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2/22/13 Special Public Meeting Notice:

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in special session on February 22, 2013, beginning at 9:00 A.M. in the School District #33 Board Room in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Vaughn Rasmussen, Chairman, DeMar Romrell, Brad Jensen and Kerry Haddock, Clerk of the Board. Magistrate Judge Todd Garbett also joined the meeting.

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to convene in executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345(a) to discuss personnel matters. All commissioners voted yes in a roll call vote.

Following the executive session Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to contract with Attorney Criss James to be the County Public Defender. Motion carried.

IDAHO 150 COMMITTEE

The Commissioners discussed the 150 year anniversary of Idaho becoming a Territory. The Idaho 150 Committee of SE Idaho had requested the County to sponsor a table at an organizational banquet in Bingham County. Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to sponsor a table for 10 people for \$250. Motion carried.

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

ATTEST: _____ KERRY HADDOCK, Clerk

_____ VAUGHN N. RASMUSSEN, Chairman

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THE BOARD OF BEAR LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2013 AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT #33 BOARD ROOM IN PARIS, IDAHO.

AGENDA:

- EXECUTIVE SESSION PER IDAHO CODE §67-2345(A) TO DISCUSS PUBLIC DEFENDER APPLICANTS AND OTHER PERSONNEL MATTERS.

- FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION, BOARD MEMBERS MAY AWARD THE PUBLIC DEFENDER CONTRACT.
- EASTERN IDAHO 150 YEAR CELEBRATION

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2/11/13 Commissioners Meeting Minutes:

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in regular session on February 11, 2013, beginning at 9:00 A.M. in the School District #133 Board Room in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Vaughn N. Rasmussen, Chairman, DeMar Romrell, Bradley D. Jensen and Kerry Haddock, Clerk of the Board.

Brent Bunn, Sheriff, Lynn Lewis, Assessor, Tricia Poulsen, Treasurer, Steve Wuthrich, Prosecutor, Greg Skinner, Mitch Poulsen, Judy Long and Bill Stock also attended the meeting.

AGENDA APPROVED

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

ELECTED OFFICIALS MEETING

Sheriff Bunn presented his monthly report. Average jail population in January was 6.9 per day. There has been an increase in Juvenile prisoner time recently. Treasurer Poulsen presented a tax cancellation. Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to approve the tax cancellation. Motion carried. She reported that there were a lot of potential tax deed properties. Assessor Lewis reported on the Circuit Breaker program that paid property taxes for low income elderly people.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Mitch Poulsen reported on an application to replace some cell phone panels on an existing tower. Planning and Zoning had held a public hearing and recommended the approval of the panels. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the application for the new panels. Motion carried. Mr. Poulsen suggested that he would like to exempt cell tower maintenance from the permit process. He would also like to reduce the Planning and Zoning Board from 9 to 7 members. He presented some possible additional north/south highway routes from the Utah border to North of Fish Haven for long term planning.

SOUTHEASTERN IDAHO PUBLIC HEALTH QUARTERLY REPORT

Leslie Talbot presented the quarterly report for the Southeastern Public Health Department. She presented an overview of all of the services provided by the health department for new Commissioner Jensen. She reported quarterly numbers on immunizations, restaurant inspections, WIC food dollars spent and other activities.

LEGACY PATHWAY UPDATE

Dave Cottle presented an update on the Legacy Pathway. He reviewed the development of the pathway concept plan and the agreements that were in place for the location of the path. There was a discussion as to whether it was better to obtain an easement or a right of way for the bike path. Prosecuting Attorney Steve Wuthrich stated that an easement would be best. Mitch Poulsen updated the Commissioners on the Fish Haven portion of the bike path. He presented several alternatives to solve the wetlands issue near the Fish Haven Cemetery. He will continue to work with ITD to solve this problem.

JUVENILE DIVERSION PROGRAM

Prosecuting Attorney Steve Wuthrich would like to instigate a diversion program for selected first time juvenile defenders. No charges would be filed so the Juvenile would not have a record. He noted that Twin Falls County had a good program.

OREGON TRAIL CENTER LOAN

Al Harrison discussed a letter from the Oregon Trail Center Board to the Commissioners and Montpelier Mayor Reed Peterson requesting their approval to convert a loan from the defunct Bear Lake Development Corporation into a permanent contribution. The \$40,000 loan came from a combination of County, City, Businesses and individual donations. Converting the loan to a permanent contribution would improve the Center's balance sheet. Commissioner DeMar Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to send a letter to the Bear Lake Economic Development Corporation recommending approval of the proposal. Motion carried.

BLM UPDATE

Dave Pacioretty, Blaine Newman and Chris Patterson from the Bureau of Land Management updated the Commissioners on the Bureau's activities. They reviewed the BLM travel plan with the Commissioners. They had received considerable input from the Over the Hill Gang in Bear Lake County. The Gateway Transmission Line Environmental Impact Study was still ongoing. There had been some delays. They asked if the County might be interested in doing some of the road work they were going to do.

MINUTES APPROVED

Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2013 regular meeting with one small change. Motion carried.

TRUCK BID OPENING

The Commissioners opened bids for a new crew cab pickup. Bids received that met the criteria were:

Jensen-Wood Motor \$30,493

Bear Lake Motor \$30,591

Smith Chevrolet \$30,640

The specifications and bids were reviewed by Greg Skinner. Following the review Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to accept the low bid of Jensen-Wood Motor. Motion carried.

ROAD AND BRIDGE ISSUES

Road and Bridge Supervisor Greg Skinner presented his monthly report. He reported a breakdown of one of the loaders. He reported that Department of Environmental Quality had made an offer to help with landfill planning.

BILLS APPROVED

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the January bills. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to convene in an executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345(d) to discuss indigent cases. All Commissioners voted yes in a roll call vote.

Following the executive session Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve indigent case 2013-1. Motion carried.

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

ATTEST: _____ KERRY HADDOCK, Clerk

_____ VAUGHN N. RASMUSSEN, Chairman

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2/11/13 Commissioners Meeting Notice:

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

9:15 A.M. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

9:30 A.M. MITCH POULSEN: P&Z ITEMS - G.T. CELL TOWER, FUTURE ROADS

9:45 A.M. TIFFANY PRESTON: PUBLIC HEALTH - QUARTERLY REPORT

10:00 A.M. DAVID COTTLE - BL LEGACY PATHWAY UPDATE - RIGHT OF WAY VS EASEMENTS

10:15 A.M.

10:30 A.M. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/OREGON TRAIL LOAN

10:45 A.M. DAVE PACIORETTY - BLM (POCATELLO) - REPORT

11:00 A.M. ROAD & BRIDGE TRUCK BID OPENING

11:15 A.M.

11:30 A.M. PUBLIC COMMENTS

11:45 A.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Medical Assistance Claims/Personnel Issues

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3:00 P.M.

3:15 P.M.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Road & Bridge Issues/Solid Waste Issues

NEW BUSINESS

Approve January's Bills/Minutes

Road & Bridge/Solid Waste Issues

Executive Session - Medical Assistance Claims

Tax Cancellation

Homeland Security Grants

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