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Madison County		
Commissioners Meeting Minutes		
		
JUNE 13, 2016	9:00 A.M.	COMMISSIONERS' ROOM
ATTENDEES	Commissioners: Chairman Jon Weber, Kimber Ricks and Todd Smith	
	Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Troy Evans	
	County Clerk: Kim Muir, Deputy Clerk: Ilene Palmer	

AGENDA TOPICS

Pledge of Allegiance: Commissioner Ricks

Invocation: Troy Evans

Public Comment: There was no public comment

County Business

The IAC Clerk and Commissioner Meetings in Burley were discussed. Public defense funding and the direction it is taking were discussed. The bill brought forward by Idaho County to legalize production of hemp in Idaho for Economic Development was discussed, it was voted down by a small margin.

Committee & Board Reports

Todd Smith reported on the 5-C Juvenile Detention Center. The Board of 5-C is asking for additional funds to operate the facility for the 2017 budget year. A meeting is scheduled on July 12 at 1:00pm for District Commissioners (all 15) and Clerks at the Fremont County Annex Building. The number of kids in the system is currently very low; however the need for the facility will increase as the case numbers go up. There is no other alternative for Juveniles needing this option. Commissioner Smith discussed the number of juveniles the facility houses from Madison County. This number is larger than most would think.

Airport: Todd reported on the Airport Board meeting.

Calendar Discussion

The Septic Ordinance was read for a second time followed by discussion to set a public hearing date. The ordinance discussed today is the newest version spearheaded by Commissioner Smith. The discussion centered on who needs to obtain a permit or a waiver when building a home and whether they should visit Eastern Idaho Public Health before construction begins. When planning to build, add on, or replace a septic system, the builder or homeowner first needs to visit Eastern Idaho Public Health to be educated on the requirements for the property.

Kirsten Ruebush was present for the discussion. She commented that she and the public are hearing different explanations of the Septic requirements from the County and Eastern Idaho Public Health. Because there are numerous types of septic systems, she feels that there needs to be more clarity before construction begins, including completion of the nutrient pathogen study. Further clarification

was added to the proposed Ordinance. The Ordinance will be reviewed again, sent to interested parties and posted on the website. Ms. Ruebush was given a copy of the newest version of the ordinance.

Discussion Items:

Budget discussion, Employee contribution to medical insurance premiums

Increases from last year will be sent for Commissioner review and this will be placed on the next meeting Agenda. The letter sent to all employees last year will also be reviewed which set forth the road map of increases to employees over the next few years.

Review and sign: Resolution #407 regarding opposition to a National Monument in Island Park.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous. This resolution will be forwarded to Fremont County for its use.

Contracts/Documents

Review and sign: Coalition Involvement Agreement.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve this agreement. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Review and sign: Appointments to Eastern Idaho Public Health Board of Health.

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

Routine Matters

Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve the claims presented by the clerk. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve and sign the Commission Meeting Minutes for Challis Meetings May 25, 2016, held at Living Waters Ranch, to explore State Parks opportunities. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve and sign the Commission Meeting minutes for Budget Meetings, held on June 1 and 2, 2016. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve and sign the Commission meeting minutes for the Madison Memorial Hospital Board Meeting June 1, 2016. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Commissioner Smith motioned to approve the Personnel Actions with the exception of the two new hire requests at Solid Waste. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous. The Solid Waste requests will be discussed later.

Agenda Items

Health & Welfare Executive Session Idaho Code §74-206(1)(d) exempt records, Ann Marie Sorensen, Indigent Clerk

Commissioner Weber made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:35 a.m. pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1)(d) exempt matters. Commissioner Ricks seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Commissioner Ricks–yes
Commissioner Weber–yes
Commissioner Smith–yes

Commissioner Weber returned the County Commissioners to open session at 9:58 a.m. Commissioner Smith made a motion to sign Liens on Case No's. 2015020, 2015030, 2015028, and 2016028, sign a Lien on Case No. 2016034, sign an Amended Approval on Case No. 2016022, and sign Approvals on Case No's. 2016029 and 2016030. There will be further review of Cases 2011042, 2013006 and 2013014. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Shawn Boice, Review and sign: Online DMV registration fee increase.

Access Idaho is raising the transaction fee for online registrations to 3% of the transaction plus an additional \$2. The County will need to hold a public hearing regarding the proposed fee increase. There is an additional company that provides the same service, however we are unsure of their rates. Kim will inform Access Idaho that the County is exploring other options. The County would like more people to pay online, however they shouldn't be penalized for using this service. At this point, more information and options are needed prior to agreeing to the fee increase and setting it for hearing.

Roscoe & Gary Orton, Dental, Vision, Life insurance review.

Gary Orton was present to inform the Commissioners that there will be no life or vision insurance increases, however dental insurance will have a 0 – 2% increase. Gary said he will investigate whether the annual vision visit can be reset to a calendar year. More information on the increase will be available on August 1.

