

Missoula Board of County Commissioners

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES COVER SHEET



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023 – 2 PM

Hybrid meeting – Missoula County Courthouse Annex Sophie Moiese
Room/Microsoft Teams

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ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners Present:

Chair Josh Slotnick
Commissioner David Strohmaier
Commissioner Juanita Vero

Staff Present:

Cheryl Hartman, Administrative Assistant, Commissioners' Office
Matt Heimel, Planner, Planning, Development, and Sustainability
Karen Baldrige, Property Records Specialist, Clerk and Records' Office
Andrew Hagemeyer, Senior Planner, Planning, Development, and Sustainability
John Hart, Civil Attorney, County Attorney's Office
Lauren Ryan, Planner, Planning, Development, and Sustainability
Shannon Therriault, Environmental Health Director, Health Department

1. **CALL TO ORDER** *[Time stamp – 0:00]*
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** *[Time stamp – 0:07]*
3. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** *[Time stamp – 0:23]*
Missoula County acknowledges that this event takes place in the aboriginal territories of the Salish and Kalispel people.
4. **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS** *[Time stamp – 0:32]*
 - a. Closed Captioning Available
 - b. Climate Solutions Week Proclamation
 - c. Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA** *[Time stamp – 0:48]*

6. CURRENT CLAIMS LIST *[Time stamp – 0:47]*

Claims received as of August 30, 2023 to September 05, 2023 by the Commissioners' Office total \$458,630.97.

7. HEARINGS

a. Missoula Rural Fire District Annexation Petition

Karen Baldridge, Property Records Specialist, Clerk and Records' Office *[Time stamp – 48:13]*

Commissioner Strohmaier made the motion that the Board of County Commissioners of Missoula County hereby approve the Missoula Rural Fire District Petition for annexation as presented.

Commissioner Vero seconded.

[Motion Passed 3-0.]

[Resolution 2023-074 Book: 1076 Page:1209]

b. Missoula Conservation District 310 Permit

Matt Heimel, Planner, Planning, Development, and Sustainability *[Time stamp – 49:59]*

Commissioner Vero made the motion that the Missoula Board of County Commissioners approve the application approve the 310 Permit for NorthWestern Energy to install a new gas pipeline under the Clark Fork River

Commissioner Strohmaier seconded.

[Motion Passed 3-0.]

[Approval letter sent by Planning Staff to Applicant to sign on behalf of Northwestern Energy]

c. Final Resolution- Missoula County Zoning Maintenance

Lauren Ryan, Planner, Planning, Development, and Sustainability *[Time stamp – 56:48]*

Commissioner Strohmaier made the motion that the Missoula Board of County Commissioners approve and adopt the final resolution to amend the Missoula County Zoning Maintenance as recommended by the Missoula Consolidated Planning Board.

Commissioner Vero seconded.

[Motion Passed 3-0.]

[Resolution 2023-074 Book: 1076 Page:1209]

d. Resolution- Missoula County Health Code Regulation Revision

Shannon Therriault, Environmental Health Director, Health Department
[Time stamp – 59:28]

Commissioner Vero made the motion that the Missoula Board of County Commissioners approve and adopt the final resolution to amend the Missoula County Zoning Maintenance as recommended by the Missoula Consolidated Planning Board.

Commissioner Strohmaier seconded.

[Motion Passed 3-0.]

[Resolution 2023-075 Book: 1076 Page:1209]

8. **OTHER BUSINESS** *Time stamp –1:38:40]*
[None]

9. **ADJOURN**
Chair Slotnick – Called the meeting to adjourn at 3:38 p.m.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Hi, Annie, can you hear me?

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Annie Cathey

I can hear you.

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Annie Cathey

Can you hear me?

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Sophie Moiese Room

I can hear you just fine.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

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Annie Cathey

OK, pictures OK.

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Sophie Moiese Room

All right. Yep.

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Annie Cathey

OK, perfect.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Awesome can see you.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

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Sophie Moiese Room

OK.

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Annie Cathey

And I'll be on if you need anything, OK?

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Sophie Moiese Room

OK, no.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Especially 2:00 o'clock.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Welcome everybody to our public meeting for Thursday, September 14th.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Would you please join me in the pledge?

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Sophie Moiese Room

Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Zulu County acknowledges that this event takes place in the Aboriginal territories of the Salish and Kalispell people.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We have three public announcements.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Hi everyone.

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Sophie Moiese Room

If you are joining us for this meeting virtually today, instructions for turning on closed captioning are on your screen.

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Sophie Moiese Room

If you're joining us in person, we'll have closed captioning on all the screens here in the Sophie Louise Room, please.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We ask that all speakers today Please remember to speak slowly and clearly during the meeting.

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Sophie Moiese Room

This helps with the accuracy of the closed captioning.

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Sophie Moiese Room

There would be multiple chances during the meeting for public comment virtually during those times.

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Sophie Moiese Room

If you like to speak, we ask that you use the raise hand feature.

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Sophie Moiese Room

If you are on Microsoft Teams, this is a small hand button.

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Sophie Moiese Room

If you're calling in on the phone, you'll need to hit star 5 to raise your hand.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Then once called on, you'll need to hit star 6 to unmute.

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Sophie Moiese Room

If you have any questions or concerns, please find me during the meeting and let me know.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

0:41:26.550 --> 0:41:26.870

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks.

0:41:29.380 --> 0:41:30.920

Sophie Moiese Room

Who's going to do the first one?

0:41:31.740 --> 0:41:32.770

Sophie Moiese Room

That would be me.

0:41:32.860 --> 0:41:34.430

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, OK.

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Sophie Moiese Room

This is joint proclamation of Missoula County in the city of Missoula.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Recognizing Climate Solutions week, whereas human caused climate change is resulting in more extreme weather patterns, wildfire smoke and extreme temperatures, and the more scientists learn about the causes and dangers of human caused climate change, the more we need to act.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And whereas we are more aware than ever of tangible solutions to mitigate the climate crisis and become more resilient to its impacts, such as electrifying or buildings investing in renewable energy and choosing sustainable transportation.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And whereas Missoula County and the City of Missoula have committed to implementing the climate Ready Missoula plan to using 100% clean electricity in the urban area by 2030 and to a joint electrify Missoula campaign in collaboration with Climate Smart Missoula, and whereas we all have a part to play in addressing this unprecedented climate crisis from renters and homeowners to contractors, businesses and nonprofits, and that we must all address it together with urgency if we are to succeed, and whereas we know that it is not too late to act, that we can and must eliminate fossil fuel use in our transportation buildings, operations and lives, and that we can build a better future not based on the premise of sacrifice, but based on our ability to transform, therefore be it resolved, we, Missoula County and the City of Missoula do hereby proclaim September 16th through the 23rd, 2023 is Climate Solutions Week, which will culminate in the 5th annual Climate and Clean Energy Expo all to inform and educate and energize into action.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Missoula County and city residents, so we can meet this moment capably with urgency and together signed Mayor Jordan Hess and the board of County Commissioners.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks, Dave.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Didn't wanna anyone want to say anything to this. Was.

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Sophie Moiese Room

See Jenny here.

0:43:45.660 --> 0:43:46.520

Sophie Moiese Room

Oh, and Caroline.

0:43:47.330 --> 0:43:48.250

Caroline Bean

Hi everyone.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Yes, Caroline.

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Caroline Bean

Thank you for for proclaiming Climate Solutions week.

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Caroline Bean

I wanna give a a hat tip to our partners.

0:43:54.960 --> 0:43:58.410

Caroline Bean

Climate Smart, Missoula, and I see Amy Stellenberg, the executive directors on the line.

0:43:58.420 --> 0:44:1.270

Caroline Bean

They've done such a wonderful job planning this.

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Caroline Bean

It really ranges from the very fun magic show on Sunday that I've been told is amazing family friendly for both kids and adults.

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Caroline Bean

Umm to how you might remove your investments from fossil fuel and talking with the financial Planner planner.

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Caroline Bean

So they've really covered all the details.

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Caroline Bean

It'll be fun and informative and I wanna thank climate smart for all their work on it.

0:44:26.940 --> 0:44:27.390

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks Amy.

0:44:30.840 --> 0:44:32.450

Sophie Moiese Room

I mean, I'm thinking, Amy.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I I know it was Caroline.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I'm actually thanking you.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you for saying that, but that was a thank you to Amy and climate smart.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

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Sophie Moiese Room

For what you're about to say, Amy.

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Caroline Bean

No, I I think that was well timed, yeah.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah, I wasn't sure if you were gonna speak Amy.

0:44:42.740 --> 0:44:43.530

Sophie Moiese Room

It was just thanking you.

0:44:46.570 --> 0:44:47.760

Sophie Moiese Room

Nope, Nope, that was it.

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Amy Cilimburg

Umm can I just say a word that I wanted to thank?

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Sophie Moiese Room

I'm sorry.

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Amy Cilimburg

OK. Sorry.

