bridge work is on order, as is materials for a Fridley Creek culvert.

Hillman said muskrats are damming the creek near F Street.

Hillman said he got a call from a resident on Deep Creek South Road asking when the county will grade that road. Hillman said he told the resident she needs to petition the county to make that road a county road.

Durgan said he had a citizen complaint about muddy conditions on O'Rea Creek Road. Hillman said the county just put \$3,000 worth of gravel on that road. Durgan said he contacted Steve Warner with MRL that the gravel had been put in on the approach at O'Rea Creek and millings will be put down in the spring.

Hillman said he has given DES Director Belinda Van Nurden every road log he has. Hillman said MACo said every employee who fills out a yellow vehicle inspection sheet should keep it for his records. Hillman said MACo suggested the county purchase new mobile onsite work signs for grader operators that will not blow down.

Hillman said he is still seeking a local price quote for work on a plow blade.

@11:33:38 a.m., Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

November 17, 2008

Discussion of Agenda and Review Minutes for Week of November 10, 2008

@9:50:29 a.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Denton and Durgan were present. Also present was Raea Morris, Commission executive assistant. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss the Commission's upcoming agenda and review Commission meeting minutes for the Week of November 10, 2008.

Commission Executive Assistant Raea Morris presented the Commission with its upcoming meeting agenda and schedule for the Week of November 17. The Commission reviewed and made revisions to that agenda. Commissioner Durgan said he suggests Morris cancel the department head meeting if no agenda items are requested by department heads. Denton said she will be in Wilsall from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. and in Clyde Park from 10:30 - noon on November 20. Denton and Durgan said they will schedule a community meeting at the Gardiner Community Center on November 21 at 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., and will then view a culvert replacement on Cinnabar Road.

Commissioner Durgan said the Commission will not review Commission meeting minutes for the Week of November 10, 2008 at this time per agreement of Commissioners Denton and Durgan and those minutes would be reviewed at a later date.

@10:00:26 a.m., Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

November 17, 2008

Review of Correspondence, Public Contacts and Determine Action Plan

@10:00:54 a.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Denton and Durgan were present. Also present was Bill Hurley, director of operations. No public comment was made.

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

Correspondence included:

- Purchase orders for sheriff's office and IT department.
- Letter welcoming Duane Mathews to Solid Waste Board
- Email from citizen John Munis to Commissioner Lahren thanking the Commission for passing Resolution #1020
- Draft news release a new county road policy
- Citizen letter to Commission requesting home schooled children fieldtrip to the courthouse – The Commission directed Bill Hurley to telephone the citizen
- Legal advice to Commission from deputy county attorney
- Reminder of JSEC meeting on November 18 at 7:30 a.m.
- Memo re. Transportation Commission teleconference
- Memo from DNRC re. Fleshman Creek project and the county's probability of receiving financial support for that project
- Legal advice to Commission from deputy county attorney
- Memo from Cascade County asking how Park County compensates part time employees with benefits
- Email from GIS/IT manager re. mapping roads within commissioner districts
- Facsimile to Hurley re. sewer services of contractor in Yellowstone National Park
- Oath of office from Sue Martin re. her membership on Park County Solid Waste Board – To file
- Copy of ruling of Montana Supreme Court on December 20, 2001 re. Dome Mountain Ranch and Park County
- Email to Commission re. State Workforce Investment Board executive committee meeting November 19 in Helena
- Memo from CEO of Livingston Healthcare re. applying for board of directors of local mental health advisory council – To executive assistant to set up meeting to make the appointment
- Invitation to FWP Dec. 3 advisory committee meeting at Best Western in Livingston – To Durgan and county watershed groups for review
- Heard Across Montana newsletter – To Hurley for review
- Memo re. MACO risk management loss control conference January 13 – 15
- Email from Governing Magazine re. governor webinar to increase member participation and lower costs in health care
- Memo re. Energy in Alaska conference

- Memo from Tim Griffiths of USDA re. Fleshman Creek meeting on December 3
- Invite for November 20 CBDG webinar forum on neighborhood stabilization
- Memo from county treasurer re. third quarter resort tax payment dates
- Memo from North American Wind Power – To Durgan for review

The Commission directed Hurley to draft a letter containing a list of issues the Gardiner Water and Sewer District needs to address to facilitate the transfer of the sewer district from Park County. Hurley said he will draft the letter and submit it to the Commission for review.

