

Custer County
Commissioner Proceedings
January 29, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 AM by Chairman Smith, with Commissioners Butts, Commissioner Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker in attendance.

Fair Board: Commissioner Smith explained at the Fair Board meeting the subject of having alcohol at the fair was discussed. The Fair Board would like to have it for those of legal age. Commissioner Smith disagrees and does not think alcohol around youth is advisable. Commissioner Butts said it should not be available during the fair but can not see a problem with it being provided on auction day. Commissioner Corgatelli explained that drinking alcohol has always been at fairs in different counties and making a decision of no alcohol allowed will not stop the intake of alcohol. He said most rodeos sell beer but he understands the concerns of it being around the youth. No decision was made at this time.

Rodeo Grounds: Commissioner Butts discussed the need for looking into the different buildings to see how they fared this winter as spring is just around the corner. Commissioner Smith and Corgatelli asked Commissioner Butts to check into this with the committee.

Weed Dept: Commissioner Butts may have a lead on a trailer for the weed department. Discussion was where to place a building/trailer to not interfere with Road and Bridge. Wayne will have more information for next meeting. Commissioner Smith discussed the new Weed Superintendent Brett Plummer. Smith will get information for Brett on the grants and other documents by February 3rd.

Fish & Game: Tom Curet, Salmon Region Supervisor, brought forth updates on reconstruction for several airstrips in the back country. The topic of wolves was discussed. Curet presented a map of proposed increase wolf harvestings. He explained the Fish & Game placed a number of cameras for wolf population study. Their findings show a rise in wolf numbers. Commissioner Butts inquired if Fish & Game or Wildlife Services are able, if in pursuit, to shoot a wolf? Curet said they, Fish & Game, cannot overstep the controlling agency of that Wilderness land which would be either Forest Service or BLM as that would be intrusion of Wilderness. Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Butts both agreed their next trip to DC this topic will be discussed. Curet also discussed the process of depredation of elk and the measures that are sometimes needed in extreme situations. The department had a large number of elk in southern Idaho that were causing hardship on producers. There was a study conducted by a University of Idaho graduate student researching ways to control property damage caused by the elk. One of the ways was using a sharpshooter at night. They could not have any hunter shooting on private property and the elk were coming in only at night. They are trying different strategies to control big game damage to property owners. Commissioner Smith he knows the wolves are pushing the elk down to ranches. Discussion was then on devices used such as cracker shells. Commissioner Butts asked Curet if the Fish & Game has cameras at the different lakes and reservoirs? Butts said he saw a camera at Stanley Lake and wondered if it was Fish & Games. Curet said yes, they have several cameras around lakes to help monitor use and fish harvesting. It helps the agency know if there is enough fish to harvest in the lake. Commissioner Butts would like to some of their data for the Custer County Waterways Committee. Curet will look into it.

NRAC: Jim Hawkins came before the Board and discussed the different zones that Fish & Game are proposing for wolf harvestings. Hawkins said they need to expand several of zones and longer seasons. He said the Fish & Game have a survey on their website regarding the changing of seasons and would encourage the Commissioners to take survey and to write a letter of support for the year-round season and to expand zones. Hawkins turned his time over to Leon Smith, Mount Borah Ranch. Commissioner Smith turned the meeting over to Commissioner Corgatelli as Vice-Chairman because he is co-owner of Mount Borah Ranch. Leon presented their lawsuit they have against the Fish & Game for compensation on failed management plan and willful negligence. Leon offered opportunity for the County to come on board with the litigation against the Fish & Game for failure to coordinate. Commissioners made no decision at this time but said they agree with litigation and will discuss it further with the

County Prosecutor. NRAC Chairman, Jim Hawkins brought up the need for a letter to Fish & Game on the County's stance on the Grizzly. Commissioner Butts agreed to a letter saying we object to any active transplanting. Commissioner Butts thanked Leon for coming before the Commissioners and he made it clear there is definitely power in numbers and letters from the Commissioners, as well as the ability to put forth a bill, can assist everyone.

JR Grotjohn with Idaho Transportation Department presented the 2019 Agreement for Noxious Weed Control between ITD and Custer County. Commissioners and Grotjohn discussed the roadsides to be treated. Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to sign the 2019 Agreement. Second Commissioner Butts.

Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to approve January 17 and January 13 meeting proceedings. Second Commissioner Smith.

Melvin Lanier returned to the meeting and made a request to purchase tires to get 204 fixed and for fuel. Commissioner Butts made a motion to approve the purchases. Second Commissioner Corgatelli.

