Custer County Commissioner Meeting Proceedings June 9, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM in the Custer County Commissioners Room by Chairman Randy Corgatelli with Commissioner Will Naillon, Commissioner Gordon Vaden, Deputy Clerk Tamra Giampedraglia, Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins, Road & Bridge Supt. Brandon Jones, Prosecutor Paul Rogers and Liz Enzenauer.

Road & Bridge: Supervisor Brandon Jones started with the discussion of the Museum Road in Stanley, Commissioners advised of the plan that was brought before them. Jones advised that the permitting and cost to move this road would be substantial, would be willing to replace the culvert and build the existing road up, Commissioners agreed that there would be further discussion before the County commits to this.

Will be meeting with Commissioner Naillon tomorrow to review the Stanley transfer site. Will also need to discuss the process for R&B employees submitting their time for manning the Stanley site. Giampedraglia will get that information to Jones.

Discussion regarding the Bayhorse and Mule Shoe Bridge, as there is an issue with the match money for grants to replace, repair or remove those bridges. Will need to make a decision before the bridges are lowered in classification. Commissioners gave Jones the go ahead to pursue funding for the Bayhorse Bridge and contact property owners. Commissioners decided that the Mule Shoe Bridge would be left as it is and barricaded if it were ever to be condemned.

Jones is still working on the Policies/Resolutions for Snow Removal, and Cattle Guards. Will get these finalized, discuss with Prosecutor Rogers and then get final drafts to Clerk Baker.

Have been working on roads in the Stanley area, almost completed in that area. Getting employees additional training on grading and blading. Commissioner Naillon advised that there is an area at the Rodeo Grounds that Jones could use for training if he would like.

Commissioner Vaden asked about the rock removal on Morgan Creek, Jones advised that this project may have to be pushed back to next year. Discussed the other projects that were planned for this year such as the bridges on Squaw Creek.

Commissioner Naillon made motion to amend the agenda to move the time slot for Liz Enzenauer with the Senior Citizens to 8:30 from 10:00 AM, motion seconded by Commissioner Vaden and motion passed.

Senior Citizens: Liz Enzenauer advised that the Senior Citizens have been trying to grow their center and the programs that they provide for the seniors in our community. They have been using the large van to deliver meals and to try and provide transportation for citizens, however it is so large that it is hard to get it where they need it. They would like to be able to sell the van and to get a vehicle that would be easier for them to make deliveries and to transport citizens. Commissioner Naillon advised that it would be a good idea for the Senior Center to submit a written request to be able to sell this vehicle,

Commissioner Corgatelli advised that he would also like to discuss with Clerk Baker the policy on how to go about signing the vehicle over to the Senior Center.

Commissioner Update: Commissioner Naillon reported that the Clerks & Commissioners Convention in Cour de' Laine was very beneficial event. Both Commissioners advised that they felt that the NaCo Convention that they attended could have been better.

Commissioner Naillon made motion to approve the Special Meeting minutes of 04/14/2025, motion seconded by Commissioner Vaden and motion passed.

Commissioner Naillon made motion to approve the Commission Meeting minutes of 04/30/2025, Commissioner Vaden seconded and the motion passed.

The meeting was recessed at 8:50 AM to go into South Custer Ambulance District. Commissioner Vaden made motion to approve the meeting minutes of April 30, 2025, Commissioner Naillon seconded and motion passed. Commissioner Vaden made motion to approve claims through June 6, 2025 in amount of \$279.73, motion seconded by Commissioner Naillon, motion passed unanimously. Discussion regarding the purchase of the Lucas Chest Compression System in the amount of \$20,000 from Lost River EMT's, would like to have permission to make this purchase. Commissioner Vaden made motion to approve the purchase the Lucas III Chest Compression System in the amount of \$20,000, motion seconded by Commissioner Naillon and motion passed. The regular meeting was reconvened at 8:52 AM.

Treasurer: Allicyn Latimer provided the month end balance report for the Commissioners to review. Discussion regarding the funding for a new Jail Facility and the plan going forward with those dedicated funds. Status of progress on the Court Annex.

Claims: Commissioner Naillon made motion to approve claims through 06/06/2025 in the amount of \$136,491.36 with no additions. Motion seconded by Commissioner Vaden, motion passed.

Current Expense	\$ 98,085.33
Road & Bridge	\$ 25,308.89
District Court	\$ 294.40
Rodeo Grounds	\$ 309.83
Weeds	\$ 53.24
Revaluation	\$11,600.00
Waterways	\$ 445.78
Emergency Comm	\$ 393.89
TOTAL	\$136,491.36

Commissioner Naillon made motion to approve/sign the MOU between the USDA Forest Service, Idaho Dept of Fish & Game and Custer/Lemhi County. Motion seconded by Commissioner Vaden and the motion passed.

Commissioner Vaden made motion to approve Resolution 2025-07 for Setting the fees for County Licenses for the sale of beer, liquor by the drink and wine within the limits of Custer County. Motion seconded by Commissioner Naillon and the motion passed.

Commissioner Naillon made motion to approve Resolution 2025-02 to amend the second salary order for FY25, motion seconded by Commissioner Vaden and the motion passed. Resolution 2025-02 was signed.

Commissioner Naillon made motion to approve the retail liquor license for Sawtooth Luces, motion seconded by Commissioner Vaden and the motion passed.

