

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in a regular session on Monday, September 14, 2015 at the School District #33 Board Room in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Vaughn N. Rasmussen, Chairman, Bradley D. Jensen, Rex L. Payne and Cindy Garner, Clerk of the Board.

Treasurer Tricia Poulsen, Prosecuting Attorney Steven A. Wuthrich and Sheriff Brent R. Bunn were also present.

AGENDA APPROVED

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

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Treasurer Poulsen stated she was ready for the tax deed sale at 1:00 P.M. on the courthouse steps, also stated that the Treasurer's Conference in the 1st week of August in 2017 would be in Bear Lake and would appreciate help in the future to make it a successful conference.

Sheriff Brent R. Bunn presented his monthly report and stated everything went fairly well with the LATOJA bike race this past weekend. He mentioned conservative cost for Raspberry Days was approximately \$10,000.00. There is a new ISP officer coming into the valley. They had a joint training with the Utah State Parks, Coast Guard and some members of the Garden City Fire Department and as a result they have put our radio frequencies in their boats and he was able to hear the coast guard auxiliary check in with our dispatch, which is what it's all about. Commissioner Rasmussen stated they will be meeting with both Attorney Generals from Utah & Idaho, along with Representative Brown from Utah and Representative Gibbs from Idaho. We all need to work together regarding any issues on Bear Lake.

Clerk Garner presented them a copy of the information for a tour to visit the landfill in Kemmerer, Wyoming on September 30, 2015, which will be posted.

Todd Transtrum, Weed & Landfill Supervisor, presented information on a piggyback bid option for a new garbage truck which is needed. Commissioners will review and make a decision in the October meeting if they can extend as it was not on the agenda to make a decision.

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT

Wayne Davidson presented his end of fiscal year report. There were twenty-two new residents, and he would like to be involved in the building of the bleachers. Commissioner Rasmussen asked also that the newspaper take a before and after picture of the bleachers for the fair. There is concern regarding the old school house in Bern & Commissioner Rasmussen will contact EMS Director Alan Eborn regarding the inventory stored there which is mostly outdated. Bloomington City had an annexation of property owned by Kelly Payne, need to look at the road and who should take care of it. The 911 system is working well and the dispatchers are pleased with the accuracy for the most part.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Mitch Poulsen, Planning & Zoning Director recommended the approval of the Eskelson plat. Commissioner Payne made a motion to accept the preliminary & final plat for the Eskelson plat, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried. Mitch did research with several other counties regarding short term rentals, most do not have any ordinances, one has an extensive one but enforcing it is the issue. We do not have many to warrant an ordinance at this point, Mitch would like to try to resolve any issues with a phone call.

RIGHT OF WAY ENCROACHMENT NORTH CANYON ROAD FENCE

Steven Skinner did agree to move the fence when needed and to sign an encroachment agreement and will get it recorded to help resolve this issue.

WATER LINE IN PARIS BOTTOMS ROAD RIGHT OF WAY

Max Bunderson approached the Commissioners to run city water in the county easement down to his property. Prosecuting Attorney suggested it should be surveyed and he will draw up an agreement regarding the road.

PICTOMETRY CONTRACT, REVALUATION CONTRACT

Assessor Lynn Lewis stated it was time to renew the Pictometry contract and wondered about funding help from the 911 funds with the sheriff. The Commissioners suggested to take it out of Revaluation this year as the 911 budget is tight and then look at next year's budget. Also the Revaluation contract is up, they have contracted with Lori Haddock as she is certified and it has worked very well. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to renew the contract for another year for Revaluation, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

Prosecuting Attorney Steve Wuthrich mentioned they are working on the Drug Court Coalition.

SAUSA FUNDING

Commissioner Rasmussen stated the county is being asked to help with a minimal amount of funding to help with a proposal to develop a Special Assistant United States Attorney (SAUSA). The proposed SAUSA'S will work closely with local & federal law enforcement partners to prosecute offenders in federal court, rather than state court, thereby sending those convicted to a federal prison instead of an Idaho Correctional facility. They would be available for a wide range of federal crimes. Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve the funding of the SAUSA project based on reviewing the amount, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

POLLING PLACES

Commissioner Jensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Payne to set the polling places for the November 3, 2015 election as follows:

Montpelier #1 – Allred Center (including Bern, Bennington and Dingle)

Montpelier #2 – Senior Center

Montpelier #3 – Fire Station

Georgetown – City Hall

Paris – Paris Tabernacle Annex (including Liberty and Bloomington)

St. Charles – City Hall (including Fish Haven)

Geneva/Pegram – Mail Ballot Precinct

County Clerk's Office – Absentee Voting

Motion carried.