Homeland Security: Mike Graham requested approval to attend the IAC EIOM meeting in Boise. Commissioner Smith said it would be a good meeting for him to attend. Commissioners all agreed. Graham said he has another meeting in Rigby with the Regional Manager. Commissioners agreed that he attend. Graham explained he had another meeting the following week for Health Care. Commissioners said he should see what hours he has available after his meeting in Boise and Rigby. Graham discussed the exercise meeting he is putting together in Stanley. The scenario will be placed in the spring and disasters that could happen with slides and etc. Graham discussed the Mackay Dam Project and the need for an Organizer. Lucas was asked with the local irrigation district to take the position for Organizer. Lucas said he is too busy. Graham explained that Mike Clements will be retiring February 15th and will be available as a private consultant and may be available to take the position as the Organizer.

Clerk Baker presented Butte Soil and Water Conservation District request for contribution for FY 2021. Commissioners requested Clerk Baker to write a letter and explain the request is tabled at this time until further budget negotiations are discussed for FY 2021.

Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to sign the Challis Creek Road Project with Salmon Challis Forest Service. Second Commissioner Butts. Commissioner Butts made a motion to approve signing the Parks and Recreation Grant for Waterways. Second Commissioner Corgatelli.

Commissioner Butts made a motion to cancel the fire assessment fee on parcel # RP 10N13E170603 A in the amount of \$54.74. Second Commissioner Corgatelli. Commissioner Butts made a motion to disapprove the request for cancellation on William and June James property as it could be habitable. Second Commissioner Corgatelli. Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to cancel duplicate tax for 02 14N19E367210 A in the amount of \$166.18. Second Commissioner Butts. Commissioner Butts made a motion to cancel taxes for R2 13N19E161803 A as the shop was on the wrong RP in the amount of \$302.62. Second Commissioner Corgatelli. Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to cancel solid waste fee for \$50 on the shop for 000480020030. Second Commissioner Butts. Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to cancel solid waste fee on MH 000480020030 A for \$25. Second Commissioner Butts. Commissioner Butts made a motion to cancel duplicate solid waste fee for tax bill 1461 for \$25, 6829 for \$50, 6774 for \$25, 5395 for \$25, 3010 for \$25, 2997 for \$25, 1429 for \$25, 1130 for \$25, 938 for \$25, 4891 for \$25, 4528 for \$25, 3526 for \$25, 3163 for \$25, 1967 for \$25, 2065 for \$25 and 907 for \$25. Second Commissioner Corgatelli.

Road & Bridge: Melvin Lanier explained the parts in the power divider in truck will cost up to \$2000. Lanier said that Mike Carrol with the Forest Service has several agreements to be discussed and signed. He will call a Commissioner and discuss the agreements. He will send all agreements to the Clerk. Lanier brought forth bids on a new grader from Western States and Coastline. Commissioners asked if Lanier had these bids placed on the Agenda? Lanier said no. Commissioners said they will table this discussion until next meeting when it is placed on the agenda and a motion can take place. Commissioners inquired about a fuel tank for the Weed Dept? Lanier

said there is already a tank for the Weed Dept. Lanier discussed what the tanks will hold, including Road & Bridge, and who purchased the tanks and agreements that the Weed Dept has made in the past. The discussion soon turned to who can plow while Mr. Lanier is out because of surgery. Commissioner Smith called Mr. Lanier and asked if he would be able to plow the Community Center. Lanier said he had people plowing other roads and because of logistics his office doubles miles. He questioned Commissioners, who do you want me to pull off? Lanier inquired if the commissioners wanted to add the snow plow policy in the transportation plan? Lanier received a call from a mail carrier up the river and asked if he could not leave a berm where he drives up to the mail. Lanier said it is not his responsibility. Commissioners and Lanier discussed bringing back the Citizens Advisory Committee. All agreed.

Executive Session Personnel: Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to go into Executive Session for Personnel under Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b). Second Commissioner Butts. Upon returning to regular meeting no decisions were made.

Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to approve Certificate of Residency for Philps. Second Commissioner Butts.

The claims were then reviewed.

Claims: The following claims were approved with the additions as presented by a motion from Commissioner Corgatelli, seconded by Commissioner Butts. Motion passed.

Current Expense	12,927.78
Road & Bridge	8,514.65
Election Fund	1,548.00
District Court	14,443.47
Indigent & Charity	11,299.99
Revaluation	135.63
Junior College Tuition	4,500.00
Weeds	344.00
Waterways	300.00
S Custer Ambulance	<u>1,184.64</u>
TOTAL	55,198.16

Motion was made by Commissioner Corgatelli to approve liquor license for Ace of Diamond LLC. Second Commissioner Smith.

With no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Randy Corgatelli, Acting-Chairman
Custer County Commissioner

Attest:

Lura H. Baker, Clerk