Durgan said the county has a job posting approval for the position of director of environmental health to be posted by Job Service on November 22.

Durgan said the Commission has road department purchase orders on hold, including a plow blade, a Fiddle Creek Road culvert, and gravel on Eldridge Creek Road.

@11:05:24 a.m., Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

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7:30 A.M. – Job Service Employees Committee – Livingston Job Service

November 18, 2008

FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant for Fleshman Creek

@9:09:31 a.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Denton and Durgan were present. Also present was Lori Benner, grants coordinator; Kerry Fee, Trout Unlimited; Gary Barnhart, public citizen; Belinda Van Nurden, disaster and emergency services; Randy Taylor, health department; Jeannette Blank, Oasis Environmental; Ed Hillman, road foreman; Todd Wester, Livingston School District; and Bill Hurley, operations.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a Federal Emergency Management Agency Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant for Fleshman Creek.

Grants Coordinator Lori Benner said the purpose of the meeting is to seek approval and guidance as to how Park County wants to proceed in submitting the Fleshman Creek flood mitigation project to FEMA in the form of a grant application due on December 1. Benner provided background information about the project to date. Benner said for every dollar spent on mitigation today saves the nation four dollars in future recovery costs, which is the reason for the FEMA mitigation grant program.

Benner said Big Sky Hazard Management prepared a Park County Hazard Mitigation Plan in August of 2005 through a FEMA grant, and once such a plan is drafted, FEMA makes grant monies available to mitigate the chance for hazards in a community. Benner

said reducing damage from flooding is the number-one goal the plan said the Livingston community should look for. Benner said she contacted the Army Corps of Engineers in 2006, which looked at the county's hazard mitigation plan. Benner said the Core said Fleshman Creek has a known history of flooding and could pose a serious danger to residents, especially where it flows through the city of Livingston. Benner said per encouragement by the Montana Department of Disaster and Emergency Services, Park County procured an environmental engineering firm, Oasis Environmental, through a Montana Department of Natural Resources grant to research and assess the health of Fleshman Creek in order to research the feasibility of conducting stream restoration in conjunction with culvert replacement on Fleshman Creek. Benner said the idea for seeking the current FEMA grant is to work from the Sacagawea Lagoon to the confluence of the Yellowstone River at Mayor's Landing.

Benner discussed three flood events on Fleshman Creek in 1937, 1950 and 1951 and provided comparisons of the damage costs of those events when they occurred to modern day money, which totaled around \$2 million. Benner said Oasis's report of Fleshman Creek states the county and city pay a combined \$20,000 each year to maintain culverts on Fleshman Creek.

Public comment was made by Gary Barnhart. Barnhart said there was no flooding from the Fleshman Creek channel from Sacagawea Lagoon to the river in '96 and '97. He said the only flooding that occurs is when culverts are not cleared. Barnhart said the creek no longer floods in conjunction with the Yellowstone River because of the head gate and other work that's been done at the lagoon. Barnhart said silt is an issue on the creek, and \$11,000 spent to create spawning habitat behind the driving range is now covered over.

Jeannette Blank of Oasis Environmental said such failure of restoration efforts can happen if restoration fails to take a holistic approach to the whole stream system.

Benner said Oasis recommends in its report that culverts are replaced at C, E, F, H and Geyser Streets with Con/Span structures. Benner said goal number-one is to mitigate risks to property and life by replacing culverts; goal number-two is to improve Fleshman Creek water quality with stream restorations; goal number-three is increasing water quantity; and another goal is increasing Fleshman Creek as a community resource and public amenity.

Todd Wester of the Livingston School District said the value of Fleshman Creek as an outdoor classroom is great. He said students have taken ownership in and stewardship of the creek and regularly do comparative macro invertebrate studies using Fleshman Creek and the Yellowstone River.

