

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in a special session on March 21, 2017 in the Jury Room of the Bear Lake County Courthouse in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Chairman Vaughn N. Rasmussen, Bradley D. Jensen, Rex L. Payne and Cindy Garner, Clerk of the Board.

Also present were Judge R. Todd Garbett, Sheriff Bart Heslington, Chief Russ Roper, Prosecutor John Olson and Daniel Bishop, Reporter for The News-Examiner.

#### AGENDA APPROVED

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

Chairman Rasmussen introduced Scott Esquibel who is the new County Planner, wanting him to get acquainted with a few of those he will be working with. Esquibel is looking forward to helping make the county run smoother and more efficiently.

#### CANVASS ELECTION

Chairman Rasmussen mentioned looking at the Bern precinct percentage as it was the first time they were designated as a Mail Ballot Precinct. They had the highest with over 76%. Commissioner Payne made a motion to accept the canvass for the bond elections for both School District #33 and School District #150, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

#### DISASTER DECLARATION

Commissioners discussed the various places flooding and the many damaged roads. As such, the Commissioners have decided to declare Bear Lake County a disaster area. Chairman Rasmussen stated that Lt. Governor Brad Little had also stated the county should apply for federal funds. Clerk Garner was instructed to ask Alan Eborn to move forward on the federal funds also. Clerk Garner read Disaster Resolution #2017-5 in full, a complete copy may be obtained at the clerk's office. Commissioner Payne made a motion to accept Disaster Resolution #2017-5, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

#### AIRPORT PERSONNEL

Chairman Rasmussen stated that the county was losing the airport manager, which will also be discussed in the executive session.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to leave the special meeting and go into an executive session pursuant to Idaho Code #74-206 (b,c) to discuss personnel and property matters, seconded by Commissioner Payne. A roll call vote was taken, Vaughn – 'I', Brad – 'I', Rex – 'I'. Also invited to attend the meeting were Judge Garbett, Sheriff Heslington, Chief Roper and Clerk Garner. Commissioner Payne made a motion to leave the executive session and return to the special meeting, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried. A couple of items came out of the executive session.

Commissioner Payne made a motion to move forward and advertise for an airport manager as the current manager will be leaving soon, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

Commissioner Payne made a motion to talk about the vacant health department building in the next regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.