

Abbreviated Minutes: Complete Set Of Minutes On File In The Clerk's Office

Madison County Commissioners		
Meeting Minutes		
JANUARY 13, 2014	8:00 AM	COMMISSIONERS' ROOM
ATTENDEES	Commissioners: Chairman Kimber Ricks and Jon Weber and Todd Smith Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Troy Evans County Clerk: Kim Muir, Deputy Clerk: Brenda Stoor	

AGENDA TOPICS

Health and Welfare - Indigent Clerk (Ann Marie Sorensen):

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:00 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 8:50 a.m. Commissioner Weber made a motion to sign a Lien Release on Case No. 20140010, sign a Determination of Approval on Case Nos. 2014005, 2014006 and 2014008, sign a Determination of Denial on Case Nos. 2014007 and 2014009 and sign the Indigent Non-Medical Case No. 2014004. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

County Business:

Contracts/Documents:

- Commissioner Weber made a motion to sign the Cooperative Law Enforcement Annual Operating & Financial Plan. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Discussion Items:

- First American Title is doing a title search on the Veteran's Memorial Hall LID to answer questions on this issue. This will be discussed at a later date.
- Review Stewardship Assignments.
- National County Government Month. Commissioners would like to make this an informative event and the public to be aware by giving advanced notice and providing adequate space for it. They would like all county offices be able to participate in some way.

Routine Matters:

- 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 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes for December 23, 2013. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve the Department Head Meeting Minutes for January 6, 2014. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.
- Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve a Certificate of Residency for Justin Surens. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Personnel Actions:

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve the personnel actions. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous, with the understanding that there are still issues that need to be worked out between the offices of the Assessor and Treasurer.

Luke Erickson - Extension Office Update:

Luke gave an update on the newsletters and classes he will be teaching each month that are open to employees and the public. He is teaching finances and is going to the FFA convention to teach finances in farming.

Archibald Insurance - Disability Plan Presentation:

Cortney Jones, with Archibald Insurance, presented quotes for the Commissioners to view including long and short term disability, illness and injury. There is also a cancer policy that could be purchased on an individual basis.

Kirk Sutton - Gravel Pit Issue:

There was discussion with Kirk Sutton on the Archer Gravel Pit and the overlay. They discussed requirements for setbacks, berms, landscaping and mining. Mr. Sutton and surrounding residents are working with the county on issues concerning this project.

Dave Walrath - Public Works Issues:

Randy Johnson, with Forsgren & Associates, was present for a discussion on the 5000 South Project and Twin Bridges. There will be a meeting held this week with the engineers and Road and Bridge, and Commissioner Ricks will also attend to get the 5000 South project back on track.

In the last few years there have been some dramatic changes to the river by Twin Bridges. The Commissioners and Road and Bridge are concerned for the structure and the amount of gravel that is building up. Forsgren & Associates will do some testing on the bridge to see what the sufficiency rating is and possibly get some federal funding to help maintain the bridge.

Paul Sorensen came to discuss technology updates for the Commissioners and Clerks. He also has bids from five different companies for the phone system. He will prepare a presentation after he has reviewed the bids.

Jan Brown - Update on HUD Sustainable Community Grant:

Jan is now working as a special projects manager for Fremont County Planning and Building. They are trying to find a transportation plan for the region via a multi modal system. A grant was received, and the specialist doing the research suggests a Transit Services Study for the City of Rexburg before a fixed-route system is launched. Katie Wilson, who was in attendance with Jan, developed sustainable.yellowstone.org which shows interactive maps. Henry's Fork Foundation and Fremont Madison Irrigation District is hosting a summit in May in Rexburg.

Curtis Ferney - Toscano Property Tax:

Gary Shewey, Brent Saurey, Sherry Arnold, Ryan Kaufman and Suzanne Bagley were also present. Curtis would like delinquent taxes on the property clarified, so the project can move forward. On December 23rd, the property went through a sheriff's sale. Depatco and Curtis joined an LLC to hold together the land which owns the right to the property once the taxes are settled. Curtis is asking for tax relief. Commissioner Smith, Sherry Arnold, Brent Saurey and Curtis Ferney will sit down and go over the whole property and mark the owners and legal descriptions.

Ed Williams - Personal Business:

Ed inquired on the decision of the status of the park proposed a few months ago. Commissioners explained that they have a list of projects that are somewhat pressing, and this project is on the list. Ed wondered if there are any grants that are available for a project such as this. He believes the county could use some of the trees on this property to aid in reclamation of gravel pits.

Commissioner Ricks asked the current status of wind farming. There is one farmer that will be considering a wind farm. Ed and Brent McFadden confirmed that we do have an ordinance in place and that a CUP will need to be obtained from the county. Wind farms are only allowed in ag-rec zones.

Brent McFadden - General Service Issues:

Brent is looking at fleet management software programs to track usage and maintenance needs. He found a package that would put GPS units in each car which would indicate how many miles since the last service and exactly where the car is at all times.

Keith Davidson - Airport Consultant Selection:

The FAA has talked to the City about using some of the grant allocation for a relocation study. The committee went through the selection process, and they are recommending GDA, an engineering group from Cody, WY as the consultant selected to perform the study. They will be looking at combining with Fremont County and impact to land owners in several areas. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Airport Consultant Selection. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 p.m. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

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