

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

June 10, 2024

The Board met this day, June 10, 2024, in regular session. The meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m. Those present were Commissioners Nick Hillman, and MaCoy Ward, Prosecuting Attorney Janna Birch, and Clerk Stephanie Stewart. Commissioner Greg Shenton was not present as he was attending water meetings.

No changes were made to the agenda.

**CLAIMS**

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|---------------------------|-------------|
| 01-Current Expense        | \$2,774.49  |
| 02-Road & Bridge          | \$21,428.98 |
| 04-Ambulance              | \$541.21    |
| 06-District Court         | \$111.98    |
| 07-Fair, County           | \$33.43     |
| 16-Indigent & Charity     | \$33.43     |
| 23-Solid Waste            | \$779.75    |
| 27-Weeds                  | \$33.43     |
| 35-Planning & Zoning      | \$369.67    |
| 45-Election Consolidation | \$204.52    |
| 50-PILT                   | \$1,600.00  |
|                           |             |
| Total                     | \$27,910.89 |

The Board of County Commissioners reviewed the claims and demands through June 7, 2024.

**Commissioner Ward made a motion and Commissioner Hillman seconded the motion to approve and sign the claims and demands for June 7, 2024. After a unanimous vote, the motion passed and the claims were approved for processing.**

**MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes from the May meeting.

**Commissioner Ward made a motion and Commissioner Hillman seconded the motion to approve and sign the Minutes for May 13, 2024. After a unanimous vote, the motion passed.**

**COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE UPDATES**

All Commissioners and Clerk Stewart attend the annual Idaho Association of Commissioners and Clerks conference in Idaho Falls June 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>.

Water district meeting continue to occur in relation to the curtailment order.

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**ROAD & BRIDGE**

Aaron Swenson with Forsgren provided updates to the Board on current and upcoming projects. The survey for the property adjacent to the airport is complete. The Montevue Highway project is moving forward. The grant will cover \$2 million of the project. The county will have to cover the rest. Construction is set to be completed by 2030. This will be a pavement rehab and not a total overhaul. If the county wants to widen the road that will need to be done prior to the project starting. If the road is widened it will allow for the speed limit to be increased. The bridge project on the Red Road has been postponed to 2025 as they are still working on the agriculture study.

Scott Anderson with the Idaho Department of Transportation provided updates to the Board. The Humphrey Bridge rehab has been extensive. Support beams are being replaced. Southbound Spencer issues are being fixed. Stoddard southbound has a large hole and the whole deck is bad. They are working on emergency funds to complete the repair. Spencer and Stoddard are on the rehab list for 2025. Highway 22 overlay is not happening yet. A drop truck will be collecting data to determine where the road needs repaired or reconstructed. They are pushing for reconstruction overlay. Signs to limit heavy trucks were discussed.

Jake Irick, Supervisor, came before the Board with updates. The new mower will be delivered June 14<sup>th</sup> and the tractor will be here at the end of the month. Maintenance was discussed. The John Deere backhoe needs oil leak and drive line repaired. 2008 dump truck had an electrical fire due to a bird nest. A claim was turned in to ICRMP. The 1994 truck was sent to Infinity for hydraulic repair. Jake discussed fixing pavement before hauling gravel to areas like Medicine Lodge. He also discussed the dust abatement plan for the A2 paving project. Gravel trucks will be running from Button Butte to Miracle Mile. Traffic signals and pilot cars will be used at each end of the project for traffic control.

Jake and Janna Birch, Prosecutor, presented ordinances to the Board.

- Ordinance 24-01 – An ordinance making it unlawful to willfully or negligently sprinkle, divert or flood water upon a public highway
  - **Commissioner Ward made a motion and Commissioner Hillman seconded the motion to approve the Ordinance. After unanimous vote, the motion passed**
- Ordinance 24-02 – Use of public right-of way, permits, notification and fees
  - **Commissioner Ward made a motion and Commissioner Hillman seconded the motion to approve the Ordinance. After unanimous vote, the motion passed**

A summary of the ordinances will be published in the Jefferson Star.

