



Madison County Commissioners

City/County Meeting Minutes

SEPTEMBER 12, 2012

11:30 AM

REXBURG CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ATTENDEES

**Commissioners: Jon Weber and Todd Smith. Chairman Kimber Ricks was excused
County Clerk: Kim Muir**

AGENDA TOPICS

Mayor Richard Woodland

Council Members:

Christopher Mann Jordan Busby
Donna Benfield Jerry Merrill
Bruce Sutherland Sally Smith

Council President Christopher Asked To
Be Excused

Sugar City Mayor Glenn Dalling

Additional County Staff:

Sherry Arnold – County Treasurer
Roy C. Klingler – County Sheriff
Craig Rindlisbacher – GIS Director

City Staff:

Stephen Zollinger – City Attorney
Richard Horner – Finance Officer
John Millar – Public Works Director
Val Christensen – Community Development Director
Scott Johnson – Economic Development Director
Blair Kay – City Clerk
Randy Lewis – Rexburg Police Department
Matt Nielson – Deputy Finance Officer

City/County Luncheon: Located at 35 North 1st East (City Hall)

A. Joint Venture Summary Budgets Discussions:

(Current and Future). Examples include Fire Department, Ambulance, GIS, Airport and Golf Course – Richard Horner.

Commissioner Weber welcomed everyone to the joint luncheon to allow the Joint Governing Boards to review the joint enterprises shared by Madison County and the City of Rexburg. He expressed the need to continue to share information to help govern the shared facilities. He wanted to enhance the recreational opportunities for the County's youth.

The County works with the Fire and Ambulance Department, Airport, Legacy Flight Museum and GIS as joint ventures with the City. The County is concerned about the complaints from neighbors regarding lights and noise at the fairgrounds. The County would like to work with the City to resolve this issue. It was stated that the Pinnacle Building has sold, and there is a swim team that has no facility to use any longer. A community indoor pool for public use is needed. There is open swim time at the college each morning but the student population is growing, and we can't plan on the BYU-I pool for community use.

Sheriff Klinger expressed the need for the County to share in the use and cost of the animal shelter to help with animal control in the County. Animal control was also mentioned and ways of coming up with funds for a facility. This is a desperate need in Madison County.

Sheriff Klingler mentioned that Monte Styles, a big player in the fight against legalized marijuana, will be coming to Rexburg on October 21-23. On the 22nd, he will be at the Rexburg Tabernacle for a public meeting to get the word out on this topic.

Commissioner Weber mentioned that a big issue this year is personal property tax and the possibility of it going away. The Certificates of Residency that the County currently pays for students attending Community Colleges is also an issue. These are legislative issues that will be covered this year.

Council Member Donna Benfield mentioned that they have a legislative committee to allow them to have a voice as they go to Boise. Hyrum Erickson is the local chairman. They can help get the word out to help fight the effort to legalize marijuana in Idaho.

A crosswalk between County buildings to keep pedestrians safe was discussed.

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Discuss the possibility of a recreation district

Deputy Finance Officer Matt Nielson presented information on creating a Recreation District and the requirements to be ready to get it on the ballot by May and the possibility of passing a Recreation District. Suggestions were made and the possibility of relocating the fairgrounds and replace with a swimming pool, skating rink, hockey rink, BMX track and others were discussed. Mayor Woodland proposed that we try to get it on the ballot. Deputy Finance Officer Nielson showed a timeline showing the steps required.

The first step would be to form a Recreation Committee with those involved to provide input and be a proponent for the cause. Commissioner Smith suggested having a city or county that has passed a Recreation District come to a meeting to explain how they marketed and got voters to pass it.

Approved:

Jon Weber, Commissioner
Todd Smith, Commissioner