

PUBLIC MEETING
July 5, 2005

Chairman Ed Tinsley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners Varone and Murray are present. Others attending all or portion of the meeting included Ron Alles, Frank Rives, Sheriff Cheryl Liedle, Phil and Terry Lamping, and Carole Byrnes.

Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone recited the Pledge.

Consent Action Items. There are no consent items.

Highway Traffic Safety Office Contract. Sheriff Liedle reported this is a standard grant through the Highway Safety Bureau in the amount of \$8,250 for the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) for overtime shifts for Lewis and Clark County. Commissioner Murray moved to approve the contract and authorize the chair to sign. Commissioner Varone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Reconsideration of Request for Modifications of Conditions of Approval For EZ Access Storage Minor Subdivision. (Applicants, Phil & Terry Lamping). Frank Rives reported Eastgate Volunteer Fire Chief Mergenthaler is adamant about requiring the applicants to contribute \$1,000 to the fire department for water supply services in this subdivision.

Commissioner Murray moved that the Commission reconsider the conditions of approval for the EZ Access Mini Storage Subdivision based on discussions with the deputy county attorney and the letter received from Chief Mergenthaler on July 1. Commissioner Varone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Commissioner Murray moved to modify the conditions of approval that EZ Access Mini Storage Subdivision be required to pay a fire department fee of \$500 instead of the \$1,000 originally requested by the Eastgate Volunteer Fire Department. Commissioner Varone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Commissioner Murray reluctantly moved to remove the requirement for a two-hour firewall half way through the storage unit. Commissioner Varone seconded the motion. Commissioner Tinsley opposed the motion. The motion carried 2-1.

Resolution To Request Prosecutorial Assistance. Ron Alles reported the resolution by the County Attorney to request assistance of the Attorney General's office in the matter of *Montana State Auditor Case No. 2005-500*. John K. Kurtz is the duly appointed Special Assistant Attorney General for the State of Montana. Commissioner Varone moved to approve the resolution appointing Special Assistant John K. Kurtz and authorize the chair to sign. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Public comments on matters not mentioned above. None.

There is no other business, the meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.