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Madison County Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

DECEMBER 22, 2011

8:00 AM

COMMISSIONERS ROOM

ATTENDEES

Commissioners: Chairman Kimber Ricks, Jon Weber and Todd Smith
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Troy Evans
Clerk: Kim Muir

AGENDA TOPICS

Health and Welfare (Deputy Clerk Liz Boyce):

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:25 a.m. pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345-(1)(d) exempt records. (Commissioner Ricks–yes, Commissioner Weber–yes, Commissioner Smith–yes) Commissioner Ricks returned to Open Session at 8:47 a.m. Commissioner Smith made a motion to sign Lien on Case No. 2012009, sign Lien Release on Case No. 2011060, sign Notice of Appeal Hearing on Case No. 2012005 and sign Closing Notice on Case No. 2004034. Non Medical Cases: Sign Determination to Deny on Case No. 2012006. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

County Business:

- Sue Bagley and Craig Rindlisbacher presented proposed changes in precinct boundaries and Commissioner Districts.
- Re-posting the job for a new GIS person with an increased salary to be closed on January 17th was approved by Commissioners.
- Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve the claims presented by the Clerk. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of December 12, 2011. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Committee and Board reports: Commissioner Ricks shared a summary of the Rocky Mountain Power services extended to Madison County during 2011.
- Commissioner Ricks reported on the Centennial Committee meetings.
- Commissioner Ricks met with Jim Mullen. The following projects were discussed:
 - 5000 South – Commissioner Smith would like to see a public meeting in the next 60 days to announce what Keller & Associates are proposing.
 - 1000 East Bridge in Sugar City - anticipate preparation work will be complete mid to late summer and the job will be ready to begin bid work.
 - East Parkway Corridor - recollection was that the project ended at cemetery road. It was thought that it continued on cemetery road out to meet up with Highway 20 along the existing roads.

Executive Session – Employee Matters:

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:47 a.m. pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345-(1)(b) employment matters. (Commissioner Ricks–yes, Commissioner Weber–yes, Commissioner Smith–yes) 67-2347 (1)(b). Commissioner Ricks returned to open session at 10:25 a.m.

Keven Snell – BOE/Assessor Timing Issues:

Keven reported that he went into the Assessor’s Office three years ago asking that taxes be lowered on lots that he owns and they were lowered. He came in last June at the proper time to get taxes lowered. Brent told him they would look at it and get back to him, but he never did. He received notice that it was higher than the year before, but was told by the Board of Tax Appeals that he didn’t file the papers by the deadline. He is here asking that his taxes be lowered to the same amount as last year. Troy explained that the Commissioners can’t do anything if the State can’t, unless there is an error. The taxes have not been paid and Keven is asking for relief on the 2010 taxes. Brent asked him to plant trees to make it an agricultural exemption in 2009, but trees were never planted so it was reversed. Commissioners want to do further research and will get back to Mr. Snell.

Brent Saurey/Sherry Arnold – Tax Cancellations And Other Issues:

Sherry presented a tax cancellation for D. J. Barney on penalties and interest. Commissioner Ricks moved to approve the cancellation of taxes and interest if the remainder of the taxes (through 2011) are paid. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Brent Saurey presented tax cancellations (see attached list) to the Commissioners. Commissioner Smith moved to accept the order of tax cancellation as presented. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Brent presented the Valley County Assessor’s long and short form for Commissioners to review. Commissioner Ricks would like to review, but asked Brent to get each of the forms condensed to one page.

BYU-I property being purchased was discussed and what the policy should be. Commissioners agreed that the burden of requesting a property exemption should be on the taxpayer and not the Assessor’s Office.

Dave Walrath – Judd Street Agreement/Public Works Issues:

- Dave received a crash and safety DVD that he will review. He is concerned about some wood plank railroad crossings up on the hill and would like to replace them with concrete.
- Judd Street Agreement - Dave doesn’t see a problem with plowing, but he is concerned with the fence and taking it out with a blade if there is excessive drifting. Drainage will be something that needs to be watched.
- Texas Slough Bridge bid opening will be at 1:00 pm on January 5, 2012 in the Clerk’s Office. We are still waiting for Scheiss to complete engineering on the Val Moss property. Commissioner Ricks would like to see one of the bridges removed and barricades installed.

- Traffic on the road by Dalin Jeppeson/Kent Jolley does not warrant paving. Commissioner Ricks will contact Mr. Jolley and Mr. Jeppeson.
- Highway signs were discussed.
- 5000 North, Plano - Road & Bridge built a bus turn around, and they need to move a cattle guard.
- Crushed base has been put on the bike path near the business park.
- July 14th will be the Household Hazardous Waste date for the County. It will be staged at the Fairgrounds.
- Dave is providing information on armoring Twin Bridges. The scouring is so severe it will be very costly. We are still on the list for an Army Corp grant for rip rap.
- A public lands grant will be submitted again this year on the Tiger Grant.
- Work is moving forward on the solid waste plant. Bonneville, Shelly, Custer, Jefferson, Teton and Yellowstone are agreeing to be partners in this venture.

Homeland Security Exercise:

Cameron Stanford informed Commissioners of an upcoming emergency preparedness training exercise to be held at the Red Lion in Idaho Falls, on February 1-3, 2012.

Personnel Actions:

Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve the personnel actions. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ricks to amend the Agenda to consider Golf and Hospital board appointments. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to ratify Kirk Ricks on the Golf Board. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to accept the re-appointment of Marshall Merrill, Holly Gifford and Jerry Rigby to the Hospital Board. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn at 2:40 p.m. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

Kimber Ricks, Chairman
Jon Weber, Commissioner
Todd Smith, Commissioner