

Custer County
Commissioner Proceedings
May 27, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Smith, with Commissioners Butts, Commissioner Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker in attendance.

Commissioner Reports: Commissioner Butts asked the board if he could be the proxy for the Southeastern Idaho Public Health annual conference for Custer County. Commissioners agreed.

Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to approve the Board of Equalization minutes for May 11, 2020. Second Commissioner Butts.

Weed Dept: Brett Plummer attended and reported the county will be piggy backing on the Frank Church chemical bid. Brett presented the MOU between State of Idaho Counties, Custer, Idaho, Lemhi and Valley with Idaho Dept of Fish & Game and the USDA Forest Service. Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to sign the CWMA MOU. Second Commissioner Butts. Commissioner Butts discussed the time frame where to place the weed office.

Public Defense Commission: Jerad Ricks, PDC, attended the meeting via conference call. Jerad told commissioners that he appreciated them taking time for him. He discussed the April Annual Review Report and asked if there were any questions. Commissioners Smith said he saw no problems. Ricks explained the new rule for all defense attorneys maintaining records for inspection. This wording needs to be in all contracts to comply with PDC. Ricks said that the county is ok until the next contract renewal. Ricks said starting in June there will be negotiated rule making and they wish for the county to participate via zoom meetings. Ricks explained starting in June there will be monthly webinar meetings for attorneys to obtain their CLE credits for the State Bar.

Homeland Security: Mike Graham attended the meeting and discussed the increase in COVID cases. Commissioner Smith told Mike about the meeting on the Mackay Dam Project. Smith restated the importance of letters of intent to come before Board. Commissioners expressed the need for a flat screen so they may have their meetings via zoom. Mike said because of the COVID-19 there is funding that he can set one up for the Commissioners. Mike said he is monitoring the earthquakes within the cities.

Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to approve the minutes for May 11, 2020. Second Commissioner Butts.

NRAC: Jim Hawkins asked the commissioners about the feasibility study regarding the power generation. Hawkins said the County should have a copy of the preliminary report. Commissioner Butts will look into this. Hawkins asked where the cattle guard is for Morgan Creek? Commissioner Smith explained Road & Bridge is finishing up other projects and get there as soon as they can.

Clerk Baker presented information requesting input from Custer County about a proposal to officially name the glacier near Borah Peak. Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to approve the recommendation about naming the glacier near Borah Peak to Borah Glacier. Second Commissioner Butts.

Eastern Idaho Public Health: Geri Rackow, EIPH Director, attended the meeting via zoom. Rackow discussed the fiscal year 2021 budget and the reduction in staff and programs.

Claims: The following claims were reviewed and approved as presented by a motion from Commissioner Corgatelli, seconded by Commissioner Butts. Motion passed. The Idaho-Military Division claim will continue to be held.

Current Expense	6,096.99
Road & Bridge	87,517.90

Election Fund	2,592.19
Waterways	25.00
Auditors Trust/NC FIRE	<u>67,437.87</u>
TOTAL	163,669.95

Road & Bridge: Melvin Lanier attended and said he has culverts and cattleguard to be finished in the Pahsimeroi. He said the Double Springs cattleguard is being replaced today. His crew will be shooting mag tomorrow in the Pahsimeroi. Commissioners requested that Melvin put the Citizens Advisory Commission together again and get input regarding county roads and priorities. Melvin said Curtis Jorgenson with Western Federal Lands will be here July 6 thru the 10th regarding FLAP Grants for Custer Motorway and Bayhorse Bridge. Lanier said that JK Merills is crushing in the Pahsimeroi and his crew will micro seal. Harper Leavitt transportation plan needs to upgrade the priority list. Melvin said he has received more complaints on Garden Creek Bridge. He asked the commissioners "What do you want me to do with it?" Commissioners discussed remedies to fix the issues. Melvin said it will just take time. Commissioner Smith asked where he was on his time line for East Fork. Lanier said when he pulls his crew to go up East Fork they will be there a month as there are drainage issues and they will need to chip seal. Commissioner Smith said so I am understanding it will be Morgan Creek cattleguard, Garden Creek then East Fork? Melvin went on about the issues on Sleeping Dear Road. He mentioned he has been unable to receive assistance from the Sheriff office as they won't serve citations and the Prosecutor won't move forward and help him. Commissioners discussed the water truck and rodeo grounds. Board would like an employee to run the water truck and give hourly driver rate. Melvin said it was a last-minute deal and he just gave it to the rodeo committee with Commissioner Smith's approval. Commissioner Butts explained that in the past they had to either pay for a driver and the truck or get their own water truck.

Byron Pehrson, Lost River Irrigation District, appeared via conference call. Pehrson said he received a call from the Development Company that more money was going to be needed for the project. Commissioner Butts discussed options for the extra financing. There will be an update soon.

Indigent: Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to go into executive session under Title 74-201(1)(d) for Indigent, Commissioner Butts seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. No decisions were made during this session.

Commissioner Smith leaves meeting during executive session at 3:15 p.m.

There being no further business before the board, meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Steve W. Smith, Chairman
Custer County Commissioner

Attest:

Lura H. Baker, Clerk