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**SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Sheriff Mark McClure came before the Board with updates from the Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff Office was approved for the K9 grant. Funding for additional expenses was discussed. Deputy Donohoo will attend training and receive the K9. The annual jail inspection was completed. Sheriff McClure discussed price increases for the D1GB6 due to construction costs. Maintenance is being completed on Sheriff McClure and Deputy Donohoo's trucks. The City of Spencer approved the Sheriff Office contract, of which the final copy and payment will be provided this month.

**DARIN BURRELL – JUVENILE PROBATION**

Darin came before the Board to discuss the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the Community Based Alternative Services (CBAS) Program and the Substance Use Disorder Services (SUDS) Program.

**Commissioner Ward made a motion and Commissioner Hillman seconded the motion to approve the MOA. After unanimous vote, the motion passed. A final copy will be provided to the Clerk once signed by the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections Director.**

**FOREST SERVICE**

Blake Dory, Dubois District Ranger, came before the Board with updates. Jonah and Keith provided an overview of the range management program. Keith Wheeler is the Rangeland Supervisor for the Dubois Ranger District. They discussed the desire to expand weed projects to improve the land. There are currently 8 projects in the works to improve and restore rangeland to help ranchers. They are working with tribes to maintain heritage as well as working on water source improvement. Commissioner Ward asked about logging as a possible way to improve water and cleaning up the forest.

**The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:59 a.m.**

**The meeting was called back in session at 1:00 p.m.**

**ELECTED OFFICIALS / DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES**

Water curtailment and mitigation plans were discussed including how it could affect Clark County and its tax base. Sheree Farr discussed a broken cot on the ambulance as well as phone and internet lines that are hanging from the ceiling and need to be cleaned up. The cave has been cleaned up and repainted with the help of the Farr and Murdock families. Carrie May, Assessor, discussed the need for a new software for the tax system as the AS400 will no longer be able to be warrantied after December 31, 2024. The Board of Equalization will meet the first week of July. Lana Schwartz and Jake Irick, who are both on the Rodeo Board, provided updates on the rodeo grounds and preparations for the upcoming

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rodeo. Stephenie Stewart, Clerk, discussed the website redesign which will take approximately 4 months to complete, the grant for the security cameras and panic buttons; and homeowner exemptions and how that affects elections. Construction on A2 will begin Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> of June.

**FAIR BOARD – DEEANN TAYLOR**

DeeAnn Taylor came before the Board to discuss the county's annual contribution in the amount of \$3,500.00. The fair will be held at the Community Building August 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Commissioner Ward made a motion and Commissioner Hillman seconded the motion to approve the annual contribution of \$3,500.00. After unanimous vote, the motion passed.**

**EMERGENCY MANGEMENT – SHEREE FARR**

Sheree came before the Board with updates. The preparedness fair will be August 17<sup>th</sup> in the parking lot of the Community Building to coincide with the county fair. She discussed needing the fire department to handle ordering their own equipment. She is working on the emergency operation plan which will be paid using the remainder of the 2022 SHSP grant. Updates were provided on other grant balances and funds coming in.

The Board was presented with the proposal for management services from High Country RC&D for the fuel reduction project. The grant is for \$620,000 and the project must be completed by 2026. High Country RC&D were the only respondents.

**Commissioner Ward made a motion and Commissioner Hillman seconded the motion to select High Country RC&D as the project managers. After unanimous vote, the motion passed.**

EMS and fire department jump bags will be assembled during the next EMT training. Sheree will be flying to Seattle to pick up and drive back the new ambulance on August 8<sup>th</sup>. The EMS building design is almost complete and should be presented at the next commissioner meeting.

**PLANNING & ZONING UPDATES – ELISE TURMAN**

A public hearing is scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Elise will provide updates at the next Commissioner meeting.

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**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT – MATTHEW ROSE**

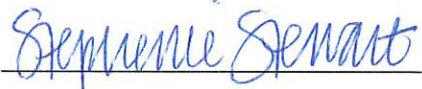
The Annual Operating Agreement was presented to the Board. There were no changes from the previous year.

**Commissioner Ward made a motion and Commissioner Hillman seconded the motion to approve and sign the agreement. After unanimous vote, the motion passed.**

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.



Greg Shenton, Chairman



Stephenie Stewart, Clerk