

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

October 27, 2014 9:00 a.m.

Present: Commission Dirk Bowles, Commissioner Boyd Burbank, Commissioner Scott Workman, Vic Pearson, and Clerk Camille Larsen

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA—Boyd made the motion to add parking lot across from Albert Moser Campground, report on 4-County meeting, and hospital update. Second was made by Scott and passed unanimously.

3. PARKING LOT ACROSS FROM ALBERT MOSER CAMPGROUND- Troy and Boyd looked at the parking lot. The exit is not safe for a snow plow to drive down because of the narrow road, drop off and the corner is too sharp. The road will become slippery and if the snow plow is not able to make the corner or stop, it will drive into the canal. Warren will talk with Kent Egley and Troy Moser to determine what is the best option to make the exit safer for the snow plow to push snow. Some possible ideas are to extend the culvert and straighten out the turn. Warren will talk to Troy about getting some “exit only” signs.

4. DEPARTMENT HEAD MEEETING- Commissioners met with the department heads individually to thank them for being careful with their budgets for the 2014 fiscal year. Most departments ended with a balance. Boyd talked to each department head about talking to the cleaners directly and give them directions on how you would like the office cleaned.

Coroner – Ron Smellie was wanting to make sure there would be \$600 in travel, would like a copy of the 2015 budget, and will talk to Shauna concerning the deputies split in January to include Doug.

Sheriff – Dave Fryar. The jail has requested an increase in their fees. The 4-County meeting will be held earlier next year to determine the increase before budgets are set. The Pre-trial holding is costing the County. Dave said there were a couple of excellent candidates and a few good candidates that applied for the open position. He requested the Commissioners and Vic to look over the applicants.

Juvenile Services- Boone Smith. Boone told the Commissioners this may be the last year for JBAG Grant. Looking to hire a new tracker. The tracker is responsible for the tutoring program and balancing the service hours. The tutor program has been very successful. If the bedding is not completely used in the fiscal year, it will be credited the next year.

Building-John Burg. Cleaning is going fine. Dirk has requested the \$6700 left over in the building budget be rolled over. Boyd would like it to go towards carpet in the Robinson Building. The District Judge Office is to be paid from the Court budget. Boyd told John to talk to the cleaners about using the old products and if it is not cleaning like they want to order what they need to be efficient at cleaning. Carpets to be cleaned this year are: Commissioner room; clerk's; assessor (and stretch); extension (and stretch); and district health. Generator is

shut off because it is overheating so John is going to ask the mechanic at Road and Bridge department to take a look at it.

Planning and Zoning- John Burg. The Planning and Zoning Committee is not meeting very often. The Committee will be meeting this week to hold the public hearing for the recreational permits to allow cabins to be built on unimproved County roads. New home building permits are up from the previous year. The Commissioners talked to John about moving forward with the City of Preston for the City Impact Area.

Health Department- Kevin Blanch and Kelly Wright. Kevin introduced Kelly Wright. There were 27 sewer permits issued in the 2014 fiscal year and for 2015 there have already been 15 permits issued. Discussed child care and WIC is down because less kids and food stamps have increased. Kevin reminded the Commissioners about the 5 year renovation plan for the District Health Building. Need sheet rock, wall paneling and floor panel. There is a water leak in the "closet" where the phone box and electrical box is located. There is a strong smell from the bathrooms that is at random times during the day. The bush in the front by the building needs to be trimmed. Boyd will talk to John about these concerns.

Extension- Stuart Parkinson and Brenda Belew. Stuart said the carpet in the classroom needs to be cleaned and stretched. Brenda asked for the Commissioners opinion about renting the classroom. The Commissioners said to charge all users (except for County entities). Could charge a deposit if she wanted to. Where is the money for Laurel Jenkle to be paid? Brenda needs a separate line item to send reports to the State. Commissioners explained that the Capital Outlay is to be used for equipment, computers, vehicles, etc. Brenda would like the revenue to be added to the detail ledger lists she receives monthly. Stuart said the cleaning is better. The waste water pipe line will need to be replaced soon. Coats has been to clean it out on a regular basis.

Fair- Wes Harris. Wes Harris will get a bid for the Robinson Building carpet. The \$5,000 in the fund 41 and the additional from the building fund will be used to pay for it. Vic suggested to look into carpet tiles. Preston City would like to meet with the Rodeo Committee, Fair Board, and Commissioners to discuss the improvements at the fairgrounds. Wes will talk to Kris Beckstead to set up the meeting.

