MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CLARK COUNTY

June 9, 1992

The Board met this day in regular session. Present were Commissioner's George H. Whittaker, Charles R. Vadnais and Steven R. Gilger, Attorney, Craig Simpson and Clerk, Jo Ann S. Tavenner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Gilger, seconded by Commissioner Vadnais, unanimous that the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Board held on May 11, 1992 and continued to May 29, 1992 be approved as written.

FOREST SERVICE UP-DATE

David Sleight, Assistant District Ranger, met with the Commission to give them an up-date on forest service activities. He showed them a picture of the SPIDER that will be making trails through the mahogany revegatation on Black Mountain. He said it would be working the week of the 15th or 27th of this month and invited the Commission to observe.
Sleight said this Saturday is free camping day. The crickets are crossing the Spencer-Kilgore road and will be on the forest soon. Commissioner Gilger reported that they have bait coming in Tuesday or Wednesday of this week and the County will have a satellite cash of bait set up here with Dan Lucas, Extension Agent, in charge. Sleight said they had talked to BLM and they have no problem with bait being put on their land if the bait is properly mixed and everything is coordinated with people in St. Anthony. He said that on June 27th they are having a timber show over towards Island Park that will show the different methods of harvesting timber. Commissioner Vadnais asked about the survival rate on the tree planting project. Sleight said that he thinks they have problems this year, as they have not had a soaking rain that penetrates the ground, which is needed for the tree planting projects.

TAXES PROTESTED

James Port, Spencer residence, met with the Commission in protest of his assessment. Port stated that his assessment has been in excess on three parcels for the last few years and now the assessment has been raised about $1800 on the fourth parcel. He said he has not made any improvements on this property, but the improvements increased from $10,345 to $11,380 and the lots from $5014 to $5849. He also stated that he would go to the Board of Equalization if he had to. Betty Kirkpatrick, County Assessor, stated that she had not had time to check over his assessment, but the economics in the state have improved, which would cause some increase. Commissioner Gilger pointed out that if the 1% tax initiative goes into effect, and they decide in Boise to take the homeowners exemption away, Port's taxes

would really raise. Attorney Craig Simpson advised Port to file a written protest by June 29 if he still feels his assessment is out of line.

RESIDENCE USING FIRE HYDRANT

Ernest Lerner, Spencer resident, met with the Commission and presented them with some photographs that show a 3/4 inch hose connected to a fire hydrant, and said a property owner was using it to water their lawn. He said that they were also using the alley to store junk and have a building on. He said according to the new survey that the building should be moved. He pointed out the alley stake in photograph and said he feels the Commission should tell them where to put their fence.

After some discussion Craig Simpson, County Attorney, advised the Lerners and the Board that the Sheriff should go up and tell them that it was against the law to connect on to a fire hydrant; and the resolution that the Board came up with three or four years ago states that if the citizens of Spencer didn't like the changes then they should change it. The Board is not going to force the plat or they could get sued and the citizens of Spencer should solve their own problems.

OPENING OF CRUSHING BIDS

The Board at this time opened gravel crushing bids which were called for on this date. Bids were as follows:

Siepert Crushing Inc.
Bid Bond Included

1 - 1700 Ton of Class 5 cover coat material $10.34 per ton	$17,578.00 or
2 - 7000 Ton of 3/4" crushed untreated base $2.56 per ton	$17,920.00 or
3 - 13,000 Ton of 3/4" crushed treated base	$33,280.00
Mobilization	$ 1.00

Gale Lim Construction, Inc.
Bid Bond included

1 - 1700 Ton of Class 5 chips Cover coat material Price per Ton $6.00	$10,200.00 or
2 - 7000 Ton of 3/4" crushed untreated base Price per Ton $2.42	$16,940.00 or

	Mobilization	$ 7,100.00
3 - 13,000 Ton of 3/4" crushed untreated base		$26,000.00 or
	Price Per Ton $2.00	
	Mobilization	$ 5,000.00

All bids were denied due to discrepancy on specs sheets.

