

**GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING – DISCUSSION ONLY**

Tuesday, December 1, 2009

The Board of Glacier County Commissioners met at a regular meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 1, 2009. Commissioner Michael DesRosier was present. There was no quorum, so all items are for discussion only. Commissioner Ron Rides At The Door, Commissioner Tony Sitzmann and Clerk & Recorder Glenda Hall were absent, attending a MACo conference in Helena.

Present throughout the day: Sheriff Wayne Dusterhoff, Don White & Emerald öBeepö Grant, TERO; Bill Bandel, Glacier County Road Supervisor; Reg McClellan & Harry Lillo of Imperial Oil; Bruce Brockmann, Fluor Corporation; Sandy McAlpine, public; Nikki Lako, Minutes

10:00 a.m. MDT ö Quarterly Meeting ö Conrad Public Library

DISCUSSION ONLY -

1:00 p.m. ö Non agenda item: Don White & Beep Grant from the Blackfeet TERO Department discussed with Commissioner Mike DesRosier county roads and tribal road issues. Also discussed were CTEP project possibilities to be presented at the public hearing in Browning on December 22, 2009.

2:00 p.m. Exxon Mobile/Imperial Oil Presentation: Large Transportation of Specialized Modules ö R. McClellan

Reg McClellan and Harry Lillo of Imperial Oil introduced themselves. Bruce Brockmann from Flour Corporation also introduced himself. Reg McClellan gave a brief history of Imperial Oil's business in Montana. There will be 200 of the specialized modules being produced in Korea and shipped to Alberta, Canada. Bruce Brockmann said there will be approximately 600-700 lines (electricity, phone, etc.) to be raised or put underground so the specialized modules can be transported through the state of Montana. The work to the lines will be done by local entities at the expense of Imperial Oil. This project will not be an expense to the tax payers. All work done to the lines will be permanent.

Don White asked if the Blackfeet Reservation was the only reservation that would be crossed in Montana. Yes, Bruce Brockmann replied. Harry Lillo would like to make a point of contact with a representative from the Blackfeet Tribe. Exxon Mobile and Imperial Oil would like to do a presentation for the Blackfeet Tribe to follow up with a discussion and question session.

Bruce Brockmann stated that the current plan is to be escorted by the Highway Patrol for traffic control. Sheriff Wayne Dusterhoff questioned the use of Highway Patrol Officersö from Missoula attachment. Sheriff Wayne Dusterhoff thinks it would work better if we used local patrolmen because of the local knowledge and familiarity with the area. Bruce Brockmann said that the officers would be off duty. In the middle of December the plans will be reviewed and during this process the local law enforcement will be included. The move is going to take one year to fourteen (14) months to complete. They will not transport more than two (2) modules a

Supporting the modules have the ability to lock and unlock each truck will have a mechanic and a haz mat kit for an emergency. Sheriff Wayne Dusterhoff asked if the weight of the truck and modules is going to affect the asphalt. The asphalt is softer in the summer months. Bruce Brockmann replied that the weight is spread evenly throughout the axels and it shouldn't be a problem. The trucks carrying the modules will travel between five (5) to thirty (30) miles per hour, depending on the road conditions and the weather. On the return trip, the trucks will be able to travel up to forty (40) miles per hour.

Commissioner Mike DesRosier asked if Exxon Mobile and Imperial Oil would be using local laborers. Beep Grant notified Bruce Brockmann, Harry Lillo and Reg McClellan that on the Blackfeet Reservation you are required to utilize the TERO (Tribal Employment Rights Office) Department to hire using Blackfeet Indian preference and certified contractors. Bruce Brockmann said that they are more than willing to utilize the TERO Department for their services.

Commissioner Michael DesRosier asked what the procedure is in case of an emergency. Bruce Brockmann stated that it takes no more than ten (10) minutes for the trucks to get off of the road. The Highway Patrol will be with the trucks at all times. The trucks that will be transporting the modules are able to push or pull in a needed situation. MDT (Montana Department of Transportation) has collected transportation information regarding speed, roads, and different variables to help with the planning of the transportation. A concern came up regarding the four way stop by the Pioneer Bar and CHS and the four way stop by the Anna Jefferies School, the concern was the lights. Bruce Brockmann stated that the lights will be changed to work for the transport and the expense will be at no cost to Cut Bank, Glacier County or tax payers. Harry Lillo asked if there is an agreement for a traffic detour from state to county roads. Bill Bandel stated that there is an easement form. Commissioner Michael DesRosier stated that if Imperial Oil needs a letter, that the commissioners would provide the letter.

Bruce Brockmann reiterated that the utility lines will have permanent relocations. There will be delays for local traffic for no more than nine (9) minute intervals.

Sheriff Wayne Dusterhoff asked if Imperial Oil will be contacting the local media for public service productions to help inform the local communities of possible delays. Beep Grant explained to the Exxon Mobile and Imperial Oil representatives that the local area has gone thru a similar experience recently with the wind mill farms. Harry Lillo stated that they would like to learn from any issues or problems the wind mill farms may have experienced. Bruce Brockmann would like to avoid any major disruptions, traffic will not be held up for more than 10 minutes at a time, and there is an Emergency Response Plan in place.

Commissioner Michael DesRosier, Don White and Beep Grant all were interested if wind would be a factor? Bruce Brockmann stated that during the planning, wind was calculated into the transportation of the modules. The engineers have calculated the point of center of gravity and they reassured Commissioner Michael DesRosier, Don White and Beep Grant that wind should not be a factor.



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is not 100% complete, however the current design is done with the hope that they will get additional input from local entities to incorporate into their design. Harry Lillo thanked the Blackfeet Tribal members for attending the presentation today. Harry Lillo asked Don White how to contact the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council. Don White gave Harry Lillo the Blackfeet Councilmen phone number. Commissioner Michael DesRosier recommended that Don White get a hold of the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council and inform them of the plans to transport the specialize modules. The plan would include a presentation like the presentation presented today to the people of the Blackfeet Tribe to hear their opinions and any concerns. Beep Grant from TERO (Tribal Employment Rights Office) invited the commissioners to this meeting when it takes place.

Don White & Emerald öBeepö Grant, from TERO, Reg McClellan & Harry Lillo of Imperial Oil, Bruce Brockmann with Fluor Corporation and Commissioner Michael DesRosier exchanged business cards for future correspondence. The plan is to begin in the fall of 2010.

Bruce Brockmann added that travel time will be during daylight hours Monday thru Thursday and Friday mornings. The transport of the modules will not be done during evenings and weekends. It is important to not interrupt the locals evenings and weekends.

There being no further discussion items for the day, Commissioner Michael DesRosier left chambers at 3:30 p.m.

BOARD OF GLACIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Michael J. DesRosier, Chairman

ATTEST:

Glacier County Clerk and Recorder