Benner said the total project cost is around \$2.9 million with culvert replacement costs comprising the majority of the construction costs. Benner listed potential financial sources for the project. She said the FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant will pay up to 75 percent of the project, and Park County would have to come up with the remaining 25 percent of matching funds with either cash or in-kind services. Benner said Park County

is slated to receive a Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Reclamation and Development Grant for \$300,000 provided nothing changes within the legislature. Benner said other possible sources of funding include \$50,000 from a Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Conservation Trust grant; \$50,000 from a Montana Future Fisheries grant; funds from the Five Star Restoration Program through USEPA and NACO, which looks for government and the private sector coming together to conduct a restoration activity; \$25,000 from One Fly, which focuses on supporting restoration projects that benefit trout as tributaries of the Yellowstone and Snake Rivers in Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. Benner said Oasis said costs can be held down if the county can help with digging up asphalt and moving and disposing of pipe.

Benner said volunteer, in-kind labor commitments have been made by the Livingston School District and the Joe Brooks Chapter of Trout Unlimited as part of Park County's match. Benner said FEMA recognizes the value of a volunteer at \$19.51 per hour. Benner said the project has received letters of support from the Army Corps of Engineers; Montana Departments of Disaster and Emergency Services, Environmental Quality, and the FWP; Northern Rocky Mountain RC&D; Park Conservation District; Park County Environmental Council; and the Livingston Area Chamber of Commerce.

Blank said private property rights is a big hurdle in this type of project, and the funds being sought for this project do not require public access to the Fleshman Creek after work is completed. Blank said she wants to reaffirm that Oasis's priority is to work with local landowners and make this a good project for the community. She said landowners are just as important as Oasis and others in this effort, and Oasis plans to work with each and every landowner on the project.

There was discussion about the city of Livingston sharing in the cost for the project since it owns some utilities.

Durgan asked about the timetable of the project and whether the \$2.9 million project cost is a budget for five years, after which time more funds will need to be sought. Benner said construction is a one-time cost and the effort to monitor and upkeep the project and vegetation will hopefully be done in part by volunteers with a stake in the project beyond the five years. Kerry Fee of Trout Unlimited said a five-year monitoring program is considered as sort of a benchmark to assess the success of a project and allow it to develop over time. He said the project should not require high maintenance and Trout Unlimited plans to assist financially and with monitoring.

Benner said with the Commission's okay, she will submit the FEMA grant application by December 1, 2008. Blank said the permitting design phase, meeting with landowners, and finalizing a design could take through summer of 2010 to complete and construction of the project could possibly commence in fall of 2010.

Denton made a motion for Lori Benner to continue forward securing funding for the Fleshman Creek Project. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@10:48:48 a.m., Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

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1:00 P.M. – Senior Citizens Meeting – Livingston Senior Center

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Department Head Meeting

@1:30 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Community Room of the City/County Building. Present was Belinda Van Nurden, DES; Bruce Martin, maintenance; Scott Hamilton, sheriff's office; Richard Wright, transfer station; Allan Lutes, sheriff's office; Kim Knutson, fair; Suzanne Brown, health department; Marc Richards, GIS/IT; Denise Nelson, clerk and recorder; June Little, clerk of court; Raea Morris, Commission executive assistant; Bill Hurley, operations; Linda Budeski, justice court; and Marilyn Hartley, accounting. No public comment was made.

ICS 100 and Finalization of the Courthouse Evacuation/Lockdown Plan: Belinda Van Nurden said she is trying to get all city and county employees to take the ICS 100 online training by the end of this year. Van Nurden distributed training materials to department heads for review. Van Nurden said all employees must complete the training to be NIMS compliant and receive FEMA monies in the event of a disaster. She instructed employees to print out a copy of the completion certificate and submit it to Van Nurden for proof of training completion. She said ICS 700 training will be done next year.

Van Nurden said she will resume efforts to plan and conduct a courthouse evacuation training exercise.

