

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
Monday, March 18, 2013 at 9:00 AM
Justice Building, Supreme Court Courtroom
215 N. Sanders
Helena, MT

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Members Present

Governor Steve Bullock
Attorney General Tim Fox
Commissioner of Securities and Insurance Monica Lindeen
Secretary of State Linda McCulloch
Superintendent of Public Instruction Denise Juneau (via telephone conferencing)

Testifying Staff

John Tubbs, DNRC Director
Monte Mason, DNRC Minerals Management Bureau Chief

Attachments

Related Materials, Attachment 1 – Sign-in Sheet

Call to Order

00:00:00 Governor Steve Bullock called the meeting to order.
00:00:11 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve the February 19, 2013, minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lindeen and carried unanimously.
00:00:29 Governor Bullock

Business Considered

313-1 DPHHS: Set Minimum Bid for Sale – Warm Springs Store

00:00:35 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
00:01:20 Governor Bullock
00:01:28 Ms. McCulloch moved to set the minimum bid. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fox and carried unanimously.

313-2 Land Banking Parcels: Preliminary Approval for Sale

313-3 Land Banking Parcels: Set Minimum Bid for Sale

00:01:47 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of items 313-2 and 313-3.
00:03:15 Governor Bullock
00:03:17 Mr. Fox
00:03:18 Ms. Lindeen
00:03:19 Governor Bullock
00:03:29 Mr. Fox moved for preliminary approval of item 313-2, and to set the minimum bid for item 313-3. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lindeen and carried unanimously.

313-4 Timber Sale: Lake Rogers

- 00:03:51 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
- 00:04:39 Governor Bullock
- 00:04:48 Ms. Lindeen moved to approve the timber sale. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCulloch and carried unanimously.

313-5 Communitization Agreement: Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation

- 00:05:09 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
- 00:06:00 Governor Bullock
- 00:06:08 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve the communitization agreement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fox and carried unanimously.

313-6 Oil and Gas Lease Sale (March 5, 2013)

- 00:06:29 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
- 00:07:01 Governor Bullock
- 00:07:10 Ms. Lindeen moved to approve the oil and gas lease sale. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fox.

Board Discussion/Comments

- 00:07:12 Governor Bullock
- 00:07:51 Mr. Monte Mason
- 00:08:29 Governor Bullock
- 00:08:40 Ms. Lindeen
- 00:08:41 Governor Bullock

00:08:45 The motion to approve the oil and gas lease sale carried unanimously.

313-7 Disclaimer of Interest: Berrum Addition

- 00:08:51 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
- 00:09:21 Governor Bullock
- 00:09:28 Mr. Fox moved to approve the disclaimer of interest. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCulloch and carried unanimously.

313-8 Easements

A. Rights-of-Way

- 00:09:34 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
- 00:10:22 Governor Bullock
- 00:10:25 Mr. Tubbs
- 00:10:30 Governor Bullock
- 00:10:31 Mr. Tubbs
- 00:11:00 Governor Bullock
- 00:11:10 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve the rights-of-way. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lindeen and carried unanimously.

B. Reciprocal Access Agreement: Mount Ellis Easement Exchange

- 00:11:26 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
- 00:12:08 Governor Bullock
- 00:12:16 Ms. Lindeen moved to approve the reciprocal access agreement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fox and carried unanimously.

General Public Comment

None

General Land Board Comments

00:12:43 Mr. Tubbs
00:13:16 Governor Bullock
00:13:21 Mr. Tubbs
00:13:54 Governor Bullock
00:13:57 Mr. Tubbs
00:14:11 Governor Bullock

Adjournment

00:14:21 Adjournment

PRESIDENT

ATTEST

/s/ Steve Bullock
Steve Bullock, Governor

/s/ John E. Tubbs
John E. Tubbs, DNRC Director

