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Madison County Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

NOVEMBER 28, 2011

8:00 AM

COMMISSIONERS ROOM

ATTENDEES

**Commissioners: Chairman Kimber Ricks, Jon Weber , 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 8:04 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 8:42 a.m. Commissioner Weber made a motion to sign Lien Releases on Case Nos. 2011055, 2011056, sign Liens on Case Nos. 2012005 and 2012006, Sign Decisions to Approve on Case Nos. 2011051, 2012002, 2012003 and 2012001. Non-Medical Cases: Signed Initial Claims and Decisions to approve on Case Nos. N2012004 and N2012005. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

County Business:

- **Old Business: Reports and Assignments**
There is a drug lab meeting in Jefferson County on November 29th at 10:00 a.m. A Behavioral Health Center in Madison County is being looked into. The Centennial Board meetings are the first Thursday of the month in the County Commissioners' room.
- Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the claims presented by the Clerk, including demand. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous with the exception of two claims that require further information.
- Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of November 10, 2011. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of November 14, 2011. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Certificate of Residency to the College of Southern Idaho for Joshua Swenson. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Personnel Actions:

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

County Policy – New Parking Lot Policy – Parking Regulations:

Madison County will lease the parking lot from Urban Renewal for up to 30 years. Matt Morgan has 12 parking stalls that will be assigned to his building. We need to specify no overnight parking so the lot can be plowed. There is currently six handicap parking spots marked. Public works will take care of snow plowing, and the Police Department will monitor the lot.

Paul Sorensen/Jason Wilburn – Website Review:

The new website was viewed with new links to other sites and information readily available. The “about us” section has been expanded to include payments for property taxes, vehicle licensing, etc. Commissioners would like the calendaring items highlighted so that property tax, BOE and other deadlines stick out and are not missed.

Sherry Arnold and Dot Legan – Tax Cancellation:

College Avenue properties that are being purchased by BYU-Idaho will become exempt. After reviewed by Carol Davis and Troy Evans, it was determined that the seller should pay property taxes up to the day they close.

Carol Davis stated that State and Federal Government agencies are exempt for the entire year. The County decides on whether a church or school is exempt. The rule should be that the property tax will be prorated to the date of closing.

Edstrom Construction – Cancellation Request:

Edstrom Construction recently purchased some property at 1305 South 12th West and the previous owners failed to pay the taxes for the last 2 ½ years. They are asking interest and late charges be cancelled from the previous owner. Commissioner Smith made a motion to cancel the fees and taxes on the condition that the past due amount be paid today. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Property Tax Hardship Request:

Blair J Siepert has numerous medical bills, a bad heart, cannot work and has fallen behind in taxes. Treasurer, Sherry Arnold, stated he needs to sign up for the circuit breaker every year between January 1st and April 15th and that he is behind two and a half years on his taxes. When he refinanced, the taxes were not set up through escrow. He will try to pay \$25 to \$50 monthly. Commissioner Ricks made a motion to cancel taxes, penalty and interest for 2009 with the condition that he file for a circuit breaker and make monthly payments. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Property Tax Hardship Request:

Michael Alldredge requested a cancellation of property taxes on a rental property he owns. He thinks he can pay the taxes in January if he has a few months before it's due. Commissioner Ricks explained that he would have to come in for BOE if he wanted to dispute the value on his property. Commissioner Weber made a motion to deny the request. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve the tax cancellation list as presented by the Treasurer. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous. The list of cancellations is attached to the minutes

Dave Walrath – Presentation:

Dave gave a presentation on the permit process for road projects. He explained the portadam process, showed pictures of the Osborn Bridge Project in Island Park and culvert replacement near Henry's Lake.

Craig Rindlisbacher/Sue Bagley – Voter Precinct/Commissioner District Discussion:

Sue Bagley reviewed precincts with Commissioners and let them know which ones she would like to combine and split. The Commissioners' inclination will be to follow the Clerk's Office and GIS recommendations. Craig and Sue will meet to establish the clearest precinct lines with a good balance of registered voters. The precinct lines need to be approved before the Commissioner districts can be determined.

Brent McFadden – Admin. Building Extension Of Assessor's Office:

Brent presented a proposed bid to add an office onto the Assessor's Office and most work will be done by County employees. Brent was given approval to do the project.

Planning & Zoning – Ordinance #383 Updating Chapter 10 – Wind Turbines/Unified Development Code:

The ordinance was signed.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn at 5:25 p.m. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

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