Field Trip for Homeschoolers to See How Government Operates: Durgan said a letter was received from a homeschooling teacher requesting permission to schedule a field trip to the courthouse to teach students the various facets of government and its operation. Durgan said he is giving the department heads a heads up on the matter. Department heads said they see no reason why such a fieldtrip could not be accommodated.

Update on Transition of New Commissioners, Auditors, and Human Resources Position being Filled or Cut Back: Durgan said as a result of a county attorney's correspondence to the Commission, Commissioner Denton's position will be filled upon certification of the election by the state. The same will be true of appointed auditor Don Holland's position. Durgan said Jill Ouellette is on board in the human resources office, and the Commission will interview for a human resources director. Durgan said department heads should approach Ouellette with human resources questions.

Belinda Van Nurden said a going-away card will be distributed for Kris Denton. Van Nurden said the safety committee has discussed nametags for county employees to wear while in the courthouse.

Marc Richards asked that new or elected employees be sent to the IT department once they begin work so they can be set up with a county computer account.

Employee of the Month: June Little said Maritza Reddington of the Clerk and Records office was nominated as the next employee of the month.

Marilyn Hartley provided an update of her progress on finalizing all approved Fiscal Year 2009 Budget figures. Hartley said she will submit quarterly reports to department heads for July through September and then monthly budget reports will be sent thereafter.

The next Department Head meeting date is scheduled for December 16, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. in the Community Room.

@1:52:06 p.m., Durgan adjourned the meeting.

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2:00 P.M. – IT Advisory Committee Meeting – West Room

6:30 P.M. – Park County Fair Board Meeting – Park County Fairgrounds

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9:00 A.M. – Claims Review – Commissioners Chambers

November 19, 2008

Meeting to Award Management Services and Architectural Services for Park County Senior Center Project

@10:04:16 a.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Denton and Durgan were present. Also present was Barb Williams, Senior Center; Rich Van Aken, Senior Center; Sandy Wulf, public citizen; and Julianne Brown, public citizen.

The meeting was scheduled to award management and architectural services for a Park County Senior Center project.

Commissioner Durgan said an evaluation committee evaluated the four respondents for the two bid awards. Durgan said the architectural firm of Mosaic Architecture received an evaluation score of 91 percent and James Snyder received a 50 percent evaluation score. For management services, Durgan said the Rocky Mountain RC&D was awarded 86 percent and Nittany Grantworks was awarded 55 percent.

Durgan said he personally feels the evaluations looked at and considered all the various points and followed the scoring system provided to the evaluation committee. Durgan said the highest scoring firms were recommended by the evaluation committee.

Commissioner Denton made a motion to support the Mosaic request for qualifications for architectural services for the Park County Senior Center project. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

Denton made a motion to support Rocky Mountain RC&D for the management services for the Park County Senior Center project. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@10:10:38 a.m., Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

November 19, 2008

Consider a Resolution to Establish Park County Angel Line Board and Ratify Past Board Actions

@11:03:01 a.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Denton and Durgan were present. Also present was Deputy County Attorney Shannan Piccolo; Lee Parriott, public citizen; and Barbara Williams, public citizen.

The meeting was scheduled to consider a resolution to establish the Park County Angel Line board and ratify past board actions.

Public comment was made by Barb Williams. Williams said she spoke with the city about W-2 forms and paychecks and establishing the board as a county entity of January 1, 2009 for ease of payroll purposes. Williams also said the paid Angel Line transportation coordinator would like to know if her health insurance will be offered by the county once the transfer of the Angel Line service to the county occurs.

Durgan read Resolution #1037 into the record, A Resolution of the Board of Park County Commissioners Establishing the Park County Angel Line Board and Ratifying all Past Actions of the Park County Angel Line Board.

There was discussion about correcting typographical errors in the resolution draft, as well as board budget reports and bylaws as noted in the resolution.

Denton made a motion to approve the resolution establishing the Park County Angel Line Board and ratifying all past actions of the Park County Angel Line Board with the minor typo corrections made here today. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

There was discussion about setting up a special board meeting to transfer payroll, vehicle licenses and insurance, and advertise for two board positions. Durgan said that meeting needs to be advertised for a minimum of 72 hours in advance of the meeting.

