MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
December 13, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.
State Capitol, Room 303
Helena, MT

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Members Present
Governor Greg Gianforte
Attorney General Austin Knudsen
Commissioner of Securities and Insurance Troy Downing (via zoom)
Secretary of State Christi Jacobsen
Superintendent of Public Instruction Elsie Arntzen

Members Absent
None

Testifying Staff
Amanda Kaster, DNRC Director
Trevor Taylor, DNRC Bureau Chief, Mineral Management Bureau
Shawn Thomas, DNRC Administrator, Trust Lands Management Division

Attachments
Related Materials, Attachment 1 – sign-in sheet

Call to Order
00:00:05 Governor Gianforte called the meeting to order.
00:00:29 Commissioner Downing moved to approve the November 15, 2021, minutes. The motion was seconded by Superintendent Arntzen and carried unanimously.

Business Considered

1221-1 TIMBER SALE: BURR HAMILTON
00:00:50 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:01:52 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment
None
00:02:07 Attorney General Knudsen moved to approve item 1221-1. The motion was seconded by Superintendent Arntzen and carried unanimously.
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**Board Discussion/Comments**

None

**1221-2 OIL AND GAS LEASE SALE (December 7, 2021)**

00:02:31 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:03:29 Governor Gianforte

**Public Comment**

None

00:03:38 Attorney General Knudsen moved to approve item 1221-2. The motion was seconded by Superintendent Arntzen.

**Board Discussion/Comments**

00:03:45 Governor Gianforte
00:03:59 Mrs. Kaster
00:04:10 Trevor Taylor DNRC, Minerals Management Bureau Chief
00:04:56 Governor Gianforte
00:04:59 Mr. Taylor
00:05:03 Governor Gianforte
00:05:12 Commissioner Downing
00:05:13 Governor Gianforte
00:05:14 Commissioner Downing
00:05:33 Governor Gianforte
00:05:41 Superintendent Arntzen
00:05:52 Governor Gianforte

00:05:55 The motion to approve item 1221-2 carried unanimously.

**1221-3 CABIN AND HOME SITE: SET MINIMUM BID FOR SALE**

**A. FLATHEAD COUNTY**

**B. SANDERS COUNTY**

00:06:03 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:06:13 Governor Gianforte
00:06:16 Mrs. Kaster
00:07:00 Governor Gianforte

**Public Comment**

None

00:07:10 Attorney General Knudsen moved to approve item 1221-3 A, B. The motion was seconded by Secretary Jacobsen.

**Board Discussion/Comments**

00:07:23 Commissioner Downing
00:09:02 Governor Gianforte

00:09:24 The motion to approve item 1221-3 A,B carried with a 4-1 vote Commissioner Downing opposed.
1221-4 CABIN AND HOME SITE: FINAL APPROVAL FOR SALE
00:09:34 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:10:18 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment
None

00:10:27 Attorney General Knudsen moved to approve item 1221-4. The motion was seconded by Superintendent Arntzen.

Board Discussion/Comments
None

00:10:38 The motion to approve item 1221-4 carried with a 4-1 vote Commissioner Downing opposed.

1221-5 EASEMENTS
00:10:46 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:11:26 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment
None

00:11:35 Superintendent Arntzen moved to approve item 1221-5. The motion was seconded by Attorney General Knudsen and carried unanimously.

Board Discussion/Comments
None

1221-6 BIENNIAL CABIN SITE LEASE RATE REVIEW: (OCTOBER 2019- OCTOBER 2021)
00:11:56 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:13:04 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment
None

00:13:13 Attorney General Knudsen moved to approve item 1221-6. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Downing.

Board Discussion/Comments
00:13:26 Commissioner Downing
00:14:20 Governor Gianforte
00:14:22 Superintendent Arntzen
00:14:48 Shawn Thomas DNRC Administrator, Trust Lands Management Division
00:14:58 Superintendent Arntzen
00:15:20 Mr. Thomas
00:16:40 Superintendent Arntzen
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00:17:10  Mr. Thomas
00:17:23  Governor Gianforte
00:17:46  Mr. Thomas
00:17:52  Governor Gianforte
00:17:56  Superintendent Arntzen
00:18:15  Mr. Thomas
00:18:22  Governor Gianforte

00:18:25  The motion to approve item 1221-6 carried unanimously.

**General Public Comment**

None

**Adjournment**

00:19:02  Adjournment

PRESIDENT                                            ATTEST

/s/  Greg Gianforte__________________        /s/ Amanda Kaster__________________
Greg Gianforte, Governor                             Amanda Kaster, DNRC Director
# SIGN-IN SHEET
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