

**Madison County
Commissioner Meeting Minutes
May 29, 2018**

Attendees:

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

Agenda Topics

Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation was given by Brent Mendenhall

County Business

Committee & Board Reports

Calendar Discussion

June 4th -7th, 2018 – IAC meeting in Moscow, Idaho.
The IAC structure and the location of meetings was discussed. Commissioner Weber wondered if there would be more participants at meetings if they were located closer to airports for accessibility. Commissioner Weber will be President of the Commissioners and Clerks Association next year and would like to suggest a few changes.

June 11, 2018 is the next Madison County Commissioner’s Meeting

Discussion Items

The Commissioners gave a report on WIR meetings in Sun Valley regarding opiates, drone use, and better solutions for the mentally ill.

The Stepping Up program to help the mentally ill was discussed. Steve Zollinger, the City of Rexburg attorney was present. There are not enough facilities to help the mentally ill on this side of Idaho. There needs to be a discussion designing a plan to have a soft handoff rather than placing these citizens in jail. The concern is releasing mentally ill persons back into society soon after an episode while they are still unstable.

Contracts/Documents

After review, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to sign the Professional Services Contract, Conflict Public Defense with Josh Garner. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

After review, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to sign the Madison Soil & Water Conservation District Letter of Support. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

After review, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to sign the Public Hearing Proxy for Commissioner Smith to attend the meeting and approve the Eastern Idaho Public Health FY 2019 Budget. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.



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Assessor

Shawn Boice

County Clerk

Kim Muir

Coroner

Rick Davis

Prosecuting Attorney

Sid Brown

Sheriff

Rick Henry

Treasurer

Sherry Arnold

Routine Matters

After review and discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the claims presented by the Clerk. 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 May 14, 2018, and the Special Meeting minutes on May 17, 2018. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Executive Session Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) exempt records-Ann Marie Sorensen, Indigent Clerk and Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(b), employee matters

Commissioner Weber made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:30 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 9:50 a.m. Commissioner Smith made a motion to sign an Order of Suspension on Case No. 2018015. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

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

Lance Hansen, County Agent budget

Lance Hansen was present to review the County Agent budget.

Shawn Boice, Revaluation/Assessor budget

Mike and Jessica Berger were present to explain their case. They are asking for a credit for the previous year's tax on their home. They have a gym in their home and there are three stories that add up to a lot of square feet. The system adds all square feet, however the basement and gym area are completely unfinished. The assessed value is \$490,000, cost accrue will bring it to \$435,000. Appraised value would be \$676,000, but they could not sell at that price. Taxes were paid for the first half of the year. Shawn believes \$200,000 times the tax rate would be the proper credit. This will be on the next agenda for a decision as it was omitted from the Agenda for this meeting.

Shawn's budget was discussed. The Lydar fly over for mapping and employee increases were discussed.

Jared Arnold, Landscaping Admin/Courthouse

The Parks, Solid Waste, Mosquito and Weed budgets were discussed. Jared would like to pull \$2,500 out of his budget to landscape the Courthouse; adding flowers to make the Courthouse and Administration building more aesthetically pleasing. Commissioners complimented Jared on how well they are maintained.

Eric Reiser, Mechanical Upgrade and Roofing Contracts

Eric was not present; Bradley Petersen and Troy Evans presented the contracts for signature.

Contract West bid came in at \$151,000 for the roof with a contingency allowance of \$6,000.

Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve the contract. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Alan Clark Construction's bid for the HVAC mechanical upgrade came in at \$258,400 with a contingency of \$11,000. Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve the contract. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Bradley Petersen

Bradley will be going to meetings in Moscow next week and a Statewide Planning meeting. The Planning and Zoning and Buildings and Grounds budgets were discussed.

Richard Savage was present from the Governor's Office and wanted to introduce himself. He ranches in Clark County.

Rick Henry, Sheriff's Office budgets

Rick Henry, Ryan Kaufman and Bart Quayle were present to discuss the Sheriff's Office budget. They would eventually like to build a capital replacement fund. They will take any funds left at the end of the year and transfer them to the next year (or a replacement fund) for building needs and capital improvements or to apply to the medical insurance deficit. Ryan has split the jail budget from the regular Justice Fund budget beginning FY2019; they project having money remaining at the end of FY2018. The Sheriff's Office was approved to move forward with the Capital Replacement Fund by moving unused funds at the end of the year to a capital improvement contingency account once the budget is opened during the fall. This reserve account will only be accessed for building needs/capital improvements or to apply to the medical insurance deficit.

Rudey Ballard

Preston Ballard, Rudey's son, was with Rudey to fulfill a merit badge requirement. Our final health insurance premium will be at a 3.11% increase. We need to look at the Spouse/Children rate and possibly increase it. The employee maximum amount would be \$50.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Blue Cross renewal. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

Paul Sorensen, IT budget

Paul explained his budget has increased to continue supporting Lifesize software for the Courts, Computer Arts software, a web filter for added security, and to upgrade to the new Office 2016.

Sid Brown and Rob Wood, Prosecutor's budget

Sid Brown and Rob Wood were present to explain the increases to their budget. Since 2016, there has been a steep increase in felonies filed; meth addiction and drug cases have dramatically increased as well as mental health cases which have doubled since 2016. They feel they should have another full-time criminal prosecutor to help manage the load.

Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to adjourn at 12:35 p.m. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

Jon O. Weber, Commission Chairman

Todd Smith, Commissioner

Brent Mendenhall, Commissioner

Attest:

Kim Muir, Clerk