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## Madison County Commissioners

### Meeting Minutes

**DECEMBER 12, 2011**

**8:00 AM**

**COMMISSIONERS ROOM**

#### **ATTENDEES**

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

## **AGENDA TOPICS**

### **Health and Welfare (Deputy Clerk Liz Boyce):**

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:06 a.m. pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345-1(b)(d) exempt records. (Commissioner Ricks–yes, Commissioner Weber–yes, Commissioner Smith–yes) Commissioner Ricks returned to Open Session at 8:29 a.m. Commissioner Weber made a motion to sign Lien on Case Nos. 2012008 and 2012007, sign Decisions to Deny on Case Nos. 2012005 and 2012004, sign Decisions to Approve on Case Nos. 2012006, 2011052 and 2011046, sign lien release on Case No. 2002034. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

### **County Business:**

- Old Business: Reports and Assignments – There is a drug lab at Madison Memorial Hospital, and Commissioners are interested in pursuing possibilities of the lab.
- Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve the claims presented by the Clerk, including demand. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of November 28, 2011. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner made a motion to approve the Certificate of Residency to the College of Southern Idaho for Samantha Hill. Commissioner seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the payment request to Harold Harris Construction for the Sheriff's Building less funds already paid. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous. Commissioner Ricks moved to approve the change order on the Sheriff's building. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

### **Sheriff Klingler – Executive Session/Employee Matters:**

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:32 a.m. pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345-1(b)(d) exempt records. (Commissioner Ricks–yes, Commissioner Weber–yes, Commissioner Smith–yes). Those present were: Dave Stoddard, Michael Courtney, Sheriff Roy Klingler and Brent McFadden. Commissioner Ricks returned to Open Session at 10:20 a.m.

**State Tax Commission Visit:**

Individuals from the State Tax Commission, City of Rexburg, Treasurer, Assessor and Idaho State Senator were present. The State Tax Commission stated the reason for their visit is to let the County know there are training opportunities available and they are available for support at any time. The Commissioners were given the opportunity to ask questions.

**Teddie Steiner/Dot Legan – Notification Problems With Probate Case:**

Teddie's mother passed away and the exemption dropped off, but there was no known beneficiary even though Teddie is a beneficiary. Teddie couldn't do anything until the probate was registered. She is requesting a tax cancellation for 2011. As long as the home is owner occupied, she is entitled to the exemption. Commissioner Weber made a motion to cancel the taxes for the missed homeowner exemption as presented by the Assessor for Teddie Steiner. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

**Dave Walrath – Texas Slough/Misc. Road And Bridge Projects:**

Dave presented the plans and specs for the Texas Slough Bridge. The bid will be open the first week of January, with construction beginning February or March. The bridge will be open to the public late May.

Speed limits in Archer near the school and Big Judd's were discussed. Dave will put counters on the roadway to monitor traffic patterns.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to sign the agreement with the Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management right of way grant authorizing a vehicle turnaround area on public land. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

The Concept Report for the 5000 South interchange that Dave prepared was presented.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to go into Executive Session at 2:50 p.m. pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345-1(b)) exempt records. (Commissioner Ricks–yes, Commissioner Weber–yes, Commissioner Smith–yes). Commissioner Ricks returned to open session at 3:13 p.m.

**Jacob Walker – Telephonic Tax Appeal Case:**

Mr. Walker owns commercial buildings on South Yellowstone Highway. One of the buildings has never been leased and the one that was leased is now vacant. Commissioner Ricks stated he would need to file a claim at BOE. Information on the property will be gathered and reviewed, and a decision will be mailed to Mr. Walker.

**Delores Birch – Property Tax On Shop Building:**

Mrs. Birch stated the shop taxes adjacent to her home have tripled since last year. Assessor's Office dropped the value in 2003, but the reappraisal process shows the property to be undervalued.

**Sharon Hinckley – Homeowners’ Exemption Review:**

Sharon’s home was built on the Muir’s property. At the time of closing she tried to apply for the homeowner’s exemption, but was told she didn’t qualify because she did not own the property. In researching the law, she found that she did qualify as she owns the home.

Assessor is requesting a tax cancellation for the property of Larry Layton of the maximum homeowners’ exemption. Richard and Taunya Neff are requesting a tax cancellation of the maximum homeowners’ exemption for system errors. Sharon Hinckley is requesting a tax cancellation of the maximum homeowners’ exemption. Commissioner Ricks made a motion to cancel taxes on these three parcels for the reasons stated. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

**Tom Black – Taxes:**

David Bell was present to represent Tom Black. The building was purchased two and a half years ago. There has been very little modification but the tax assessment doubled. Tom is asking for taxes to be what they were last year. Commissioner Ricks would like to visit with Gary and will get back to David Bell after research has been done. Commissioner Ricks moved to table this for the present time. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

**Craig Rindlisbacher/Sue Bagley – Voting Precinct Review:**

Craig and Sue presented precinct map proposals that follow school district boundaries. Commissioner Districts were also reviewed. They will bring final recommendations in on January 10, 2012.

**Personnel Actions:**

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

East Parkway Corridor was discussed.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the contract with Emerson Network power as presented by the Sheriff’s Office. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn at 5:48 p.m. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

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