Cindy/Reo/Maxine, Update on Road and Bridge roads and projects.

- Solid Waste reported that the brush pile cleanup has been completed. DEQ has approved the motor tires to be moved and used as a barrier for the public.
- Maxine asked if Solid Waste can repair bicycles that come in. She said that the employees can repair them if time permits. The Commissioners supported the idea and asked if Solid Waste could partner with other agencies such as the Crisis Center or the Boy Scouts to assist the community.
- Road and Bridge reported that they have completed the four mile sand seal in Plano, the asphalt in Salem will be completed by the end of month.
- Western States will have an Open House the first week of July in Pocatello; Commissioners would like to attend.
- Cindy invited the Commissioners to the Road Committee meeting on Tuesday 6/13.
- The traffic counts at the Bear World/Thornton road showed no qualification for guard rails.
- The County is on schedule for sign projects however the State will do most of the signing.

Dawn Hunter, VEBA discussion.

The paperwork has been received to change the accruals. Only retired employees accruals are scheduled to go into the VEBA account for next year.

Currently, the HRA funds are distributed by percentage and can be funded this year. The percentages that will move into the VEBA account will be updated to 5 years at 50% and 10+ years at 100%. There is no downside to making this change and it will be effective next year, in June 2017.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve moving 50% of remaining HRA funds into employees VEBA accounts after the employee has been with the County for 5 years and 100% after 10 years.

Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Public Hearing, Ambulance rate increases.

Troyce Miskin from the Ambulance District was present.

No conflicts were declared and there was no one signing up to comment on the proposed Ordinance #406. The County has never formally adopted the Ambulance fee schedule and it does not now appear in Madison County Ordinance. Legal counsel suggested this start and be placed under emergency management and emergency services.

Troyce explained that the Ambulance fees have not increased since 2010. The County Ambulance fees are well below the State rates, including Medicare and Medicaid. The Ambulance District has never charged for critical care and would like to include this rate in the fees. Fee charges for County residents are currently lower than non- County residents because tax payers are supporting these fees with tax levies.

Commissioner Weber asked if anyone present would like to comment. No one came forward. There were no written comments. Commissioner Weber then closed the Public Hearing at 11:10 a.m. Commissioner Ricks made a motion to approve the fee increases, Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous. The ordinance reflecting these changes and implementing a new section in the Madison County code book will be put on next agenda. The increase in fees will take place in 28 days.

Richard Smith, Joint P&Z Committee recommendations for expansion of Rexburg Impact area, set public hearing with County Commissioners.

Rexburg Planning & Zoning has made a recommendation to the City of Rexburg to include an impact area south and west of Rexburg. The City Council agreed to start the process; a Joint Committee between Madison County and the City of Rexburg P&Z was created and has already met twice to discuss this matter. The request is to expand the impact area on the west and the south. The north and east will not change from what it is now. Impact zoning is enforced by the County and fees are charged for subsequent building. A discussion was had on expanding south and north of Hwy 33. The City of Rexburg has already approved the proposed impact area and already had a public hearing. A county public hearing will be set; notices will be sent to property owners and posted in the newspaper.

Commissioner Ricks made a motion to set a public hearing, Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Department Head Meeting, Jeremiah Cochran presentation of final wage study.

Jeremiah gave a detailed explanation of the grade scale he is proposing for the County. Department Heads had an opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions to refine the study. Department Heads will provide additional information to ensure employees are placed in the correct position on the scale. Jeremiah introduced a road map that along with assistance from the supervisors will be completed. The road map will outline the County's expectations for employees to work towards the next grade. Some employee's won't have adjustments to their grade unless another employee retires or leaves a lead position. The question was asked if a lateral change would be considered if a person had the responsibility of sitting on a State Board or Counsel. It would not be considered, as the County is looking at an employee's certification, education and technical training rather than just a title.

Jeremiah will need assistance in determining who should receive an adjustment in pay. The County doesn't have to make a 100% correction all at once, however supervisors should have an adjustment in mind for future increases.

Bruce Brown, Road on 6000 North review. Mr. Brown did not appear at the meeting to discuss this matter. He was the one that requested it. No further action is needed nor will be taken on this matter.

Tri-County Probation evaluation; Madison County Department evaluations and organization
Commissioner Weber made a motion to go into Executive Session at 2:15 p.m. pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1) (b) employee matters.

Commissioner Ricks—yes

Commissioner Weber—yes

Commissioner Smith—yes

Commissioner Weber made a motion to return to open session at 4:10 p.m. No further action was taken.

Commissioner Weber made a motion to adjourn at 4:13 p.m. Commissioner Ricks seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

Jon Weber, Commission Chairman

Kimber Ricks, Commissioner

Todd Smith, Commissioner