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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
October 18, 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 (via zoom)
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
Dan Rogers, DNRC Bureau Chief, Forest Management Bureau
Ryan Weiss, DNRC Bureau Chief, Real Estate Management Bureau

Attachments

Related Materials, Attachment 1 – sign-in sheet

Call to Order

00:00:06 Governor Gianforte called the meeting to order.
00:00:23 Commissioner Downing moved to approve the September 20, 2021, minutes. The motion was seconded by Superintendent Arntzen and carried unanimously.

Business Considered

1021-1 TIMBER SALES

A. McCully Ridge Salvage

B. Upper Swede II

00:00:44 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:02:41 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment

None

00:02:53 Commissioner Downing moved to approve item 1021-1 A, B.

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Board Discussion/Comments

00:03:05 Superintendent Arntzen
00:03:08 Governor Gianforte
00:03:09 Superintendent Arntzen
00:03:19 Mrs. Kaster
00:03:30 Superintendent Arntzen
00:03:34 Dan Rogers, DNRC Bureau Chief, Forest Management Bureau
00:04:30 Superintendent Arntzen
00:04:31 Governor Gianforte

00:04:40 The motion to approve item 1021-1A, B carried unanimously.

1021-2 LAND BANKING: PRELIMINARY APPROVAL FOR SALE

00:04:50 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:06:03 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment

None

00:06:16 Commissioner Downing moved to approve item 1021-2

Board Discussion/Comments

00:06:29 Commissioner Downing
00:06:46 Governor Gianforte
00:06:48 Superintendent Arntzen
00:06:49 Governor Gianforte
00:06:50 Superintendent Arntzen
00:07:07 Mrs. Kaster
00:07:17 Governor Gianforte
00:07:24 Mrs. Kaster
00:07:26 Governor Gianforte
00:07:27 Mrs. Kaster
00:07:29 Governor Gianforte
00:07:32 Ryan Weiss, DNRC Bureau Chief, Real Estate Management Bureau
00:08:13 Governor Gianforte
00:08:25 Mr. Weiss
00:08:52 Governor Gianforte
00:08:54 Mr. Weiss
00:08:58 Governor Gianforte
00:08:59 Mr. Weiss
00:08:59 Governor Gianforte
00:09:02 Mr. Weiss
00:09:20 Governor Gianforte
00:09:26 Commissioner Downing
00:09:42 Governor Gianforte

00:09:50 The motion to approve item 1021-2 carried unanimously.

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1021-3 LAND BANKING: SET MINIMUM BID FOR SALE

00:09:58 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:10:40 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment

None

00:10:53 Superintendent Arntzen moved to approve item 1021-3. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Downing and carried unanimously.

Board Discussion/Comments

None

1021-4 LAND BANKING: FINAL APPROVAL FOR SALE

00:11:18 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:12:09 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment

None

00:12:20 Commissioner Downing moved to approve item 1021-4.

Board Discussion/Comments

00:12:29 Commissioner Downing
00:12:41 Governor Gianforte

00:12:49 The motion to approve item 1021-4 carried unanimously.

1021-5 CABIN AND HOMESITE SALES: SET MINIMUM BID FOR SALE

A. Lewis and Clark County

B. Flathead County

00:12:54 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.
00:13:56 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment

None

00:14:08 Secretary Jacobsen moved to approve item 1021-5 A, B.

Board Discussion/Comments

00:14:18 Commissioner Downing
00:14:43 Mrs. Kaster
00:14:51 Commissioner Downing
00:14:56 Mrs. Kaster
00:14:58 Mr. Weiss
00:15:10 Commissioner Downing
00:15:12 Governor Gianforte
00:15:13 Commissioner Downing
00:16:45 Governor Gianforte

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00:17:04 The motion to approve item 1021-5 A, B carried with a vote of 4-1 with Commissioner Downing opposed.

1021-6 EASEMENTS: STANDARG GRANT

00:17:13 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.

00:17:56 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment

None

00:18:11 Commissioner Downing moved to approve item 1021-6. The motion was seconded by Superintendent Arntzen and carried unanimously.

Board Discussion/Comments

None

1021-7 EASEMENTS: DNRC MILES CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE COMPOUND-APPLICATION NO. 19137

00:18:30 Mrs. Kaster gave an overview of the item.

00:19:12 Governor Gianforte

Public Comment

None

00:19:23 Commissioner Downing moved to approve item 1021-7. The motion was seconded by Secretary Jacobsen and carried unanimously.

Board Discussion/Comments

None

General Public Comment

00:19:54 Superintendent Arntzen

00:20:26 Governor Gianforte

00:20:30 Superintendent Arntzen

00:20:31 Governor Gianforte

00:20:34 Commissioner Downing

00:20:25 Governor Gianforte

Adjournment

00:20:38 Adjournment

PRESIDENT

ATTEST

/s/ Greg Gianforte
Greg Gianforte, Governor

/s/ Amanda Kaster
Amanda Kaster, DNRC Director

SIGN-IN SHEET
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NAME	AFFILIATION	E-MAIL/ADDRESS	<i>Check to be added to the interested parties list.</i>
Chad Mullman	USFS	chad.mullman@usda.gov	✓

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