ROAD & BRIDGE UP-DATE

Rod Belcher, Road & Bridge Supervisor, met with the Commission to up-date them on his departments. They discussed what to do with the Medicine Lodge Canyon road. Belcher said he plans to give it a shot of oil and go over with 5/8" crushed gravel. He said some of the other counties are doing this and getting more for their money. He also stated it doesn't do as good a job, but is adequate. Belcher said that when you start building finish road over the top that the road needs a couple of inches of cushion to keep the rocks from pushing up. Belcher said they are going up Medicine Lodge this week, as he has about three spots that he has to do some blade overlay and that he was going to level it up with cold mix and then lay some asphalt soil fabric down. He said that the asphalt fabric adds strength and forms a water barrier. He said a lot of the grade up there is pure clay or top soil in the base and he needs to get the grade built up so they can try to oil a mile or two a year.

He said that he would know more about the double cover of crushed gravel on the road after the week of the 18th as he is schedule to work on the Beaver Creek road into Larsens.

Belcher said he hadn't set up any schedules yet, but he had 100 loads of gravel hauled out to Kilgore, and that he would like to do seal coating from the Y to the Kilgore Store, which would cover all the shoulder work they did last year, and that would about use up the asphalt budget this year.

Belcher also report on other roads that they have been working on. He reported that the Mack truck has an oil leak in the front differential and he might have to take it in for a bearing or something. He also discovered that the GMC that they purchased from Fremont County has a crack on the inside frame, and that the frame has been cracked before. Will probably run around $1000 to $1050 to fix it.

Belcher reported that they had ended up taking in a bunch of Larsen's material from the BLM pit and burying it. He said he had it tested and there was no hazardous waste in it - also that the State and BLM were involved. He reported that two of the dumpsters had fires set in them and said he feels we need to get the people educated and let them know that these boxes cost $5200, and maybe offer a reward of $5000 for turning people in and leading to a conviction. Also that they are for household garbage only. Clerk will send out notices to residents.

Belcher said that the Case dealer called and offered to bring a new 1992 backhoe identical to the 1991 and would exchange it for $850. After some discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Gilger, seconded by Commissioner Vadnais, unanimous that Belcher should accept the offer on the backhoe.

INDIGENT CASES APPROVED

The Commission at this time reviewed case #212. They were given a report that the Jefferson County Commissioner's would reimburse Clark County one-third of the County's cost on this case. It was unanimous that the first $10,000.00 on this case should be paid and the balance forwarded to the CAT Board for settlement.

Two new bills were received and reviewed on Case #218. After some discussion, it was unanimous that the bill presented by EIRMC for the period of 1-27-92 through 1-31-92 is hereby denied, as this bill was not pre-authorized. On the bill for the period of 2-24 through 2-28-92 to EIRMC hospital had received pre-authorization of up to $5000.00. Payment was approved in the amount of $4,711.48.

AFFIRMED MEMBERS TO DISTRICT SEVEN HEALTH

The Commission at this time voted ballots received from the Seventh District Health Department on the reappointment of Ivan I. Taylor from Custer County and A. Reese Chambers from Teton County for a term of five years each. Ballots were returned to Seventh District Health Department.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

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

Current Expense 92-1116 thru 1184	$ 8,425.24
Road & Bridge 92-1185 thru 1199	13,177.41
Ambulance 92-1200 thru 1202	108.73
District Court 92-1203 thru 1208	758.02
Health District 92-1209	595.00
Indigent & Charity 92-1210 thru 1215	16,140.95
Revaluation 92-1216	2,250.00

Solid Waste 92-1217 thru 1218	307.85
Tort 92-1219 & 1220	2,180.73
Weeds 92-1221 thru 1223	294.82
Watermaster 92-1145 thru 1151 92-1226 thru 1227	1,549.62
Indigent Trust 92-1224 & 1225	117.55
TOTAL	$46,105.92

ORDERED THAT THIS BOARD DO NOW ADJOURN.

Jo Ann S. Tavenner, Clerk

George H. Whittaker, Chairman