

**Planning & Development Board**  
Clyde Park Rural Firehall May 18, 2017

**Attendance:** Planning Board Members Peter Fox, Mike Dailey, Frank O' Connor, Rich Baerg, Frank Schroeder, John Heidke; Michael Inman, Park County Planning;

**Call to Order:** 4:00 pm, Peter Fox called the meeting to order and introduced the present Board members.

**Review and Approval of Minutes from Regular April Meeting:** *Heidke motioned to approve the minutes, O' Connor seconded, motion passed unanimously.*

**Public Comment on items not on the Agenda:** None.

**Clyde Park Planning Board Updates:** Inman updated the Board that he had received an email from DeWitt stating that the Clyde Park Planning Board would not be able to attend the Board meeting

**Discussion of Park County Public Decay Ordinance:** Fox informed the Board that a Public Decay Ordinance had been discussed by the Board for several years but nothing has resulted this far. Fox went on to provide examples of Public Decay Ordinances from Gallatin County and Flathead County. The Board briefly discussed the similarities of Park County to the examples. Inman asked the Board to consider the cost of a Decay Ordinance for Park County and brought up the difficulty of administering and enforcing the Ordinance at the current staffing level. Inman recommended the Board bring in the County Public Works Director as well as the Civil Attorney to discuss the County's ability to administer a Decay Ordinance and to help determine what the administrative structure might look like.

**Discussion of Board Priorities Related to Goals/ Objectives/Tasks:** After reviewing the new Growth Policy O'Connor expressed his interest to have the Board pursue improving County roads and right-of-ways and provided Orea Creek as an example of a road that would benefit from further improvements.

Baerg expressed his desire to see the Board focus on housing issues in Park County. Baerg wanted to know what the Board could do to help with the housing shortage in the area and wanted to know the impacts of Vacation Rentals on the local long term rental market.

Schroeder stated that the time was right to explore a sign ordinance In Paradise Valley given the recent adoption of the Growth Policy and the contentious land issues that seem to keep arising.

Fox restated his opinion that the County should explore a Community Decay Ordinance.

Haug suggested that the Board focus on working with the City to extend City infrastructure north of Livingston to encourage development in that area. Haug also expressed a desire to have the Board pursue a loop road north of Livingston. Haug stated that a prior Commission had considered and denied the construction of the road in the past.

Dailey agreed with the other members of the Board that they had all raised valid areas of pursuit for the Board to focus on.

**Project Updates:** Inman provided updates on the status of the Carter's Bridge Trail Extension, The Growth Policy, the Active Transportation Coalition and the Building Active Communities Institute Workshop in Butte.

Fox updated the Board that he would be working with the City to reconvene the joint City County Interlocal Zoning Exploratory Committee.

**Old Business:** Schroeder gave an update that he had talked to Craig Caes with the Park County Environmental Health Department to ask about the potential Atkins project in Paradise Valley. Schroeder said that it appears that Mike Atkins had applied for a permit to operate a glass recycling plant. Inman notified the Board that this permit process was through DEQ and therefore the Board would not have a hand or a say in the decision.

**New Business:** none.

**Discussion of June Agenda:** Inman reminded the Board that they would be meeting in Gardiner in June. Fox inquired about the potential for a walkthrough of the completed Gardiner Gateway project and Inman stated he would look into arranging that for the Board.

**Adjournment:** Fox adjourned the meeting.