

NOTICE OF SUBDIVISION MEETING

May 13, 2004

Others attending all or part of the meeting: Tim Taylor and Dennis Iverson

Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Murray: Good morning and welcome. We need to make a couple of small modifications to our agenda and we will do that. Mr. Rupert is the executive director of the Boyd Andrew Treatment Center and we administer or we receive from the State of Montana earmarked alcohol tax funding that we have the authority to pass on to a state approved alcohol program. Boyd Andrew is the program in our community that we've used. Michael if we can get you up to the microphone please. Mike, we need you to identify yourself since we're making a taped transcription.

Mike Rupert: Mike Rupert, CEO Boyd Andrew Community Services. The state law regarding state approved status which is state approved status gives non profit organizations authority to receive the alcohol tax requires that every year the county designate what not for profit organizations they choose to give their money to and that happens every July 1st and that's what this is about, this is the form that needs to be signed that lists us, lists the various services we provide. Boyd Andrews has been in this community for thirty years and is growing rapidly. We just expanded our ____ by twenty beds and we may actually see if we can expand a little bit further later. In the CD world we are applying for small grants to add to the program, one be a family program to hire a family counselor to do nothing but provide what we call family weeks which are two or three day long activities and family counseling and then we're also applying for a small grant to add a half time licensed clinical psychologist, this being our chemical dependency offices that would provide co-occurring services and those are, co-occurring are people that have both mental illness and chemical dependency and this would be the first time we'd actually be able to treat both things at the same time in our offices. Those are the kind of new things that are going on so otherwise everything is roughly the same as it was last year.

Chair Murray: Thank you. Questions of Mr. Rupert?

Commissioner Tinsley: Nope.

Chair Murray: Is there a motion?

Commissioner Tinsley: Mr. Chairman I make a motion that we approve the request to update the County Identification Action Form and identify Boyd Andrews Community Services as our state approved chemical dependency treatment and prevention program to receive 100% of the county funds allocated and authorize the two commissioners to sign.

Chair Murray: Second. All in favor of the motion signify by saying Aye

Commissioner Tinsley: Aye

Chair Murray: Aye. Motion carries. Thank you Mike.

Mike Rupert: Thank you very much.

Bid Opening.

The Commissioners will consider opening bids for a Landfill Compactor.

Darrel Folkvord: Good Morning and Thank you. We had four bids submitted, one was a no-bid, three look to be good bids. I'd like to say Thank you, I see that representatives are here for the prospective member that submitted a bid, I want to Thank them for their time and effort that's been put into our bidding process and

also I'd like to meet with them afterwards to go over if there are any clarifications or questions you may have. Stick around afterwards please.

Chair Murray: Darrell will meet with you in the small conference room in the County Commissioners office. We have coffee or tea or water there for you folks.

Darrel Folkvord: The first bid this morning was from Modern Machinery and that was a no-bid. The next bid is from L. John, the bid is for \$309,637, the bid bond is attached, no addendums. The next bid is from Tractor and Equipment Company, the bid from Tractor and Equipment Company is \$296,702, bid bond is attached, there is an addendum sheet which discusses warranties and guarantee of purchase. I guess I might mention on the L. John Bid they did have that included but it wasn't a separate addendum as far as for warranty options or agree to purchase also. The next bid is from Western Plains Machinery, the bid was for \$398,443, bid bond is attached and I see no addendums.

Chair Murray: Mr. Folkvord would you take just a minute and explain for people present this morning what the compactor is, it's a large tractor

Darrel Folkvord: Yes, it's used in our solid waste landfill and what this machine does is it compacts the trash so that they can get more life out of the site.

Chair Murray: Thank you. It's my understanding that our landfill has a highest compaction rate in the Northwest out of the trash that we receive. Commissioner Tinsley is there a motion to take the bids under advisement and have staff make a recommendation at a future public meeting?

Commissioner Tinsley: So moved.

Chair Murray: Second. All in favor of the motion signify by saying Aye.

Commissioner Tinsley: Aye

Chair Murray: Aye. Motion carries. I want to thank those of you that provided us with bids, please go to the small conference room and the bids are available for review. Thank you.

