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Madison County Commissioners		
Meeting Minutes		
MAY 11, 2015	8:00 A.M.	COMMISSIONERS' ROOM
ATTENDEES	Commissioners: Chairman Kimber Ricks, Jon Weber and Todd Smith Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Troy Evans County Clerk: Kim Muir	

AGENDA TOPICS

County Business:

Committee & Board Reports

Kimber Ricks

- There will be a presentation on the Public Defense Commission in Coeur d' Alene at the Clerks and Commissioners meeting.

Jon Weber

- The fair board met and is planning for the Whoopee Days Rodeo and Fair. They are proposing a small addition to the arena and a return shoot on the east side. They need additional egress doors, hand rails on the bleachers, electrical repairs and repairs on a major plumbing leak. They had a big roping event this last weekend, and it was well attended by four or five states. The organizers had nothing but good to say about their experience with our fairgrounds. They would like to see more stalls added in the future. Dean and Shane were present and would like to add some portable stalls. Sponsorships were discussed for future expenses.
- The board will need a checkbook to pay the judges and prizes. Commissioners agreed the Fair Board will need the checkbook to pay out expenses for the next few months.
- The Fair Board met with the Upper Valley Posse. They come in once a week and use the arena with the lights but have never paid any rent. In the past they have traded their use for services. The Fair Board offered the Posse \$900 to use the track and facilities which is a great deal. They took it back to their group and came back with a counter offer of \$600. It includes water truck use, employees, tractor to work the ground, etc. They said they could use the Rigby fairgrounds for \$300. They decided not to have the meet and have now decided to support the Fremont posse for that weekly event. The demolition derby will not be held this year because of scheduling conflicts.
- The Fair Committee was discussed.

Todd Smith

- Todd reported on Golf Board meetings and stated they are having a decent year with the early spring, but overall golf revenue is down. They are still covering costs and Madison is one of few counties who don't need supplementation from the county or city. Madison County has given them \$18,000 toward the sidewalk and fence, but they will need additional funds as the state didn't give them as much as expected. Engineering fees from the City are being questioned as the county feels they are excessive. This will be reviewed and discussed at a future meeting.
- Airport Board is not doing well financially. They are looking at raising the hangar rents. This will be reviewed further.
- 5C detention is doing better financially. We will review this as budget time gets closer.

Discussion Items

- Eastern Idaho Water Rights Coalition invoice has been paid off and on by the county for the past 6 - 8 years. The coalition works on aquifer recharge. They are concerned about the water this year as it could be critical.
- GIS online map application issues were discussed. Commissioner Smith reported that it is a little different to use but is up and working fine.
- Urban Renewal meets May 19th and the North District is on the agenda, specifically the maximum 20 year life of the district. Commissioner Ricks would like to see the estimates on tax flow.
- The County will host a luncheon with City Officials regarding policy issues. This will be discussed at a later date.

Contracts and Documents

- Review and sign service agreement with Access Idaho Treasurer's Office. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the service agreement with Access Idaho Treasurer's Office. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Review and sign Thornton Odd Lot Property Deeds (8). Troy Evans described his conversations with the surveyor and the corrections to the final deeds. Commissioner Smith made a motion to accept the deed from Shovelback Holdings LLC to Madison County for 4,291 square feet of the property to realign the boundaries. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve and sign the deeds for the Thornton Odd Lot Properties from the county to the names of Shovelback Holdings LLC, Tyler and Jessica Peterson, Val Moss, Steven and Jessica Cook, Trina Cook, Mark and Joanne Haws and Richard and Mable Bevan. This completes the realignment of the road boundaries in the Thornton area between Madison County and all the adjoining property owners. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

- Review and sign USDA RBEG Grant Application. Commissioner Smith made a motion to sign the USDA RBEG Grant Application. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Review and sign Millennium Fund Grant Application and letters for Kirk Mace. Commissioner Weber made a motion to sign and approve the Millennium Fund Grant application and letters for Kirk Mace. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Routine Matters

- Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve the claims presented by the clerk. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve and sign the Commissioners' Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2015. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve the Certificates of Residency for Shaila Babcock, Payton Berry, Michael Daines, Micaela Furman, Camille Garner, Maksum Miles and Tyler Summers. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Certificates of Residency will be discussed Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. at a meeting. We will call into the meeting in Boise. Commissioner Ricks mentioned inconsistencies in the type of course: Fast forward, dual credit or neither. Commissioner Ricks proposed we approve the certificates, but would like clarity on the courses.

