

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, May 11, 2015 beginning at 9:00 A.M. in the School District #33 Board Room in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Chairman Vaughn N. Rasmussen, Bradley D. Jensen, Rex L. Payne and Cindy Garner, Clerk of the Board.

Also attending were Sheriff Brent R. Bunn, Assessor Lynn Lewis, Prosecutor Steven A. Wuthrich.

#### AGENDA APPROVED

Commissioner Payne made a motion to accept the agenda as published, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

#### ELECTED OFFICIALS

Sheriff Bunn gave his monthly report, discussed the budget and the 911 system is up and working well. There will be a bike race Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Assessor Lewis stated they were working hard to get the Assessment rolls done and out. Clerk Garner had a vendor want to bid on propane for the Sheriff's office, need to find out if the tank is leased or owned. The Senior Center has a van they wish to sell, so they need to go through the bidding process and they would need to take off the county emblems first and the money would go back to the center. Signatures were needed on Golf Board Resolutions, Ambulance Grant and Snowmobile Parking Lot Purchase, all of which was approved previously. The Prosecutor stated his secretary needed a new computer, the jail has been busy, also lots of court with juveniles. They had a Drug Court meeting on Tuesday and they have a waiting list of those who would benefit from this program.

Commissioner Jensen discussed the Paris Canyon Road, it's looking good, the city is hiring Rick Thomas to bring about 30 loads of gravel, will also do ditches and drainage. The snowmobile parking lot has a water issue so it will be raised with more gravel, Parks & Recreation will take care of that. He met with the Bear Lake West POA regarding their roads and drainage and discussed the courthouse issues and they feel what the Commissioners are proposing is the right thing to do. Road & Bridge doing a lot of gravel hauling in the Mill Canyon Road from the Myron Earley gravel pit and need to work on the contract.

Commissioner Payne stated the Oregon Trail Center had the radio-a-thon fund raiser and it was very successful. It was also a great day for recognizing Dr. Paul H. Daines and all he has done for the community.

#### BUILDING INSPECTOR

Wayne Davidson stated building is picking up. Chairman Rasmussen stated after the 4-County meeting discussion on having one inspector, the other counties were not interested. We are getting ready for the last two courthouse meetings and also the open house to give the public more information before voting on Tuesday, May 19, 2015. The 911 system is up and working well.

#### COURTHOUSE HOURS

Commissioners talked with each of the elected officials and stated they would like the offices to be open during the lunch hour staggering lunch hours as much as possible to serve the public more efficiently.

#### TAX DEED HEARING

Treasurer Tricia Poulsen stated she had 5 tax deed properties, 2 did pay. First one is a mobile home on 11<sup>th</sup> street, second one is a lot at Bear Lake West, the third one is a lot in the R.V. Park. There are mineral rights on Utah Oil, everything has come back so we will tax deed and find the real property owner and give to them so they pay the taxes. Sherwood Bridges an older gentleman has no desire to have the mineral rights anymore and wrote a letter stating he wishes to give back to the current landowner.

#### SAW MILL ROAD

Commissioners Jensen and Payne wondered if the Pahler's would like to bring the road up to standard, then they could have the Road & Bridge Department try to plow it on a limited basis same as Melvin Lyon's property. Chairman Rasmussen stated if they would bring the road up to standard and then have Mr. Pahler work with Greg Skinner and coordinate with Commissioner Jensen also.

#### RECOMMENDATION FOR SID STOOR REZONE

Mitch Poulsen stated the Planning & Zoning Commission had a public hearing for Sid Stoor who wants to use the recently adopted overlay zone provision. He has just over 42 acres but his wife is working in Cokeville and her employers require her to live in the state so he is having to sell roughly 2 acres and has 39.6 acres remaining and it does fit the criteria and the overlay provision. The Planning & Zoning recommend to the Commissioners that they approve the overlay rezone so they do not have an unbuildable lot and also the lot split. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve the overlay rezone and lot split, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

#### SOUTHEAST IDAHO PUBLIC HEALTH – QUARTERLY

Maggie Mann, District Director for Southeast Idaho Public Health & Kim Gaskill, Chief Finance Officer presented their budget report, requesting 3% overall, not specifically just our county. They are intending to increase the amount of rent they pay us so hoping some of that revenue will go back into the building. The Commissioners do support their budget request.

Leslie Talbot and Jesse Anglessey also met to present their quarterly report.

