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6/26/12 & 6/27/12 Public Hearing Minutes:

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met on June 26, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the School District #33 Board Room in Paris, Idaho and on June 27, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Oregon Trail Center in Montpelier, Idaho per Idaho Code 40-202, to hold two public hearings to update and adopt a map as the official map of the Bear Lake County Highway System. Members present were Vaughn N. Rasmussen, Chairman, Montain D. Kunz, and Kerry Haddock, Clerk of the Board.

The Commissioners received public comment both evenings and agreed to review the comments received at their next regular meeting to be held on July 9, 2012.

VAUGHN N. RASMUSSEN, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
KERRY HADDOCK, Clerk

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6/25/12 Public Meeting Minutes:

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in a special session on June 25, 2012, beginning at 9:00 A.M. in the School District #33 Board Room in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Montain D. Kunz, Demar Romrell and Kerry Haddock, Clerk of the Board. Commissioner Rasmussen planned to join the meeting in progress. Commissioner Romrell chaired the meeting in his absence.

Chuck Wood, Richard Armatage, Tom Schafer, Martha Burbage, Dave Cottle, Wayne Davidson, Bill Stock, Brad Jensen and Mitch Poulsen also attended the meeting.

AGENDA APPROVED

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kunz to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

BEAR LAKE WEST ENTRANCE PROJECT

Bear Lake West Homeowner's Association representatives Chuck Wood, Richard Armatage and Tom Schafer updated the Commissioners on a Bear Lake West entrance project to add a bus turnaround, relocate garbage pickup and designate a bike path through their property. They presented maps and diagrams and discussed the increased safety and better access to garbage containers. They asked the County to help by contributing some gravel. The Commissioners agreed to help where they could.

BEAR LAKE LEGACY PATHWAY CONCEPT PLAN

Mitch Poulsen presented some changes that the Commissioners had suggested to the Bear Lake Legacy Pathway Concept Plan and asked the Commissioners to approve and sign the plan. After discussing the changes, Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner

Kunz to sign the Concept plan. Motion carried.

EVENT PERMITS

The Commissioners considered and approved two event permits. Both involved bike events in the County.

SEICOG AGREEMENT

Wayne Davidson updated the Commissioners on the Courthouse remodel project. He presented an agreement to employ SEICOG to obtain and administer grant money for the project. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kunz to approve and sign the agreement. Motion carried.

DISASTER AREA DESIGNATION

The Commissioners discussed the possibility of asking the Governor to declare the County a disaster area due to the extreme draught conditions. They will ask the County Farm Service Agency to complete a loss assessment of the County farmers and give a recommendation.

Meeting adjourned.

VAUGHN N. RASMUSSEN, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

KERRY HADDOCK, Clerk

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met as the County Board of Equalization to review property value appeals beginning at 10:00 A.M. on June 25, 2012, in the School District #33 Board Room in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Vaughn N. Rasmussen, Chairman, Montain D. Kunz, DeMar Romrell and Kerry Haddock, Clerk of the Board.

Assessor Lynn Lewis, Appraiser Lori Haddock, Benny Johnson on behalf of Troy Johnson, Russell Fjelsted, and Mark Ross also attended the meeting.

Benny Johnson, Russell Fjelsted and Mark Ross presented information and evidence to the Board regarding their property value appeals. Lynn Lewis and Lori Haddock presented their information and evidence on the assessed values. The Commissioners will make decisions in their July 9, 2012 meeting.

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to recess the Board of Equalization until a later date. Motion carried.

VAUGHN N. RASMUSSEN, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

KERRY HADDOCK, Clerk

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6/25/12 Public Meeting Notice:

9:00 A.M. BEAR LAKE WEST GARBAGE TRUCKS AND BUS TURNAROUND

9:15 A.M. MITCH POULSEN - PLANNING AND ZONING - BEAR LAKE LEGACY CONCEPT PLAN

9:30 A.M. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

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6/11/12 Commissioners Meeting Minutes:

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, June 11, 2012, beginning at 9:00 A.M. in the School District #33 Board room in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Vaughn N. Rasmussen, Chairman, Montain Kunz, DeMar Romrell and Kerry Haddock, Clerk of the Board.

Brent Bunn, Sheriff, Roger Jones, Prosecutor, Lynn Lewis, Assessor, Tricia Poulsen, Treasurer, Bill Stock, Brad Jensen and Brandi Howard, News

Examiner also attended the meeting.

AGENDA APPROVED

Commissioner Kunz made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kunz to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2012 regular meeting and May 17 and 21, 2012 special meetings. Motion carried.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Sheriff Bunn presented his monthly report. Jail population was smaller in May averaging 4.1 prisoners per day. He presented a grant offer for additional enhanced 911 funds of \$16,000. Commissioner Kunz made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to accept the grant offer. Motion carried. A new Deputy had been hired to replace retiring Officer Craig Bunn. Cameras had been ordered for the new Courthouse security system. Treasurer Tricia Poulsen reported that all but one of the tax dedeed properties had been redeemed. Clerk Haddock reported on budgeting progress. Budget Hearings will be scheduled in July. Assessor Lynn Lewis noted that Board of Equalization hearings needed to be scheduled for June 25, 2012.

FOREST SERVICE UPDATE

Dennis Duehren updated the Commissioners on several Forest Service items. St. Charles and Georgetown Canyons were no longer restricted on the motor vehicle use map. There has been a 50% cut in the Forest Service since 2000 resulting in less road maintenance. He offered to furnish a cattle guard in Bailey Creek if the County would install it. Greg and Dennis will work out the details. The Forest Service will work more aggressively suppressing fires due to budget cuts. The Forest Service and Sheriff Bunn have agreed to have a 24 hour presence in St. Charles Canyon during Raspberry Days.

