

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

April 11, 2005

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Leonardson, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous, that the minutes for March 14, 2005 be approved as written.

CLAIMS

Current Expense	13491.75
Road & Bridge	77547.52
Ambulance	1096.64
District Court	1513.29
County Fair	404.57
Health District	145.62
Indigent	78.00
County/City Building	31.47
Solid Waste	819.27
Weeds	82.75
Juvenile Justice	782.50
Land Use	22.79
CWMA	1381.04
Water Districts	2100.00
TOTAL	\$99,497.21

JAIL INSPECTION

The Board performed their quarterly inspection of the jail facility.

GEM PLAN BOARD MEMBER

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to vote for Wayne Brower to serve on the Gem Plan board as the sixth district representative, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

ASSESSOR UPDATE

Carrie May, assessor, met with the Board to discuss contracting with an outside appraiser for 2005. She noted she had received 3 responses, one who didn't have time for the work, one from Idaho Appraisals and one from Rocky Mountain Services. The Board reviewed the quotes. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to contract with Rocky Mountain Services to do the outside appraising from June 2005 through March 2006, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

SUBROLL AMENDMENT

Clerk, Conni Owen reported to the Board that the subroll had been reported to the Board at the gross amount and the correct occupancy amount was less. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to amend the subroll amount to the correct occupancy value of \$557,940, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

GRAVE OPENING

Clerk, Conni Owen noted that after reviewing previous minutes of the Board, she couldn't find a rate for opening graves at the cemeteries for out of county residents. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to charge \$100 for Clark County property owners or residents, for opening and closing of graves, and \$300 for non-property owners or non-residents, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

PHONES

Clerk, Conni Owen discussed with the Board the possibility of purchasing phones for the clerk's office. She noted that she was paying \$20.50 per month for lease of the current phones. Commissioner Leonardson said he would check out what equipment the \$20.50 covered. Commissioner Leonardson noted that if the County purchased the phones then any repairs would become the County's responsibility.

RUNAWAY ORDINANCE

Sheriff Craig King met with the Board to discuss the proposed runaway ordinance. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to pass Ordinance 05-01, regarding runaway juveniles, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

911 EQUIPMENT

Sheriff King discussed with the Board putting out for bid for 911 equipment. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to go out for bids for 911 equipment and open the bids on May 9, 2005, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

The Board asked Sheriff King to ask vendors to bring equipment for demonstration the morning of May 9, 2005.

LAND PURCHASE

Lacey Ekberg, economic development specialist, met with the Board to discuss the proposed business park in Dubois. She noted that the City of Dubois had dug test holes and hadn't hit rock. She said that the 10 acres on the west side of Idaho Street and the 12 lots on the east side could be purchased for \$30,000. Ms. Ekberg said that the City of Dubois estimated the cost of installing water and sewer hookups to the properties to be approximately \$18,200, if they didn't have to blast rock, if they did blast, it would cost \$1.50 per foot. Ms. Ekberg said that the funds for the land purchase could come from a state block grant, but the costs for the infrastructure would need to come from the County and City.

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to pursue a grant for purchasing the Anderson property on Idaho Street for the purpose of creating a business park, and

sharing in the cost of the infrastructure for the property with the City of Dubois, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Lacey Ekberg reported that the Welcome to Dubois signs would be updated on the freeway in the near future.

She also asked if one of the Commissioners would be able to speak at the community forum on May 3 at the Community Center. She said the forum is being held to increase communication and will be held every 3-4 months.

PLEASANT VALLEY BRIDGE ENGINEERING

The Board met with Bob Butler of Butler Engineering and Jeff Freiburg of Harper-Leavitt Engineering. Mr. Butler reviewed different bridge projects he had worked on in the past with the Board, and he noted he is on the ITD approved engineer list. Discussion was held regarding the Pleasant Valley Bridge repair project. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to contract with Butler Engineering to perform the engineering on the Pleasant Valley Bridge repair project, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

TREASURER REPORT

Bonnie Burns, treasurer, presented the board with the cash report for month ending March 2005.

ROAD AND BRIDGE UPDATE

Mitch Whitmill, road and bridge supervisor met with the Board to update them on his department. He reported that the Idaho Department of Lands had contacted him asking permission to keep A-2 road open the next two winters for logging purposes. The Board directed Mr. Whitmill to ask the Department of Lands to attend a commissioner meeting to discuss the matter further.