Ambulance- Mark Gilbert. The revenue that was projected for the 2014 was short by approximately \$41,000. Funding is down from the medicare and Medicaid reimbursement rates which are determined by the federal government. Ambulance Board wrote off approximately \$10,000 in bad debt. The Ambulance did receive the \$87,000 grant from the State of Idaho for the purchase of a new ambulance. It will be ready for pickup in March 2015. The total cost of the ambulance is \$141,000. Dirk will address the \$38,000 carry over with Shauna because the revenue for the 2014 was short by \$41,000 there is no money for the carry over for the 2015 fiscal year that was marked for paying for the new ambulance. The Sheriff Office wants the old ambulance.

Solid Waste- Sid Jensen. The landfill fees have been the same for a few years. There has only been one increase since the fees were set. Sid would like to purchase the gravel pit. Dirk will have Shauna check into the details of whether they can or cannot purchase a gravel pit with their budget. Sid is in the process of getting bids on a new garbage truck. Sid would like to add on to the building at

the landfill. He would also like to employ an engineer to help with the slope. The Commissioners discussed the expansion of the landfill.

Treasurer- Jeanette McKay. The cost of title search had doubled, but it is recovered back through the fees attached to the property owners taxes. Fifty parcels were sent to the title company for being three years delinquent.

Weed- Aaron Hull and LaRene Schvaneveldt. The grant is no longer going to be figured into the revenue projected because no money is ever deposited into the County fund. The tax levy is currently at its maximum. Taxes will have to be transferred from current fund taxes. If the County wants to continue to run a good weed department, the Commissioners will have to dedicate money from tax dollars in the current fund. The grant money is spent on spray that is applied on County roads and at the airport. The grant money is tracked with the Department of Agriculture.

Prosecuting Attorney- Vic Pearson. Everything is good.

Cannery- Kevin Olsen. The number of people using the cannery is down this year. Meat prices are higher and gardens were wiped out early. Chicken is usually a high cannery item and the price has not come down. Kevin said he is looking for a couple of board members.

Assessor- Jase Cundick. The dollars received for the DMV will be increased because of the fee increase. The road layer has been given to Dispatch. The Assessor's office has sold 2 mapping for a total of \$600.

Homeland Security- Warren Wilde. The grant amount will be half of what the County spends. Warren has not used all of the money from the Civil Defense fund because he needs to have it set aside to replace the batteries and antennas at the 3 repeater sights. Warren will talk to Shauna about holding this money specifically for these repairs. Warren needs to change some of the line items on the budget to keep Homeland Security happy. Dirk asked Warren about an inventory list. Warren stated that he has a list and so does the State. If the item went to another department, that department is responsible to get it added to their inventory list. Warren reported to the Commissioners that the hospital staff will be receiving training and equipment for Ebola. The hospital staff will train the EMTs.

5. **4-COUNTY MEETING UPDATE-** Talked about whether the crusher is worth the expense to have in a gravel pit or have a company come in each fall and crush what is needed. Discussed that County Road Maps are to be updated every 5 years and published in the local paper. Troy is responsible for updating the map. Discussed the weed grant disbursement. Discussed the jail increase and how the counties involved need to be informed prior to setting budgets.
6. **HOSPITAL BYLAWS-** Scott Workman gave an update to the Commissioners that the Hospital is updating their Bylaws. It states in the Bylaws that the hospital is a taxing entity and can take a levy. Idaho Code 31-3613 may take a tax levy in the future.
7. **COUNTY BUSINESS-**

Airport- Scott reported to the Commissioners that Cache Valley Electric is at the airport working on the wires at the runway. Dirk reported that Rex Pitcher is

willing to give property to square up the property boundaries. Dirk will be meeting with the fence contractors on November 12.

Beer Licences- Ransom's Country Store, Elks Lodge, Kellys Conoco, Kellys Exxon, Latienda, Kellys Premium, and the Owl Club have applied for beer licenses for the 2015 year. Boyd motioned to approve and sign the beer licenses. Scott second and the vote was unanimous.

Vacation/Comp- The Commissioners will talk to the Department Heads to talk to them about the employees that have over the limit of vacation and/or comp time. The cut off is November 30.

Aging Report- The list is small because the past due were added to the property owner's taxes.


Test Ballot Counter- Camille ran the test ballots, that were received from the Secretary of State's Office, and the test was successful.

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ¶IC 67-2345 (1)(f)** At 2:25 p.m. Scott made the motion to go into executive session to discuss litigation. Boyd second and the vote was unanimous. Executive session ended at 2:45

Meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m. Next meeting will be Monday, November 10, 2014.



Attest, Camille Larsen



Dirk Bowles, Chair