

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
Monday, October 21, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.
Capitol Building
Helena, MT

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Members Present

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

Members Absent

None

Testifying Staff

John Tubbs, DNRC Director
Hugh Zackheim, FWP Lands Program Manager
Candace Durran, FWP Land Conservation Specialist
Tommy Butler, DNRC Legal Counsel

Attachments

Related Materials, Attachment 1 – Sign-in Sheet

Call to Order

00:00:00 Governor Bullock called the meeting to order.
00:00:06 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve the September 23, 2013, minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau and carried unanimously.

Business Considered

1013-1 FWP: Land Acquisition – North Shore Flathead Lake Wildlife Management Area (Addition)

00:00:29 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
00:01:19 Mr. Zackheim
00:02:15 Ms. Juneau moved to approve item 1013-1. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lindeen.

Board Discussion/Comments

00:02:25 Mr. Fox
00:02:41 Mr. Zackheim
00:02:55 Mr. Fox
00:03:02 Mr. Zackheim
00:03:55 Mr. Fox

00:04:15 Mr. Zackheim
00:04:31 Ms. Durran
00:05:12 The motion to approve item 1013-1 carried unanimously.

1013-2 FWP: Land Acquisition – Fishing Access Sites

A. Upper Big Spring Creek

B. Carroll Trail Addition (on Lower Big Spring Creek)

00:05:24 Governor Bullock
00:05:36 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of items 1013-2A and 1013-2B.
00:06:55 Mr. Zackheim
00:09:12 Mr. Fox moved to approve items 1013-2 and 1013-2B. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCulloch and carried unanimously.

C. Prickly Pear

00:09:30 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of 1013-2C.
00:10:21 Mr. Zackheim

Public Comment

00:11:10 Andy Bauer, Prickly Pear Land Trust Executive Director

Board Discussion/Comments

00:12:00 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve 1013-2C. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fox.
00:12:10 Governor Bullock
00:12:51 The motion to approve 1013-2C carried unanimously.

1013-3 Timber Sale: Bitter Herring

00:12:56 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
00:13:57 Ms. Juneau moved to approve item 1013-3. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCulloch and carried unanimously.

1013-4 Communitization Agreements

A. G3 Operating, LLC – Olson 1-21-16H Well

B. Whiting Oil and Gas – State 21-28H Well

00:14:13 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of items 1013-4A and 1013-4B.
00:15:36 Mr. Fox moved to approve items 1013-4A and 1013-4B. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau and carried unanimously.

1013-5 Land Banking Parcels: Preliminary Approval for Sale

A. Stillwater County

B. Yellowstone County

00:15:54 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of items 1013-5A and 1013-5B.

Public Comment

00:17:21 Randy Knowles

Board Discussion/Comments

00:20:31 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve 1013-5A and 1013-5B. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lindeen.
00:20:40 Mr. Fox
00:21:47 Mr. Knowles

00:22:09 The motion to approve 1013-5A and 1013-5B carried unanimously.

1013-6 Land Banking Parcels: Final Approval for Sale

00:22:15 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.

00:23:10 Ms. Juneau moved to approve item 1013-6. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fox and carried unanimously.

1013-7 Quiet Title: Salmond Ranch Road Stipulation of Easement and Disclaimer of Interest – Deep Creek Ranch and Management Co. LLC

00:23:25 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.

00:24:23 Mr. Butler

Public Comment

00:27:50 Mr. Knowles

00:30:34 Ms. Juneau moved to approve 1013-7. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCulloch and carried unanimously.

1013-8 Easements

00:30:53 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.

00:32:43 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve item 1013-8. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau and carried unanimously.

General Public Comment

00:33:08 Mr. Knowles

General Land Board Comments

00:37:00 Mr. Fox

00:37:30 Governor Bullock

Adjournment

00:37:37 Adjournment

PRESIDENT

ATTEST

/s/ Steve Bullock
Steve Bullock, Governor

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

