



66121 MT Highway 37  
Eureka, MT 59917  
(406-297-2233)

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
DECEMBER 18, 2024, 4:00 pm  
LINCOLN COUNTY ANNEX**

| Board of Supervisors   | Associate Supervisor   | Advisors                  | Guests        |
|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Kathleen Johnson-Chair | Wayne Maahs            | Brian Stephens-FWP-absent | Larry Steward |
| Don Crawford           |                        | Kurt West-Planning Dept   | Leland Driggs |
| John DeLeo-Treasurer   | District Administrator | Brian Ressel- NRCS        |               |
| Gary Pershall          | Rhonda Rockwell        | Crissy Day                |               |
| Randy Evlins           |                        |                           |               |
| Ed Braaten             |                        |                           |               |

**Call Meeting to Order: 4pm**

**Public Comment**

None

**Minutes**

- Motion to approve Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> Minutes by Gary P.
- Second by John D.

**Financial Report**

Treasurers report by John D.

- Motion to approve November Financial Report by Randy E.
- Second by Don C.
- Motion passes unanimously

**MT FW&P- Brian Stephens**

**NRCS Report- Brian Ressel**

The state conservationist has retired, and the position is being advertised. The thinning program is still available in Libby, Glen Lake, and Fortine, as well as the community agriculture program. Last fall was the LWG, discussed was the ongoing issue of subdivision growth and wildlife decline. Crissy Day has been working the area called the Koocanusa triangle ( Hwy 93-Hwy 37 and Lake Koocanusa) Elk and deer numbers are a concern. There is not much property to sustain elk populations. Reseeding and wildlife friendly fencing are offered.

then the dam will be dropped in place. There will be filter cloth upstream. The project will be re-bedded with the same material as was removed. The same with wing walls, they will slope up, away from the creek. There will be minimal excavation. There will be no outside material removed or added. Upstream filter cloth will be folded over the material that

#### **Li-12-04-24, Driggs, Indian Creek-CONT**

was removed, big material holding/slowing the current. The wing walls will be constructed outside of the creek bed. The bank armoring will be as deep as the bottom of the box and 2 feet taller than the top of the box. This is all outside of the stream bed. During a high run off event, they would by hand roll rock back against the wall. The project consists of 3 pieces of concrete—one that gets dropped in the stream bed, and 2 get placed and pinned to that box outside of the stream bed. All that excavation does not exist in the stream bed. Those 3 pieces create the catch basin and the armament. The material against that wall is already there. So, virtually nothing is disturbed. Larry offered 3D drawings as an amendment. Larry summed it up as the catch basin going into stream bed and go all the way across the creek. From dry ground to dry ground. It will be flat with the bottom of the stream. Kathleen asked Larry if the infiltration gallery is the drawing included. Larry said it is the catch gallery and further described the 14" line. The irrigation line is 14". For the hydraulics to work properly once the water is running (the water pulling as a vacuum) you must start with a 20" pipe or it will suck air at the top. The math on water drop to calibration of pipe always has a bigger pipe at the beginning or the vacuum will pull more than the 14" pipe at the top. Referring to drawing he stated that is why there is a 20" circle on it. The box is all open inside. The extension on the end shows the pin holes for the walls to sit on. Further he pointed out the filtration gallery. Don C. asked if they would clean it by hand. Larry said they will slope the bottom of box and put a 6" pull with a valve to let out sediment. That will be completely out of the creek. Don C. brought out that what the Board approves of is what is given in writing in the application. Larry responded that he just received the questions yesterday and it would only take a couple of hours to get those drawings to show the details, the alluvium, filter, slope and box. Don C. asked if there was a hurry to get this done, and Larry said no, they are looking at February or March when flows are low. John DeLeo's only concerns were scour velocity and Larry had addressed that. Also, that annual maintenance was addressed. Gary P. reiterated the fact that Larry would have detailed documentation of what was lacking in the application well before the Jan board meeting. Larry said yes. Also brought out that there should be included use of any equipment, where it would be placed, and how it would be used. Larry said they would need an excavator because each unit would weigh about 7,000 pounds. Larry will provide photos adding where the placement of the pieces will go. Kathleen J. said we will email the questions that were brought out. Larry further added that the filter cloth would reduce sediment and is difficult to draw. Don C. asked if it would stop all the stream flow. Larry said it lets water through but holds alluvium in place.

- Motion by Don C. to postpone
- Second by Gary P.
- Motion passes unanimously

#### **C-06-02-24, Sill, Leiss, Kootenai River**

No new developments

#### **Li-12-03-24, Lincoln Electric, Lick Lake**

- Motion to declare not a project by Gary P.



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### Filling Supervisor Vacancy

Kathleen brought up that a south end Supervisor would be advantageous.

### Final inspection Reports

#### LI-10-02-24, Noble, Parmenter Creek

Don C. said the work looks appropriate.

- Close File

#### LI-01-01-24, Smith, Grave Creek

Kathleen and Randy E. did a site visit and work looks appropriate.

- Close File

### Open mic and other business

There was discussion about various permitting processes on Forest Service Land

### Adjourned at 5:21pm

X   
Kathleen Johnson  
Chair

X  1-15-25  
Rhonda Rockwell  
District Administrator



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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC  
MEETING  
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THE BOWL AT ABAYANCE BAY

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| Don Crawford           |                        |          |        |
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| Randy Evins            |                        |          |        |
| Ed Braaten             |                        |          |        |


Call Meeting to Order: 6:20 pm

LONG RANGE AND STRATEGIC PLAN

- Don Crawford made a motion to keep the plans as they stand
- Second by Gary Pershall
- Motion passes unanimously

Adjourned at 6:45 pm

X   
Kathleen Johnson  
Chair

X  1-15-25  
Rhonda Rockwell  
District Administrator