@11:48:47 a.m., Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

November 19, 2008

Discussion of Attorney's Office Move and Associated Bills

@1:38:50 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Denton and Durgan were present. Also present was County Attorney Brett Linneweber. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss a county attorney office move and associated bills.

County Attorney Linneweber said there were a number of different expenses incurred when the county attorney's office move occurred as a three-way switch of offices in the courthouse. He said much of the expense resulted from wiring issues due to moving telephone, computer and drop lines. He said construction costs also were accumulated, and those costs went to the building fund. Linneweber said the cost of the move rose above what some vendors bid, which may have occurred in part because there really wasn't a person in charge of the move.

Linneweber said he and the former human resources director decided the office move expenses needed to be budgeted for in either the county attorney's budget or the building fund. Linneweber said the move was ultimately budgeted in the building fund, but many bills were actually billed to the county attorney's professional services fund. He said the issue can be fixed one of two ways, either by upping the county attorney professional services fund or paying the bills from the building fund.

Denton said it is important to have the building maintenance man involved in budget discussions involving the building budget and the office move from this point forward. Denton said using the option tax was once discussed in a public meeting to pay for the move. Linneweber said he does not remember any such discussion, as it was not discussed in any of his budget discussions with budget committee personnel.

Linneweber, Denton and Durgan said a budget amendment will have to be done to account for the office move costs. Linneweber said his professional services budget will run out in January 2009 if a budget amendment is not done. He said addressing the issue in the near future would be best.

Durgan said the Commisison will look into how the office move will be funded and get back to Linneweber.

@2:00:47 p.m., Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

November 20, 2008

10:30 A.M. – Meeting in Clyde Park to Hear Residents’ Concerns – Clyde Park Town Hall

12:30 P.M. – Meeting in Wilsall to Hear Residents’ Concerns – Wilsall Senior Center

3:30 P.M. – Planning Board Meeting – Community Room

November 20, 2008

County Road Updates

@3:40:00 p.m., Vice-Chairman Lahren called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Denton and Durgan were present. Also present was Ed Hillman, road supervisor; Shannan Piccolo, deputy county attorney; and Bill Hurley, director of operations. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to discuss county road issues.

Hillman said the road crew finished the culvert work on Cinnabar and hauled more gravel there. He said the road crew also fixed a different bad spot on that road.

Hillman said the road crew put new culverts in on Fleshman Creek past Meredith Ranch and farther up.

Hillman said the road crew has new signs up on Deep Creek Bridge designating load limit and one-lane bridge, and school zone and 15 mile per hour limit signs are up on Miller Drive.

Hillman said the road crew cleaned culverts on Swingly Road to the 12 Springs Ranch.

Hillman said someone drove over five signs on Cottonwood Bench Road. He said he phoned the sheriff’s office about the issue but has not heard back from it.

Durgan said he received a phone correspondence from Park Electric about a road approach permit. Hillman said Park Electric had been filling out the wrong permit and it needs to fill out an encroachment permit.

Hillman said the road crew is marking culverts on Trail Creek today.

Hillman said he turned in a purchase order for culverts today because the road department has exhausted the supply he bought two and half years ago, and he needs another 180 feet of 18-inch culvert.

@4:01:15 p.m., Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

November 20, 2008

Review Correspondence, Public Contacts and Determine Action Plan

@4:05:00 p.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Commissioners Chambers. Commissioners Denton and Durgan were present. Also present was Bill Hurley, director of operations and Commission Executive Assistant Raea Morris. No public comment was made.

