

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS**  
**Monday, May 16, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.**  
**State Capitol, Room 303**  
**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

**Members Absent**

None

**Testifying Staff**

John Tubbs, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) Director  
Darlene Edge, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) Lands Program Manager  
Shawn Thomas, DNRC Trust Land Management Division (TLMD) Administrator  
Amy Randall, DNRC Real Estate Management Bureau Chief

**Attachments**

Related Materials, Attachment 1 – sign-in sheet  
Related Materials, Attachment 2 – Submitted by Rion Miles

**Call to Order**

00:00:01 Governor Bullock called the meeting to order.  
00:00:09 Ms. Lindeen moved to approve the April 20, 2016, minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau and carried unanimously.

**Business Considered**

**516-1 FWP: Land Acquisitions**

**A. Beartooth, Blackleaf, Sun River Wildlife Management Area Additions – DNRC holdings**

00:00:18 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-1A.

**Board Discussion/ Comments**

00:00:57 Ms. Edge  
00:03:36 Governor Bullock  
00:03:40 Nick Gevock, Montana Wildlife Federation Conservation Director  
00:04:35 Governor Bullock

00:04:44 Ms. Juneau moved to approve item 516-1A. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCulloch.  
00:04:56 Ms. McCulloch  
00:05:11 Mr. Tubbs  
00:05:47 Ms. McCulloch  
00:05:55 Governor Bullock

00:05:59 The motion to approve item 516-1A carried unanimously.

**516-1 FWP: Land Acquisitions:**

**B. Threemile Wildlife Management Area – Antrim Addition Donation**

00:06:14 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-1B.  
00:11:16 Governor Bullock

**Board Discussion/ Comments**

00:06:23 Ms. Edge  
00:07:46 Governor Bullock  
00:07:53 Nick Gevock, Montana Wildlife Federation Conservation Director  
00:08:26 Governor Bullock

00:04:46 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve item 516-1B. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lindeen and carried unanimously.  
00:08:50 Governor Bullock

**516-2 Timber Sales:**

**A. Antice South**

**B. Cilly Napa**

**C. Little Rock Sears**

00:09:25 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-2A through 516-2C.  
00:11:16 Governor Bullock

00:11:25 Mr. Fox moved to approve item 516-2A through 516-2C. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau and carried unanimously.

**516-3 Agricultural and Grazing Lease: Competitive Bid hearing**

**Lease No. 705 – Donald R. Beck (Lessee)/John Russin (Bidder)**

00:11:42 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-3.  
00:12:52 Governor Bullock

00:13:06 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve item 516-3. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau and carried unanimously.

**516-4 Sale of Cabin and Home Sites: Preliminary Approval for Sale**

00:13:25 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-4.  
00:14:03 Governor Bullock

00:14:12 Ms. Lindeen moved to approve item 516-4. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fox and carried unanimously.

**516-5 Sale of Cabin and Home Sites: Set Minimum Bid for Sale – Sale 783**

00:14:29 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-5.  
00:15:16 Governor Bullock

00:15:23 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve item 516-5. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau and carried unanimously.

**516-6 Sale of Cabin and Home Sites: Final Approval for Sale – Sale 766 & 768**

00:15:37 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-6.

00:16:14 Governor Bullock

00:16:22 Mr. Fox moved to approve item 516-6. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCulloch and carried unanimously.

**516-7 Land Banking Parcel: Preliminary Approval for sale**

00:16:35 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-7.

00:17:08 Governor Bullock

00:20:28 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve item 516-7. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau.

**Board Discussion/ Comments**

00:17:25 Ms. Lindeen

00:18:00 Mr. Thomas

00:19:17 Governor Bullock

00:19:27 Mr. Thomas

00:19:42 Governor Bullock

00:19:51 Ms. Lindeen

00:19:59 Mr. Thomas

00:20:04 Governor Bullock

00:20:27 The motion to approve item 516-7 carried unanimously.

**516-8 Administrative Rule Adoption – DNRC Cabin Site Rules (MAR 36-22-184)**

00:20:39 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-8.

00:21:16 Governor Bullock

**Board Discussion/Comments**

00:21:25 Margaret Morgan, Montana State Leaseholders Association (MSLA)

00:27:07 Governor Bullock

00:27:16 Ms. McCulloch moved to approve item 516-8. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau.

00:27:27 Mr. Fox

00:27:30 Mr. Tubbs

00:27:53 Ms. Randall

00:29:27 Governor Bullock

00:29:39 Ms. Randall

00:30:19 Mr. Fox

00:31:22 Ms. Randall

00:31:53 Mr. Tubbs

00:33:44 Mr. Fox

00:33:53 Ms. Randall

00:35:20 Governor Bullock

00:35:35 Ms. Morgan

00:38:58 Governor Bullock

00:39:01 Mr. Fox

00:39:19 Ms. Randall

00:40:04 Mr. Fox

00:40:27 Mr. Tubbs  
00:42:54 Governor Bullock

00:43:05 The motion to approve item 516-8 passed 4-1 (Mr. Fox dissenting).

**516-9 Easements:**

**A. Easements**

00:43:46 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-9A pages 84 through 132. The Butte Pipeline Easements were considered separately.  
00:44:20 Governor Bullock  
00:44:38 Ms. Lindeen moved to approve item 516-9A pages 84 through 132. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau and carried unanimously.

**516-9A Easements: Butte Pipeline**

00:44:58 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-9A Butte Pipeline Easements pages 133 through 146.  
00:46:37 Governor Bullock

**Board Discussion/Comments**

00:46:43 Rion Miles, International Union of Operating Engineers Business Manager  
00:49:57 Governor Bullock  
00:50:07 Ken Dockweiler, Butte Pipeline Company  
00:53:05 Governor Bullock  
00:53:27 Mr. Dockweiler  
00:54:06 Governor Bullock  
00:54:18 Alan Olson, Montana Petroleum Association  
00:55:01 Governor Bullock  
00:55:07 Mr. Miles  
00:55:45 Tad True, Bridger and Bel Fourche Pipeline Company Vice-President  
00:56:27 Governor Bullock  
00:56:35 Mr. Fox moved to approve item 516-9A Butte Pipeline Easements pages 133 through 146. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lindeen.  
00:57:00 Ms. Lindeen  
00:57:40 Governor Bullock  
00:57:50 Mr. Thomas  
01:00:43 Governor Bullock  
01:00:47 Ms. Lindeen  
01:01:09 Mr. True  
01:01:26 Governor Bullock  
  
01:03:41 The motion to approve item 516-9A Butte Pipeline Easements pages 133 through 146 carried unanimously.

**516-9 Easements:**

**B. Prairie Creek Reciprocal Access Agreement**

01:03:53 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of item 516-9B.  
01:04:27 Governor Bullock

01:04:37 Ms. Lindeen moved to approve item 516-9B. The motion was seconded by Ms. Juneau and carried unanimously.

**Board Discussion/Comments**

01:05:03 Mr. Tubbs

**Adjournment**

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PRESIDENT

ATTEST

/s/ Steve Bullock  
Steve Bullock, Governor

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