Mr. Whitmill presented a piggy-back contract off Bingham County's bid received from Idaho Asphalt for oil materials for the 2005 season. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to contract with Idaho Asphalt for oils for 2005, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

Mr. Whitmill said he had received a request from Rusty Stewart to have two approaches built into his property off road A-2. The Board directed Mr. Whitmill to install one approach to Mr. Stewart's land and tell him if he wanted another approach he would need to meet with the Board for permission.

Mr. Whitmill reported that Gale Lim Construction said he would try to be here in May to begin crushing gravel while he's in the area for another job. If he doesn't make it he said he would need to re-bid his crushing contract because his costs have gone up so much.

Discussion was held regarding purchasing/leasing a new grader to replace the one that will be returned on a lease this fall. The Board reviewed a piggy-back quote from Western States Equipment. The quote is off a successful bid Western made to Franklin County. Commissioner Shenton made the motion by resolution 05-02 to purchase a 2005 Caterpillar grader in the amount of \$189,500 off a piggy-back bid from Western States Equipment's bid to Franklin County, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

Discussion was held regarding purchasing a used roller to replace the one that was totaled last summer. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to purchase a used roller not to exceed \$15,000, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

WEED UPDATE

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to sign weed spraying contracts with the Idaho Transportation Department and the Bureau of Land Management for 2005, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

TRANSPORTATION BUILDING BID OPENING

At this time as advertised in the request for bids, the Commissioners with the assistance of Kurt Karst, architect, opened seven bids received in a timely manner for the new transportation building for the road and bridge department. Bids were reviewed and found in order. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to accept the low bid from RE Beck Construction in the amount of 646,052.00, seconded by Commissioner Shenton, unanimous.

WASH STATION

Mitch Whitmill reported he received one quote for pouring the concrete for the wash station for vehicles for weed prevention. He said the quote was from Dave Crezee in the amount of \$7800. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to accept Dave Crezee's quote in the amount of \$7800 to pour the concrete for the weed wash station, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Edwards made the motion to adjourn to executive session to hold a hearing for an indigent case, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous by roll call.

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to adjourn to regular session, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

ITD UPDATE

Darrin May and Jason Christenson representing the Idaho Transportation Department met with the Board to update them on ITD projects. Mr. May reported that they would be reconstructing the northbound lane of the interstate in May. He reported that his new lead worker was Jason Christenson. Mr. May said the State wanted to put a sand shed in Spencer and asked if the County would be willing to transfer ownership of the transfer waste station land to the State. It was noted that this property was donated to the County

by Tom McCulloch. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to transfer the transfer waste station land site to the State of Idaho Transportation Department, provided Mr. McCulloch approved the transfer, for the use of placing a sand shed on the property, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

DOE AGREEMENT

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to sign the contract for 2004 with the Department of Energy for payment of PILT funds for the property they own in the county, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

BUGLER'S GRAVE

Clerk, Conni Owen presented a letter from Ralph Lewis requesting that the body of Bugler Brooks be transferred to the Veteran's Cemetery in Boise, from his gravesite at Camas Meadows. The Board directed the Clerk to send a letter to Mr. Lewis advising him that they didn't support the moving of Mr. Brooks' remains, although it really isn't a county matter and that the grave is on private property.

PROPANE TANK

Clerk, Conni Owen reported that the County will need a larger propane tank when the heating system is replaced at the courthouse. She said that V-1 Propane would sell a 1000 gallon tank to the County for \$1850 plus installation, or they would lease one to the County the first year for \$120 a year. If the County used a considerable amount of propane in that year, V-1 Propane said they would lease it to the county at no charge. The Board directed the clerk to lease the tank.

DROUGHT DECLARATION

Commissioner Edwards made the motion by resolution 05-01 to declare the county a disaster as defined in Section 46-1002, and 46-1011 Idaho code, due to existing and potential drought conditions, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

JAIBG FUNDING

Discussion was held regarding application for Juvenile Accountability funding for 2005. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to waive the 2005 JAIBG funding to Fremont County, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Conni S. Owen, Clerk



Greg Shenton, Chairman