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Amy Cilimburg

Thank you.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Ohh no please please.

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Amy Cilimburg

Thank you, Josh and Dave and Juanita for this proclamation, along with with Mayor Hess and Caroline for all her work also.

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Amy Cilimburg

And the only thing I just add is Missoula climate.org, you can find out more about the whole week for anybody that's listening in.

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Amy Cilimburg

Thank you.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

0:45:12.770 --> 0:45:13.510

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

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Sophie Moiese Room

This is the Hispanic Heritage Month proclamation, whereas September 15th marks independence from Spain for a number of Latin American countries including Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, followed by Mexico on September 16th, Chile on September 18th, and Belize on September 21st.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And whereas Hispanic, Latino, Latina, Latina, and Latinx are panethnic terms used to in couples, people of South America, Central America, or other Spanish cultural origins, regardless of race.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And whereas national Hispanic Heritage Month began in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week and grew to a 30 day observance in 1988 to recognize and honor the diverse people and rich histories, cultures, and legacies that have Hispanic and Latin roots.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And whereas between 2010 and 2020, the Hispanic, Latino, Latina, Latina, and Latinx population, and Canada, for 51% of the United States, population growth of 22.7 million.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And whereas the national growth of the United States, Hispanic, Latino, Latina, Latina in Latinx population is reflected in Missoula County with 3.4% of Missoula County residents identifying as Hispanic, Latino, Latina, Latina, and Latinx, representing Missoula County's largest racial and ethnic demographic, keeping in mind that people of Hispanic and Latin ancestry can be racially white and or black.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And whereas more than 20 million people who identify as as Hispanic, Latino, Latina, Latina or Latinx represent multi ethno racial geographic at other intersecting social identities.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And whereas Missoula County celebrates the culture, life experiences and perspectives that this diverse population brings to our community, while acknowledging the inequities that exist, and whereas in the words of revolutionary Mexican painter Frida Kahlo, at the end of the day, we can endure much more than we think we can, and now, therefore be it resolved, we the Missoula board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim September 15th through October 15th as Hispanic Latinx Heritage Month to celebrate the Freedoms won by people and many Latin American countries, and to honor the rich, Hispanic, Latino, Latina, Latina and Latinx cultures and histories that have shaped our community and our country. Data.

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Sophie Moiese Room

This 14th day of September 2023, board of County Commissioners thanks, Juan.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Does anyone like to speak to this?

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Sophie Moiese Room

OK, we have 1 claims list.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Our claims received of as received as of August 30th, 2023 to September 5th, 2023 by the Commissioner's Office.

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Sophie Moiese Room

By the Commissioner's Office, total of \$458,630.97, we have 4 hearings today, the.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Oh, shoot him out of practice.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Do you have any public comment and items not on the agenda?

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Sophie Moiese Room

OK, we're going to jump to our four hearings.

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Sophie Moiese Room

The first one is going to be brought to us by Karen Baldrige.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Good afternoon.

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Sophie Moiese Room

My name is Karen Baldrige, a property record specialist with Missoula County clerk and Recorder, a petition to annex land into the Missoula Rural Fire District has been submitted to the clerk and recorder.

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Sophie Moiese Room

The property proposed to be annexed as legally described as parcel 2A of Certificate of Survey 5693, located in the West half of section 10 Township, 14 N, range 19 W Physical address of the property is 11884 Bench Rd in Missoula.

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Sophie Moiese Room

The petition has been signed by the property owners, who represent at least 40% of the acreage and 40% of the taxable value of the property to be annexed.

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Sophie Moiese Room

The annexation has been approved by the Board of trustees for the Missoula Rural Fire District, a notice

of hearing has been published twice in the Missoulian and the property owners have been notified of the hearing, and this petition is now presented to the board for your decision.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks, Karen.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Would anyone like to speak to this?

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Sophie Moiese Room

You guys have any questions?

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Sophie Moiese Room

Motion.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Aye, the board of Trustees approved it.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I would move that we prove the petition.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Alright, any public comment?

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Sophie Moiese Room

OK.

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Sophie Moiese Room

All in favor?

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Sophie Moiese Room

Aye, aye.

0:49:54.200 --> 0:49:54.550

Sophie Moiese Room

Aye.

0:49:54.600 --> 0:49:55.250

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you, Karen.

0:49:55.580 --> 0:49:56.0

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Next hearing will be brought to us by Matt Hymel.

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Sophie Moiese Room

This is about northwestern energy and a 310 permit inside those 1946 city limits.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Good afternoon, commissioners.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I'm at Himmel with the Missoula County Planning Development and Sustainability Department.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I have a PowerPoint that I'll share on the screen here in just a moment.

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Sophie Moiese Room

OK, so this is a 310 permit application being applied for by northwestern energy.

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Sophie Moiese Room

The objective of the permit is to replace a natural gas pipeline under the Clark Fork River and the picture on the screen here shows just upstream of the Madison Street Bridge, which is the proposed location for the pipeline.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So what is a 310 permit and why is Missoula County reviewing one?

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Sophie Moiese Room

Well, 310 permit is a is a function under the Nat.

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Sophie Moiese Room

The 1975 stream bed the land is stream bed for preservation act and the objective of that act is to minimize you erosion or to control activity that would otherwise have impacts due to sedimentation or the vegetation along a a stream bed or or on the immediate banks of of a stream or that have or any activity that has impacts to the edit itself.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So the conservation district or the the Missoula County Conservation District was created in 1946, and that came about in response to a severe erosion problems in the 1930s.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So citizens of Missoula County at that time were interested in in protecting the natural resources, and the district was formed outside those those 1946 limits pursuant to the state law.

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Sophie Moiese Room

If there is a an area of the country that is not within an actual conservation district, the purview for reviewing those projects, the falls to the Board of Supervisors being the board of County Commissioners.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So that is why I'm Missoula County has jurisdiction in this area.

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Sophie Moiese Room

That's within those 1946 city limits and as a collab, Missoula County has a policy it's in our 2004 administrative rules that that is for setting guidelines for construction standards that can be used for if evaluating a project such as this.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So the pros project is just upstream of the Madison Street Bridge.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And the proposed pipeline is shown in in red on the screen.

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Sophie Moiese Room

There is an existing pipeline, one of the concerns during the the the project was whether it was at 2 shallow of of a depth that would then be exposed and any future flooding events.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And as part of a depth survey that northwestern energy per provided, it was demonstrated that the line is of sufficient depth.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And part of this review did did include sending the application to fish, wildlife and parks.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And we did talk with the conservation district not as a reviewing partner, but for some some guidance on this as as well and it might be hard to see on the screen here.

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Sophie Moiese Room

However, the death of the line itself within the Channel Ranges from 6 to 10 feet approximately, and the proposed project involves, as I said, abandonment of the line but also capping it in place.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So the line will be left.

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Sophie Moiese Room

This is an image showing the north half of of the project, so the four hole on the north side is well outside of the riparian area, and there are some areas for stockpiling of the materials.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And here's the the South half again showing staging area excavation and the boring hole outside of of the area.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So all 310 permits pursuant to our administrative rules have set criteria that we review this the packet for today has a staff report with recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, and I'd be happy to go over and any of those.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I have summaries of the criteria on the screen here.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And again, I could review these in detail if if needed.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Here's a second set of us some construction standards.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Hey, Matt.

0:54:27.10 --> 0:54:34.500

Sophie Moiese Room

When you said capped, is it so there is the original or the old pipe is just capped on either end and left, or is it?

0:54:34.710 --> 0:54:36.70

Sophie Moiese Room

Is it filled as well?

0:54:37.140 --> 0:54:42.710

Sophie Moiese Room

Uh, based on reviewing the application, my understanding is that it was cap and flushed out with nitrogen.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I do know that there I think there is staff from northwestern energy on on the line in case there's any clarification be provided on that front.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Yep.

0:54:50.770 --> 0:54:55.710

Sady Babcock - NorthWestern Energy (Guest)

Hello, can you guys hear me, this is Sadie Babcock with northwestern energy.

0:54:55.720 --> 0:55:0.850

Sady Babcock - NorthWestern Energy (Guest)

And Matt is correct, the line will be cleaned with nitrogen and then we cut it off.

0:55:0.860 --> 0:55:8.10

Sady Babcock - NorthWestern Energy (Guest)

Well, the cap on it and then bury it on the ends where we, uh, dig it up to to abandon it.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

0:55:10.260 --> 0:55:10.740

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

0:55:14.420 --> 0:55:28.200

Sophie Moiese Room

So staff recommended conclusion on the project is that uh, as proposed, complies with the review criteria and the construction standards pursuant to the administrative rules and no conditions of approval are proposed.

0:55:31.420 --> 0:55:35.910

Sophie Moiese Room

That concludes my brief overview, but if there's any questions I'd be happy to go over those.

0:55:36.760 --> 0:55:38.410

Sophie Moiese Room

Anybody from the public like to speak to this?

0:55:42.670 --> 0:55:43.740

Sophie Moiese Room

You guys have any questions?

