

COMMISSIONERS APPROVAL

FOSS *SF*

CHILCOTT *GC*

IMAN *JR*

STOLTZ *RS*

BURROWS *JB*

Members Present.....Commissioner Greg Chilcott, Commissioner J.R. Iman, Commissioner Ron Stoltz and Commissioner Jeff Burrows

Date.....November 16, 2012

► Minutes: Glenda Wiles

► Commissioner Foss attended a Western Montana Mental Health and CDC meeting during the morning hours in Hamilton.

► The Board met at 9:00 a.m. with Ron Skinner and Dan Rachael of Valley Veterans Service Center for an update on revenues. Dan was introduced as the new claims representative for Valley Veterans. Ron presented monthly stats for claims & contacts for 2012 which includes medical services and the breakdown of veterans (which war/branch of service). Ron noted the Valley Veterans Service in Hamilton is fortunate to have a full time claims representative (other locations might have a claims representative from the Veterans Administration for a total of 6 hours per month); they are also fortunate to have video conferencing and medical examination videos that can be sent to Doctors at Fort Harrison and Denver. The Board thanked Ron for his leadership as it assists the Veterans well, also noting the budget revenues and expenditures show the county tax dollars are very well spent. Ron hopes this local model will be utilized around the state, and asked the Commissioners to think about the ability of the Valley Veterans 5013(c) being able to access some of the county benefits (insurance, equipment) because their budget is through the mill levy and donations.

Public Comment: Chris Hockman addressed the importance of education and re-training benefits for the Veterans and their dependents.

► The Board met at 9:45 a.m. for the following administrative matters:

- To formally adopt the Natural Resource Use Policy by Resolution No. 2978 - Commissioner Chilcott noted yesterday he met with Gavin Reckleffs, Bitterroot Open Lands Director, who noted page 14 has an error on the issue of tax rolls; and goal for protection of conservation easements with no county role of management. Commissioner Stoltz stated since this correction already amends the plan with necessary corrections it would be best to re-calendar this adoption. **Commissioner Stoltz made a motion to place this back on the calendar, Wednesday, November 21st at 10:00 a.m.**

for the purposes of amending the policy and approving the Resolution.

Commissioner Iman seconded the motion and all voted "aye". (4-0)

- **Termination of Hangar Lease #281 and New Lease for Hangar #281 - Commissioner Stoltz made a motion to terminate hangar #281 for JR Miller and approve the new lease to Richard Livingston for hangar #281. Commissioner Burrows seconded the motion. Discussion: terms of 10 year lease remain the same. All voted "aye". (4-0)**
- **September minute approval - Commissioner Iman made a motion to approve the September 2012 minutes as corrected. Commissioner Stoltz seconded the motion and all voted "aye". (4-0)**

Public Comment:

John Ormiston also addressed errors he sees on the Natural Resource Use Policy. He was asked to provide those items in writing for discussion on November 21st.