

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

February 13, 2006

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 January 9, 2006 be approved.

CLAIMS

Current Expense	49541.81
Road & Bridge	72797.29
Ambulance	1747.41
District Court	2821.23
County Fair	2433.23
Health District	1804.04
Indigent	40.85
Revaluation	1216.00
Solid Waste	913.22
Weeds	642.02
Juvenile Justice	500.00
Revenue Sharing	8760.55
Land Use	23.26
Grants	23.90
CWMA	429.00
Taylor Grazing	7167.73
Water Districts	1473.01
TOTAL	\$152,334.55

FOREST SERVICE UPDATE

Robb Mickelsen district ranger for the forest service met with the Board to discuss forest issues. He reported the Forest Service is placing isolated parcels up for sale; however there won't be any in this district.

Mr. Mickelsen said they were turning in a project for RAC funding on February 17th. The project would be to replace the jack fencing at Stoddard's campground and they are also applying for Department of Parks and Recreation funds for part of the project.

He reported that they would be meeting with Mitch Whitmill March 15th to review the road maintenance agreement. The porcupine pass road will also be discussed.

Mr. Mickelsen asked for the commissioner's participation in the upcoming Dry Creek watershed analysis. He said they will be looking at insect problem, reducing fuels,

sagebrush canopy, weeds and ATV trails. He said they would be holding a field trip and asking for input on these items.

He reported the forest service will be going back to federal court to try to get their proposed logging projects approved.

COUNTY AGENT UPDATE

Brian McClane, Jefferson-Clark County Agent met with the Board to update them on his quarterly activities. He reported they held their beef school in January and had good attendance. Brucellosis information was provided to attendees.

He said they will be holding the annual weed school offering recurring credits to applicators in the spring.

Mr. McClane reported that a winter range trial was planted and fenced in Birch Creek. Standard and improved varieties of forage kochia and range grasses were planted.

He reported the Lost River Grazing Academy will be held in Salmon in June and September. He noted there are scholarship funds available for attendees to apply for.

AMBULANCE UPDATE

Lisa Sullivan, ambulance director met with the Board to update them on her department. She reported the restroom was almost completed at the fire station. Ms. Sullivan asked if she could use \$500-\$1000 to repair and purchase training equipment. The Board agreed to that expense.

She reported we would be having an agency audit by the State EMS Bureau on February 23rd.

Ms. Sullivan asked she could move the ambulance office into the weed office at the Annex. The Board said they wanted to keep the weed office at the Annex.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Edwards made the motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss a personnel issue as per Idaho Code 67-2345, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous by roll call.

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

CORONER UPDATE

Coroner, Orvin Jorgensen met with the Board to report on his Idaho Association of Counties meeting. He said standards for storing of drugs taken by the coroner from the scene were discussed. He said he had spoken with the sheriff about storing the drugs until the state takes possession.

ASSESSOR'S UPDATE

Kelli Hurst, deputy assessor met with the Board to present a contract from Jeremy Dixon for outside appraisal services. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to sign the contract for the 2006 appraisal year with Jeremy Dixon, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

Mrs. Hurst and Clerk Conni Owen explained to the Board that the assessor is required by Idaho Code 63-210 to record tax numbers of legal descriptions. Mrs. Owen said they have been unable to find any past recordings of tax numbers, but she was willing to begin recording them as time permits.

COUNTY INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM ORDINANCE

Clerk, Conni Owen reported to the Board that the County should have an ordinance in place for direct legislation for initiative and referendums. The Board asked the clerk to prepare a draft for the next meeting.

BIRCH CREEK TRANSFER STATION

The Board asked the prosecutor to draft a letter to Mr. Wagoner asking for an extension on the lease for the transfer station or exercising the lease option to buy out the lease.

PUP TRAILER PURCHASE

Mitch Whitmill, road and bridge supervisor had requested a new pup trailer in fiscal year 2004-2005. He had brought one quote to the commissioners and the Board had asked him to get two other quotes. Mr. Whitmill contacted several vendors and was unable to obtain two more quotes. He reported that to the Board at a special meeting and it was inadvertently left out of the minutes. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to purchase a pup trailer from Tesco Williams, not to exceed \$29,055, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

FIRE PLAN MEETING

Commissioner Leonardson reported he had spoke with Brett Murdoch and asked him to schedule a fire plan meeting in the near future.