Proposed Major Subdivision, Preliminary Plat to be known as Holmberg Village Estates, Block 2 Major.
(Applicant, H & I Development) (Planner, Michael McHugh) (cont. from 5/11/04)

The Commissioners will consider creating 56 lots; 52 lots each for one single-family dwelling and 4 lots to accommodate water facilities and storm water retention. The subdivision proposal is located in the SW1/4 of Section 16, T10N, R2W; generally located 1.5 miles east of and Lake Helena Drive and north of Canyon Ferry Road.

Commissioner Tinsley: Mr. Chairman I make a motion to approve the proposed major subdivision preliminary plat to be known as Holmberg Village Estates, Block 2 Major with the sixteen conditions attached and authorize the chair to sign.

Chair Murray: Second. Discussion?

Commissioner Tinsley: Mr. Chairman I did want to ask Michael and perhaps even the applicant, Mr. Iverson, quickly about the question of turn out, turn lanes into the subdivision and find out if that's something possible we can add into it as a condition of approval, I know it's on a State Highway, Mr. Iverson is raising his hand.

Chair Murray: Mr. Iverson if I can get you to use the podium please.

Dennis Iverson: Thank you Mr. Chairman, again Dennis Iverson business address 1820 North Last Chance Gulch. What I know about it to this point is based on discussions I've had with Jason Jarod who is the division, head

of the division at Helena's _____ and at the time he wasn't certain how far they were going to go with the next phase of Canyon Ferry Road, preliminarily they had decided to go only as far as the canal but the last conversation I had with him he said that they were hoping to bring it up past us, they cut the hills down and there intention at that time was to include the turn lanes. We've assured them and assured staff that if it's necessary for us to contribute to the costs of that work, we'd be happy to do that. The only concern about it, I don't mind having it as a condition, the only concern is if it is a condition than our homeowners will pay for it instead of federal highway funding but that's state policy just so you know.

Chair Murray: Thank you Mr. Iverson. The, it's the county commissions understanding the project will be built in two phases and the second phase is the phase that will pass your proposed subdivision and it will go to Lake Helena Drive from I believe York Road, the turn off to York Road. Commissioner Tinsley did that get your question answered?

Commissioner Tinsley: I think it did, I don't believe that we could add in if it's awarded. I don't know if this is something that's possible but if the applicant is just willing to state in a letter that could be supplied to our department, we could include it in the packet of your intentions, I think that would probably suffice.

Dennis Iverson: Certainly. I'd be happy to do that.

Chair Murray: That works for me.

Commissioner Tinsley: Okay. I appreciate that.

Chair Murray: Apparently planning staff is nodding so it works for them also. Further discussion?

Commissioner Tinsley: No, I believe that's it.

Chair Murray: Mr. Iverson, in taking a look at the proposed subdivision I obviously drove through your current subdivision and want to congratulate you on what a nice job that you've done there and your proposed site looks like a great place to build a home.

Dennis Iverson: I hope so

Chair Murray: I hope so too. All in favor of the motion to approve the subdivision signify by saying Aye

Commissioner Tinsley: Aye

Chair Murray: Aye. Motion carries. Thank you Mr. Iverson

Noxious Weed Grant Agreements. (Larry Hoffman)

- a. Headwaters of Little Prickly Pear, Canyon Creek, #MDA 2004-046. Maximum amount of \$60,000.
- b. Special \$6,200 County Weed District/Reservation Grant. Salary of weed management planner.
- c. MDT. Control of noxious weeds within limits of right-of-ways on state highways. Annual sum \$20,000.
- d. DNRC. To spray herbicide to reduce and control weeds within project areas. Not to exceed \$4,000.

Larry Hoffman: Little Prickly Pear Canyon Creek project is brought to us basically through a group, a community group headed up by Judith Ann Vincent. They went to Montana Department of Ag for a weed trust fund and received \$60,000 for a one-year program. That will be to manage noxious weeds and also community awareness and education programs. That will take in approximately 45 landowners in the Canyon Creek Area.

Chair Murray: Questions of Mr. Hoffman? Is there a motion?

Commissioner Tinsley: Mr. Chair I make a motion that we approve the noxious weed grant agreement with

Headwaters of Little Prickly Pear Canyon Creek, the maximum amount granted of \$60,000 and authorize the chair to sign.

Chair Murray: Second. All in favor of the motion signify by saying Aye

Commissioner Tinsley: Aye

Chair Murray: Aye. Motion carries. The next grant is a \$6,200 County Weed District Reservation Grant.

