

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES & PUBLIC NOTICES

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5/13/13 Commissioners Meeting Minutes:

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in regular session on May 13, 2013, beginning at 9:00 A.M. in the School District #33 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, Steve Wuthrich, Prosecuting Attorney, Lynn Lewis, Assessor, Tricia Poulsen, Treasurer, Judy Long and Bill Stock also attended the meeting.

AGENDA APROVED

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the agenda with the addition of a law enforcement mutual aid agreement discussion. Motion carried.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Sheriff Bunn presented his monthly report. He noted that there was a sizeable increase in concealed weapon permits this year. The backup generator in the Sheriff's office needed to be upgraded to handle the new enhanced 911 system. The Sheriff and the Commissioners will be meeting with Caribou and Franklin County officials to discuss an increase in jail costs. Assessor Lynn Lewis informed the Commissioners that there would be a drop in values of the property around the Lake this year.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Jensen reported on some requested cattle guards on Sugarloaf Road. The roads were quite rough and he suggested waiting until some fencing was done. Commissioner Romrell reported on a new hanger request at the Airport. He asked to have the Attorney review the hanger lease agreement. He reported a slight increase in the Black Otter Irrigation District dues. Commissioner Rasmussen reported on a proposed 4 county Economic Development agreement for the upcoming year.

BENNINGTON WATER DISTRICT

Wynn Olsen informed the Commissioners of a 1.7 million dollar improvement planned for the Bennington water system to address water quality. They hope to obtain grant money for 46% of the project. The rest will be financed.

PAVEMENT AND SIGN DATA GRANT

The Commissioners discussed a grant to upgrade the pavement and sign data in the Road and Bridge data base. LHTAC had agreed to pay the local match portion of the grant. Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to approve the grant application. Motion carried. There was also a discussion of Federal Aid Title VI requirements that are

required for Federal grants. Clerk Haddock will follow up on these requirements. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to sign a Non-Discrimination Policy as part of these requirements. Motion carried.

TAX CANCELLATION

Treasurer Poulsen asked the Commissioners to approve a tax cancellation due to a taxpayer's home owner's exemption being erroneously removed from his property. Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to cancel the taxes. Motion carried.

TAX DEED HEARING

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to convene in a public hearing to hear testimony on pending tax deeds. Motion carried. Treasurer presented several properties that were scheduled to be tax deeded if taxes were not paid by June 3. No taxpayers appeared to give testimony on the properties. Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to close the hearing and return to regular session. Motion carried.

MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

The Commissioners considered a mutual aid agreement among several of the surrounding area Counties Sheriff's departments. This is an annual agreement to help each other when needed. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the agreement. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2013 regular meeting and the May 2, 2013 special meeting. Motion carried.

AUDIT APPROVED

The Commissioners discussed the annual audit that was presented in the April meeting by auditor Gary Teuscher. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the audit. Motion carried.

DEQ UPDATE

Bruce Olenick presented an update of the Landfill condition to the Commissioners. He noted that the Landfill looked relatively good. He stated that he was working with Commissioner Jensen and Todd Transtrum to close the current dump site and open a new one and that we were running out of time.

TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN

Eric Dursteler, Forgren & Associates, presented a proposal to update the County's Transportation Master Plan. The Plan was last updated in 2002. The Commissioners will study the proposal.

SOUTHEASTERN IDAHO PUBLIC HEALTH BUDGET

Maggie Mann and Kim Gaskill presented the proposed budget of the Southeastern Idaho Public Health Department for the 2013/2014 fiscal year. The total of all Counties was up 2%. Bear Lake County's increase was .47% due to drops in both population and property values. The budget hearing will be held in Soda Springs on May 23.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dave Cottle discussed a bike path easement between the County and the Cemetery District. The path had changed slightly due to a wetlands issue. Bill Stock made comments regarding building code enforcement and zoning.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Following the executive session Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to approve indigent cases 2013-7, 2013-11 and 2013-15. Motion carried.

AIRPORT TAXIWAY GRANT

Nathan Cuvala, T-O Engineering, presented a grant application to the Commissioners for the construction phase of a partial parallel taxiway at the Bear Lake County Airport. Bids for the project are due in June and the project is expected to be completed in October of this year. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve and sign the application. Motion carried. He also presented an agreement between the County and T-O Engineering for bidding,

construction and closeout for the project. Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to accept and sign the agreement. Motion carried. In other airport business, Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to appoint Dave Kramer to the Airport Board. Motion carried.

BILLS APPROVED

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

FIRE SEASON OUTLOOK

Dennis Duehren discussed the upcoming fire season. The Forest Service may let fires burn where they are deemed beneficial. He informed the Commissioners of a few prescribed burns and noted that management of all Forest Service campgrounds would be handled by concessionaires.

LANDFILL AND COLLECTION ISSUES

Todd Transtrum suggested to the Commissioners that we would not need to fill a recent vacancy in the collection staff if we replaced an older truck with a front unloading truck. The front unloading trucks can be operated by one person. He would also like to replace plastic containers with metal ones. He reported on some meetings with DEQ and the need for engineering help in determining the direction of the landfill.

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

9:15 A.M. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

9:30 A.M. WYNN OLSEN - BENNINGTON WATER DISTRICT ISSUES

9:45 A.M. GREG SKINNER - LHTAC GRANT - UPDATE WITH IWORKS

10:00 A.M. TRISH POULSEN, TREASURER - TAX DEED HEARING

10:15 A.M. WAYNE DAVIDSON - COURTHOUSE PRESENTATION

10:30 A.M. BRUCE OLENICK - DEQ - SEMI ANNUAL UPDATE

10:45 A.M. ERIC DURSTELER - FORGREN & ASSOCIATES - TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN UPDATE

11:00 A.M. SOUTHEASTERN IDAHO PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT - BUDGET FOR FY 2014: MAGGIE MANN, DIRECTOR; KIM GASKILL, FINANCE OFFICER

11:15 A.M. " "

11:30 A.M. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

LUNCH

1:00 P.M. NATHAN CUVALA - AIRPORT TAXIWAY PROJECT

1:15 P.M. " "

1:30 P.M. DENNIS DUEHREN - 2013 FIRE SEASON OUTLOOK

1:45 P.M. TODD TRANSTRUM - SOLID WASTE UPDATE

2:00 P.M. TRAVEL POLICY UPDATE

2:15 P.M.

2:30 P.M.

2:45 P.M.

3:00 P.M.

3:15 P.M.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Road & Bridge Issues/Solid Waste Issues

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NEW BUSINESS

Approve Bills/Minutes

Road & Bridge/Solid Waste Issues

Executive Session - Medical Assistance Claims

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