0:55:48.380 --> 0:55:49.920

Sophie Moiese Room

Sadie, do you have anything you'd like to say?

0:55:52.560 --> 0:55:54.520

Sady Babcock - NorthWestern Energy (Guest)

No, thank you for considering our application.

0:55:55.900 --> 0:55:56.370

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks.

0:55:56.660 --> 0:56:1.810

Sophie Moiese Room

One thing I just want to add to someone's listening just for clarity sake and Matt used the word borehole a couple times.

0:56:1.820 --> 0:56:5.380

Sophie Moiese Room

I appreciate that that there will be no heavy equipment in the Clark Fork River.

0:56:5.390 --> 0:56:13.110

Sophie Moiese Room

This is a trench board from one side to the other and a pipe that follows and no disruption inside the river channel.

0:56:16.850 --> 0:56:18.360

Sophie Moiese Room

I yeah.

0:56:18.400 --> 0:56:21.60

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, I moved to approve the three.

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Sophie Moiese Room

The 3:10 permit for northwestern energy to install a new gas pipeline under the Clark Fork River River.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And abandoned.

0:56:31.900 --> 0:56:37.780

Sophie Moiese Room

The existing pipe has proposed in the permit application based on review of the Missoula County 310 administrative rules.

0:56:37.870 --> 0:56:40.330

Sophie Moiese Room

Second, any public comment?

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Sophie Moiese Room

OK.

0:56:42.530 --> 0:56:43.220

Sophie Moiese Room

All in favor.

0:56:43.530 --> 0:56:43.850

Sophie Moiese Room

All right.

0:56:44.970 --> 0:56:45.440

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks Matt.

0:56:47.680 --> 0:56:48.60

Sady Babcock - NorthWestern Energy (Guest)

Thank you.

0:56:48.360 --> 0:56:54.60

Sophie Moiese Room

Lauren, Next up here, we have a final resolution on the Missoula County zoning maintenance.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I convinced Andrew to join me to up here.

0:57:5.480 --> 0:57:11.40

Sophie Moiese Room

It's always better when I have to be on learn stuff, more fun with friends and he's not.

0:57:22.710 --> 0:57:31.810

Sophie Moiese Room

So for your consideration this afternoon is the final resolution to adopt the zoning regulation maintenance updates.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So let's conclude the end of the 30 day comment period after the resolution of intent was adopted.

0:57:41.170 --> 0:57:42.880

Sophie Moiese Room

So I'll just go through some dates here.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So August 3rd, the resolution of intent was adopted by the county commissioners.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We ran a legal ad in the Missoulian on August 12th and August 19th September.

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Sophie Moiese Room

The 11th ended the 30 day comment period after the resolution of intent was adopted and the legal ad was posted.

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Sophie Moiese Room

There were no changes necessary that we found, and we also received no new comments between when the resolution of intent was adopted and the hearing today, so our recommended motion for you today is an on the screen here to adopt the Missoula County Zoning Regulation maintenance updates and that's everything I have, unless Andrew has anything to add.

0:58:35.380 --> 0:58:36.670

Sophie Moiese Room

Would anyone like to speak to this?

0:58:40.540 --> 0:58:41.510

Sophie Moiese Room

You guys have any questions?

0:58:42.790 --> 0:58:43.900

Sophie Moiese Room

No questions.

0:58:44.210 --> 0:58:53.520

Sophie Moiese Room

I would move that we adopt A resolution to amend the Missoula County Zoning Regulations based on the findings of fact and conclusions of law contained in the staff report as amended.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Second, any public comment?

0:58:57.800 --> 0:58:58.150

Sophie Moiese Room

OK.

0:58:58.210 --> 0:58:58.850

Sophie Moiese Room

All in favor?

0:58:59.200 --> 0:59:1.200

Sophie Moiese Room

Aye, thanks a lot, guys, for coming over.

0:59:1.210 --> 0:59:1.730

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

0:59:2.420 --> 0:59:2.910

Sophie Moiese Room

Nice.

0:59:2.920 --> 0:59:3.440

Sophie Moiese Room

It's great.

0:59:3.900 --> 0:59:5.500

Sophie Moiese Room

The heavy lifting is long been done.

0:59:8.550 --> 0:59:11.850

Sophie Moiese Room

All right, the marquee event of the afternoon.

0:59:15.430 --> 0:59:17.110

Sophie Moiese Room

Ohh, it's OK, it's alright.

0:59:17.250 --> 0:59:18.410

Sophie Moiese Room

And you brought us celebrity too.

0:59:19.460 --> 0:59:21.210

Sophie Moiese Room

How do you get in without the paparazzi on?

0:59:25.190 --> 0:59:27.580

Sophie Moiese Room

Shannon Terios are here to talk to us about bears and garbage.

0:59:28.600 --> 0:59:34.310

Sophie Moiese Room

I am and about adopting Regulation 3 of the city, county health.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I mean, yeah, the city County health code.

0:59:35.820 --> 0:59:38.790

Sophie Moiese Room

Let me pull up my yeah.

0:59:41.120 --> 0:59:43.220

Sophie Moiese Room

But yeah, hurt from beginning.

0:59:45.170 --> 0:59:45.870

Sophie Moiese Room

Excellent.

0:59:45.950 --> 0:59:47.670

Sophie Moiese Room

Alright, my name is Shannon Terrio.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I'm the director of Environmental Health at the Missoula City County Health Department, and I am here to talk about adoption of the revised version of Regulation 3 solid waste management of the Missoula City County Health Code.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So after two public hearings and two comment periods, the Health Board approved a new version.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Are you guys picking me up?

1:0:7.910 --> 1:0:8.360

Sophie Moiese Room

Fine.

1:0:8.410 --> 1:0:16.320

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, a new version of this regulation before 2021 that would have been the end of the process.

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Sophie Moiese Room

But because of changes that were made at the legislature.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Little bit closer.

1:0:24.320 --> 1:0:26.10

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, I'll give you that one. OK.

1:0:27.300 --> 1:0:27.970

Sophie Moiese Room

There we go.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Because of changes that were made during the 2021 legislature.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Is that good?

1:0:33.700 --> 1:0:34.90

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, good.

1:0:35.670 --> 1:0:51.700

Sophie Moiese Room

Now the Health Board recommends approval to the local governing body, the Interlocal agreement that creates the Missoula City County Health Department and the City County Health Code designates who that local governing body is, and that is both the county commissioners and the City Council.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So we're also going to the City Council and asking them to adopt this revised rule, and this is part of that process.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So the Health Board does recommend that the new rule that the the existing solid waste management rule in the city County health code be replaced with this new version.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So I'm gonna give you a very quick overview of the changes.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Well, and go into more detail about some of the more substantive changes.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So first of all, it hadn't been updated since 1996.

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Sophie Moiese Room

It's been a long time.

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Sophie Moiese Room

In fact, automated containers weren't even considered in those so garbage cans.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Residential garbage cans were limited to 36 gallons.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Obviously, that's not what we're doing these days.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We have 90 gallon automated containers so that was changed and then we also adopted a or the health board adopted a.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Definition and an allowance for recyclables that recyclables don't need to go off of the property every seven days.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We've always treated it that way unless it was causing a problem, but now it's really spelled out in our rule.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And then our lawyers have they asked us to use the Montana style guide.

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Sophie Moiese Room

That's what the legislators use to to have our language be very consistent.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And so you'll see some shells that got crossed out and replaced with must.

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Sophie Moiese Room

But there is rhyme and reason to that, so I could go into it if you have questions, but I won't.

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Sophie Moiese Room

If not, but one of the big things is shall not is not a thing.

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Sophie Moiese Room

It's may not is the prohibition, so you'll see some of those changes in there.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And then we clarified some existing rules and we got rid of some obsolete language.

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Sophie Moiese Room

There, for instance, were rules about how heavy a garbage can could be, but really the health department is not the one that regulates that.

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Sophie Moiese Room

That's done by the haulers.

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Sophie Moiese Room

There's just not a reason, and the hallers agreed for us to have that in there.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Umm.

1:2:49.300 --> 1:2:52.840

Sophie Moiese Room

The big change, though, has to do with bears and.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So talking about bears now, this is the current bear buffer zone that's created in the Missoula Municipal Code.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And what what we wanted to do with this change is to really limit bears access to garbage.

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Sophie Moiese Room

In the Missoula area, bears that get used to seeking food become emboldened.

1:3:19.850 --> 1:3:22.280

Sophie Moiese Room

They damage property seeking for food.

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Sophie Moiese Room

They become kind of a a safety risk or definitely a safety risk for people, for pets, and then it can be deadly for bears.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So bears that get used to, umm, getting food from garbage cans will sometimes have to be removed and sometimes killed and even a removed bear.

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Sophie Moiese Room

It's possible that it can come back, but regardless, that that bear that has either been has been displaced one way or another often is replaced by another bear.

