

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

FEBRUARY 12, 1996

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Gilger, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, unanimous that the minutes for the month of January 8, 1996 are approved as written.

DONATION FOR BOYS STATE

Frank Handy, Veteran's of Foreign Wars met with the Commission to see if they would donate \$25.00 to the veterans again this year. Handy said the money this year would be used to send a local (Junior) boy to boys state in June. It was unanimous that the Clerk is authorized to issued a warrant to the Veterans for \$25.00.

EXTENSION OFFICE UP-DATE

Keith Bramwell, County Agent, met with the Commission to up-date them on his department. Bramwell said they are reorganizing the 4-H program and he's hopeful this will get more participation. He said that Kay Sill and Deanna Holmes are retiring from the 4-H council and they haven't found replacements yet. Keith said they are publishing a monthly news letter. He said they would like to put CD-ROM's put on their computers, he explained the advantages of having a CD-ROM in the computer. He said he would like to put a modem on Carol's. He said the CD-ROM's would cost around \$300 each through the university and the modem around \$150. It was unanimous that if Bramwell has the funding in his budget he is authorize to purchase equipment. Bramwell requested that the Commission encourage the Mud Lake Telephone Coop. to bring in a line for Internet. He said in order for it to be put in it would cost the telephone company around \$10,000. A length discussion was held on the advantages that internet would bring into the county and the cost would be around \$19.95 per month. Bramwell was ask about getting a spray-rig from the Department of Transportation. He informed the Commission that the ITD is still in the weed spraying business and they will have a truck for sale, but they are keeping the spray-rig.

SUPPORT FOR THE SCHOOL BOND

Michelle McGarry, Trustee from the School District, met with the commission concerning the defeat of the bond election last fall and ask for the board thoughts on how the school board can work toward passing a bond to build a new school. The group held a lengthy discussion on what they feel is needs to be presented to the taxpayers and public to get a bond passed. It was suggested that the GED scare tacks be dropped that they didn't believe this helped the cause.

BFI PICKUP ON MEDICINE LODGE

Matt & Katherine Hoggan, Derik Bell, Jack Webster and Kim Summers met with the Commission concerning BFI not picking up their garbage and request the county to call and tell them of this problem. The group said when they call BFI all they get is excuses and they don't show. As of this date they've missed 3 weeks. It was explained to the group the problems involved if the county took it back. After some discussion it was unanimous that the users should document the times missed and keep track for another month and the Commission will meet with BFI and the users on March 11 as a group. They were told that

spread the word concerning this meeting in the mean time the Commission will see that a dumpster is placed at the old site for emergency use only. I problem continues the county will put on good gates, issue keys and it will have to be monitored. The group was informed that Spencer is also having a problem that they have not had a pickup for three weeks .

ROAD & BRIDGE UP-DATE

Rod Belcher met with the Commission to up-date them on his department. Belcher said that the Medicine Lodge Creek is flooding over the roadway out by Allen May's and is about ready to go over the road south of town. He informed the Commission that he had located a pavement grinder in Washington that he would like to purchase and use on old road surfaces, for \$15,000. A discussion was held on the advantages of owning over renting at this price, he said it costs \$5000 per week to rent one from Western States and cost around \$152,000 to buy a used pavement grinder and where they would only be able to do a mile or two a year this might be the way to go. He also said that the Burley Highway District rented a grinder cost for \$5000. and said it also cost them \$1800.00 to \$2000.00 per mile for tools and tips. He said that they were putting a blade and roller right behind the grinder as they could not afford a distributor and all that goes with it. It was decided that Belcher and Wilson will go look at the equipment in Bellingham

AMBULANCE

Orvin Jorgensen, Ambulance Supervisor, met with the commission and said that they needed and he purchased a GPs locator. He also ask where they have decided to house the ambulance. He said they have had three or four runs that they needed to clean up the ambulance and they didn't have any water or place with drains and its hard to clean it up. He said they are doing some classes with the Mud Lake EMT's and it will cost a little more money, but it will meet their needs. He requested that charges for the Franklin Sullivan run be canceled because of the many contributions to the ambulance they have made for years. Motion by Commissioner Gilger and seconded by Commissioner Wilson unanimous that the ambulance run to Sullivans Ranch on February 6 is hereby canceled. Jorgensen also handed the commission his resignation as supervisor of the ambulance. He said that he has a conflict with his schedules and that Sam Hulse has been doing the work for the past year and he feels that Sam should get the pay. Jorgensen said that he has talked to Craig King and King sees no conflict or problems with Hulse accepting this position He said that he has been in as ambulance supervisor for eight year and a lot of things are and have changing. He said they are still working on grant to purchase a new vehicle and told of some of the things he would like to see on it. Harold Wilson said that Idaho Falls Ambulance Crew paid \$80,000 for a Ford Chase with diesel. After some discussion it was moved by Commissioner Gilger, seconded by Commissioner Wilson unanimous that Sam Hulse be appointed to fill the vacancy left by Jorgensen.

PLANNING & ZONING UP-DATE

Harold Wilson, met with the Commission and presented them with a contract from Lee Nellis on the revision of the Planning & Zoning Ordinance. After reviewing the contract motion by Commissioner Gilger, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, unanimous that this contract be signed. Harold Wilson gave the Commission a letter from Gary Snowden requesting that the county & city reconsider where no infrastructure is available at the location where he plans to build and he estimates his cost will be around \$250,000. After much consideration the boards still feels they are unable to participate in any manner with this project. Wilson said he is going to work with the Forest Service on a grant in the next few months. He said the Forest Service has always been good to come up with grants. He said he is not having good luck on finding grants to help re-write the ordinance, but it looks like once they complete the revision grants will be available. Wilson said there is two land use conference next month one at the University of Denver and another one at Sun Valley. It was unanimous that as many as possible should go where it's that close.

CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING BILLS

The Commission at this time reviewed four outstanding ambulance bills. After some consideration on the following, Motion by Commissioner Gilger, seconded by Commissioner Wilson that they are hereby canceled:

Name	Amount	Reason
Barbara Dunkley 685 32nd St. Ogden, UT 84403	\$35.00	Unable to locate at this or any address.
William Stuart 3327 S 45 E Ammon, ID 83406	\$140.50	Has already cost the county lots of money through the Courts.
Charles Camden Club Motel #3 Lima, Mt 59739	\$35.00	Moved left no forwarding address.
Ronald Vanclezie 1734 Cottage Pocatello, ID 83201	\$160.00	Case to old - insurance will not pay.

INDIGENT CASES

The Commission at this time reviewed two requests for help. one with a hospital bill and one on back rent.

Case #95-04 this case is a maternity case and they ask that it be reviewed again as it is a c-section instead of a normal delivery. After much consideration it was moved by Commissioner Gilger, seconded by Commissioner Wilson unanimous that these people had nine months to save and prepare for this event and should have been able to pay expense themselves - case denied - second time.

Case # 96-01 this case was lack of funds to pay back rent. After reviewing the application it is evident that the couple have a gun, bike and other assets that they could sell to pay this bill. Case denied.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

The following claims for the current month was examined and approved unanimously by the Commission:

General	\$ 16,863.02
Road/Bridge	32,954.17
Ambulance	836.55
District Court	1,043.72
Health Dist.	1,855.00
Indigent	1,059.82
Senior Citizens	500.00
Solid Waste	850.29
Veterans	500.00
Weeds	800.12
Land Use	4.17
Disaster/Emergency	7,380.00
Range Improvement	2,000.00

Grazing Dist. #3	8,731.06
Watermaster	4,674.31
Total	\$80,052.23

The Commission also at this time informed the Clerk that at a meeting with the City Council they approved \$2500.00 to be taken from the Emergency fund to buy equipment for the fire truck..

FAIR BOARD

The Commission received a letter from Ken Myers, Chairman of the Clark County Fair Board. Myers said that according to their records Marie Kellom, Deanna Murdock, Shawna Williams and Ken Myers terms on the Fair Board expired January but all are willing to serve another term. Motion by Commissioner Gilger seconded by Commissioner Wilson unanimous that where all of the above are willing to serve another two year term they are hereby appointed.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted after the Board met in executive session:

RESOLUTION

In recognition of the harmful effects that the use of alcohol or illegal drugs can have on county officials and employees and the public at large and that the use of alcohol or illegal drugs by county officials and employees while on the job is more likely to cause accidents and injuries, both to officials, employees, co-workers and the public-at-large;

NOW THEREFORE, CLARK COUNTY, hereby resolves as follows:

That the use of alcohol or illegal drugs by a county official and/or employee while on the job is prohibited, that the possession of alcohol or illegal drugs by a county official and/or employee while on the job is prohibited and that the transportation of alcohol or illegal drugs by a county official and/or employee in a county vehicle or while on county time is hereby prohibited.

That the violation of any of the above described prohibited acts may lead to the immediate termination of said official and/or employee, at the discretion of the commissioners.

Dated this 12 day of February, 1996.


Charles R. Vadnais, Chairman


Steven R. Gilger


Charles E. Wilson

This meeting is continued until February 14, 1996 @ 1:30 PM

February 14, 1996

The Commissioners met this day with the Humberto Fuentes, Idaho Migrant Council, Gary Gamble, FHA, Lew Rooriguez, IMC, Tony Tinoco and John Pibee and other interested parties from the community. The group met to discuss building of a housing project that was scheduled for Dubois area last year. The group discussed the advantages and disadvantages if this project comes into the Community. It was

pointed out that Clark County has a disadvantage due to population of 762 compared to the larger counties. A lengthy discussion was held on the management , type of people who would live there and the payment of taxes and what this would cost the county and other taxing units to provide services and not have revenues coming in from taxes on this unit and the burden it would place on other taxpayers.

Fuentes was asked what guarantee did the county and citizens have that the Idaho Migrant Council would pay taxes on this project as this county is small and has no way of absorbing this costs and what guarantee the taxing units have that down the road (a year or two) the IMC would never ask for a waiver on taxes. Fuentes said that he would be willing to have a document drawn up by attorneys county and city included and he would sign it. Gamble said that in other areas that he has not be treated different that others on tax status. He also said that this day and time in this community taxing units are struggling to survive. They want to make sure their assets are protected. They were questioned about services that they include for community facility or room . such as day care eligibility to live there - is it still agriculture or anyone. Gamble said that the Boise office says that considering the above that anyone that is working for agriculture or any agriculture product or considered farm labor would be able to live in this housing project. Persons must live in county 110 days per year to qualify. This unit is not for seasonal help. Gamble was ask why they can put up 1.3 million to build this project and yet they don't loan money to build single home dwellings instead of housing projects in this town..

Fuentes asked the Commission to reconsider supporting their project. No decision made at this time. A Join County and City and public meeting will be held on March 4, 1996 @ 7:00 with the IMC and Gary Gamble again.


JoAnn S. Tavenner, Clerk


Charles R. Vadnais, Chairman