

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in a regular session on March 14, 2016 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.

Assessor Lynn Lewis, Attorney Steven A. Wuthrich, Building Inspector Wayne Davidson and Sheriff Brent R. Bunn were also present.

Commissioner Payne made a motion to accept the agenda with the addition of an appointment to the Idaho Wool Growers Association, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Prosecutor Steve Wuthrich stated it had been one of the highest number of felonies this past year and discussed the cost of involuntary commits also.

Commissioner Jensen mentioned the landfill is in need of new dumpsters and would like to get them ordered, also various other needs with equipment. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to put together a bid on a posi-shell spray truck, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

Commissioner Payne made a motion to purchase the needed dumpsters, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried. They discussed putting the old garbage truck out for auction in the future.

Commissioner Payne stated it would be good to get all agencies together and have a disaster plan, there will be a follow up meeting on May 5, 2016 at the Oregon Trail Center at 6:00 p.m. which all should attend. He was in on interviewing agents again, they have 2 very qualified at this time. He stated that it should be time for the hay bids again, the Allred center lights are changed out, there is still work to be done on the cracked floor tiles.

Sheriff Brent R. Bunn stated that they had wondered about closing the courthouse because of current power outage as everything is done by computers. Chairman Rasmussen was waiting on a call from Rocky Mountain Power to see how long it may be off. The Sheriff did get his new vehicle, his old one was scheduled to go to the Probation officer, Ron Harper. He also stated he has an employee who will be retiring, would like to hire and train another dispatcher before the busy summer starts. The back-up generator at the Sheriff's Office did not start the way it was supposed to causing dispatch services to be down for a time. The Sheriff and Commissioners discussed this problem and how to prevent it from happening again in the future.

PLANNING & ZONING – SMITH CLAN – PRELIMINARY & FINAL PLAT/RENEWAL CONTRACT-ENGINEER SERVICES

Mitch Poulsen presented the Smith Clan Plat for approval with correction on the road name of Elmrose and it would be a private road, also there would be no plowing as no one lives there. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to accept the preliminary & final plat for the Smith Clan Trust with the change on the name to Elmrose and it would be listed as a private road, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried. The contract for Keller Engineers for reviewing plats needs to be renewed and will be reviewed for approval at the next meeting.

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT

Wayne Davidson gave his report. There was a garage and two new homes build in Montgpelier. Several roads in the county needed to be named or were named incorrectly on the official maps. Commissioner Jensen made the motion to approve updating the following road names: Madsen Lane, Reed Hansen Lane, Sleight Canyon Cutoff, Aspen Road, Shoreside Drive and White Beaches Lane, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried. The commissioners also discussed the definition of agricultural buildings and are in agreement with the permit as it is. Wayne also asked about the courthouse building and had discussed with Myers & Anderson, the architects, about cost. Chairman Rasmussen discussed with the other commissioners and they have decided to run a bond election again in conjunction with the Presidential Election in November, which will be a larger election and have more time to let the public be informed. Commissioner Payne made a motion to run a bond election again for the court house building to be run in the November Presidential Election, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

PAYPORT CONTRACT

Assessor Lynn Lewis discussed renewal of the Payport Contract with the commissioners. Payport is a credit card service provider used by the county. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to sign the new contract with Payport to use the credit card service, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

ELECTED OFFICIALS TRAINING MEETING

Emergency Manager Alan Eborn discussed an Emergency Planning Training meeting for Elected Officials with the commissioners. The meeting was set for April 20, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Oregon Trail Center. There will be a follow-up Hazard Mitigation Plan meeting on May 5, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. also in the Oregon Trail Center. They will invite USDA official and church officials as well as others. Mr. Eborn also discussed an issue with parking in Mill Canyon.

GEM PLAN – DENTAL, VISION & WELLNESS PLANS

Tim Marks with the Gem Plan presented Dental and Vision benefits for the county employees. At present, the employees do not receive these benefits and the commissioners are considering adding them. The commissioners reviewed the options presented by the Gem Plan and asked for some changes to their proposal.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

Greg Skinner, Road & Bridge Supervisor reported several issues. The bulk fuel tank can be used now. He stated the need for oil to be bid. The commissioners asked his opinion about the Mill Canyon Parking Lot, after some discussion the commissioners decided to investigate expanding the parking lot and designating a small area inside the lot for overnight parking. The commissioners also discussed the road

to the landfill with Skinner. The road gets very muddy and will need some repairs but may have to wait until it dries out.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – INDIGENT & PERSONNEL

Commissioner Payne made a motion to leave the regular meeting and go into an executive session pursuant to Idaho Code #74-206 (b,d), seconded by Commissioner Jensen, all voted 'yes' in a roll call vote. Prosecutor Steve Wuthrich, Chief Deputy Amy Bishop, Deputy Clerk Mindy Williamson and Clerk Cindy Garner were invited to join the meeting. Commissioner Payne made a motion to leave the executive session and return to the regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

One item came out of the executive session regarding and medical claim. Commissioner Jensen made a motion to deny Medical Claim #2016-10012 based upon refusal to meet and give details regarding the claim, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

DENTAL & VISION QUOTES

Deputy Clerk Mindy Williamson presented options from second company, the Buckner Group. These rates will be compared with the updated quote from the Gem Plan when it is received. Any changes to benefits would not take place until after the budget process.

Mindy also discussed filing a tax form that indicates how employees are receiving coverage under the ACA. The hospital's attorney indicated as they are county-owned, they need to be included which makes us a large employer thus creating more stringent requirements for the ACA. The commissioners decided to follow the hospital's recommendation.

Mindy also discussed the current statement on the county checks that states 'void after 60 days', would like it changed to 90 days as too many are not cashed on time. Commissioner Payne made a motion based upon the clerk checking the statute to change the statement from 60 days to 90 days on the warrants, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES & CLAIMS

Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve the minutes as written and ratify the claims, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

AIRPORT HAY BIDS

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve advertising for written bids for the hay grown at the North and South Airport lots and the Wardboro Gravel Pit, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT – IDAHO WOOL GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Commissioner Payne made a motion to appoint Dennis Hunzeker as Director of the District 4 Animal Damage Control Board and to authorize the clerk to send out a letter to him acknowledging the appointment, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

CANVASS ELECTION

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to accept the results of the canvass of the March 8, 2016 Presidential Primary Election, seconded by Commissioner Payne, motion carried.

UPDATE PERSONNEL POLICY

Due to the meeting running longer than planned, the commissioners set up a special meeting to work on updating the county Personnel Policy for March 28 at 9:00 a.m. in the School District #33 Board Room in Paris, Idaho.

APPROVE AUDIT

Commissioner Payne made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2015 Audit, which had been reviewed at an earlier meeting.

CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY

Commissioner Payne made motion to approve a certificate of residency for a student for CSI, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, motion carried.

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