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Sophie Moiese Room

If garbage is still available, so that's not a very good solution.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Like I said, this current beer buffer zone that's up on the map now is limited to the city limits.

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Sophie Moiese Room

It's really not large enough to keep bears out of garbage, but the other problem is that the rule that applies within the bare buffer zone is widely not complied with, because the rule that it applies right now is either you have to have a bear resistant container, or you have to put your garbage out the day it's being collected to keep it away from the bears at night.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Umm, the pro.

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Sophie Moiese Room

There's a lot of problems.

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Sophie Moiese Room

There's a lot of reasons people aren't complying with it, but the reality is, is that most people do not comply with that rule.

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Sophie Moiese Room

It is very intensive time intensive when it comes to enforcement and so we've really only been able to look at a couple areas and enforcement.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Animal control is our main enforcers of this and they just simply have to do it every spring and every fall to get people to comply, even in the rattlesnake where you know we're out there a fair bit.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So a group got together to say we realized that this is not working bare activity or problem.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Bear activity is increasing, So what can we do?

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Sophie Moiese Room

When we talked about a lot of things, but one what we settled on was following the British columbia's bear smart model, which says first you do a hazard assessment.

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Sophie Moiese Room

You look at where your bear problems are coming from and where the human bear conflicts are being created, and then you come up with a management plan.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So we did that.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We presented that to the board of County Commissioners.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We presented it to the Health Board and to the City Council and then from that came a resolution, as you will recall, you were all involved, although Dave was at the meeting at the City Council meeting, right where there was a joint resolution that was created to say to recognize the results of those documents, but also to say Missoula commits to being a bear smart community and we will address their human bear conflicts through a combination of education promotion ordinance and enforcement, using public private partnerships.

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Sophie Moiese Room

This is part of that the bear Smart working group continues to meet, and so a lot of those partners are focused on education and promotion or even providing services like helping people who cannot pick fruit in the fall to pick fruit from their trees.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So there's a lot of activity besides this regulation that this regulation is a really important part.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Part of that is because what we found is 49% of the human bear conflicts in the Missoula area are due to garbage.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So we have to that we had to address that and this was a way that we could do that.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So this is the revised bear buffer zone that the health Board approved.

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Sophie Moiese Room

You can see the the cross hatched places are where the current bear buffer zone is, so it's quite a bit bigger than that outline that you see was really just the study area.

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Sophie Moiese Room

It gave us a place to start where we would start with the bare assessment, the hazard assessment and the management plan, conflict management plan.

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Sophie Moiese Room

But what you can also see and I what you just know inherently from knowing Missoula County is that the city limits are not the end of the development in these drainages.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And so it goes up the drainages where bears are because we can't, like, habituate bears to garbage way up the drainages and not expect them to come down and and get into garbage.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So we also had to make it big enough so that it wouldn't push bear conflicts into the urban core.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So it has to be big enough to keep them just out of the city.

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Sophie Moiese Room

I will say bears are always gonna be in our city.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Bears are gonna come through our city, but what we don't want is them to hang out and to get, you know, start feeding on garbage and getting into people's homes.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And you know, looking for food that way.

1:7:54.420 --> 1:7:57.430

Sophie Moiese Room

So that is what this is intended to address.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And we did use the expertise of the the Bear Smart Group, which includes bear experts and advocates, and also a study from Durango, Co that looked at some of this type of regulation and then also thinking about really what's a practical way to enforce it?

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Sophie Moiese Room

Because now I'm going to tell you, it's not just that we made that the Health board agreed that the OR approved a larger bear buffer zone, but we also had to look at what requirements would be within the bear buffer zone.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And so in order for it to work, the Health Board agreed that we needed to require bear resistant containers or bear resistant enclosures.

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Sophie Moiese Room

This is an example of bears in I think of Evaro Hill that have tried to get into cans, but they're bare resistance, so that's why you don't see any garbage.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah, but they will still try.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So it works.

1:8:57.110 --> 1:8:59.650

Sophie Moiese Room

The other thing is that the health Board approved.

1:9:1.510 --> 1:9:2.340

Sophie Moiese Room

Phasing.

1:9:2.410 --> 1:9:14.0

Sophie Moiese Room

So that that that way we could actually start getting some of this into effect now, but we have to give the haulers time and to get the bear containers.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Sometimes it takes a while to get them because of just supply issues, right?

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Sophie Moiese Room

So what we did is said we again use the expertise from the group and said the Grant Creek and Rattlesnake are the most important places to start with.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So they have a a effective date of 2024 and then from the rattlesnake through the university and Patty Canyon has an effective date of 2025 and then the rest 2026.

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Sophie Moiese Room

It's not that it's not needed everywhere right now, but it's that that's a practical way for us to get the containers and get them out to people.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Also, as part of the public comment process that the Health Board had is that there were concerns by citizens and by fish, wildlife and parks about the Potomac Valley.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And then we also heard from community members through Commissioner Vero and then talked more with fish, wildlife and parks about it, and that this is just a real critical area.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Jamie Jonkel here will go into more detail about what's going on in that area with bears, but there's a lot of garbage and a lot of bears and not not a lot of bear resistant containers.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So we did create this Potomac bear mitigation area and also in that area bear resistant containers or enclosures will be required.

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Sophie Moiese Room

So now to Jamie. Yeah.

1:10:45.170 --> 1:10:46.880

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you for having me here today.

1:10:47.150 --> 1:10:47.620

Sophie Moiese Room

Uh.

1:10:47.630 --> 1:10:54.470

Sophie Moiese Room

Jamie Jonkel Fish, Wildlife and Parks this year compared to years past, has been really wonderful.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We've had a lot of natural barefoots Berry crops are just phenomenal, so we've had very low conflicts up till now.

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Sophie Moiese Room

This spring it started out kind of with a bang.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We did have to destroy or euthanized two young submittal black bears in the Missoula area here that both were very food conditioned and both bears had entered homes for garbage.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Both home sites had their doors wide open, but the Bears entered the houses and so we did have to remove those two bears.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We were worried that that's how the whole summer was gonna go.

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Sophie Moiese Room

But with all the rain and and the cool weather.

1:11:36.870 --> 1:11:41.410

Sophie Moiese Room

And then the huge Berry load that we had, it's been very, very quiet.

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Sophie Moiese Room

But about two weeks ago, it really, really picked up.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And just yesterday, we had a bear running around the University of Montana area, but we've seen bears starting to show up in Grant Creek, Big Flat Rattlesnake Bonner, Milltown.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And so we're predicting that we'll have our standard 50 to 60 bears and the rattlesnake here before too long, they they're mostly coming down for the apples.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And then what's left of the choke cherry in Hawthorne and the river bottom?

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Sophie Moiese Room

But sadly a lot of them are getting into garbage.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Uh, like to compare this to last year, last year we had a food failure and it was just a a horrendous year.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We were so busy we had well over 2000 conflicts and just to give you an example, what happens on a bad food year, we had to relocate 40 black bears last year.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We ended up having to destroy or euthanize 13 and then we had 15 bear shot by homeowners.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Most of them were, you know, being would people like to say is a nuisance getting into their garbage, which is sort of left outside front door.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And then we had a phenomenal number of roadkill.

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Sophie Moiese Room

Black bear here.

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Sophie Moiese Room

We had 38.

1:12:58.960 --> 1:13:2.300

Sophie Moiese Room

That's just the number of black bears that we picked up Fish and Game.

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Sophie Moiese Room

There were many more picked up by m.andwhat.

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Sophie Moiese Room

That's all about is is, you know, all the garbage is stored next to highways, the frontage roads.

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Sophie Moiese Room

And so these bears are coming down into the low elevations for the berries, the moisture, and then they start going to that garbage and get hit.

1:13:20.830 --> 1:13:25.940

Sophie Moiese Room

Uh, we've been seeing quite an increase in Grizzlies in and around the Missoula area.

1:13:27.80 --> 1:13:29.120

Sophie Moiese Room

Umm, last year?

1:13:29.130 --> 1:13:32.930

Sophie Moiese Room

The year before, we had a family group working in the North Hills.

1:13:34.530 --> 1:13:39.40

Sophie Moiese Room

This year we have several lone bearers in the North Hills.

1:13:41.490 --> 1:13:51.40

Sophie Moiese Room

Had some really good pictures of what looked like a a pretty good size adult male and then just lots and lots of good reports that we weren't able to verify.

1:13:51.450 --> 1:13:55.150

Sophie Moiese Room

And then in that Marshall Creek area, I've had several encounters.

1:13:56.810 --> 1:14:1.0

Sophie Moiese Room

Bicyclists, hikers running into Grizzlies in the Clinton area?

1:14:1.490 --> 1:14:2.440

Sophie Moiese Room

We have.

1:14:2.570 --> 1:14:8.40

Sophie Moiese Room

I don't know what's going on there, but we've had at least four different Grizzlies show up there this summer.

