Planning & Development Board

January 15th, 2015 Park County, Montana

<u>Attendance:</u> Planning Board Members Peter Fox, Rich Baerg, Bill Berg, Dave Haug, Lew Wilks, Traci Isaly and Frank Schroeder via conference phone. Also present Mike Inman, Planning Director, and Shannan Piccolo Park County Civil Attorney.

Call to Order: 4:00 p.m., Peter Fox called the meeting to order.

<u>Public Comment on Agenda Items not Scheduled for a Public Hearing:</u> Shannan Piccolo spoke of the current legislative session and land use bills coming up. One of the proposed bills would create a whole new subdivision review process. Shannan said she would put together a list of proposed land use bills for the Board to review.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: The board reviewed minutes for the December 18th, 2014, meeting. *Bill Berg moved to approve the minutes. Frank Schroeder seconded the motion. Motion passed.*

Conflict of Interest: None reported

Welcome Reappointments to the Board: Bill Berg, Rich Baerg and Peter Fox were welcomed as reappointments to the board.

<u>Election of Officers:</u> Lew Wilks nominated Peter Fox for Board Chairman, Traci Isaly seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously. Frank Schroeder nominated Bill Berg for Vice Chair seconded by Traci Isaly. Bill Berg said since he has held the positions of Vice Chairman and Chairman in the past it would be good opportunity for someone new. Bill Berg nominated Traci Isaly for Vice Chairman seconded by Dave Haug, motion passed unanimously. *Peter Fox elected Chairman Traci Isaly elected Vice Chairman*.

Review and Consideration of Lahren First Minor: The subdivision application was placed on hold by the applicant who wanted to submit additional information. Mike said the subdivision review will be rescheduled for the next Planning & Development Board meeting on February 19th with the site visit on Tuesday, February 17th.

Economic Development Update: Peter Fox said the petition for annexation for Loves Truck Stop was denied by the Livingston City Commission. There is another petition for annexation of an eleven acre property located south of Albertsons. It is not know at this time what the property will be used for once annexed.

<u>Gardiner Gateway Project Update:</u> Phase one of the project is out for bid. The bid openings will be the first part of February, the bid award mid-February and the notice to proceed probably by mid-March. The County is in the process of developing a public relations campaign protocol for the County, Yellowstone National Park, Western Federal

Highways and the interaction and interconnection between them. Phase two design has commenced and is 50% completed with the expectation of 70% completion by April. There will be weekly public meetings once construction starts to answer questions about specific construction activities.

<u>CIP Update:</u> It's near the end of the first round of public comment period. The Commissioners will review the comments then there will be a second round of public comment. The consultant the County hired to assist with the CIP had to step down due to health problems and Kristen Galbraith has taken on most of the responsibility for the final draft CIP with help from Parks Frady, Mike Inman and others. The Commissioners will hold another public meeting in February to address public comment then they will identify those projects that are funded and where they fall within the one to five year duration of the plan. The CIP should be finalized and adopted by March.

<u>Projects and Grants Update:</u> Mike said the bike trail resurfacing and the Gardiner sidewalk projects should start this spring. Kristen and Mike are working with Jerry Brekke for interpretive signs identifying sites along the bike trail as part of the RTP grant. Mike, Kristen and Parks recently met with a graphic designer to develop a county logo which would be used for letterhead and all things Park County. In March the County will be applying for another RTP grant. Mike said there will be a meeting soon to look at the current county projects as well as the ability of the County to take on new projects.

Board Discussion: The Board discussed take a-ways from the Public Land Use Process including how to better notice meetings and encourage participation. Peter talked about the benefits of possibly of reestablishing a City/County Planning Board. Mike gave the Board a synopsis of the City of Livingston workshop he attended on the current city's annexation process. The Board discussed possible thank you gifts for Dr. Eric Austin for facilitating the Public Land Use Process.

Discussion of February Agenda: Upcoming subdivisions

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: 5:36pm

Peter D. Fox Chairman