

**SPECIAL
CASCADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
March 24, 2014
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
COURTHOUSE ANNEX, ROOM 111
2:00 p.m.**

This special meeting was called to attend a power point presentation to introduce the Great Falls Area Long Range Transportation Plan for 2014.

Notice: These minutes are paraphrased and reflect the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners. MCA 7-4-2611 (2) (b). These minutes were officially approved at the April 8, 2013 commission meeting.

PRESENT:

City Commission: Mayor Michael Winters, Commissioner Bill Bronson, Commissioner Fred Burow, Commissioner Bob Jones, and Commissioner Bob Kelly.

County Commission: Chairman Bill Salina, Commissioner Joe Briggs and Commissioner Jane Weber.

Other members present: City Manager - Greg Doyon, Director of City Planning and Community Development - William Zucconi, Public member - Craig Raymond, Public member - Ronald Gessaman, City Public Works Director - Jim Rearden, Deputy City Manager - Jenn Reichelt, County Director of Public Works, Brian Clifton, County Planner - Susan Conell, Representative Bob Mehlhoff HD 22, Great Falls Tribune Reporter - Jenn Rowell, City Planner - Andrew Finch, Public member - James Larson, and Recorder - Marie Johnson. *Some members present did not sign in.*

INTRODUCTION: Andrew Finch, Great Falls Planning and Community Development opened the special meeting by announcing that this (LRTP) Long Term Range Transportation Plan began in a year ago in May 2013. He then introduced Jeffrey A. Key Senior Project Manager of Robert Peccia and Associates, the company contracted to prepare the LRTP report.

PRESENTATION: Jeffrey A. Key narrated a power point presentation highlighting the contents of the LRTP which consists of 332 pages (see exhibit "A"). He began by stating that there were three formal public informational meetings during the planning process. The first meeting was an introductory meeting to discuss and identify the issues and brainstorming problem roads, intersections and areas to address in the study. The second meeting was held to review the transportation system issues and areas of concern, and to ensure all of the major transportation problems had been identified and included in the analysis. The third public meeting was held after the preliminary project recommendations were completed and concurrent with the release of an official public draft document. Comments received at these three public meetings can be found in Appendix A provided in (exhibit "A").

At the end of the presentation there was some discussion about the details of the plan.

CLOSING: In closing Andrew Finch requested that both Commissions adopt the plan in advance of the April 9, 2014 Policy Coordinating Committee meeting where it will be reviewed and either approved or amended. . Jeffrey A. Key also reminded the City and County Commissioners that changes can be made if new issues are identified.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.