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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
August 23, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.
State Capitol, Room 303
Helena, MT

Please note: *The Land Board has adopted the audio recording of its meetings as the official record, as allowed by [2-3-212, MCA](#). These minutes provide an abbreviated summary of the Land Board discussion, public testimony, action taken, and other activities. The time designations listed are approximate and may be used to locate the referenced discussion on the audio recording of this meeting. Access to an electronic copy of these minutes and the audio recording is provided from the Land Board webpage at <http://dnrc.mt.gov/LandBoard>. The written minutes summary, along with the audio recordings, are listed by meeting date on the Land Board Archive webpage.*

Members Present

Governor Greg Gianforte
Attorney General Austin Knudsen
Commissioner of Securities and Insurance Troy Downing
Secretary of State Christi Jacobsen
Superintendent of Public Instruction Elsie Arntzen

Members Absent

None

Testifying Staff

Amanda Kaster, DNRC Director
Shawn Thomas, DNRC Administrator, Trust Lands management Division
Ryan Weiss, DNRC Bureau Chief Real Estate Management Division
Cory Shaw, DNRC Land Section Supervisor

Attachments

Related Materials, Attachment 1 – *sign-in sheet*
Related Materials, Attachment 2 – *Guiding Real Estate Development on Montana's School Trust Lands*

Call to Order

00:00:01 Governor Gianforte called the meeting to order.
00:00:09 Commissioner Downing moved to approve the July 19, 2021, minutes. The motion was seconded by Attorney General Knudsen and carried unanimously.

Business Considered

0821-1 CABIN AND HOMESITES: FINAL APPROVAL FOR SALE

00:00:33 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:01:38 Governor Gianforte

00:01:58 Attorney General Knudsen moved to approve item 0821-1.

Public Comment

None

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Board Discussion/Comments

- 00:02:08 Commissioner Downing
- 00:05:37 Governor Gianforte
- 00:05:42 Superintendent Arntzen
- 00:06:47 Governor Gianforte
- 00:06:50 Attorney General Knudsen
- 00:06:57 Governor Gianforte
- 00:06:58 Attorney General Knudsen
- 00:08:22 Governor Gianforte
- 00:08:24 Commissioner Downing
- 00:08:50 Attorney General Knudsen
- 00:09:15 Commissioner Downing
- 00:09:16 Governor Gianforte

- 00:10:19 The motion to approve item 0821-1 carried with a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Downing opposed.

0821-2 EASEMENTS: STANDARD GRANTS

- 00:10:29 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
- 00:11:23 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment

None

- 00:11:41 Commissioner Downing moved to approve item 0821-2. The motion was seconded by Attorney General Knudsen and carried unanimously.

Board Discussion/Comments

None

0821-3 INFORMATIONAL ITEM: FY22 REAL ESTATE PROJECT LIST

- 00:12:08 Ms. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
- 00:13:00 Governor Gianforte
- 00:13:01 Ryan Weiss DNRC, Real Estate Bureau Chief
- 00:14:42 Governor Gianforte
- 00:15:03 Cory Shaw DNRC, Property Management Section Supervisor
- 00:15:07 Governor Gianforte
- 00:15:08 Ms. Shaw
- 00:17:26 Governor Gianforte
- 00:17:30 Attorney General Knudsen
- 00:17:47 Ms. Shaw
- 00:17:56 Attorney General Knudsen
- 00:18:06 Ms. Shaw
- 00:18:11 Shawn Thomas DNRC, Division Administrator Trust Lands Management Division
- 00:19:42 Attorney General Knudsen
- 00:19:56 Governor Gianforte
- 00:19:57 Mr. Thomas
- 00:20:03 Governor Gianforte
- 00:20:06 Commissioner Downing
- 00:21:09 Governor Gianforte

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General Public Comment

00:21:39 Jeff Reynolds, Resident Harrison/Cardwell Montana
00:22:03 Governor Gianforte
00:22:09 Mr. Reynolds
00:24:29 Governor Gianforte
00:24:31 Mr. Reynolds
00:24:42 Governor Gianforte
00:24:49 Mrs. Kaster
00:24:51 Governor Gianforte
00:24:58 Mrs. Kaster
00:25:07 Mr. Reynolds
00:25:24 Mr. Weiss
00:26:23 Governor Gianforte
00:26:28 Mr. Weiss
00:26:29 Governor Gianforte
00:26:32 Mr. Weiss
00:26:32 Governor Gianforte
00:26:43 Mr. Weiss
00:26:44 Governor Gianforte
00:26:54 Mrs. Kaster
00:26:57 Governor Gianforte
00:27:01 Mrs. Kaster
00:27:08 Governor Gianforte
00:27:21 Mrs. Kaster
00:27:40 Mr. Thomas
00:28:44 Attorney General Knudsen
00:28:45 Governor Gianforte
00:28:46 Attorney General Knudsen
00:29:01 Mr. Thomas
00:29:29 Attorney General Knudsen
00:29:45 Governor Gianforte
00:30:04 Commissioner Downing
00:30:17 Governor Gianforte
00:30:58 Commissioner Downing
00:30:59 Governor Gianforte

Adjournment

00:31:29 Adjournment

PRESIDENT

ATTEST

/s/
Greg Gianforte, Governor

/s/
Amanda Kaster, DNRC Director