Larry Hoffman: This grant is through the Montana Department of Ag also through the trust fund is a special amount that we can apply for, we've set aside, the weed district has set aside these dollars for our weed planner and our enforcement person. It's one that is given our annually by the Department of Ag, I wish that you could support it.

Chair Murray: Questions of Mr. Hoffman?

Commissioner Tinsley: None

Chair Murray: Is there a motion?

Commissioner Tinsley: Mr. Chairman, I make a motion that we approve the noxious weed grant agreement, the special agreement of \$6,200 going to County Weed District for the reservation grant to augment the salary of the Weed Management Planner and authorize the chair to sign.

Chair Murray: Second. All in favor of the motion signify by saying Aye

Commissioner Tinsley: Aye

Chair Murray: Aye. Motion carries. Next item on the agenda is a Montana Department of Transportation control of noxious weeds within limits of right-of-ways on state highways.

Larry Hoffman: Mr. Chairman this is from the Great Falls Division to manage weeds on their properties and this is for the year 2005, or the spray season 2005 which begins July 1st, 2004. We hope that you would support this.

Chair Murray: Questions of Mr. Hoffman?

Commissioner Tinsley: None.

Chair Murray: Is there a motion?

Commissioner Tinsley: Mr. Chairman I make a motion that we approve the noxious weed grant agreement with the Montana Department of Transportation to control noxious weeds within the limits of right-of-ways on state highways the annual sum being \$20,000 and authorize the chair to sign.

Chair Murray: Second. Discussion. All in favor of the motion signify by saying Aye

Commissioner Tinsley: Aye

Chair Murray: Aye. Motion carries. Next item on the agenda is Department of Natural Resources to spray herbicide to reduce and control weeds within project areas.

Larry Hoffman: Mr. Chairman this is from DNRC from the Lincoln area, this is to support the weed management program that they have on the fires of last year in the Lincoln area and they are requesting us that we assist them by doing some contract work with them for up to \$4,000. I would hope that you would

approve this.

Chair Murray: Questions of Mr. Hoffman?

Commissioner Tinsley: No

Chair Murray: Is there a motion?

Commissioner Tinsley: Mr. Chairman I make a motion that we approve the agreement between the Lewis & Clark County Weed District and the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation for the noxious weed grant agreement not to exceed \$4,000 and authorize the chair to sign.

Chair Murray: Discussion. Second. All in favor of the motion signify by saying Aye

Commissioner Tinsley: Aye

Chair Murray: Aye. Motion carries. Mr. Hoffman, as long as we have you here, briefly explain to us how the drought is impacting weeds in our county. Are they not growing as well since we're so dry, or growing very well?

Larry Hoffman: Right now we've seen a new flush of weeds that we, in fact we're about two weeks ahead of time on, white top, since I don't think the conditions have hindered the weeds at all in fact I think they've increased and we have more population on like I said white top and also knap weed in the valley we're probably starting, we will be on them two weeks in advance of what we were last year. I don't think that it's going to be a good year for noxious weeds; I think it's going to be plentiful of noxious weeds. We've already started the sheep project up in the bucksnot area where ___ by a week and a half and that's a little higher elevations, Augusta and Lincoln are probably still about on key for us going up and doing any management, but I think the weeds that are growing right now with just this little moisture, this freeze back hasn't hurt them at all. I would say we're in for a good year.

Chair Murray: Mr. Hoffman in the greater Helena Valley area, is this the ideal time to start spraying for homeowners?

Larry Hoffman: Every case is different, they should be looking at the growth of plant, and if the growth of plant say for knapweed is already spurging or bolting out or ___ that's the time to get it, that's when it's most acceptable to ___ or mowing or pulling.

Chair Murray: Thank you. Commissioner Tinsley did you have questions?

Commissioner Tinsley: No, I wanted to compliment Larry on getting these agreements together.

Larry Hoffman: Thank you.

Commissioner Tinsley: Good job.

Chair Murray: Thanks Larry.

Public Comments.

Chair Murray: This is the opportunity in our public meeting for anyone, member of the public present that wishes to bring an item before the commission that we have control over to do so, there being no-one present, we are adjourned.

Adjourn.

- Due to a remodeling project in the Commission Chambers, beginning Thursday, April 22, 2004 all regular County Commission meetings will be held in Room 326 of the City-County Building until further notice. Thank you for your patience during this time.

- All public meetings are now videotaped by HCTV and will be aired on Ch. 11 later in the day.