PROPERTY ISSUES

Dale Thornock and Lori Thornock asked the Commissioners to quit claim the gravel pit rights back to the current owners of a gravel pit that was used in the 1920's. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kunz to sign a quit claim deed to accomplish this. Motion carried. The Assessor's office had found some problems with a property description of land dedeed to the County for use as a bike path. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kunz to quit claim the property back to the owner. Motion carried. The owner will now grant a right of way to the County with a corrected description. There was also discussion of a small piece of property in Montpelier that was left in County ownership by mistake. Commissioner Kunz made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to quit claim the property to Laeth and Hollie Hillier. Motion carried.

PARIS HILLS UPDATE

Dan Goicoechea introduced Dave Kramer, newly hired mine manager for the Paris Hills Mine, to the Commissioners. They indicated that mining permit application should be submitted before the end of the year. Water monitoring was a big issue right now. Commissioner Rasmussen expressed appreciation for the company buying and hiring locally.

BILLS APPROVED

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kunz to approve the May Bills. Motion carried.

REPORT GRAND TOTAL..... TOTAL WARRANTS..... 326,313.96 251

DINGLE ROAD

David Ream asked the Commissioners to clarify ownership of 3rd South in Dingle. The Commissioners noted that the road had been maintained by the County and used by the citizens for many years making it a County road.

LEGACY PATHWAY CONCEPT PLAN

Mitch Poulsen asked the Commissioners to approve the Legacy Pathway Concept Plan. The Commissioners requested adding wording clarifying that this was a concept plan only and endorsing the plan involved no commitment of funds.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

Greg Skinner, Road and Bridge Supervisor, presented his monthly report. He noted that the crusher had broken down. Crews had applied dust suppressant to the West side roads. Mr. Skinner reported that we had received a \$30,000 grant to upgrade signs in the County. He had hired 2 part time employees at the landfill.

SEICOG CONTRACT

Commissioner Kunz made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to sign a contract with SEICOG to help in getting grant money to upgrade handicap accessibility at the courthouse. Motion carried. Wayne Davidson reported on progress of the architect for the Courthouse project.

ROAD MAP HEARINGS

The Commissioners discussed the conduct of the County Road Map hearings later this month.

4-COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Kathy ray, 4-County Economic Development requested funding in the amount of \$6,000 matched by the State, which is up from last year's funding request of \$5,000, to support the cost of gas and other expenses.

Kathy gave a brief summary of some of the projects that the Economic Development Committee has accomplished such as helping with the remodeling of some of the stores in Oneida and Caribou Counties, Walker Machine in Montpelier, St. Charles City Water and Sewer, and PRT/ITD - Mobility Council regarding the Paris Hills Mine and grants for roads and a road improvement study. Kathy said she and Amy Bishop in Montpelier are working closely together on many upgrades and grants throughout the year and southeastern part of the state.

SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT - TRIATHALON

Mitch Poulsen, Planning and Zoning discussed the Triathlon Special Use Permit for Joe Coles noting he would like him to work out some of the details with Rich County before asking the Commissioners to sign in support of this event.

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

Bill Stock, Chairman for the Senior Citizens Center requested funding. He said they have received grants for meals on wheels, but are still short on money for travel. They are trying to sell the 2002 Ford Van and using the money for the Center as it just sits in the garage as the Dodge Van is used more.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bill Stock stated the out of state, under aged, and improperly licensed motorcyclists and ATV riders are causing problems with noise and dust running up and down the highway in Fish Haven.

Kent Skinner and Conrad Alleman made a comments regarding road access in Dingle.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kunz to convene into an executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345 (d and f) to discuss medical assistance claims and personnel issues. All Commissioners voted yes in a roll call vote.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE CLAIMS

Commissioner Kunz made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to act on the following medical assistance cases:

Case #2012-13 - Denied - Not medically indigent, not the last resource, no cooperation, application is incomplete.

Case#2012-14 - Suspended - Pending Medicaid.

Meeting adjourned subject to recall by the Chairman or his order.

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6/11/12 Commissioners Meeting Notice:

9:00 A.M. ELECTED OFFICIALS MEETING/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

9:15 A.M. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

9:30 A.M. DENNIS DUEHREN - FOREST SERVICE - Misc. Items

9:45 A.M. LORI THORNOCK - NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY & DALE THORNOCK - DEPUTY ASSESSOR - St. Charles Gravel Pit - Quit Claim Deed Correction/Quit Claim Deed for 1966 Tax Deed

10:00 A.M. DAN GOICOECHEA - PARIS HILLS AGRICOM - Introduction of New General Manager/Update

10:15 A.M. DAVID REAM - Private Lane Adopted as County Road in Dingle (3rd S./Sirriline Lane)

10:30 A.M. MITCH POULSEN - PLANNING AND ZONING - Bike Path Concept

10:45 A.M. SEICOG CONTRACT

11:00 A.M. COUNTY ROAD MAP HEARINGS

11:15 A.M. KATHY RAY - 4-County Economic Development

11:30 A.M. JOE COLES - Special Use Permit - Triathlon

11:45 A.M. BILL STOCK - Senior Citizens Center - Budget Request/Van Accessibility

12:00 P.M. PUBLIC COMMENTS

12:15 P.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Medical Assistance Claims, Personnel/Legal Issues

1:30 P.M.

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2:00 P.M.

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2:45 P.M.

3:00 P.M.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Road & Bridge Issues/Solid Waste Issues

NEW BUSINESS

Approve May's Bills/Minutes

Road & Bridge/Solid Waste Issues

Executive Session - Medical Assistance Claims

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