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

Correspondence included:

- Memo from grants coordinator requesting a meeting with Commissioner Durgan
- Citizen request for road grading in McLeod area
- Memo re. citizen request for garbage charge reassessment
- Notice of Park County Planning and Zoning Commission meeting scheduled for December 15 at 10:00 a.m.
- Memo re. request from MACo on veteran burials
- Notice of tax increment finance meeting in Helena on December 9
- Memo requesting support for Governing Magazine
- Legal advice for Commission from deputy county attorney – To deputy county attorney for response to citizens
- Memo from citizen in Whispering Pines area requesting refuse fee reimbursement
- Notice of DEQ's intention to issue a NPDES to the City of Red Lodge Wastewater Plant
- Memo from Great West Engineering re. Cooke City project
- Memo to USDA Rural Development responding to water project comments
- Notice of mass employee layoff from East Boulder Mine
- Memo from MACo re. Montana DNRC Environmental Impact Statement record of decision on real estate management plan – To planning department for review
- Notice from Montana DNRC re. Fleshman Creek project funding rankings
- Memo re. new email address for Dawson and Rosebud County commissioners
- Memo from citizens of Upper Main Boulder Road re. crafting plan of repair and maintenance of that road
- Memo re. Dome Mountain Ranch settlement
- MACo training information for newly elected officials
- Energy and environment news from Americans for Balanced Energy Choices
- Memo re. Hardrock Mining counties 2008 legislation – To Durgan for review
- Memo from Job Service re. 501 (c)3 status for JSEC committee

- Memo from Regina Wood of Business Professionals of America requesting judges for student activities
- Memo re. 911 meetings for December canceled
- Memo re. Myer's Flat project update
- MACo newsletter
- Invitation to participate in the Neighborhood Stabilization Program forum
- Citizen request for removal of refuse fee – To Denton for review
- Notice of RC&D planning meeting held on December 5
- Invite to 2009 Children's Inaugural Ball for Every Child Matters Education Fund
- Notice of mental health workshop
- Memo re. Montana Water Trust Wild Scenic film festival on December 4
- Schedule of Angel Line Transportation Committee
- Minutes of IT Advisory Committee meeting
- North American Wind Power newsletter – To Durgan for review
- American Farmlands Trust newsletter – To Durgan for review
- Workshop in Kalispell to coordinate federal policy making with local planning
- Field observation report from Architect Jim Snyder re. rabbit and poultry barn
- Memo re. dead stove in courthouse stress elimination room
- Correspondence from Union Representative Rick D'Hooge
- Yellowstone Gateway Museum board meeting agenda

@4:28:45 p.m., Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

November 20, 2008

6:00 P.M. – Solid Waste Board Meeting – West Room – Minutes available at www.parkcounty.org or in the Commission Office

November 21, 2008

No Commission Meetings Scheduled

November 21, 2008

Award Colter Pass, Cooke City, Silver Gate Resort Tax Funds

@10:15 a.m., Vice-Chairman Durgan called a meeting to order in the Cooke City Fire Hall. Commissioners Denton and Durgan were present. Also present were four public citizens, including Suzie Hahn, Jason Hahn and Betty Sommers. No public comment was made.

The meeting was scheduled to award Colter Pass, Cooke City, and Silver Gate resort tax funds.

Commissioner Denton made a motion to award \$4,700 to the Colter Pass, Cooke City, and Silver Gate Chamber of Commerce for five port-a-johns in the area. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

Commissioner Denton made a motion to award \$11,367.84 to the Colter Pass, Cooke City, and Silver Gate Chamber of Commerce for the funding of the Chamber executive director position. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

Commissioner Denton made a motion to award \$6,600 to the Colter Pass, Cooke City, and Silver Gate Chamber of Commerce for a recreation site ball field/parking area. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

Commissioner Denton made a motion to award \$20,000 to the Cooke City Park County Water District to use as a debt service reserve for an upcoming water project. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

Commissioner Denton made a motion to award \$5,000 to the Cooke City Park County Water District for legal fees associated with the research on the resort tax. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

Commissioner Denton made a motion to award a minimum of \$100,000 or funds available after all other approved requests are granted to the Colter Pass, Cooke City, and Silver Gate Chamber of Commerce to help with the funding of the Shoofly Historical Center. Durgan seconded that motion. Motion passed.

@10:35 a.m., Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Durgan seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.

November 21, 2008

1:30 P.M. – Meeting in Gardiner to Hear Residents’ Concerns – Community Hall

2:30 P.M. – Viewing of Cinnabar Culvert – Onsite

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

Denise Nelson
Clerk & Recorder
Park County, Montana