1:14:8.530 --> 1:14:24.760

Sophie Moiese Room

Two unmarked bears that sadly did get into garbage once Centura and once in Clinton, but then two of our radio colored bears that we had captured down the bitter root actually took a little run right through that Deer Creek, Deer Creek area.

1:14:24.770 --> 1:14:31.680

Sophie Moiese Room

One of them crossed Interstate 90 to come S the first time right at Kendall Crook and then crossed again. Right.

1:14:31.690 --> 1:14:34.90

Sophie Moiese Room

At Kendall Crick, and is now in the Potomac area.

1:14:34.560 --> 1:14:37.530

Sophie Moiese Room

The other bears still here just kind of hanging out along the river.

1:14:37.720 --> 1:14:41.0

Sophie Moiese Room

Mining is peas and queues hasn't gotten any garbage yet.

1:14:41.950 --> 1:14:44.520

Sophie Moiese Room

There's a lot of garbage and it's very tempting.

1:14:45.250 --> 1:14:53.220

Sophie Moiese Room

Potomac area is just been pretty crazy for about the last 10 years, and it's getting worse and worse.

1:14:53.590 --> 1:15:2.600

Sophie Moiese Room

More and more people are moving into the area, but just the garbage sort of just left out at the bus stops and the road junctions.

1:15:2.690 --> 1:15:5.860

Sophie Moiese Room

You know, some of the garbage can lineups.

1:15:5.870 --> 1:15:7.500

Sophie Moiese Room

You can see them on Google Earth.

1:15:7.690 --> 1:15:11.480

Sophie Moiese Room

You know, they're like almost a 600 yards long.

1:15:13.320 --> 1:15:22.930

Sophie Moiese Room

And it started out with just black bear chronic BlackBerry issues in the Potomac area and now we've got quite a few Grizzlies tuned up on garbage in Potomac.

1:15:22.940 --> 1:15:25.700

Sophie Moiese Room

At least four this year, four different pairs.

1:15:29.730 --> 1:15:30.500

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you, Jamie.

1:15:30.670 --> 1:15:37.180

Sophie Moiese Room

So I did want to tell you that the health Board during their two public hearings, did receive comments.

1:15:37.250 --> 1:15:42.260

Sophie Moiese Room

They were overwhelmingly in favor of the proposed changes.

1:15:42.270 --> 1:15:48.580

Sophie Moiese Room

There were emails to the health department, we got information through Missoula County Voice and then public comment at the hearings.

1:15:48.790 --> 1:15:50.870

Sophie Moiese Room

Those that were opposed were opposed.

1:15:50.880 --> 1:15:51.640

Sophie Moiese Room

There were three.

1:15:51.650 --> 1:15:55.440

Sophie Moiese Room

They were opposed because of cost or because it would raise taxes.

1:15:55.450 --> 1:16:11.330

Sophie Moiese Room

So in Missoula or it won't affect taxes because our haulers are private and so people are their customers and pay them directly As for cause it what we have heard from the haulers is that it's about 5 to \$10 more a month.

1:16:11.480 --> 1:16:18.830

Sophie Moiese Room

However, this is happening at a time when our garbage bills are being greatly reduced, like by half.

1:16:19.140 --> 1:16:24.370

Sophie Moiese Room

For instance my, my I called and got my father a bear resistant.

1:16:24.380 --> 1:16:30.330

Sophie Moiese Room

Can in his quarterly bill went from \$135 a quarter to 70.

1:16:30.340 --> 1:16:39.810

Sophie Moiese Room

So it was a giant change in that and so while yes bear resistant containers are more expensive for reasons you know than a standard container.

1:16:39.900 --> 1:16:48.100

Sophie Moiese Room

It's just kind of happening at a really good time when overall our, our, the, the amount that we're paying is going down.

1:16:48.960 --> 1:17:18.260

Sophie Moiese Room

Umm So what this looks like for the county commissioners would be an ordinance or resolution that adopts an ordinance if that's the proper way to say it, that would basically change the OR replace Regulation 3, which was adopted in ordinance in 2022, Ordinance 3 in 2022, with the new version of the Health Board, or approved.

1:17:18.270 --> 1:17:33.110

Sophie Moiese Room

What the Health Board approved on August 17th, 2023, so make sure ohh and I do wanna say this is the first reading and consideration and that the second one has been scheduled for two weeks from now.

1:17:33.120 --> 1:17:39.160

Sophie Moiese Room

So for people who are interested, the second time you would be looking at it would be September 28th.

1:17:40.700 --> 1:17:47.890

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, and here's your proposed motion to preliminarily adopt an ordinance adopting the revised ooh.

1:17:48.40 --> 1:17:54.910

Sophie Moiese Room

The revised Missoula City County Health Code Regulation 3 solid waste management, as approved by the Health Board on August 17th, 2023.

1:17:56.470 --> 1:17:56.830

Sophie Moiese Room

That's it.

1:17:57.600 --> 1:18:0.40

Sophie Moiese Room

And you had mentioned the dates.

1:18:2.0 --> 1:18:8.310

Sophie Moiese Room

2025 and 20, where does Potomac lie with fall of 2024?

1:18:8.400 --> 1:18:8.830

Sophie Moiese Room

OK.

1:18:8.980 --> 1:18:9.600

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks.

1:18:9.610 --> 1:18:10.930

Sophie Moiese Room

And where is this photo from?

1:18:11.100 --> 1:18:13.320

Sophie Moiese Room

We've got spring 2024, the Internet.

1:18:13.330 --> 1:18:14.610

Sophie Moiese Room

That's a toter photo.

1:18:14.720 --> 1:18:18.570

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah, I was like, wow, that was a fantastic photo.

1:18:18.660 --> 1:18:18.820

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah.

1:18:18.830 --> 1:18:21.130

Sophie Moiese Room

Aggressive like the only photo in here.

1:18:21.140 --> 1:18:23.850

Sophie Moiese Room

I think that you did not take. Sorry.

1:18:23.860 --> 1:18:25.210

Sophie Moiese Room

No, I have one from somebody else.

1:18:25.400 --> 1:18:26.700

Sophie Moiese Room

We have some photos.

1:18:29.860 --> 1:18:35.810

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, so there's some more photos like OK, but ah, how are you?

1:18:36.50 --> 1:18:36.650

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:18:36.700 --> 1:18:37.70

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah.

1:18:37.460 --> 1:18:39.160

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, so Potomac would be 22.

1:18:39.310 --> 1:18:41.680

Sophie Moiese Room

You said 2020 fall 2024.

1:18:41.720 --> 1:18:42.50

Sophie Moiese Room

OK.

1:18:42.60 --> 1:18:42.420

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:18:54.700 --> 1:18:57.540

Sophie Moiese Room

This is what Dave saw when he one of those.

1:19:0.400 --> 1:19:0.840

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:19:7.440 --> 1:19:10.230

Sophie Moiese Room

You said a dump on county owned property where where are you talking?

1:19:17.220 --> 1:19:22.600

Sophie Moiese Room

Didn't know we owned land there in the right of way or it's a slice of county land in the right of way.

1:19:35.30 --> 1:19:35.960

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you, Shannon.

1:19:35.970 --> 1:19:36.970

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks for coming over to Amy.

1:19:42.700 --> 1:19:44.170

Sophie Moiese Room

Anybody wanna speak to this?

1:19:44.780 --> 1:19:45.840

Sophie Moiese Room

Plenty of folks please do.

1:19:49.100 --> 1:19:49.810

Sophie Moiese Room

Yes, please.

1:19:49.820 --> 1:19:51.840

Sophie Moiese Room

No, come on up and make sure and hit the microphone.

1:19:51.850 --> 1:19:54.600

Sophie Moiese Room

So it's on and then if you wouldn't mind saying your name.

1:19:59.130 --> 1:20:0.560

Sophie Moiese Room

Hi, I'm Charlene handelman.

1:20:0.710 --> 1:20:7.410

Sophie Moiese Room

I came here to get my house annex to the fire district, but I thought I'd hang around for this and it's a pleasure to meet you at long last.

1:20:7.420 --> 1:20:7.870

Sophie Moiese Room

You're right.

1:20:7.880 --> 1:20:8.110

Sophie Moiese Room

He is?

1:20:8.120 --> 1:20:8.880

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah, he is.

1:20:8.890 --> 1:20:9.980

Sophie Moiese Room

Everyone knows who he is.

1:20:9.990 --> 1:20:10.270

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah.

1:20:10.280 --> 1:20:10.540

Sophie Moiese Room

So.

1:20:10.550 --> 1:20:17.780

Sophie Moiese Room

So this is wonderful with the bump buffer zone and what you're doing, and I understand most of it is with the garbage cans and and the beer proof.

1:20:17.850 --> 1:20:20.980

Sophie Moiese Room

But there's so many people coming in that are living part time.

1:20:21.350 --> 1:20:22.980

Sophie Moiese Room

Education is the key.

1:20:22.990 --> 1:20:25.860

Sophie Moiese Room

Once you pass this, how are you going to educate?