Personnel Actions:

Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve the personnel actions. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Health and Welfare – Indigent Clerk (Ann Marie Sorenson):

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:58 a.m. Pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(b) and (d) exempt records (Commissioner Ricks - yes, Commissioner Weber - yes, Commissioner Smith - yes). Commissioner Ricks returned to Open Session at 9:25 a.m. Commissioner Smith made a motion to sign a Non-Medical Approval on Case Nos. 2015012 and 2015013. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Ron Naegelin – Service Officer:

Ron was hired as the new Veteran Service Officer. He has training set up with the district office in Pocatello and will be meeting with them soon. He is developing a web site with links which will go to various sites to get information. Monday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. are the hours he would like to be in the office and will be available by phone anytime.

Sherry Arnold – Steve Eaton on 2 Mobile Homes:

Commissioner Weber made a motion to cancel the taxes on the 2 mobile homes that were owned by Steve Eaton. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Sherry suggested that we have a truck come in and do the shredding for the county. She will look into prices for them to come a few times a year.

Cindy Roberson – Review and Sign Idaho Asphalt Purchase & Freight Agreement:

Commissioner Smith made a motion to sign the Idaho Asphalt Purchase and Freight Agreement. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Cindy reported on an Eastern County Highway Organization meeting in St. Anthony last week. She learned that every 1 cent you get in taxes equals 1 million in taxes we collect.

Dave Alvarez – ITD 4300 West Project:

Kimbol Allen, Travis Sorensen and Drew Meppen were also present.

- Last year a three party agreement was signed with Bear World and ITD. They have an alignment that satisfies Bear World, the property they will be donating and have done an environmental re-evaluation to assure that the project is ready to go. ITD will be sharing maintenance on the roadway, so there will need to be an agreement which will be made public.
- There will be a roundabout built between the Bear World entrance and the end of 4300 North. The size of the roundabout will be the same as the one in Idaho Falls near the temple and river. They asked about aesthetics for the center of the roundabout and would value county input. Commissioner Ricks would like to make it clear that this interchange was not done for Bear World. They hope this will be a light industrial area in the future and will benefit many other businesses. We are revisiting our transportation master plan, and it will add validity to the argument.
- Commissioners expressed appreciation for the clean-up of the old Shell station. There was asbestos that needed to be treated and more in the home that still stands.

Roscoe/Gary Orton – Delta Dental Update/Medical Bidding:

Gary gave a presentation on the policies we currently have with Delta Dental. The two year waiting period before major services kick-in has been changed to one year, which is a great benefit. They are also allowing two more periodontal visits per year. More employees have enrolled in the vision insurance. The life insurance was also reviewed.

Gary and Roscoe expressed interest in picking up the county's medical insurance.

Matt Waldrom – Castlelake Insurance/Colonial/Aflac Insurance:

Matt wanted to visit with Commissioners regarding supplemental insurance. He represents Colonial Life and Aflac. He takes an approach as one of the few companies

which offer both life and accidental/cancer insurance. They now have a Rexburg office and local representation.

Matt has a system that tracks all benefits he offers. Commissioners would like to check with the employee committee to see the interest level.