#### PRE-FIRE SEASON REVIEW – FORREST SERVICE

Dennis Duehren stated the forest service will continue to work with the local fire department and can stay on a local fire now for 24 hours on their own dime and if it is threatening federal land can stay longer. They do have some prescribed fires in Franklin County & we will get the smoke. They would like to thank Greg and the Road & Bridge for snow plowing the road to Minnetonka Cave. Dennis and

his fuels technician met with Bear Lake West HOA and Craig Bunn representing the fire district, discussed the common boundaries they share and handling the area and fire risk.

#### GOLF BUDGET – PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to leave the regular meeting and open a public hearing to open the budget, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried. If anyone wants to comment they can. Chairman Rasmussen read Resolution #2015-3 to increase the Current Expense budget by \$10,000 due to unexpected revenue and to transfer \$10,000 from the Commissioners Contingency fund to Allinger Park/Montpelier Golf Course which will result in the increase of taxes. Commissioner Payne made the motion to leave the public hearing for the golf course and go back to the regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve the discussion to transfer the \$10,000 from the Commissioners Contingency fund to the Allinger Park/Montpelier Golf Course, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

#### SPEED LIMIT – NORTH NOUNAN

Commissioner Jensen stated they had more complaints on the speed of the traffic in that area but also it was better than it had been and if any other problems the residents would get back with him.

#### OLD BLEACHERS

The Fair Board had been asked to get bids for the bleachers without a roof, they came back with a couple of quotes. Chairman Rasmussen also asked if there may be grant money out there also. Chairman Rasmussen suggested as it will be over the \$25,000 they put it out for bid with cement and be built to add a roof later. Commissioner Payne made a motion to put out for bids with the option to accept or reject for the bleachers at the fairgrounds, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

#### PERFORMANCE BOND FOR ROAD PROJECT – MILL CANYON GRAVEL PIT

The Worm Creek Gravel Pit has been almost fully used, so a Lease agreement for the Mill Canyon Gravel Pit is being reviewed. Prosecutor Wuthrich is also looking over the agreement before having the Commissioners approve and sign.

#### APPROVE AUDIT

After reviewing the audit, Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve and sign the annual audit as presented, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Pat & Tina Goddard discussed a road near Bear Hollow being gated off, the Commissioners suggested they speak with all the adjacent owners as it was not a county road.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Payne made a motion to leave the regular meeting and go into and Executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 (b,d,f) to discuss indigent, personnel and legal matters, seconded by Commissioner Jensen. All Commissioners voted yes in a roll call vote.

Commissioner Payne made a motion to close the Executive session & reconvene in the regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried. There were no business decisions made.

#### APPROVE MINUTES

Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve the minutes for the April 13, 2015 meeting as written, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

#### APPROVE CLAIMS

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

#### BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to leave the regular meeting and to convene into a Board of Equalization, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried. Heidi Walker presented her case to the Commissioners and being frustrated about the confusion on deadlines to protest her valuation. She stated her facts and then Assessor Lynn Lewis discussed the process and how it all works and after she gets her new assessment notice and information she can appeal her notice by the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday in June. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to leave the BOE and go back to the regular session, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

#### VERIZON

Jeremy Sedrick presented information about Verizon's phone service and pricing in a contract for the county employees who need to carry phones. Commissioners stated we would need to check out our current contract and prices and then get back with them. Commissioner Payne made a motion to go with the new contract if it all works out, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

#### DEQ

Bruce Olenick with the Department of Environmental Quality met to update the Commissioners they have 2 individuals, David Goins and Ralph Oborn tag teaming, one working on the solid waste rules portion and the other doing the groundwater portion. They want to work with small counties in helping summarize the groundwater data and have it ready for anyone asking for that information.

#### MOVING ROAD IN STAUFFER CANYON

Greg Golightly, Randy Marriott and Dave Broderick met with the Commissioners to discuss re-routing a road in Stauffer Canyon, but the Forest Service still requires access to the forest. The road would have

to be created to meet county road standards. After much discussion the Chairman Rasmussen stated they would need to have a public hearing to vacate a county road and create a new one.

#### POSSIBLE ROAD CLOSURE – 3<sup>RD</sup> SOUTH ROAD – DINGLE

Kurt Frome stated his concerns about a possible closure of the 3<sup>rd</sup> South Road in Dingle, the Commissioners stated if someone were to choose to close a county road there has to be a public hearing first and go through the process and all adjacent landowners would need to be notified. Someone spoke of it a few years ago and the Commissioners have heard nothing since.

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