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Madison County Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

MARCH 12, 2012

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 8:10 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 8:25 a.m. Commissioner Weber made a motion to sign Liens on Case No's 2012022, 2012024 and 2012025, sign Determination to Deny on Case No's.2012023, 2012015, 2012016, sign Lien Releases on Case No. 2012002 and sign Determination to Approve Additional Treatment on Case No's. 2012003 and 2012008. Non Medical Indigent Case: Sign Determination to Approve Case No. N2012012. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

County Business:

➤ Committee and Board reports:

- Commissioner Ricks asked about a donation to cloud seeding. We do not have a specific line in the budget this year, but Commissioners feel it is a valid program.
- Commissioner Weber reported on Waste Energy Meetings. Shredding and sorting options were discussed. Involving Fremont County and the University at the new site were discussed.
- Commissioner Ricks reported on a meeting with Senator Risch and others to discuss the two Twin Bridge grants. Commissioner Ricks also met with Brad Little and Governor Otter, and they will write letters of support on the State grant.
- Commissioners Weber and Ricks attended a meeting with CTAI, a committee interested in alternative and mass transportation. They would like to expand the service to implement a loop within the city of key pick up and drop off locations.
- Centennial Committee. Commissioner Ricks reported that Doug Hancey has filed to run for the legislature, but wants to continue in his commitment in fundraising for the committee. The pocket park was discussed. A public hearing would be needed to convert the parking lot in front of the Courthouse to a park.
- Review and sign: Resolution #347 SRSCA to Reauthorize and Establish a Forest Community Trust Pilot Program. Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve Resolution #347. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve claims presented by the Clerk, including the late claim for indigent services. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

- Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve the February 27, 2012 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Cameron Stanford discussed FEMA training courses for successful emergency management and mentioned that elected and appointed officials should have a clear understanding of their roles and responsibilities for successful emergency management and incident response.

Personnel Actions:

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve the personnel action presented by the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Brent McFadden - Ordinance # 384 Unified Development Update:

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve Ordinance #384 which include changes to the Unified Development Code. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Principals Hampton/Jenks - Certificates Of Residency:

Idaho Education Network is the tool the school districts use to communicate on the web. IEN pays for internet costs, and CSI delivers the courses. Currently Madison students pay \$130 per class, Sugar Salem students pay \$65, and the County pays \$150 per credit. Rigby, Jerome, Sugar and Madison share teachers via the internet. Commissioners are completely behind supporting students getting a higher education, but would like to work together with the schools, counties and the law and have the cities also contribute to the program. IDLA (Idaho Digital Learning Academy), which is also subsidized, is another program students can obtain college credits from.

Glen Dalling - East Parkway Corridor Discussion:

Present were: Mayor Dalling, Alan Dunn, Bruce King, Burch Drake, Keith Davidson and Mont Merrill. The Commissioners have determined that the East Parkway Corridor goes north through Rexburg just east of Mill Hollow, across the river and across Moody Highway (see map in Clerk's office) then east to 7th East (Cemetery Road). The Sugar-Salem District is interested in the property to the east owned by the Ball family. The District is sponsoring a bond in May to add onto the current high school, and they will continue to add on to buildings as long as possible. Their will be further discussion with the Sugar-Salem School District, the City of Sugar City, Keller and Associates and Commissioners to establish a route.

Blake Willis - Interest and Late Fee On Property Tax:

Commissioner Ricks stated Mr. Willis' case has been reviewed. Commissioner Ricks made a motion to cancel interest and penalty for Hillcrest Partners. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Suzanne Bagley And Roy Klingler/ Public Hearing - Sheriff's Office Resolution #345 Civil Fees:

Commissioner Ricks opened the public hearing at 11:40 a.m. No one registered for the public hearing and nobody was present. Suzanne stated this fee schedule is a yearly update. She discussed the fee schedule and answered all questions regarding changes to the fees.

Commissioner Ricks closed the hearing at 11:55 a.m. Commissioner Weber made a motion to accept Resolution #345 represented by the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Kirk Mace/Ryan Brown - Probation Process:

Kirk handed out an outline explaining Juvenile Probation's program and what is expected of each juvenile in the program. Ryan, Shay and Kirk explained the process from the Supreme Court to District and Magistrate Courts, Court Administrators and how they affect the probation process.

Shane Webster/Brent Saurey – Property Tax Exemption Work Session:

Phil Packer, Jeremy Hall, Shane Webster and Russ Benedict from BYU-I, along with Brent Saurey, were present. BYU-I is our largest tax exempt property owner in the County except for government entities. The homes on College Avenue will continue to be leased until the end of their contracts. They will tear these homes down, as they are in dis-repair and below BYU-I standards, and turn the area into green space until further plans are made.

BYU-I has regularly been identifying and inventorying properties and preparing the paper work for Fremont and Teton Counties and have just started doing the same for Madison County according to 63-602(e)(3) which is the code exemption for educational purposes. The issue of whether or not it's exempt is a big issue as their cash flow affects BYU-I's new projects. BYU-I builds to a higher standard and they keep their housing in excellent shape.

Sid Brown - Step and Grade Implementation:

Sid presented a proposed salary schedule of where he would like to see his office's salaries in the next five years and a spreadsheet showing budgets and staff in other counties of comparable size. He would like increases this year as his office did not receive increases when the rest of the county received raises last year. Sid presented IAC facts showing that the Prosecutor's Office in Madison County is currently operating on significantly less staff than other Counties of the same size. Commissioner Weber made a motion to accept the proposal made by Sid plus increase Sid's wage by 3%. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to increase the Public Defender's contract by \$200/month. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Dave Walrath - Public Works Issues:

This week they are installing concrete on the piling of the Texas Slough Bridge. Pile driving should be complete this week.

Dave talked to Water Resources and BLM about going out to clear debris on the south channel to open it up. Gary Wilcox thinks it won't be long before the river moves to the south on its own.

There is a DEQ meeting tomorrow on the landfill. Dave has invited some experts on contamination to attend to help deal with the issues that DEQ has.

The Solid Waste event for household hazardous waste is July 14th.

Dave talked with the City of Rexburg about sharing an excavator, and they have expressed some interest. Dave thinks there would be some benefit to leasing and would like to research further.

Dave was asked if he could come up with a drawing or visual to show urban renewal on the pocket park in the Courthouse parking lot. He mentioned that they will definitely need to contact ITD because they are changing a state highway.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to sign a contract with Mercedes Benz Financial Services LLC for a Western Star dump truck. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to sign a contract with Honan Equipment for a grader. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Mike Mitchell/Kirk Mace - Community Service Proposal:

Mike has noticed a possible need to do a Deseret Industries pick up for residents who don't have pick-up trucks. He would distribute a notice and eight days take a crew of probationers needing to fulfill community service hours around and pick up items that people typically can't take themselves. They would work closely with Deseret Industries to make sure what they pick up will be accepted. They want to serve the public, and it would be a good service for those needing service hours.

Commissioner Ricks moved to adjourn at 5:00 p.m. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

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