Paul Sorensen – Email Addresses on Website/Telephone Maintenance Contract:

- Commissioner Weber made a motion to accept Paul’s recommendation and pay the \$400 for the telephone maintenance contract. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous. Paul explained the telephone maintenance contract. He would suggest covering the system only, not the handsets and broken phones. Those can be purchased for cheaper than the maintenance contract.
- Paul also wanted to discuss email accounts for the various county boards.
- Commissioners gave Paul permission to purchase a scanner for the Assessor’s Office.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to amend the agenda to consider signing final documents to close out the parking lot grant with Rick Miller at ECIPDA where it needed to be signed today. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous. The document was then reviewed by the Commissioners and legal counsel.

Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve signing the final close out documents on the Community Development Block Grant. The final financial report, a progress report and a close out agreement will also be submitted. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Brent McFadden – Goals for County Buildings/Roadside Mower Discussion/Aerial Flight/Landscaping/HUD Grant Summary and Boiler Status/Impact Area Discussion and Appointment of County Representatives on Joint Commission:

- Commissioner Ricks asked Brent to project out major maintenance items that will need to be budgeted, and he presented it to commissioners. Items and priorities were discussed. The boilers were placed as the number 1 priority. Commissioners would like Brent get a bid from an engineer for a multi-year plan.
- Brent would like permission to scrap the roadside mower, and the commissioners granted permission.
- Brent presented maps on the aerial flight showing places in Madison County that need to be redone. Cost of this project will be shared with the City of Rexburg. This will be very beneficial for the Assessor’s Office. Commissioners gave permission for Brent to proceed.
- Brent discussed the landscaping which has been done.
- HUD Grant summary is complete.
- Impact Area was discussed. Per Ordinance 365 signed by the County and the two cities—City of Rexburg and Sugar City, the area of impact has been

requested to be reviewed and expanded by the City of Rexburg. Per section 1.4 of that Ordinance, an Area of City Impact Joint Commission is to be established to review boundaries. These members are to be elected from each county/city planning and zoning departments, and consist of three members from each. Brent presented the county representatives he suggested serve on this Joint Commission who are Aaron Swenson, Anthony Merrill and Bill Squires. The City of Rexburg has pushed their line west and southwest. The City wants it because that is where the growth is and they want it in the City, but he does not see a good reason at this point. The joint commission will consider these questions. Representatives will come back with answers to the commissioners. The purpose and/or need of the City of Rexburg should be the focus on the renegotiation. It will also cut down on the number of hearings between all entities.

- Brent had the Dee Eldridge property resurveyed by Harper Leavitt Engineering in order to double check the description provided to the county. Once the legal description is obtained, it will be included in the resolution naming it as an odd lot and will come back before the Commissioners.

Cortney Jones/Archibald Insurance – Medical Insurance Renewal:

Blue Cross just published renewal rates for next year at nearly an 18% increase. Courtney will also look at going outside of grandfather status to lower costs. In the past six months we have had big claims, which are causing the increase. Archibald’s in-house attorney is looking at options regarding our grandfather status, as well as other carriers and verify that we are in compliance with the new ACA laws. The penalty is substantial if you are not in compliance. Archibald has a Human Resource Officer who will provide an avenue for us to call and ask questions and get help to stay in compliance with all agencies. Courtney will return May 26th with further information.

Rudey Ballard – Insurance Discussion:

Renewal went up \$306,000, and the county will be paying close to \$2 million in medical insurance. Options he presented were to form a committee from each department to discuss options of increasing the employee portion of the insurance, change the medication card and changing carriers. Pacific Source and Select Health are also working on a quote for us. By getting other bids, Blue Cross may come down a few percentage points. He suggested giving employees a statement showing what benefits are paid on their behalf.

The idea of getting an employee committee together to throw out some options and get suggestions is a good idea. Rudy reported that county wide we currently have 34 employees only covering themselves, 26 insuring employee and a spouse, 8 insuring 2 or more kids and 83 carrying family coverage.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to adjourn at 4:43 p.m. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

Kimber Ricks, Commission Chairman

Jon Weber, Commissioner

Todd Smith, Commissioner