1:20:25.870 --> 1:20:28.340

Sophie Moiese Room

Because you already have an enforcement problem.

1:20:28.510 --> 1:20:31.570

Sophie Moiese Room

So what do you do to get this rolling in terms of that?

1:20:32.200 --> 1:20:34.410

Sophie Moiese Room

And that's that's my concern.

1:20:34.420 --> 1:20:39.110

Sophie Moiese Room

That OK, we've got a new law here, but what's gonna come of it after that?

1:20:39.360 --> 1:20:40.760

Sophie Moiese Room

So thank you.

1:20:41.840 --> 1:20:43.70

Sophie Moiese Room

Do you like me to answer that?

1:20:43.120 --> 1:20:44.690

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, I would love to answer that.

1:20:44.800 --> 1:20:57.20

Sophie Moiese Room

So one of the things about this regulation is that it requires any can that's least within the bear buffer zone to be bear resistant.

1:20:57.120 --> 1:21:9.300

Sophie Moiese Room

So yes, the homeowners have to keep their garbage in bear resistant containers, but also the haulers have to provide bear resistant containers where they're providing containers.

1:21:9.310 --> 1:21:13.630

Sophie Moiese Room

So that's gonna take care honestly, of the bulk of the problem.

1:21:13.840 --> 1:21:16.390

Sophie Moiese Room

We do have enforcement capability.

1:21:16.400 --> 1:21:22.690

Sophie Moiese Room

We know we're gonna have to be out there initially and well, always, right.

1:21:22.700 --> 1:21:24.170

Sophie Moiese Room

And so it's not all.

1:21:24.180 --> 1:21:27.810

Sophie Moiese Room

It's also not just about the container, but about people using it correctly.

1:21:27.820 --> 1:21:28.990

Sophie Moiese Room

So you have to lock it.

1:21:29.0 --> 1:21:30.110

Sophie Moiese Room

You have to close it.

1:21:30.120 --> 1:21:36.430

Sophie Moiese Room

You can't overfill it, and so we do know that there's that effort that we have to put into it.

1:21:36.720 --> 1:21:58.390

Sophie Moiese Room

We have the bear smart working group and a lot of different organizations that are involved that are committed to also being part of the solution and especially when it comes to education and promotion, and so it is something that will be working on as we get down the road for this.

1:21:58.460 --> 1:22:9.220

Sophie Moiese Room

So and then we have Jamie, who helps us know where there are problems and we work together with that, the animal control and environmental health, so.

1:22:11.480 --> 1:22:11.880

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:22:17.260 --> 1:22:18.90

Sophie Moiese Room

Good afternoon.

1:22:18.300 --> 1:22:19.470

Sophie Moiese Room

My name is Daniel Westbrook.

1:22:19.480 --> 1:22:20.870

Sophie Moiese Room

I'm a Potomac resident.

1:22:21.260 --> 1:22:26.250

Sophie Moiese Room

I just wanted to make a few comments that I missed a some of the earlier meetings, which is probably where some of my comments belong.

1:22:26.680 --> 1:22:35.550

Sophie Moiese Room

Umm, one of the things I'm concerned about is these large carts that have wheels on them have to be wheeled down to the pickup spot in the rural environment.

1:22:35.560 --> 1:22:37.900

Sophie Moiese Room

In my particular case, is 3/4 of a mile down there.

1:22:37.910 --> 1:22:42.830

Sophie Moiese Room

Well, what's gonna end up happening is those cans will get left in that area as they get left.

1:22:42.840 --> 1:22:50.530

Sophie Moiese Room

People will come down and deposit their garbage at any point during the week, so those areas might still be attractants that we need to be concerned with.

1:22:50.820 --> 1:22:52.730

Sophie Moiese Room

That being said, we need to do something.

1:22:52.740 --> 1:22:56.290

Sophie Moiese Room

So I'm not opposed to this particular rule.

1:22:56.340 --> 1:22:59.740

Sophie Moiese Room

I think it's probably a good rule for us to get a start with.

1:22:59.750 --> 1:23:3.920

Sophie Moiese Room

At any rate, I think the amount that we pay is really not going down.

1:23:3.930 --> 1:23:8.860

Sophie Moiese Room

I currently can take 150 gallons of garbage down to the drop off point.

1:23:8.870 --> 1:23:11.480

Sophie Moiese Room

It's costing me about \$120.00 a quarter.

1:23:11.730 --> 1:23:24.560

Sophie Moiese Room

I would be able to take 95 gallons of garbage down for the price of about \$80.00 per quarter, so the cost per quarter seems to be down, but the volume per quarter is also down.

1:23:24.670 --> 1:23:27.110

Sophie Moiese Room

So I don't know that that's an accurate statement to make.

1:23:27.800 --> 1:23:30.210

Sophie Moiese Room

Umm, these garbage canner?

1:23:30.220 --> 1:23:32.890

Sophie Moiese Room

These bear resistant containers being left on the corners.

1:23:33.380 --> 1:23:38.640

Sophie Moiese Room

If you've seen it, it's quite an eyesore because they are, as as Jamie had mentioned, 600 yards long.

1:23:38.940 --> 1:23:40.120

Sophie Moiese Room

They are in the public right away.

1:23:41.270 --> 1:23:41.800

Sophie Moiese Room

Umm.

1:23:42.810 --> 1:23:45.820

Sophie Moiese Room

I'm wondering if locking dumpsters are gonna be acceptable.

1:23:46.350 --> 1:23:47.670

Sophie Moiese Room

Shannon, can you speak to that?

1:23:51.280 --> 1:23:52.570

Sophie Moiese Room

Not necessarily.

1:23:52.660 --> 1:23:53.50

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah.

1:23:53.60 --> 1:23:56.50

Sophie Moiese Room

So there are locking bear resistant dumpsters.

1:23:56.60 --> 1:24:2.970

Sophie Moiese Room

Then you can work with Republic Services and grizzly disposal to get their locks to put on them.

1:24:3.160 --> 1:24:8.510

Sophie Moiese Room

So the you know, the drivers can open them up, but then other people can't put their garbage in there.

1:24:8.520 --> 1:24:9.170

Sophie Moiese Room

They have a key.

1:24:9.180 --> 1:24:11.830

Sophie Moiese Room

You know, they're fairly effective, you know.

1:24:11.900 --> 1:24:18.590

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah, you know the problem with dumpsters and the problem with all garbage containers as wear and tear.

1:24:18.600 --> 1:24:23.990

Sophie Moiese Room

So you have to keep maintained and then what's nice through this program, they'll be replaced by the companies.

1:24:24.340 --> 1:24:24.870

Sophie Moiese Room

Hmm.

1:24:25.0 --> 1:24:27.350

Sophie Moiese Room

Ohh so if any is damaged happens.

1:24:27.360 --> 1:24:29.510

Sophie Moiese Room

If damage happens, there'll be replacing those correct?

1:24:29.520 --> 1:24:31.160

Sophie Moiese Room

If you're leasing from them, that's very good.

1:24:34.540 --> 1:24:36.10

Sophie Moiese Room

That is all the comments I have for you.

1:24:36.20 --> 1:24:36.700

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you very much.

1:24:36.710 --> 1:24:37.450

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks for coming down.

1:24:45.970 --> 1:25:0.920

Sophie Moiese Room

Jim Costamagna, Potomac Valley, bought 3 months short of living there for half a century and the last five to seven years have been so discouraging to see the garbage spread everywhere.

1:25:1.950 --> 1:25:3.280

Sophie Moiese Room

And it's just getting worse.

1:25:3.290 --> 1:25:4.0

Sophie Moiese Room

Like Jen, you said.

1:25:4.10 --> 1:25:17.980

Sophie Moiese Room

I wanna thank Jamie and Shannon and Onita for their effort to bring Potomac Valley into this zone because it is a huge problem and it's not getting.

1:25:18.70 --> 1:25:19.50

Sophie Moiese Room

It's not getting any better.

1:25:19.820 --> 1:25:24.250

Sophie Moiese Room

Umm, I can speak for at least seven of my neighbors.

1:25:24.400 --> 1:25:28.790

Sophie Moiese Room

Who would like to see this resolution passed and put into effect?

1:25:29.610 --> 1:25:31.620

Sophie Moiese Room

Umm, it's just a huge problem.

1:25:31.630 --> 1:25:40.380

Sophie Moiese Room

It's not getting any better and as far as the Grizzlies go, that pictures that I gave you my house isn't too far from that.

1:25:40.460 --> 1:25:52.620

Sophie Moiese Room

But in the last three years I've had two Grizzlies in my yard, and I know of 1 black bear that was shot at that site and one that was wounded in the last two years.

1:25:52.630 --> 1:25:58.420

Sophie Moiese Room

So people and the bears and they're both bus stops as Jamie mentioned.

1:25:58.430 --> 1:26:5.370

Sophie Moiese Room

So it's a, it's a really good move to get this passed and I hope it goes through real quick.

1:26:5.440 --> 1:26:6.360

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you for your time.