LENT ROAD

Clerk, Conni Owen reported Mrs. Lent had called and asked if she needed to attend a Board meeting to finalize the road easement she wants to give to the County. The County needs to check that the actual road placement matches the legal description she provided. The Board tabled the manner until this can be done, possibly when the snow leaves.

ROAD & BRIDGE UPDATE

Mitch Whitmill, road and bridge supervisor met with the Board to update them on his department. Discussion was held regarding the future of the old road and bridge building. Mr. Whitmill reported he is working on quotes for a new fuel system at the new facility.

Mr. Whitmill presented a quote to repair the crane in the new shop in the amount of \$7,000. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to repair the crane in the amount of \$7,000, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

Beaver trapping to prevent flooding of roads was discussed. Mr. Whitmill will go over protocol of requesting trapping with Mr. Fitzwater.

SOLID WASTE

Mitch Whitmill reported he had received a letter from the District 7 Health Department ordering us to keep a log of refrigerators and freezers taken in at the solid waste site.

He also reported that Larsen Farms asked to bring their waste (primarily string) from the hay shed to the solid waste site. Mr. Whitmill reported he had checked with District 7 Health and they said it was allowable if covered. Pricing was discussed.

WEED UPDATE

Keith Bramwell, CWMA chairman reported there was a grant through the NRCS for spraying weeds on private ground that was a 1-1 match. He will be informing land owners of this program.

TREASURER UPDATE

Bonnie Burns, treasurer requested the Board to approve a resolution designating McDonald Investments as a depository for the County. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to adoption resolution 06-02 designating McDonald Investment as a depository for the County, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

RODEO CLUB

Connie Barg asked to be on the agenda to ask assistance for the Rodeo Club. She said they were applying for a grant from CHC Foundation to assist with corrals at the rodeo grounds. She asked if the County would be the sponsoring agency of the grant and if they would commit \$2500 to assist as a grant match. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to contribute \$2500 to the rodeo club, and that the County be the sponsoring agency for the grant, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to adjourn to executive session as per Idaho Code 67-2345 to discuss indigent cases, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous by roll call.

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

INDIGENT CASE

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to deny indigent case 06-01 for the reason that the applicant was not indigent, and the application was incomplete, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

COURTHOUSE LIGHTING

Repair of the courthouse lighting was discussed. The Board directed the clerk to have the lights replaced in one office and then further repairs would be discussed.

BOOKCASE PURCHASE

Commissioner Edwards made the motion to purchase a bookcase for the commissioner room, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

WEED SUPERVISOR POSITION

Mitch Whitmill weed supervisor gave notice to the Board he is resigning as weed supervisor. Discussion was held regarding replacement and advertising for the position. The Board asked the clerk to prepare budget figures for the Board to review.

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT REQUEST

Norman Tavenner, representing the Clark County Soil Conservation District, met with the Board to request \$5000 in funding for 2006-07. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion that barring any unforeseen emergencies, the County budget \$5000 for Soil Conservation in the 2006-2007 budget year, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

AUDIT REPORT

Ferrell Steiner representing Searle Hart and Associates presented the audit report for the fiscal year 2004-2005. Mr. Steiner said the County was in good financial shape and accounting practices were sound. He said the only concern was that grant equipment was being received the Department of Homeland Security that wasn't going through the financial system. He noted that this is the way Homeland Security was requiring it to be done, so his recommendation was to be sure all equipment is tagged and put on the inventory lists.

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to accept the audit for 2004-2005, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

PLANNING AND ZONING UPDATE

Randy Grover, planning and zoning administrator met with the Board to update them on issues. Discussion was held on developing a CAFO ordinance addressing siting of CAFO's, as required by Idaho code.

SCHOOL MATERIAL REQUEST

Randy Grover, shop teacher for the Clark County School District, asked the Board for the transfer of three camp trailers that are in the solid waste landfill. He wants students to strip the trailers down and build new projects on the frames. Commissioner Shenton made the motion to transfer three house trailers that are of no value to the County, to the Clark County School District, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Conni S. Owen, Clerk



Gregory Shenton, Chairman