

Custer County
Commissioner Special Meeting Proceedings
June 3, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by Chairman Steve Smith with Commissioner Randy Corgatelli, Commissioner Wayne Butts and Clerk Lura Baker, Lucas Yockey, Byron Pehrson, Lost River Irrigation District Chairman, Mark Roberts, Alvin Wheeler, Shelly Ridenour, Challis Messenger, Christy Foster, Risk Manager were in attendance.

Byron Pehrson expressed his concern that no one from the LRID was involved in the negotiations with the engineer for the Mackay Dam Project. He said that if their district new of the extra funding necessary for the project back in February when the first meeting took place, that they could have come up with the money then.

Prosecutor Justin Oleson appeared via teleconference.

Commissioner Butts said he will discuss contract negotiations with the Development Company.

Prosecutor Oleson made it clear that funding will need to come from the LRID for this phase I. Oleson asked where the funding is coming for the future phases on this Mackay Dam Project. The county does not have that kind of revenue.

Byron asked Clerk Baker who has paid into this project. Baker explained \$10,000 is from the INEL, \$2,500 is from the Lost River Ground Water Users and \$3,000 is from Butte County. Byron asked if there was money from another grant and she said explained the Gem Grant was awarded for \$24,000. To use the Gem Grant, we pay the invoices and they reimburse. Commissioner Butts said he would give a call to Ted Hendricks of the Development Company and then will update everyone. This project must go on for this first phase explained Pehrson.

The Commissioners moved forward at 11:00 a.m. with budget workshop and the individual departments.

Probation, Aletia Straub explained she has a possible grant she can apply for \$6000 and would like a different firearm if feasible.

Treasurer, Allicyn Latimer came in with her budget and agreed to cut her pending issues and travel. She discussed the counties funds and where she has them in the financial institutions.

P&Z, Christy Foster, cut her budge in travel and advertising.

University of Idaho Extension Agent, Sarah Baker, explained she is awaiting the budget from the University. Commissioner Smith said the County will need to cut her part time line item as it has not been used in several years. Commissioners inquired if she will be able to fill the full time? Sarah said she is trying but is unable to find any applicants.

Sheriff Stu Lumpkin came in and discussed the jail going to a 72-hour hold and the need for another deputy to transport. Commissioners said they are looking at all avenues for Sheriff's office.

Tanae Vangsness, Deputy Clerk came in to discuss payroll issues she is having with a department not following policy. She asked for clarification. Commissioners said the policy is clear on how comp time is to be disbursed. They thanked Tanae for all she does and has to deal with.

Commissioner Smith left the meeting at 3:15 p.m. Commissioner Butts left the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

Meeting was then adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Steve W. Smith, Chairman
Custer County Commissioner

Attest:

Lura H. Baker, Clerk