1:26:7.210 --> 1:26:7.570

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:26:15.270 --> 1:26:18.230

Sophie Moiese Room

Good afternoon and thank you for letting us comment.

1:26:18.310 --> 1:26:19.460

Sophie Moiese Room

My name is Chris Sarine.

1:26:19.470 --> 1:26:22.0

Sophie Moiese Room

I'm a member of the Missoula Bear Smart Working group.

1:26:22.250 --> 1:26:26.280

Sophie Moiese Room

I'm a bear biologist and it's really important to do this.

1:26:26.390 --> 1:26:41.270

Sophie Moiese Room

As a little county can be leaders in Montana and implementing this program, we all live in bear habitat and we have a responsibility to to help the Bears live successfully this work that we've put together and this this bear.

1:26:41.610 --> 1:26:49.700

Sophie Moiese Room

Umm, resistant garbage program will go a long way toward making us live successfully with the bears in the Missoula Valley.

1:26:49.710 --> 1:27:0.100

Sophie Moiese Room

In the Potomac area, and hopefully in the rest of Missoula County, so we're here to we stand available to help in any way, whether it's outreach or education or better ways to to implement this.

1:27:0.110 --> 1:27:7.960

Sophie Moiese Room

So thank you for being positive about this and thank you for letting us come and and we appreciate this celebrity status of Jimmy deserves it.

1:27:8.670 --> 1:27:9.320

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks, Chris.

1:27:9.660 --> 1:27:11.510

Sophie Moiese Room

Also celebrity, also a celebrity.

1:27:16.780 --> 1:27:31.810

Sophie Moiese Room

My name's Alyssa chat and I work for the Great Bear Foundation and I'm also a member of the Bear Smart Working group and I would just like to voice my support of the adoption of this resolution because it will help reduce bear conflicts, garbage accounts for 50% of them right now here in the valley.

1:27:32.480 --> 1:27:52.550

Sophie Moiese Room

And so just letting bears pass through instead of inviting them to stay and get into those attractants is what's going to be really important and great bear and the bear smart working group is committed to furthering education and outreach as we move through this process, because we realized that we can't just throw out a resolution there and have people adopt it.

1:27:52.600 --> 1:27:54.650

Sophie Moiese Room

And then expect everything to be OK.

1:27:54.660 --> 1:27:59.660

Sophie Moiese Room

So education and outreach is going to be a continuing part of this piece as well and we are committed to that.

1:27:59.760 --> 1:28:1.630

Sophie Moiese Room

So thank you for the opportunity to comment.

1:28:2.60 --> 1:28:2.770

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:28:3.140 --> 1:28:5.350

Sophie Moiese Room

And Blake online.

1:28:6.940 --> 1:28:7.440

Sophie Moiese Room

Oh, I'm sorry.

1:28:7.450 --> 1:28:7.850

Sophie Moiese Room

There's a.

1:28:9.150 --> 1:28:9.600

Sophie Moiese Room

Are you OK?

1:28:9.610 --> 1:28:12.610

Sophie Moiese Room

But if we do, Blake and OK Blake, please do.

1:28:13.250 --> 1:28:14.140

Blake Nicolazzo

Hi.

1:28:15.210 --> 1:28:15.560

Blake Nicolazzo

Hey.

1:28:15.570 --> 1:28:17.40

Blake Nicolazzo

Yep, I'm Blake Nicolazzo.

1:28:17.50 --> 1:28:26.550

Blake Nicolazzo

I actually wrote a petition last year asking all the Commissioners to support the, you know, going into bear smart, adopting bear smart guidelines for the county.

1:28:26.560 --> 1:28:35.420

Blake Nicolazzo

And I also started Missoula for Bears, which raised money for some projects to shore up some hot spots.

1:28:35.430 --> 1:28:48.380

Blake Nicolazzo

And so I've been working with Jamie and Chad Bauer from Republic Services and the thing I've learned the most is that you start working on singular projects and you realize that it's absolutely endless.

1:28:48.440 --> 1:28:54.10

Blake Nicolazzo

And so I really support this move and and I hope that the three of you will also.

1:28:54.560 --> 1:28:58.210

Blake Nicolazzo

And I'm just so happy that we're here and that this is on the docket.

1:28:58.220 --> 1:29:13.110

Blake Nicolazzo

It's been a long time coming and that we all owe a lot of things to a lot of people in the room and yeah, garbage and bird feeders are definitely the gateway drug for bears and it leads them to, you know, the end of their lives.

1:29:13.280 --> 1:29:18.130

Blake Nicolazzo

Relocation is not a viable solution and so yeah, I love this.

1:29:18.140 --> 1:29:28.530

Blake Nicolazzo

We're taking responsibility and we're showing our respect for these animals and wildlife in general, so I'm obviously very much in support and thanks for the opportunity to to talk on it.

1:29:29.210 --> 1:29:30.690

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks and thanks for all your work, Blake.

1:29:34.320 --> 1:29:34.630

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah.

1:29:34.640 --> 1:29:35.910

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you, George.

1:29:35.920 --> 1:29:41.410

Sophie Moiese Room

Nicholas, I'm the executive director of Wilderness Watch, which is a national conservation group based here in Missoula.

1:29:41.420 --> 1:29:46.310

Sophie Moiese Room

And I just want to lend our voices support for what you're doing here.

1:29:46.320 --> 1:29:53.90

Sophie Moiese Room

It's as Blake described you know, it's it's a step in what's going to be a very long process, but we owe it to the bears.

1:29:53.100 --> 1:30:0.90

Sophie Moiese Room

And so thank you for considering it and thanks to all the folks that have been putting all the work into it.

1:30:0.100 --> 1:30:1.780

Sophie Moiese Room

So thanks George.

1:30:2.510 --> 1:30:4.420

Sophie Moiese Room

Jane Online, would you like to speak?

1:30:7.420 --> 1:30:7.960

JANE MARU

Hi.

1:30:8.50 --> 1:30:8.180

JANE MARU

Hello.

1:30:8.770 --> 1:30:11.420

JANE MARU

Umm, my name is Jane Maroo.

1:30:11.430 --> 1:30:13.120

JANE MARU

I'm a resident of Potomac.

1:30:14.260 --> 1:30:26.550

JANE MARU

First, I'd like to take a moment to think Jamie Jonkel for all his efforts, the lineup of garbage cans he and Daniel mentioned in Potomac is an absolute blight on the community.

1:30:27.280 --> 1:30:32.960

JANE MARU

Umm, it's a beautiful road and the garbage can lineup is just an eyesore.

1:30:34.90 --> 1:30:38.480

JANE MARU

I'm here to show support for a bear enclosure for this wonderful community.

1:30:38.490 --> 1:30:42.50

JANE MARU

And like Blake said, it has been a long time coming.

1:30:42.390 --> 1:30:42.850

JANE MARU

Thank you.

1:30:44.950 --> 1:30:45.310

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:30:50.610 --> 1:30:52.330

Sophie Moiese Room

Anyone else in the room or online?

1:31:0.290 --> 1:31:4.260

Sophie Moiese Room

And do you guys have any questions for Shannon or Jamie or any of the folks?

1:31:4.500 --> 1:31:7.270

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah, that motion again.

1:31:7.280 --> 1:31:11.550

Sophie Moiese Room

And when's the next final question open for a while?

1:31:11.960 --> 1:31:12.490

Sophie Moiese Room

Do we have?

1:31:12.740 --> 1:31:16.70

Sophie Moiese Room

Do we just do we just open the might might not need a motion.

1:31:16.80 --> 1:31:19.860

Sophie Moiese Room

Now that I think about it, this is the preliminary adoption.

1:31:19.870 --> 1:31:23.370

Sophie Moiese Room

Ohh, maybe you preliminarily adopt what do we do, John.

1:31:23.620 --> 1:31:25.170

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah, I was thinking about that.

1:31:27.390 --> 1:31:27.710

Sophie Moiese Room

Good.

1:31:29.230 --> 1:31:32.720

Sophie Moiese Room

We, Shannon, they're not really adopting it today, correct?

1:31:32.790 --> 1:31:34.440

Sophie Moiese Room

It's well, what I what?

1:31:34.450 --> 1:31:40.460

Sophie Moiese Room

I was looking at for the ordinance is like a preliminary adoption and first reading and then final adoption.

1:31:40.470 --> 1:31:47.310

Sophie Moiese Room

So could it be there the result that they're expressing their intent to adopt A resolution?

1:31:49.420 --> 1:31:51.500

Sophie Moiese Room

Whatever you think will work will work for me.

1:31:53.90 --> 1:31:54.500

Sophie Moiese Room

That's probably the.

1:31:54.570 --> 1:32:2.180

Sophie Moiese Room

I mean, that's probably the most appropriate because this will not go into effect until they act at the meeting on the 28th.

1:32:2.190 --> 1:32:2.900

Sophie Moiese Room

That's correct.

1:32:2.910 --> 1:32:3.920

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, 30 days after.

