

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in their regular meeting on Monday, August 13, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the School District #33 Board Room in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Commissioners Bradley D. Jensen, Rex L. Payne and Clerk of the Board, Cindy Garner. Commissioner Vaughn N. Rasmussen was out of the county.

Also attending were Superintendent Scott Esquibel and Pamela Harmon, reporter for The News-Examiner.

APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve the agenda as posted, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

ELECTED OFFICIALS MEETING

Commissioner Jensen stated the water line for the equipment building was only 30 inches deep and needs to be 4 ½ feet deep to insure it does not freeze. Building official, Wayne Davidson, was working on it at this moment. Commissioner Jensen also stated he and Superintendent Scott Esquibel met with the Bear Lake West POA on Thursday to discuss a speeding problem. Commissioners' Jensen and Payne instructed Superintendent Esquibel to move one of the flashing signs from Bern over to Bear Lake West. Jensen & Esquibel also met on Saturday with the Bear Lake West HOA to discuss roads and drainage and getting in the correct culverts as had been required previously, and the HOA was being proactive on the matter. Commissioners signed a Keller's contract that had been previously approved to do the St. Charles Bridge.

Commissioner Payne mentioned how pleased he was with all the work done for the fair and much of it being donated from the board members. Most of the buildings have been painted and one sided and the fair starts today. Payne also mentioned he had been working with the Sheriff on the 911 and getting the fiber optic. Payne mentioned to Esquibel about a culvert by Antelope Flat that's narrow and also needs some gravel, maybe some reflectors, also another one over by Dairy Hollow they should go look at.

Clerk Garner asked about a letter of support for the Caldwell Canyon Mine project, which has been delayed a bit, so the Commissioners felt they should wait for Commissioner Rasmussen.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Aaron Walker, Bennington, had some questions regarding the proposed regional landfill and location on where it will go or is each county will haul their own. Commissioner Jensen stated it goes to the same at this point, and there are several locations they are looking at. There is a committee working on it and there will be a district formed, representatives from each county and everyone working together as a group will help it to be cheaper. Caribou is already over and trucking out and taking a trailer to Inkom. DEQ is pushing for regional landfills. There will be a transfer station soon.

Pamela Harmon, Bennington, asked about expanding on recycling for plastics, etc. if that you help the landfill. Commissioner Jensen stated they felt yes, but that discussion would need to be on the agenda for open meeting.

Dan Fallion, Fish Haven, also encouraged the group or committee on the regional landfill district to work on how they would get the trash to the trucks.

REGIONAL LANDFILL IDAWY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT RESOLUTION 2018-9

Commissioner Payne read Resolution #2018-9, IDAWY Solid Waste District in full. Commissioner Payne made a motion to accept Resolution #2018-9 as read, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

MICHAEL FAELIN – DUTCH CANYON RANCH UPDATE

There was discussion on a possible easement agreement with the Bear Lake West POA and the county maintaining roads. Gary Myers, on the Board & Treasurer of the POA and Craig Schaar, President, were present also to discuss their concerns on the 1,300 feet of Mountain Way Road and if brought up to standards, would the county take it over. Faelin is not willing to bring it up to standard since having the cost to do the sewer. The POA feels they should not have expense on their end. Commissioner Payne stated the county would need legal council on the matter before further discussion, but feels it is the developer's responsibility. Schaar also brought up the P.O. Boxes, garbage and those costs and responsibility. Commissioner Jensen stated they should work these things out together.

FRANK VILT – BEAR HOLLOW ROAD SPEED LIMIT SIGN

Frank Vilt presented a written request and map of the Bear Hollow Road area with speeding concerns. Commissioners suggested that Superintendent Esquibel look at the area and put up appropriate signage to encourage slower traffic at this point.

APPOINT COMMISSIONER TO SERVE ON REGIONAL SOLID WASTE DISTRICT BOARD

Commissioner Payne made a motion to appoint Commissioner Brad Jensen to the Regional Solid Waste District Board, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY

Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve the Certificate of Residency for CSI (College of Southern Idaho) for Olivia Long, Kason Lewis, Cassie Myers and Clair Wilder, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dave Cottle, Bear Lake Watch, discussed the phragmites project and the Department of Agriculture granted Highland CWMA little over \$50,000 for aerial application around part of the lake area with a helicopter on August 20th and also spray the wildlife refuge. They also will mow down the invasive species for the next year's program. It takes an aggressive five (5) year program. Funding from the State Park and the landowner could match, but the landowner in this case is the state. They are also working with the legislators. Utah has been able to get men and equipment consistently for 5 (five) or 6 (six) years and they would like them to keep coming north to help. They have treated about 500 acres at this point. They have sent Gary Billman, Department of Lands, a notice they will be spraying.

Commissioner Payne made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.