

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

March 14, 2005

The board met this day in regular session. Those present were Commissioners Greg Shenton, Ted Edwards, and Mike 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 February 14, 2005 be approved as written.

CLAIMS

Current Expense	13682.49
Road & Bridge	8305.59
Ambulance	1800.39
District Court	147.49
County Fair	500.03
Health District	156.74
Junior College	300.00
County/City Building	682.50
Revaluation	2260.00
Solid Waste	1063.62
Tort	26000.00
Weeds	670.80
Juvenile Justice	160.00
Land Use	25.78
PILT	3089.00
Medical Ins. Trust	719.60
Sheriffs Trust	2700.00
Water Districts	8160.00
TOTAL	\$70,424.03

RODEO CLUB GRANT SUPPORT

Connie Barg asked for time with the Board to request financial and verbal support in their pursuit of a grant through CHC for approximately \$18,000 to finish refurbishing back corrals and alleys at the rodeo grounds. Mrs. Barg asked if the County could help with in kind support of equipment and possibly financial support. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to contribute \$2500 towards the rodeo club to be used as matching funds for grants, and assist with equipment if the grant request is successful, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to adjourn to executive session to interview candidates applying to revise the county emergency plan and draft a NIMS plan, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous by roll call.

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

AMBULANCE UPDATE

Lisa Sullivan, ambulance director, met with the Board to update them on her department. She reported that the new tires had been put on the new ambulance and that it was now more unstable. She said she had pulled the ambulance out of service and they were using the old ambulance again. Mrs. Sullivan reported that the sales representative was working to either replace the suspension system in the new ambulance or to give us a new ambulance.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of applying for grant funds to have a backup ambulance. It was also discussed to find a way to keep the old ambulance in service and stock it as a backup. The board asked Mrs. Sullivan to apply for grants for funds to stock the old ambulance.

COUNTY AGENT UPDATE

Brian McLane, county agent for Clark and Jefferson counties, met with the Board to update them on county agent issues. He reported he was working on a winter forage study with a few ranchers. Mr. McLane also said he would be working with DuPont on some trial chemicals for leafy spurge in the Medicine Lodge area.

May 19, 2005 the extension service will sponsor a roadside weed seminar. They also will be offering pesticide re-certification.

CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY PLAN REVISION

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to contract with Kelli Whittier to revise the county emergency plan and draft a NIMS plan in the amount of \$15,440, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

CIVIL DEFENSE UPDATE

Virgil Valantine met with the Board to update them on his department. In attendance with Mr. Valantine was Mike Clements representing the Bureau of Homeland Security. Mr. Valantine reported that he had submitted an application for Clark County to participate in applying for funding for a mitigation plan. He noted that all the counties in the High Country RC&D area had gone together to apply for the federal funding. He said that Clark County would be required to contribute \$3000 in in-kind funding toward these funds. Mitigation funds would be used form a mitigation plan which would identify potential natural disasters in the County and plans to remove possible hazards. Mr. Clements said that a mitigation plan is necessary to receive any funding after disasters for mitigation hazards.

Mr. Valantine reported there will be an area exercise in Rigby June 17-18, and requested that law enforcement, EMS personnel and search and rescue personnel attend.

RUNAWAY ORDINANCE

Sheriff King met with the Board to discuss the possibility of the County adopting a runaway ordinance. He said that there is nothing in Idaho Code that allows officers to charge runaways with an offense and many of the area counties have ordinances in place making it a misdemeanor for minors to runaway from their parents or guardians. The Board asked the Sheriff to work with the Clerk to draft in ordinance form the proposed runaway ordinance for their review at the April meeting.

Courtroom security was discussed.

GEM COMMUNITY RESOLUTION

Mary Grover, representing the Development Council group asked for time on the agenda with the Board. Mrs. Grover presented a resolution for the Board to sign, supporting the group's efforts to continue active Gem Community status. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to sign a resolution supporting the Development Council's Gem Community status, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

FAIR BOARD UPDATE

Kevin Small, Lee Larson and Carol Hoopes met with the Board to discuss county fair issues. Kevin Small presented quotes to run power to the livestock barn. He said the barn itself is wired, but an extension cord running from the community center has been supplying power in the past. He noted that it wasn't very safe and permanent power would be a good addition to the barn. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion for the County to pay up to \$1400 towards installing power at the livestock barn, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

The Fair Board also presented a proposal to install a livestock wash station at the livestock barn costing approximately \$1210. The Board said they could only assist with one project this year, but if there was extra cement from projects this year, perhaps it could be used for a pad for the wash station.

The Fair Board voiced their concerns about what they conceived as a problem with scheduling events at the rodeo grounds and community center. They suggested having one person taking care of the scheduling for all the buildings. The Board took this under advisement.

Dates of the county fair were also discussed. The Board told the Fair Board they had received complaints regarding the dates of the Clark County fair being held the same time as the Mud Lake Fair. The Fair Board said they were changing some of their events schedules and they didn't think it would be a conflict with the fair at Mud Lake.

JUVENILE JUSTICE UPDATE

Brent Reinke, Larry Callicutt and Bill Lasley representing the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections, met with the Board to update them on the Department's activities. Mr. Reinke presented a report regarding the problems with an employee that had been charged as a sex offender at their facility in St. Anthony.

Mr. Reinke also noted that the State would be sending out a request for proposal for beds for juveniles at outside facilities. Discussion was held regarding this RFP and how many beds the State is renting at the 5-C facility.

ROAD AND BRIDGE UPDATE

Mitch Whitmill, road and bridge supervisor, met with the Board to update them on his department. Mr. Whitmill presented a bid from Western States Equipment for a new grader. The bid would piggy back off a bid awarded by Franklin County. The Board asked Mr. Whitmill to obtain a copy of the Franklin County bid and to present it to them at the next regular commissioner's meeting.

The Board asked Mr. Whitmill to present a schedule for summer projects at the next commissioner meeting.

PLANNING AND ZONING UPDATE

Randy Grover, planning and zoning administrator met with the Board to update them on his department. Mr. Grover requested a new computer, since his is very old and he can't make his new printer work on the computer. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to purchase a new computer for planning and zoning, not to exceed \$750, seconded by Commissioner Shenton, unanimous.

Development at the old bank building and the safety of the building was discussed

April 8, 2005

February 24, 2005


The Board met this day in special session. Those present were Commissioners Greg Shenton, Ted Edwards, and Michael Leonardson, Prosecuting Attorney Craig Simpson, by telephone conference, and Clerk Conni Owen.

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS EASEMENTS

The Board reviewed a proposal from the Department of Lands to purchase easements for existing roads on the County system that run through State endowment lands. The Board directed the Prosecuting Attorney to draft a letter to the Department of Lands stating that historical values should be used for purchasing the rights-of way, appraisers should be chosen by the County, questioning if payment was required for existing easements on record, requesting maps that show the rights of way, requesting a longer payment period for the easements, and requesting that the State of Idaho pay for easements on A-2 road.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Conni S. Owen, Clerk


Greg Shenton, Chairman