

Lolo Community Council

April 12, 2011 Meeting Minutes

(Approved at May 19, 2011 meeting)

- ◆ Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Sue Hadnot, Chairperson @ 7:03 PM
- ◆ Roll call: A quorum was present consisting of: Will Geer, Gary Hoffman, Tom Wolf, Sue Hadnot and Gary Buehler.
- ◆ Additions to agenda: Tom Wolf added Jason's invitation to tour the water & sewer facility
- ◆ Approval of minutes: Minutes of the March 8, 2011 meeting were approved as written
- ◆ Treasurer's Report: No checks issued since last meeting. Balance remains at \$290.55

◆ Communications

Received:

1. Bank statement
2. Lolo School Highlights
3. Lolo Peak News
4. Bitterroot Star
5. MFRD "Smokescreen" newsletter
6. Traveler's Rest Chapter/Heritage Foundation Newsletter
7. Lolo Creek Trails subdivision packet
8. OPG budget forms (submit completed forms by May 25)
9. RI memo covering additional hearings on revisions to subdivision regulations
10. Letter from WGM regarding a neighborhood meeting to discuss plans to develop the property on the west side of Hwy 93 north of Lolo. Plans call for a rural development consisting of 5 acre lots. Meeting will be held on April 27, 2011 @ 7:00 at Kings Christian Church.

Sent:

Two letters to Greg Robertson requested at the 3/8 meeting were sent.

◆ Drafts for correction or approval:

None

◆ Special Reports:

MRFD – Paul Finlay was unable to attend and will present the MRFD Annual Report at the May meeting on 5/19 (note rescheduled date)

◆ Old Business

1. Lolo Community Center rent policies and possible change in location of monthly meetings:

A discussion regarding the confusion regarding the monthly rent that LCC has been paying to the Lolo Community Club for use of the facility ensued. Kathy Means, President and Treasurer of the Club stated that she was unsure why the Council has been charged \$50 per meeting as that rental charge was initiated prior to her being part of the board. She confirmed the fact that the current rate schedule for non-profits is set at \$125/year. LCC paid \$600 in July 2010 to cover one year's rent at the rate of \$50/month. A motion to request a refund of \$475 from the Club was made and approved by a vote of 3 to 1. Gary was asked to draft a letter to Kathy and the board requesting such a refund. Kathy indicated a willingness to approach the board with this request and also lobbied strongly for the Council to continue to hold their meeting at the Community Center. A final decision to continue holding meetings at the Community Center or to move meetings to the former Baptist church location offered rent free by Tim Netzler was tabled for present.

2. Water and Sewer Facility

Tom Wolf informed the group of Jason's invitation to tour the Lolo water and sewer facility.

◆ **New Business**

1. Lolo Creek Trails Subdivision:

Sue received a packet of information concerning the recent difficulties experienced by their Homeowners Association (HA) caused by the developer and county failing to initiate and/or complete specific items called for during the approval of the overall subdivision. Larry Schauff and Wally Stewart spoke to the council after they had completed their own meeting and attempted to answer questions relating to the issues involved. This information has been provided to the council to simply keep them informed. No action on the part of the Council has been requested or is contemplated at this time.

2. Highway 12 speed reduction status:

Sue reported that she attended a meeting of the Montana Transportation Committee to request action on a speed limit reduction from 70 MPH to 45 MPH near the proposed crosswalk that will be incorporated in the final design of the Lolo Highway 12 Bike Path. Public Works had indicated a reluctance to put the project out to bid until this issue was resolved. With the action of the Transportation Committee, Greg Robertson has told us that he will proceed with letting the bid for the project.

3. Rural Initiatives Budget Request:

Will Geer handed out and reviewed the Budget Summary Worksheet and reviewed the process for submitting a final Budget request to RI no later than 5/25. The council discussed various aspects of our budget and Will will bring a rough draft of the request to the May meeting for final council approval prior to submission to RI. This budget will reflect the change in the amount of rent for our meeting place.

4. Change in May meeting date:

Due to scheduling conflicts that would have resulted in the lack of a quorum for the regular scheduled May meeting, A motion to move the date was made, seconded and approved to move the meeting date for the May meeting from May 10th to May 19th.

5. Possible changes in LCC board:

Sue mentioned that she has received an application from Niki Sardot to serve on the board. Tom Wolf plans on retiring from the board upon the approval of a replacement.

◆ **Motion to Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Hoffman,
Secretary, Lolo Community Council