County Commission Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2022

ANACONDA-DEER LODGE COUNTY
COMMISSION MEETING
6 P.M. TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022
COURTHOUSE COURTROOM

Present: District 1 Commissioner Terry Vermeire, District 2 Commissioner, Steve Gates
District 3 Commissioner Kevin Hart (Vice-Chair), District 4 Commissioner Paul Smith, County
Attorney Krakowka, and Clerk of Commission Lori Sturm

Excused Absence: District 5 Commissioner Mike Huotte, (Chair) and CEO Bill Everett

Members of the Press: James Rosien, Anaconda Leader

Members of the Public: Per Sign-In Sheet

Commissioner Hart called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Commissioner Hart explained
the Commission rules of procedure. Announced that Chairman Huotte and CEO Everett will not
be present for this evening’s meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes from the Commission meeting of March 1, 2022; and the Commission
Work Session Meeting of March 8, 2022.

Motion made by Commissioner Smith to take action to approve the Minutes from the
Commission meeting of March 1, 2022; and the Commission Work Session Meeting of March 8,
2022; Seconded by Commissioner Gates

Motion Carried 4-0

Approval of Claims

Motion made by Commissioner Gates take action to authorize the payment of claims numbered
138535 through 138653 in the amount of $342,044.27 Seconded by Commissioner Vermeire.

Motion Carried 4-0

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

• Commissioner Hart – Nothing to Report.
• Commissioner Gates – Nothing to Report.
• Commissioner Smith – Nothing to Report.
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- **Commissioner Vermeire** – Attended the Old Works Authority Board Meeting and a DUI Task Force Meeting.
- **County Attorney Krakowka** – Attended a DUI Task Force Meeting, also had a discussion Fish Wildlife and Parks regarding the Salmon limit at Georgetown Lake. Last week I made a FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) request for records relating to their data they obtained for the basis of their decision.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Special Event Permits for Easter Egg Hunts to be approved by the CEO with verification of Insurance Certificate**

Motion made by Commissioner Vermeire to take action to approve the Special Event Permits for Easter Egg Hunts to be approved by the CEO with verification of Insurance Certificate; Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion Carried 4-0

**Agreement (Jointly Sponsored Recreation Program) Between Anaconda-Deer Lodge County and Anaconda School District.**

Motion made by Commissioner Gates to take action to approve the Agreement (Jointly Sponsored Recreation Program) Between Anaconda-Deer Lodge County and Anaconda School District; Seconded by Commissioner Vermeire.

Motion Carried 4-0

**Election Contract for Use of Express Votes for School District Elections for the 2022 Election**

Motion made by Commissioner Smith to take action to approve the Election Contract for Use of Express Votes for School District Elections for the 2022 Elections; Seconded by Commissioner Gates.

Motion Carried 4-0

**Erosion Control Agreement - Scope of Work** (DOT North of Moose Creek North)

Motion made by Commissioner Gates to take action to approve the Erosion Control Agreement - Scope of Work (DOT North of Moose Creek North); Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion Carried 4-0
Smelter City Estates Water and Sewer Improvements – Award of Bid

Commissioner Hart – Note that Hoffman’s R&M Services were the lowest responsible responsive bidder for $239,150.00 and Sarah Jones, engineer with Deluxe Engineering and Construction has recommended their approval

- County Attorney Krakowka – Glad to see the project moving forward.
- Kevin Orrino – Representing Smelter City Estates. Johnson Construction, a local excavating company started the road improvements yesterday, preparing the site for installation of water and sewer. The vote tonight is greatly appreciated. We are excited to see things come together. Our commitment of over a half million dollars fulfills our requirements. We are committed to helping Anaconda-Deer Lodge Housing crisis and to generate taxes. Clarified that Johnson Construction was contracted by Smelter City Estates to do their improvements. Hoffman will then come in.

Motion made by Commissioner Vermeire to take action to award the bid for Smelter City Estates Water and Sewer Improvements to Hoffman’s R&M Services; Seconded by Commissioner Gates.

Motion Carried 4-0

Old Works Estates Major Subdivision – Recommendation of Contract Award – Schedule A

Commissioner Hart – The lowest responsible responsive bidder was H&H Contracting for $1,186,690. Mike Johnson, Engineer with Alloy has given written recommendation for their approval.

Motion made by Commissioner Smith to take action to award the Contract for Old Works Major Subdivision for Schedule A to H&H Contracting; Seconded by Commissioner Gates.

