

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

September 12, 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 August 8, 2005 be approved as amended.

CLAIMS

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| Current Expense | 23102.16 |
| Road & Bridge | 29061.24 |
| Ambulance | 1341.16 |
| District Court | 198.12 |
| County Fair | 735.60 |
| Health District | 79.87 |
| Indigent | 2.00 |
| County/City Building | 330.13 |
| Revaluation | 5136.00 |
| Solid Waste | 1198.73 |
| Weeds | 872.26 |
| Land Use | 22.25 |
| Grants | 99.48 |
| Weed Revolving | 4615.00 |
| CMWA | 23263.78 |
| Ambulance Donations | 402.92 |
| Water Districts | 7700.00 |
| TOTAL | \$98,160.70 |

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel matters, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous by roll call.

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

COMPUTER PURCHASE

Clerk, Conni Owen presented a quote for a new computer for her office in the amount of \$1618.52 including shipping. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to approve the purchase of a new computer not to exceed \$1625, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Lacey Ekberg, Harold Wilson and Steve Gilger met with the Board to update them on economic development matters. Discussion was held regarding transferring county property on Main St. to the City of Dubois, who could enter into a lifetime lease for the property for the development of a motel/café/lounge. The Board will pursue looking into the legalities of this transaction.

The Board accepted the resignation of Jackie Hooper as a member of the economic committee of six.

HEALTH DISTRICT

Richard Horne, Brenda Bloom, and Ray Keating met with the Board to present the District 7 Health Department annual report. They reviewed the county numbers with the Board and upcoming health district programs.

FENCES ON RIGHT-A-WAY

Jack Webster met with the Board to discuss replacing fences on the county right-a-way burnt in the "Tim" fire. The Board advised Mr. Webster that fencing county right-a-way is not a county responsibility.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss pending litigation and indigent matters, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous by roll call.

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

WEB PAGE

Mitch Cromwell, representing Computer Arts met with the Board to discuss the possibility of a county web page. Mr. Cromwell discussed how the web page could be supported on the server and software that could be used to protect the server. The Board discussed the pros and cons of the web page.

AMBULANCE UPDATE

Lisa Sullivan, ambulance director met with the Board to update them on her department. She presented a quote for installing plumbing and a bathroom at the city/county fire station from Rexburg Plumbing in the amount of \$6800. The Board asked Mrs. Sullivan to obtain two more quotes for the project.

Discussion was held regarding the new ambulance. The Board directed the prosecutor to write a letter of response to Western Mountain Bus's letter of August 2, 2005 regarding a settlement offer on the new ambulance.

INSURANCE RENEWAL

Dave Leonardson met with the Board to review the renewal of the liability/accident insurance with ICRMP. The board asked Mr. Leonardson to raise the insured value of the courthouse. They also asked Mr. Leonardson to add the new maintenance vehicle shop to the policy. Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to renew the policy with ICRMP for the 2005-06 year, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

LEVIES

Motion by Commissioner Leonardson, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous, to approve the following levies for Clark County and its taxing districts for fiscal year 2005-2006.

CLARK COUNTY TAX LEVIES

COUNTY TAX

2005

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| Current Expense | .002599987 |
| Ambulance | .000167692 |
| District Court | .000084274 |
| Fair | .000085664 |
| Health | .000077595 |
| Indigent | .000160087 |
| Revaluation | .000097017 |
| Solid Waste | .000143899 |
| Tort | .000267368 |
| Weeds | .000343372 |
| Total | .004026955 |

CITIES

City of Dubois .003022207
City of Spencer .000764223

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Clark County M&O .002954198
Tort .000132304
Building Bond .003022022
TOTAL .006108524

CEMETERY

Clark County Cemetery District .000093169

LIBRARY

Clark County Library District .000097108

ROAD & BRIDGE UPDATE

Mitch Whitmill, road and bridge supervisor met with the Board to update them on his department. He reported he had spoke with the Idaho Transportation Department and they were willing to sell some surplus 3/8" chips for \$10.60 per yard and they would also give the County a separate pile of chips for free.

Mr. Whitmill reported they had started seal coating old highway 91 and it was going well.

The repairs needed for the Walker bridge in Kilgore were discussed. Mr. Whitmill noted they would be repairing the bridge in the next few weeks.

WEED UPDATE

Mitch Whitmill, weed supervisor met with the Board to discuss the weed department. He noted there would be spray days held on September 13th and 15th. He also reported that the BLM had sprayed 1000 acres with an airplane on the Deep Fire area. He also noted that the County would be receiving an additional \$10,000 from the BLM to be used for fuel reduction weed spraying. This amount is in addition to the previously contracted amounts of \$2000 and \$6000.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to adjourn to executive session for personnel review, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous by roll call.

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

After Mr. Whitmill's review in executive session, Mr. Whitmill told the Board he felt his work load responsibilities needed to be lessened. He felt he would need to resign as the weed supervisor in the near future.

LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to approve the following liquor licenses that were found to have valid state licenses and the proper application funds, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous:

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| Kilgore Store | Beer on the Premises |
| Opal Country Café | Beer and Alcohol on the Premises |
| Scoggins | Beer not consumed on the Premises |

Commissioner Edwards made the motion to approve the following licenses providing they provide the proper state license and application fund:

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| Lone Pine | Beer on the Premises |
| Ike's 66 | Beer not consumed on the Premises |

OCTOBER MEETING CHANGE

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to change the October meeting to October 7, 2005, due to the fact that Columbus Day falls on the second Monday of the month, which is the normal meeting day, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

ANNEX HEAT

Keith Tweedie, mayor for the City of Dubois, met with the Board to discuss the heat bills at the annex building. Mr. Tweedie felt that the City was paying more than their share of the propane used for heating the annex, even though the City's share of propane is being metered. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to split the propane bills by two-thirds to be paid by the County and one-third to be paid by the City of Dubois, effective the next load of propane received, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Shenton made the motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss indigent cases, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous by roll call.

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

BHC PHYSICIAN CONTRACT

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to contract with Robert Brock, physician at the Behavioral Health Center to treat mental health hold patients for the next two years, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

BIRCH CREEK TRANSFER STATION SITE

Discussion was held regarding the option to purchase the lease site of the Birch Creek Transfer Station.

COMPUTER REQUEST-TREASURER

Treasurer, Bonnie Burns asked about the possibility of purchasing a new computer for her office. The Board asked her to get quotes for the purchase and present them at the next board meeting.

OPEN BUDGET RESOLUTIONS

Commissioner Leonardson made the motion to approve resolutions 05-08, 05-09 and 05-10 opening the ambulance budget, current expense budget and weed budgets to increase budget amounts for grants received, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, unanimous.

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE

Commissioner Edwards made the motion to increase the mileage reimbursement rate paid to employees who use their own vehicles for county business, to \$.40 per mile if a county vehicle is not available, and \$.34 if a county vehicle is available and the employee chooses to take their own vehicle, effective September 13, 2005, seconded by Commissioner Leonardson, unanimous.

BLUE CROSS CONTRACT FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE

The Board reviewed a contract received from Blue Cross of Idaho to provide ambulance services to their members at a reduced contracted amount. The Board decided not to sign the contract this year.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Conni S. Owen, Clerk



Gregory Shenton, Chairman