POWER ON ESTERHOLDT ROAD

Scott Hirschi inquired about getting an easement from the county to get power to his property. After some discussion, the Commissioners suggested he get with Rocky Mountain Power to find out more information on what they will require and then get back with the county.

PROSECUTION

Devin Skinner did not appear at the meeting.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Commissioner Rasmussen visited with Greg Skinner, Road & Bridge Supervisor, regarding the seasonal job description for employees. It will be revised and reviewed by the attorney before being approved. Greg discussed the desire to have the road standards finished before the transportation plan being done. Commissioner Rasmussen is working on it. Commissioner Jensen complimented Greg & his crew on how well most of the county roads look, it is appreciated. Commissioner Payne also stated people in Pegram appreciating the work on the roads out there.

BLM COORDINATION & UPDATES

Blaine Newman, Assistant Field Manager, came to touch base on items on several roads in the area. There is a road south of the Bloomington Cemetery which they will relook at. When the county works on the transportation system, Blaine would like to be aware of it and would work together on it so BLM is on record with Bear Lake County.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Roy Bunderson mentioned the signage on public/private property and access to the BLM. He voiced his objection to conditional use permits and was glad to hear they were not going with that on the short

term rentals, stating it is easier to have respect & cooperation and there are no resources to regulate restrictions.

Bill Stock stated we needed to get a current copy of the Planning & Zoning Land Use Ordinance on the website as the public is referred to the website to get this information.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to leave the regular meeting and convene in an executive session pursuant to Idaho Code #67-2345(b)(d) to discuss personnel and indigent matters, seconded by Commissioner Payne. Commissioners all voted yes in a roll call vote.

Commissioner Payne made a motion to leave the executive session & reconvene in the regular session, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried. Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve Medical Claim #2015-8 which creates a medical lien and a lien on property, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried. An item added to the agenda was the Caribou County Criminal Justice Center Inmate Housing Agreement, which has been reviewed by the attorney. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to accept the Caribou Inmate Housing Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

TAX DEED SALE

The tax deed sale was held on the courthouse steps at 1:00 P.M. as advertised and went as follows:

Parcel #00523.00 at a minimum bid of \$2,500.00 went for \$6,300.00 to Tiffany Hoge

Parcel #27168.00 at a minimum bid of \$1,000.00 went for \$5,600.00 to Rick Berry for the Bear Lake R.V. Park POA

Checks were paid to the clerk's office.

MINUTES APPROVED

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on August 10, 2015 and also the minutes for the Budget Hearing on August 31, 2015, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

CLAIMS APPROVED

Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

FY 2015 AIRPORT GRANT

Amy Bishop, Deputy Clerk, presented the new airport grant which has some match from federal and some from the state. There is also the agreement from T.O. Engineers for the design part of the project for the aircraft parking apron and the lighting system and the pavement maintenance. It does go

through an independent review, the FAA has approved it. Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve and sign the grant and agreement, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried. There is also a Change Order for the 2010 grant on the runway to balance out the grant to what was spent on the project. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve signing the contract order, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING MEMBERS

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to appoint Kay Beck to the Planning & Zoning Commission and also to appoint Eldon Kearl based upon talking with him, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

SET LEVIES

Amy Bishop, Deputy Clerk, brought over the levy amounts for taxing authority to be approved. Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve the 2015-2016 county levies, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

Clerk needs to check on garbage fees for the new budget year. Waste tire ordinance and fees will need to be reviewed and put on next month's agenda.

Commissioner Payne stated he attended the Fair Board meeting and advised them to stay within their budget, be transparent with what's being spent and have '2' signatures on checks, also should have their books audited. He also stated anyone hired would have to be approved by the Commissioners and all information for the new hire would need to be at the clerk's office prior to starting. The Brand Board money has to be spent only on the bleachers. The Board cannot do any loans, any purchase over \$5,000 needs Commissioners approval, over \$25,000 would need to be bid. Commissioners had approved \$4,000 as maintenance budget to repair, paint and fix existing structures and grounds. Old bleachers have been torn down. They feel it was a successful fair and Kevin Matthews as the manager did a great job. The Trail Center has ended up with \$20,000 and the original project was \$40,000 so they have revised how they will house the stagecoach, it will be glassed in. Commissioner Payne also stated we need to put out bids by January and need to move on the courthouse.

Commissioner Rasmussen stated the golf course is running well with Kerry Haddock chairing their board. The board itself has put in a lot of their own money. They had a couple of relays and have a nice donation coming in from JR Simplot. The board appreciated the ant spray.

It was a good grand opening for the hospital, it all looks good.

Commissioner Payne made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

