

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: By Chairman Elsie Arntzen, on February 1, 2007 at 3:47 P.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Elsie Arntzen, Chairman (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Brady Wiseman, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Duane Ankney (R)
Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Bob Ebinger (D)
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)
Rep. Betsy Hands (D)
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)
Rep. Hal Jacobson (D)
Rep. William J. Jones (R)
Rep. Deborah Kottel (D)
Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)
Rep. Bill Nooney (R)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)
Rep. Diane Sands (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Sonja Lee, Legislative Branch
Pam Schindler, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 367, HB 415, HB 433, 1/26/2007
Executive Action None

HEARING ON HB 433

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:20 Rep. Brady Wiseman (D), HD 65, opened the hearing on HB 433, Full disclosure of government funds spent for federal lobbying.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:04:27 Sheryl Wood, Associate Director, Montana Association of Counties

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:04:52 Rep. Wiseman

HEARING ON HB 367

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:05:17 Rep. Dennis Himmelberger (R), HD 47, opened the hearing on HB 367, County fireworks regulation.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:26 James Reno, County Commissioner, Yellowstone County

00:08:32 Joy Stevens, City Council of Billings

Opponents' Testimony:

00:10:27 Mike Meyer, Big Sky Pyrotechnic Association

EXHIBIT (loh22a01)

00:19:12 John "Jack" Cross, self, Fireworks Seller

00:27:00 Brandon Dietrich, Shining Mountain Fireworks

00:27:59 Roy Rogers, self, Hong Kong Harrys

00:28:33 David Christensen, Shining Mountain Fireworks

00:29:16 Steve Hicks, self

00:30:23 Sue Nelson, Liberty Fireworks

00:31:32 Dwight Kronhe, Last Stand Fireworks

00:32:01 Nicole Peterson, self

00:33:59 Wendy Rogers, Hong Kong Harrys

00:34:50 Dick Mehaffey, TNT Fireworks

00:35:44 John Metscher, Shining Mountain Fireworks
00:37:01 Vic Reichenpach, Reichenpach Fireworks
00:37:37 Mona Jamison, American Promotional Enterprises

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:45:14 Rep. Jones
00:45:44 Mr. Cross
00:47:02 Rep. Nooney
00:47:27 Mr. Reno
00:49:57 Rep. Jacobson
00:50:16 Mr. Reno
00:50:59 Rep. Nooney
00:51:22 Mr. Cross
00:54:42 Dwight Kronhe

Closing by Sponsor:

00:56:22 Rep. Himmelberger

[EXHIBIT \(loh22a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT \(loh22a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT \(loh22a04\)](#)

Handed in at conclusion of hearing for HB 367

01:01:59 Break

01:13:59__Reconvene

HEARING ON HB 415

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:14:15 Rep. Michele Reinhart (D), HD 97, opened the hearing on
HB 415, Require parkland dedication in subdivision.

[EXHIBIT \(loh22a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT \(loh22a06\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

01:19:50 Linda Stoll, Missoula County, Montana Association of
Planners

Opponents' Testimony:

01:23:46 Dustin Stewart, Montana Home Builders Association

01:27:22 Glenn Oppel, Montana Association of Realtors

01:28:03 Joe Roberts, Montana Association of Registered Land
Surveyors

Informational Testimony:

01:30:47 Michael Harris, Legislative Liaison, Gallatin County,
Park System Coordinator, Gallatin County

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:34:41 Rep. Nooney
01:34:52 Mr. Harris
01:36:42 Rep. Ingraham
01:37:12 Mr. Harris
01:37:20 Ms. Stoll
01:39:04 Rep. Arntzen
01:39:32 Mr. Stewart
01:40:18 Rep. Arntzen
01:40:27 Mr. Harris
01:41:20 Rep. Hands
01:41:43 Rep. Reinhart

Closing by Sponsor:

01:47:13 Rep. Reinhart

Local Government Committee Business

01:50:19 Chairman Arntzen
01:51:14 Sonja Lee, Legislative Staffer
01:52:10 Rep. Jacobson

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:37 P.M.

REP. ELSIE ARNTZEN, Chairman

PAM SCHINDLER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([loh22aad.pdf](#))