

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, IDAHO**

AUGUST 11, 1997

The Board met this day in regular session. Present were Commissioners: Charles R. Vadnais, Charles E. Wilson and Greg A. Shenton, Prosecuting Attorney, Craig Simpson and Clerk Jo Ann S. Tavenner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Shenton, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, unanimous that the minutes dated July 14, 1997 is approved as written.

PERSONNEL POLICY

The board reviewed the changes that were made by Ken Myers on the Personnel Manual. They requested that under vacation days of leave be changed to hours based upon regular work schedules. After some discussion on the time that was spent by Myers it's unanimous that the County pay Myers \$500.00 for all the work he did.

COMPUTER SCHOOLING

Darrell Williams Planning & Zoning Administrator, met with the Commission and requested that the board authorize the county to pay registration for computer schooling at the Eastern Idaho Technical College in September for himself and Virgil Valantine, Civil Defense Director. After some discussion motion by Commissioner Shenton, seconded by Commissioner Wilson unanimous that William's and Valantine's registration for computer school be paid by the County.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

The following claims were examined and approved unanimously by the Commission:

General	\$26,472.80
Road & Bridge	36,235.31
Ambulance	144.58
District Court	1,027.22
Indigent	25.00
Revaluation	2,265.00
Solid Waste	1,137.55
Weeds	12,715.99
Land Use	306.75
Weed Revolving	1,586.00
Watermaster	4,405.00
Indigent Trust	11.00
TOTAL	\$86,332.00

WEED GRANT PROGRAM UP-DATE

Orvin Jorgensen, Weed Supervisor, met with the Commission to up-date them on his weed-spraying grant program and the school-to-work program. Jorgensen gave the board a report said that he has laid off the spray crew and that they have done all the spraying that there was money for.

CIVIL DEFENSE UP-DATE

Virgil Valentine, Civil Defense director met with the Commission concerning having a civil defense practice or a tabletop exercise, which would include the INEEL and a group out of Pocatello. It was brought to the commission's attention that some departments are over riding emergencies on radio system causing some problems. A request to use the radio system when the ambulance and law enforcement jump in and break connection. Valentine needs the board to send out an application to be on the system - they talked about priorities. Valentine said the City would like enough roto mill tilling to do the road from the RR tracks to the Dubois cemetery. He said they would also like the county to help the city seal coat the city streets, as soon as the contractor finishes restoring the streets. Valentine said they would furnish the fuel for equipment and the chips to seal coat; also the project could be done on a weekend. Commission will talk to Rod Belcher concerning scheduling the project.

IMPACT STUDY FOR BIRCH CREEK

Harold Wilson met with the Commission said that Neil Myers and Arron Hart, from the University of Idaho, called and said they would like to come down and do a impact study on Birch Creek over Labor day weekend. He said they would come down and hand out materials to the campers in the Birch Creek area, which would help with the study on how Birch Creek effects the county. Wilson said that he had talked to Darrell Williams concerning a building inspector and had checked into being a building inspector. It wouldn't take that much to become a certified building inspector. He said if the county is going to charge more money per square foot on a home, it will need to provide more services like a building inspector. The Board unanimously supported the impact study on Birch Creek.

ROAD & BRIDGE UP-DATE

Rod Belcher, Supervisor for Road & Bridge, met with the Commission to up-date them on his department. He said that Chapples' people are putting up scaffolding at the Pleasant Valley Bridge and work should commence soon. He said he still couldn't get into the gravel in Kilgore due to rain. He said he plans to finish oiling from one mile north of Sheep Station to Highway 22 by end of this week. The Commissioner's ask if the county road crew would schedule fixing the road to the Dubois cemetery and help them seal coat the city streets after the contractor is finished. They said the city has the manpower but needs to use the county equipment to do this project. Belcher requested permission to hire one more full time employee. He said that Warner is doing a fine job on the grader. The board suggested hiring a local person. Belcher said that he has a drawer full local applications that aren't qualified. Belcher was given permission to advertise for a

full time employee. Discussion was held on the reason Gary Egan was closing the road with a gate to the public and forest service. Commissioner Wilson said he talked to Egan. Egan indicated he closed to road because of the condition of the road and he didn't want people dumping garbage or things on his property. After some discussion Simpson was directed to send out a letter informing Egan that Irving Creek road has been maintained by the county and listed on the county road system since 1978 and needs to remain open for public use.

Veva Horne met with the Commission and requested that 60 or 65 miles per hour, speed limit signs, be place on the A-2 road to Kilgore. There is no speed limit sign posted on this road. Veva said she feels the road and the condition of the road is suited for an increase in speed. A discussion was held on the laws on un-posted roads, the speed limit and the counties liability. Upon the advise of the county attorney that increasing the speed limit above the state speed limit of 55 would increase the counties liability, a motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Shenton unanimous to remove the 50 mile an hour from Dubois to Kilgore **on the oiled part of A-2 only** and the dirt part of A-2 will remain 50 miles per hour. No increase would be posted. The board reviewed a letter they received from Veva Horne concerning her garbage payment where she no longer has renters for the cabins; she requests that she be moved back to \$20 instead of \$40 per month. Request was granted for now.

1997-98 BUDGETS

The Board reviewed budgets from the different departments with the department heads. Some cuts were made, but final decisions will be left until after the public hearing, which will be held on September 4, 1997.

HELP FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Bennie Harmon met with the Commission concerning American Legion and the Senior Citizens he said that the flag program has the American Legion out of the hole. The Senior Citizens are back on their feet on the transportation, but they need help on the food program. He said that they just barely made it a couple of months. They are going to hold a fundraiser, but would like to have help again this year. Motion by Commissioner Wilson seconded by Commissioner Shenton unanimous that the county would help with a donation of \$500 again.

PLANNING & ZONING UP-DATE

Darrell Williams, Planning & Zoning Administrator met with the Commission and reported that the problem they were having with Horne's at Kilgore has been solved and Horne's are a total of 29 inches above the water level with the sewer lines. He also reported that the State of Idaho wrote to the Junk yard dealer (Dennis Hooper) in Spencer and giving him 30 days to start cleaning up and then he has 60 days to completely clean up the area to comply with state law on the highway beautification. Williams then presented the commission with a list of people who received building permits recently.

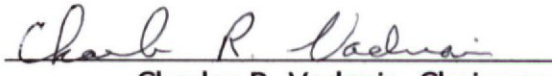
ORDERED THAT THIS MEETING BE CONTINUED UNTIL THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 4, 1997 AT 5:00 P.M. AT WHICH TIME A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON THE 1997-98 BUDGET.

September 4, 1997
BUDGET HEARING

The Board met this day in special session for the purpose of a public budget hearing. Present were Commissioners: Charles R. Vadnais, Charles E. Wilson and Greg A. Shenton; Sheriff, Craig King; Assessor, Betty Kirkpatrick; Treasurer, Bonnie Burns; and Clerk Jo Ann S. Tavenner.

There being no taxpayers or interested parties present or questions concerning the budgets as advertise the hearing was adjourned at 6:00 P.M.


Jo Ann S. Tavenner, Clerk


Charles R. Vadnais, Chairman