- A. Call Meeting to Order, 7:00 pm
- B. Roll Call
  - Present (7): Gordy Hill, Dean Webb, Jann Christman, Lance Frank, Gordon Sirrine, Betsy Scanlin, Clinton Giesick, Forrest Mandeville
  - Not Present (3): John Francis, Julie Jones, Skip Bratton
  - Audience: 11 audience members. See attached sign-in sheet.
- C. Approval of 11-19-19 Minutes
  - Gordon moved to approve with typing error corrected. Dean second.
    - Motion passed unanimously.
- D. Public Hearings
  - See Regular Business
- E. Regular Business
  - Election of 2020 Officers
    - o Gordy Hill Chairperson. Nominated by Betsy. Gordon Sirrine second.
    - Betsy Scanlin Vice Chairperson. Nominated by Jann. Gordon Sirrine second.
    - o Clinton Giesick Executive Secretary. Nominated by Betsy. Jann second.
    - All passed unanimously
  - Knifeman Subdivision Preliminary Plat
    - 1 lot 6.397 acres
    - o 3.5 miles south of Red Lodge
    - Subdivision approval will lift Ag Covenant
    - Two variances being requested:
      - Road Design Standards
        - Less than 30 ft, wide
        - Grade over 8%
      - Fire Protection Standards
        - High fire hazard area
        - One access vs. the two required
    - Betsy moved to recommend approval of variance from road design standards and deny variance from fire protection requirements.
      - Motion failed due to lack of second
    - Betsy moved to recommend approval of both variances plus conditions as amended. Clinton second. Motion passed. 4 yes. 1 no. 2 abstain.

- 2020 Growth Policy Update
  - Discussion of recycling services in Carbon County
  - Sage grouse habitat discussion
  - Suggestions from November meeting have now been incorporated
  - Begin final review of updates and changes
  - o Gather final comments and feedback
  - o Review will most likely be finished at February meeting

## F. Audience Communication

- Jon Horst
  - County Commissioners were previously concerned that approving Knifeman Subdivision would set a negative precedent
  - No good option for a second driveway access
- Rod Horst
  - 16 other homes could be built on surrounding lots with no second access in place
  - Ag covenants were lifted years ago on surrounding lots
- Kate Stout
  - The area around Knifeman Subdivision will see continued development regardless of this one particular lot
- Gena Berghoff
  - Red Lodge needs to have recycling services available to reduce burden on landfills
- Kristen Cogswell
  - Memberships to Red Lodge Recycling pay for up to 80% of operating costs
  - o Recycling will save the city money in the long run
- Jeff DiBenedetto
  - o Noted the importance of outdoor recreation to the local economy
  - Keep in mind the proximity of Carbon County to Custer & Gallatin National Forests
  - o Discussion of 11 state collaboration to declare Sage Grouse non-endangered
- Becky Gray
  - o Discussion of farmland and preservation of wildlife habitat
- Tom Tschida
  - Voiced concern about preservation of farmland and wildlife habitat

## G. Written Communication

- Claudia Neibauer letter regarding Knifeman Subdivision
  - See attachment
- Betsy Scanlin Growth Policy Recommendations
  - See attachment
- Carbon County Resource Council Growth Policy Recommendations
  - See attachment

- Julie Jones emailed Growth Policy Recommendations
  - o See attachment
- H. Committee Reports
  - None
- I. Staff Reports
  - None
- J. Adjourn Meeting 9:30 pm