

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

October 12, 1999

The board met this day in regular session. Those present were Commissioners Charles Vadnais, Ted Edwards, and Greg Shenton, Prosecuting Attorney Craig Simpson and Clerk, Conni Owen.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Shenton, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous, that the minutes for September 13, 1999 be approved as written.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

General	18765.33
Road & Bridge	8855.35
Ambulance	2063.58
District Court	2301.44
Fair	541.86
Indigent	10215.80
Revaluation	825.00
Solid Waste	1092.60
Weeds	2962.33
Juvenile Justice	500.00
Land Use	286.19
Grants	4.73
Trust-Medical Ins.	1021.54
Weed Revolving	272.00
Water Districts	4248.30
TOTAL	\$53,956.05

ROAD AND BRIDGE UPDATE

Vic Christensen, Road and Bridge supervisor met with the board about his department. The option of selling or leasing the excess garbage bins the County owns was discussed. Motion by Commissioner Shenton, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous, to sell five dumpsters to the highest bidder, a minimum bid of \$3000 each. The commissioners directed the clerk to advertise for bids and open bids at the next regular commissioner meeting November 8, 1999.

Mr. Christensen reported they had been hauling gravel on the roads in Kilgore. Seven culverts were replaced on the Kilgore road near Sheridan Lake. The Henry's Fork Foundation paid for five of these culverts. He said they would be building up the Medicine Lodge Road above the Gneiting place.

Prosecuting Attorney, Craig Simpson, reviewed the letter sent from Mountain West offering to purchase cinders from the County from the pit in Kilgore. The County leases the pit from the State of Idaho. Mr. Simpson advised the Commissioners not to sub-lease cinders to anyone from this pit.

The Commissioners asked Mr. Christensen again for an inventory of paved county roads.

INDIGENT CASE 99-03

Clerk, Conni Owen, presented indigent case 99-03 to the commissioners for review. After some discussion, Motion by Commissioner Shenton, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous to deny Case 99-03 based on the indigent has not exhausted all sources.

COMMUNITY CENTER ISSUES

Sheriff King met with the Board regarding the problem of alcohol on the premises at the Community Center. He recommended the county adopt an ordinance making it unlawful to have alcohol on the premises of the Community Building. This would allow the sheriff's department to enforce the rule now in place at the Community Building. Motion by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Shenton, unanimous, to adopt an ordinance prohibiting alcohol on all property at the Community Center.

COMMUNITY CENTER RULES AMENDED

Further discussion was held on the recent problems at the Community Center. Motion by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Shenton, unanimous, to amend the rules for the community center as follows:

For dances held at the community center with more than 50 people attending, the deposit shall be \$1500, or \$500 and an active insurance policy covering the community center for the event. The renter shall also provide two certified security persons for the function for 50-100 guests. If more than 100 guests, more security personnel may be required, as directed by the building manager. Certifications of the security officers should be presented to the sheriff's office for verification before the event. The rent for dances shall be \$100. The above conditions may be waived for non-profit organizations.

All functions at the Community Center shall end at 1:00 am.

COMMUNITY CENTER ROOF

The commissioners had discussed that the community center would need a new roof in the future. Due to recent winds, an emergency arose needing the roof replaced promptly. Three quotes were obtained to replace the roof. Dave Crezee Construction, the lowest quote, was hired to replace the roof with a metal roof at the cost of \$7700.

LAWSUIT AGAINST IDAHO COUNTIES

Craig Simpson, prosecuting attorney, informed the commissioners that the Idaho Broadcasting Association has filed a lawsuit against the 44 counties of Idaho. The basis of the suit is the legality of advertising gaming in Idaho. Mr. Simpson said the Ada

County prosecuting attorney's office is willing to represent the counties on this case. Motion by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Shenton, unanimous, to ask Ada County to represent Clark County in this suit, provided we are charged based on population of the counties.

INSURANCE PRESENTATION

Goss-Boise presented proposals for group insurance for county employees. They went over various options for the insurance and the rates. They reported they were waiting on one more quote from Fortis insurance.

MEETING WITH OPAL JOHNSTON

Opal Johnston met with the board regarding a lot the County owns in the Thomas addition. She asked if she could purchase this lot. Motion by Commissioner Shenton, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous, to offer Lot 30, Block 7, Thomas Addition for auction on November 8, 1999. Notice of auction shall be published appropriately.

PLANNING & ZONING UPDATE

Ellen Tarpley, planning and zoning administrator, met with the board to discuss planning and zoning issues. She reported she had attended the planning association meeting in Pocatello.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board adjourned to executive session to discuss personnel issues.

DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING

The Board met with the elected officials and department heads to discuss county matters. The policy of the courthouse staying open during lunch hour was discussed.

The possibility of having a surplus vehicle and equipment auction was discussed. The Board asked the department heads to make a list of possible items available for sale and present it to the Commissioners.

The Board asked the group to form a committee to explore the possibility of a step wage program for county employees. They asked for volunteers to serve on this committee.

DEPUTY CORONER APPOINTMENT

Coroner, Ernie Sill, nominated Orvin Jorgensen to serve as deputy coroner. This is a new position provided for in the FY 2000 budget. Motion by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Shenton, unanimous, to appoint Orvin Jorgenson to serve as deputy Coroner beginning in FY 2000.

WEED DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Keith Tweedie, weed supervisor met with the Board regarding his department. Prosecuting Attorney, Craig Simpson reviewed and approved the new weed spraying

agreement. The Board asked Mr. Tweedie to send a letter to county patrons explaining the new policy of spraying weeds. The County weed department will now spray weeds on private property. The patron shall review the costs and sign an agreement before the spraying takes place.

Mr. Tweedie reported they were very pleased with the performance of the Norstar spray injection system. Motion by Commissioner Shenton, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous to purchase the Norstar spray injector system at the price of \$20,000, less the rental paid on the machine this past summer.

INSURANCE PROPOSAL

Brett Robison representing Fortis insurance met with the Board to present his proposal for group health insurance. The Board asked Mr. Robison to work on quotes for families and report back to the clerk with those numbers.

LEVIES APPROVED

Auditor, Conni Owen reported that the State Tax Commission approved the levies for all the taxing districts for tax year 1999. Ms. Owen presented certified copies of the levies to the Commissioners.

COURTROOM CHAIRS

Clerk, Conni Owen, presented quotes for new witness chairs for the courtroom. Motion by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Shenton, unanimous, to purchase eight chairs for the courtroom, not to exceed \$1900.

Meeting continued to October 25, 1999, to accept health insurance quotes.

OCTOBER 25, 1999

The board met this day to review health insurance proposals. Those present were Commissioners Charles Vadnais, Ted Edwards, and Greg Shenton, and Clerk, Conni Owen.

GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE

The Commissioners reviewed quotes from Bret Robinson, for Fortis insurance, and quotes from Goss-Boise for several different insurance companies. Motion by Commissioner Shenton, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous to sign with Blue Cross 2000 deductible, with a county buydown, and Delta Dental, only if the final quote stayed the same as the preliminary quote. If not, second choice being Blue Shield 1500 deductible with a county buydown and Delta Dental.


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The board adjourned to executive session to discuss personnel issues.

Ordered this Board is now adjourned.



Conni S. Owen, Clerk



Charles R. Vadnais, Chairman