

Abbreviated Minutes: Complete Set Of Minutes Are On File In The Clerk's Office

**Madison County
Commissioner Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2018**



Attendees:

Jon Weber, Chairman
Todd Smith, Commissioner
Brent Mendenhall, Commissioner
Troy Evans, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Kim Muir, County Clerk

Victoria Varnedoe with the Standard Journal was also present.

Invocation was given by Commissioner Mendenhall
Pledge of Allegiance let by Commissioner Smith

Public Comment. There was no one present for public comment.

Calendar Discussion

Next Commission meeting and budget hearing: August 27, 2018
September Commission meetings - September 4 , 10 and 17, 2018
IAC meetings in Boise September 24 – 27, 2018

Jon will be out of town for the meeting on August 27. Todd and Jon will be out of town Sept. 26 – October 12. Meetings have been re-scheduled during this time.

The County Fair will be held August 15-18, 2018. Commissioners will be available to take tickets for the rodeo. The Assessor, Clerk, and Planning and Zoning also said their offices would be willing to help.

Discussion Items

Discuss Nationwide Insurance visit from Jared Williams
Air ambulance regulations. A letter has been requested of the Commissioner's stating whether any additional fees will be taxed on Air Ambulance. This was given to Troy and the Assessor's office to review and place on the next agenda.

Contracts/Documents: Action Items

Review and sign:

At-large position for the the 2018 Capital Defense Crimes Defense Fund nomination form. There was no decision made on this item as further clarification was needed.

Review and sign:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve and sign the FY 2018-2019 County Extension Budget. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Review and sign:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve and sign the Sheriff's Office grant with Idaho Dept. of Parks and Rec for a boat purchase based on the info given, if it changes they need to come back to explain. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Review and sign: Action Items

After review and discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the claims presented by the Clerk in the amount of \$395,860.76 with \$95,202.92 coming from the general fund. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve and sign the Commissioner Meeting Minutes of July 3, 2018. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve and sign the Commissioner Meeting Minutes of August 2, 2018. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve and sign the Certificates of Residency for Ryan Edge, Ana Gonzalez, Samara Jensen, Megan Kidd, Paige Kinghorn, Jessica McKinney, Soledad Mecham, Tyler Morris, Omar Orozco, Jade Parkinson, Brandon Peterson, Jordon Powell, Ethan Rich, Selene Rodriguez, Tristan Smith, Laura Tonks, Grant Wood. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

Personnel Actions, Action Item:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the personnel actions. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

Darby Pozenel, potential Solid Waste tonnage price increase

Potentially raising fees for Solid Waste was discussed. Options were discussed to raise the assessment and/or increase the tipping fee. The amount of waste has increased with the growth of the county and Jefferson County charges are up much more than in past years. Darby will bring back estimates if the fee is increased and what a tipping charge increase would be. Any fee increases would need to be brought before a public hearing prior to implementation. Butcher waste was also discussed, mostly out of county issues. Darby suggests adding \$5/barrel. There are issues with District 7 if we take in too much. The animal waste is received at the C&D site. Diseased animals for composting was also discussed. Darby has received training on safely composting diseased animals. Darby will write up a plan to safely accept diseased animals.

Executive Session, Action Item: Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) exempt records, Ann Marie Sorensen, Indigent Clerk

Commissioner Weber made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:35 a.m. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Commissioner Weber- yes

Commissioner Smith- yes

Commissioner Mendenhall-yes

Commissioner Weber returned the County Commissioners to open session at 9:47 a.m. Commissioner Smith made a motion to sign lien releases on Case No's. 2005037, 2005049 and 2018016, and sign approvals on Case No's. 2018019, 2018020 2018024 and 2018025.

Indigent Non-Medical: Sign Approvals on Case No's. N2018009 and 2018010. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

Sherry Arnold, A hardship case was heard. Back taxes are owed for the past three years. Claimant has been trying to work to support his family, but they have fallen behind. Their son has a seizure disorder with other disabilities and mom needs to be with him and cannot work. Hospital bills and prescription drugs have been overwhelming for them. Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to forgive the taxes for 2015 for \$937.36 and claimants were encouraged to try to make monthly payments. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Corey Foster, State Fair Board update

The Eastern Idaho State Fair is owned by 16 counties. Corey has been on the Board for the past 8 years as the Representative for Madison County. All County Commissioners come together making up the Board of the State Fair. It is one of a very few Fair Districts in the State. No money comes from the state and it is self sufficient except for small contributions from counties. About 230,000 people come through the fair every year. It is the biggest event in Eastern Idaho. Madison gave \$3,510 last year and \$4,000 has been budgeted for 2019. Bingham, Bonneville and Bannock each contribute just under \$10,000 annually. Madison has a large 4H showing at the State Fair. As long as the State fair is making money and there is reserve, Commissioners do not want to see changes in the contribution amounts.

Bradley Petersen, Action Item: Planning and Zoning Commission Board members

Gil Shirley has served two three year terms and would like to be replaced. He is the county resident on the City of Rexburg P&Z. Commissioner Smith would like to propose Todd Marx serve on the City of Rexburg Planning and Zoning as the County's representative and he has shown some interest. This will be discussed at the next meeting. Commissioner Smith will make phone calls to gauge interest.

Cindy Roberson, Action Item: Road and Bridge billboard signs. Kelly Hoopes with Horrocks Engineering was also present.

Michael Jones who did the environmental assessments for Horrocks Engineering passed away and condolences were expressed. Kelly presented information from YESCO to pay off the leases for the two billboard signs currently on the Jenkins property the county is interested in to construct the South Frontage Road. Numbers to relocate the signs were also presented and would be favorable as costs of paying off leases and income potential would be extremely high. The bridge would have to be revisited and shifting the road would mean more property would need to be acquired. Commissioners want to do what is right for the county. YESCO and Jenkins would need to approve of the transaction. Kelly will sketch out a dog leg on the property to accommodate the billboard signs and a meeting will be set up with Joel Jenkins.

Regarding the roundabout in Hibbard, Kelly suggests finding a parking lot and staking out what the round about size would be and letting trucks drive through and then address concerns the farmers may have.

Jared Ricks, Seeking input for Public Defense rulemaking

Regarding rulemaking meetings Jared presented the proposed standards that would be in effect for three years and then reviewed again. The felony caseload would be 210 cases per Public Defender. The standards run with the attorney and Jared reports that Jim Archibald's capital caseload would fill his case load capacity. The numbers were discussed and Commissioners ask that our county concerns with unique circumstances be considered, in that we have large case numbers but they generally aren't of violent natures, hence, all felonies and cases are not the same. And, the county's public defender is very experienced so he can do more than a new attorney. Commissioner Weber asked that common sense be applied before making these decisions mandatory on counties.

Orton Insurance, Insurance proposals

Gary and Roscoe introduced insurance proposals on life, dental and vision plans. Commissioners will make a decision soon. This will be placed on a future agenda.

Ed May, Salem Highway/3000 N lighting safety issues

Ed's daughter had an accident on the Salem Highway at 3000 N. where she couldn't see the roadway she was turning on. Ed proposes putting reflector tape on the telephone poles. A better situation would be to attach a light to a telephone pole. Intersection approach signs were also discussed at the corner. Commissioners don't have an answer for him, but will discuss the issue with Road and Bridge to see if a solution can be found in the near future.

Cities of Rexburg/Sugar City and County lunch at Beaver Dick Park

Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to adjourn at 11:53 a.m. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

Jon O. Weber, Commission Chairman
Todd Smith, Commissioner
Brent Mendenhall, Commissioner

Attest:
Kim Muir, Clerk