Motion Carried 4-0

Old Works Estates Major Subdivision – Recommendation of Contract Award – Schedule B

Commissioner Hart – Hoffman’s R&M is the lowest responsible responsive bidder for $19,800.00 and Mike Johnson, Engineer with Alloy has also given written recommendation or their approval.

Motion made by Commissioner Gates to take action to award the Contract for Old Works Estates Major Subdivision for Schedule B to Hoffman R&M Services; Seconded by Commissioner Vermeire.

Motion Carried 4-0
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Ordinance Number 267, An Ordinance Amending the Anaconda-Deer Lodge County Airport Board and Establishing Its Powers and Duties {Suggested Public Hearing Date of April 5, 2022}

Motion made by Commissioner Vermeire to take action to set a Public Hearing Date of April 5, 2022, for Ordinance Number 267, An Ordinance Amending the Anaconda-Deer Lodge County Airport Board and Establishing Its Powers and Duties; Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion Carried 4-0 (Set a Public Hearing Date of April 5, 2022)

Task Order Amendment Number One, Task Order for FPP Healthcare IT Modernization – Task Order Number 21-25-5-11-052-0

Motion made by Commissioner Gates to take action to approve Task Order Amendment Number One, Task Order for FPP Healthcare IT Modernization – Task Order Number 21-25-5-11-052-0; Seconded by Commissioner Vermeire.

Motion Carried 4-0

Request for Appointment to the Health Board by Ian Lux.

Motion made by Commissioner Smith to take action to appoint Ian Lux as a member to the Health Board; Seconded by Commissioner Gates.

Motion Carried 4-0

Request for Appointment to the Hearst Free Library Board by Bobbie Frank.

Motion made by Commissioner Gates to take action to appoint Bobbie Frank to the Hearst Free Library Board; Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion Carried 4-0

Request for reappointment to the Public Housing Authority Board by Adam Vauthier

Motion made by Commissioner Gates to take action to reappoint Adam Vauthier to the Public Housing Authority Board; Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion Carried 4-0

Request for Appointment to the Planning Board by Dan Reardon and Request for Reappointment to the Planning Board by Mary Kay Massey.  {1 vacancy available}

Commissioner Vermeire – Believes Dan Reardon would be a good appointment to the Planning Board. I knew him when I was worked at the Power Company. He has a great attention to detail and would be an asset to that board.
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- **County Attorney Krakowka** – Reiterated that Dan Reardon is my Father-in-Law. Pointed out that Commissioner Vermeire said is correct. He is an incredibly detailed oriented person.
- **Kevin Orrino** – Dan is a thoughtful person. He wants good for Anaconda and would be an excellent choice.

Motion made by Commissioner Vermeire to appoint Dan Reardon as a member of the Planning Board; Seconded by Commissioner Gates.

Motion Carried 4-0

**Resignation of Tami Martin from the Board of Health.**

Motion made by Commissioner Smith to take action to accept the Resignation of Tami Martin from the Board of Health; Seconded by Commissioner Gates.

Motion Carried 4-0

**Resignation of Camille Erickson from the DUI Task Force.**

Motion made by Commissioner Gates to take action to accept the Resignation of Camille Erickson from the DUI Task Force Board; Seconded by Commissioner Vermeire.

Motion Carried 4-0

**Special Event Permit – 2nd Annual Pride Festival to be held at Kennedy Common on June 12, 2022, by Anaconda Suicide Prevention Taskforce/Public Health (Pending Certificate of Insurance)**

Motion made by Commissioner Smith to take action to approve the Special Event Permit – 2nd Annual Pride Festival to be held at Kennedy Common on June 12, 2022, by Anaconda Suicide Prevention Taskforce/Public Health (Pending Certificate of Insurance); Seconded by Commissioner Gates.

Motion Carried 4-0

**NEW BUSINESS** – No New Business.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- **Commissioner Hart** – No Miscellaneous
- **Commissioner Gates** - No Miscellaneous.
- **Commissioner Smith** – No Miscellaneous.
- **Commissioner Vermeire** – No Miscellaneous.
- **Commissioner Huotte** – No Miscellaneous
- **County Attorney** – No Miscellaneous.
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PUBLIC COMMENT  - No Comments given at this time.

ADLC Meeting Dates and Times

Commissioner Hart - read the meeting dates and times.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

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Lori Sturm
Clerk of Commission

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Kevin Hart
Commission Vice-Chair