## **Planning & Development Board**

June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Gardiner Community Center Park County, Montana

<u>Attendance:</u> Planning Board Members Peter Fox, Traci Isaly, Mike Dailey, Frank Schroeder, Rich Baerg and Dave Haug via conference call. Also present Mike Inman, Planning Director

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

Public Comment on Agenda Items not Scheduled for a Public Hearing: None

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: The board reviewed minutes of the May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting and corrected several typos. *Frank Schroeder moved to approve the minutes as amended, Mike Dailey seconded the motion. Motion passed.* 

**Conflict of Interest:** None

<u>Gardiner Gateway Site Visit:</u> The Board took a site visit of the Gardiner Gateway Project at 2pm. Frank Schroeder said it was exciting to see what's being done and how much of a benefit it will be to the city of Gardiner and perhaps it will be an impetus to Livingston to upgrade. Other Board members agreed.

<u>Valley Corridor</u>: At the last meeting the Board discussed tacking this issue based on information in the Paradise Valley Corridor study. Mike said there were two applicable sections regarding the visual, cultural and scenic valley and other considerations. As the study was in progress the study members held public meetings in Gardiner and Livingston and some attendees had concerns regarding signs. Mike said he thought it would be a good idea if the Board reached out to communities along this corridor to foster a conversation regarding concerns for and against signs and billboards and then come up with a recommendation to the Commissioners. Mike felt that the first step would be for the Board to sit down with the Commissioners and have a discussion on the subject and Peter said the best approach would be to invite the Commissioners to a Planning & Development Board Meeting rather than a formal appearance before the Commission. Frank Schroeder moved that the Board invite the Commissioners to the next Planning & Development Board meeting for the expressed purpose of talking about the issues of signs in the Paradise Valley Corridor. Traci Isaly seconded the motion. Motion passed.

<u>Discussion of County Decay Ordinance:</u> Peter Fox asked for this item to be postponed and put on the agenda in three or four months while the Board tackles the Paradise Valley corridor issue.

<u>Park County Economic Development Update:</u> The Northern Rocky Mountain Economic Development District is continuing to try and market the two county district as a place for data centers. Peter said there are some questions as to how the process is proceeding and if Park County is getting full exposure. Peter has asked that this issue be put on the agenda of the NRMEDD's executive committee.

<u>Project and Grants Updates:</u> The TIGER grant was successfully submitted which included about 90 letters of support. The County should find out in the fall if it will receive the grant.

The County hopes to have an agreement signed with the Gardiner Water and Sewer District for Confluence Park by the middle of next month. There is a tentative site visit with the Commissioners, CTA, Shannon Piccolo, Mike Inman and Ron Shorter with the District scheduled for 6/29/15.

Mike said Kristen with Nittany Grant Works is currently working on three more grants for the County including one for the Sherriff's office.

**Discussion of July**: The meeting will be in Livingston at 2pm in the Community Room.

**Public Comment**: None.

**Adjournment**: 5:15pm

Peter D. Fox Chairman