1:32:3.930 --> 1:32:5.740

Sophie Moiese Room

So why don't you guys move to?

1:32:7.890 --> 1:32:13.320

Sophie Moiese Room

I mean move to adopt A resolution of intent to.

1:32:15.530 --> 1:32:25.430

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, to revise the Missoula City County Health Code Regulation #3 solid waste management, can you bring that up on the board on August 17th to 2023?

1:32:25.440 --> 1:32:26.690

Sophie Moiese Room

You cue that up on the screen.

1:32:27.480 --> 1:32:28.130

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah.

1:32:28.260 --> 1:32:31.260

Sophie Moiese Room

Or you could just say whatever I sent.

1:32:33.760 --> 1:32:34.450

Sophie Moiese Room

I got it.

1:32:35.60 --> 1:32:39.760

Sophie Moiese Room

Well, just, uh, say this is a long time coming.

1:32:39.770 --> 1:32:41.150

Sophie Moiese Room

This is long overdue.

1:32:41.160 --> 1:32:53.280

Sophie Moiese Room

I was out in Potomac about a month ago to venture up to the Copper Cliff Cafe and drove past a whole lineup of cans that had been tipped over.

1:32:53.290 --> 1:32:55.310

Sophie Moiese Room

And it was a huge mess.

1:32:55.320 --> 1:33:1.910

Sophie Moiese Room

So I totally get it from the Potomac residents who joined us today that there's a problem that needs to be addressed.

1:33:1.920 --> 1:33:4.730

Sophie Moiese Room

And this is a step in that direction.

1:33:5.620 --> 1:33:6.450

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks.

1:33:7.240 --> 1:33:7.970

Sophie Moiese Room

Absolutely.

1:33:8.80 --> 1:33:12.900

Sophie Moiese Room

I'm really happy to see you folks from Potomac and Chris Jamie here.

1:33:12.910 --> 1:33:13.220

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:33:14.140 --> 1:33:20.190

Sophie Moiese Room

Well, I wanna add to this is that there was a time in the not too distant future, not too distant future.

1:33:20.200 --> 1:33:21.270

Sophie Moiese Room

Not too distant past.

1:33:21.340 --> 1:33:33.730

Sophie Moiese Room

Sorry, they're not too distant past when the expansion of the bare buffer zone would have been unthinkable when us passing a resolution that would say thou shalt, I know not.

1:33:33.770 --> 1:33:34.800

Sophie Moiese Room

It's a different language now.

1:33:34.810 --> 1:33:43.70

Sophie Moiese Room

Different style guide, but thou shalt have a bear resistant container would have been unthinkable when doing this in Potomac would have been unthinkable.

1:33:43.310 --> 1:34:0.80

Sophie Moiese Room

And these things are about to become a reality and one to acknowledge that that is only because looks like Chris and Jamie and Shannon and George and you all have put in the time working within the community to make this now and not just palatable, but something that people are excited about and we're really excited too.

1:34:0.900 --> 1:34:2.760

Sophie Moiese Room

Make it formally happen, so thank you.

1:34:6.10 --> 1:34:10.600

Sophie Moiese Room

So with that I I moved to uh.

1:34:11.160 --> 1:34:12.380

Sophie Moiese Room

Preliminary Lily.

1:34:18.60 --> 1:34:18.200

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah.

1:34:20.280 --> 1:34:25.350

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah, I I moved to revise the Missoula City County Health Code 3.

1:34:25.400 --> 1:34:26.770

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, I I move.

1:34:28.950 --> 1:34:30.490

Sophie Moiese Room

To to.

1:34:32.470 --> 1:34:36.620

Sophie Moiese Room

Ohh to the resolution of intent to adopt.

1:34:36.670 --> 1:34:38.180

Sophie Moiese Room

Ohh, it disappeared.

1:34:38.290 --> 1:34:38.920

Sophie Moiese Room

I'm sorry.

1:34:38.930 --> 1:34:40.160

Sophie Moiese Room

I was gonna write this.

1:34:40.240 --> 1:34:41.120

Sophie Moiese Room

That's OK.

1:34:41.700 --> 1:34:42.150

Sophie Moiese Room

You got it.

1:34:45.90 --> 1:34:45.310

Sophie Moiese Room

OK.

1:34:45.320 --> 1:34:45.910

Sophie Moiese Room

Hold on.

1:34:46.20 --> 1:34:49.130

Sophie Moiese Room

I'll bring it back up a different way.

1:34:51.140 --> 1:34:51.400

Sophie Moiese Room

3.

1:34:54.870 --> 1:34:57.780

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, so hold on.

1:34:57.870 --> 1:34:58.910

Sophie Moiese Room

There we go see it.

1:35:0.620 --> 1:35:3.60

Sophie Moiese Room

Ohh really get some real time if we can.

1:35:5.750 --> 1:35:7.180

Sophie Moiese Room

The dots. No.

1:35:7.360 --> 1:35:11.80

Sophie Moiese Room

Yeah, a resolution of intent intent a.

1:35:11.130 --> 1:35:13.470

Sophie Moiese Room

We're adopting a resolution of intent intent.

1:35:16.950 --> 1:35:18.760

Sophie Moiese Room

Folks, we are making sausage as you.

1:35:29.660 --> 1:35:30.640

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, wait till.

1:35:31.910 --> 1:35:32.740

Sophie Moiese Room

I mean, it's gonna.

1:35:32.750 --> 1:35:36.960

Sophie Moiese Room

I'm gonna check with make sure John Hart likes that before I say anything.

1:35:38.640 --> 1:35:39.970

Sophie Moiese Room

The why is.

1:35:51.460 --> 1:35:52.600

Sophie Moiese Room

Excellent. OK.

1:35:57.310 --> 1:36:1.830

Sophie Moiese Room

Uh, we the I've got to fix the O for a voiceline revisioning.

1:36:5.500 --> 1:36:6.600

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, third time, here we go.

1:36:8.940 --> 1:36:20.390

Sophie Moiese Room

I moved to pass a resolution of intent to adopt an ordinance revising Missoula City County Health Code Regulation #3 solid waste management as approved by the Health Board on August 17th, 2023.

1:36:20.760 --> 1:36:22.840

Sophie Moiese Room

Do I need to say anything about this being the first reading?

1:36:24.460 --> 1:36:24.910

Sophie Moiese Room

OK.

1:36:24.920 --> 1:36:27.850

Sophie Moiese Room

Is there actually a resolution of intent document?

1:36:28.220 --> 1:36:35.150

Sophie Moiese Room

There's a resolution to adopt an ordinance, so it wasn't a resolution of intent document.

1:36:37.750 --> 1:36:38.780

Sophie Moiese Room

OK, good enough.

1:36:38.970 --> 1:36:45.100

Sophie Moiese Room

2nd that we have any further public comment please please.

1:36:53.80 --> 1:36:54.370

Sophie Moiese Room

Oh, whole.

1:36:54.420 --> 1:36:55.210

Sophie Moiese Room

Hold on.

1:36:55.300 --> 1:36:56.110

Sophie Moiese Room

We gotta get.

1:36:56.120 --> 1:36:56.980

Sophie Moiese Room

It's not picking up.

1:37:3.800 --> 1:37:7.320

Sophie Moiese Room

I'm a little hesitant because it might put a little damper on the resolution.

1:37:7.330 --> 1:37:18.750

Sophie Moiese Room

I don't want the process to stop about getting the bear resistant cans into it, but what we need to consider is something like what Paul County is done and having a collection points.

1:37:19.820 --> 1:37:33.170

Sophie Moiese Room

It would seem economically feasible for the garbage come to go to one location instead of 62 locations, and that way the garbages contained in one to two areas instead of through the whole valley.

1:37:33.600 --> 1:37:36.190

Sophie Moiese Room

But somewhere down the road, that's what we need to do.

1:37:36.420 --> 1:37:36.760

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:37:37.670 --> 1:37:38.260

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:37:38.330 --> 1:37:38.690

Sophie Moiese Room

Thank you.

1:37:43.390 --> 1:37:44.20

Sophie Moiese Room

OK.

1:37:44.210 --> 1:37:46.840

Sophie Moiese Room

We we we had a motion, we had a second.

1:37:46.970 --> 1:37:48.90

Sophie Moiese Room

Any further public comment.

1:37:50.880 --> 1:37:51.190

Sophie Moiese Room

OK.

1:37:51.200 --> 1:37:51.850

Sophie Moiese Room

All in favor?

1:37:52.80 --> 1:37:52.640

Sophie Moiese Room

Aye aye.

1:37:53.580 --> 1:37:54.150

Sophie Moiese Room

Yay.

1:37:54.190 --> 1:37:56.260

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks everybody for all your hard work to make this happen.

1:37:58.630 --> 1:37:59.150

Sophie Moiese Room

Thanks Shannon.

1:38:4.160 --> 1:38:5.80

Sophie Moiese Room

I do believe we're adjourned.