Commissioner Naillon made motion to amend the agenda to move the NRAC portion of the meeting from 10:30 AM to 9:30 AM, Commissioner Vaden seconded the motion and the motion passed.

NRAC: Jim Hawkins asked if the letter Louise Stark had requested regarding the BPA Communications Site on Grouse Peak had been sent and if there was an answer back yet, Deputy Clerk Hawkins advised that she had sent the letter but as of yet had not received a response. Discussion regarding Public Land Use Agreement and the statement within that advises that when an entity is going to close a grazing allotment they need to coordinate with the County Commissioners. The Cutler allotment was discussed and Hawkins asked that the Commissioner ask about the status of this allotment decision.

Hawkins advised that he feels that the cuts in employees for the BLM and USFS are going to be concerning at a local level. This will affect the trails, water testing, range con, wood permitting, etc. Discussion regarding involvement or input of the County in regards to the affects.

New acting USFS Region IV director, Ben Newburn, has been appointed and the NRAC committee would like to have him invited to the County Commissioners meetings.

Discussion regarding commenting on the BLM Categorical Exclusion for the Copper Basin Mine Hill Temporary Electric Fence.

Clerk: Commissioner Naillon made motion to go into Executive Session under I.C. 74-206(1)(f) for Legal, at 10:26 AM, Seconded by Commissioner Vaden, the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. Attending were Commissioner Corgatelli, Commissioner Naillon, Commissioner Vaden, Deputy Clerk Tamra Giampedraglia, Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins and Prosecutor Paul Rogers in attendance. No decisions were made during this session and the board returned to regular session at 10:37 AM.

Commissioners discussed the Personnel Policy, and Vehicle Policy with Prosecutor Rogers.

Commissioner Vaden made motion to approve Resolution 2025-05, Commissioner Naillon seconded and the motion passed.

Commissioner Naillon made motion to adopt the Resolution 2025-06, as needed for updates and review for the Vehicle Purchase and Use Policy, motion seconded by Commissioner Vaden and motion passed.

Discussion regarding the observation of Juneteenth, Commissioners advised after Prosecutor Rogers reviewed the legality of the federal holiday, that the Custer County Courthouse will not close in observation of this holiday and that it will not be added to the list of paid holidays for employees.

Tax Exemption Requests: Assessor Jacquel Bruno joined the meeting via telephone, Wayne Hohs and Christopher James were in attendance.

Mackay Community Church: Discussion regarding the Religious exemption 63-602B application. Commissioner Vaden made motion to approve the exemption for Religious Corporations or Societies, for parcel RPB0013019004AA. Commissioner Naillon seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Sawtooth Int & Historical Association: Discussion regarding the Charitable exemption 63-602C application, all of the information submitted was reviewed. Commissioner Naillon made motion to deny the exemption for Parcel RP09N14E29481OA. Commissioner Vaden seconded the motion and the motion passed. Per Prosecutor Rogers, clarification is that it does not meet qualifications, failed to adequately include information to meet the burden of proof to qualify.

Living Waters Ranch, Inc: Discussion regarding the Religious exemption application, Prosecutor Rogers explained Idaho Code and the religious exemption qualifications. Commissioner Naillon made motion to deny the Religious Exemption 63-602B for Parcels RP14N18E356620, RP13N18E020602, RP14N18E356610, and RP14N18E357700. Commissioner Vaden seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Stanley Rural Drop Box: R&B Supervisor Brandon Jones advised that the portable toilets will be delivered this week to the Stanley site, a roll off dumpster will be delivered. Will be getting a R&B employee to work at the site this Friday so that it will be open. Discussion regarding payment types for this location. The topic of signage was addressed, it was agreed to purchase 4x4 signs for the gates and to contact Tammy Sinz to see if she would be able to make them for the County.

Meeting recessed for lunch by Chairman Corgatelli at 12:01 PM

Clerk: Lura Baker advised that Executive Session was needed. Commissioner Naillon made motion to go into Executive Session under I.C. 74-206(1)(b) for Personnel, at 10:27 AM, Seconded by Commissioner Vaden, the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. Attending were Commissioner Corgatelli, Commissioner Naillon, Commissioner Vaden, Clerk Lura Baker, Deputy Clerk Tamra Giampedraglia, Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins in attendance. No decisions were made during this session and the board returned to regular session at 10:52 AM.

Agencies: Joe Ellis and Louise Stark attended in the audience.

Chris Waverick (USFS): Completing a prescribed burn today and will continue throughout the summer. The Yankee Fork Dredge has requested speed bumps in that area due to reckless drivers. Trying to move forward with an agreement with the Bonanza townsite, they have a new manager and are working with her on programs there. Still working on the road above Red Bird Mine, will have to have another closure to be able to finish this work. Commissioner Naillon asked what departments within the USFS are suffering due to the downsizing of the government entities, Waverick advised that the most visible department would be recreation at this point. Commissioner Corgatelli advised that the Commissioners would like the entities to give status on range issues, and asked the status of a specific range permittee that has had problems within the last few years. Waverick advised that this permittee has had a review, unsuccessful mediation and has now appealed the temporary suspension. Should have an answer by June 18, 2025 but could still end up in front of a judge. However, a gate was left open and cows were already in an area they are not supposed to be early on this season. Commissioner Corgatelli asked that Commissioners just be kept updated.

Randall Anderson (BLM): Seasonal employees have come on. They had mustangs adopted for the 4H program, other round ups have been suspended at this time due to the current administration. Also having same issues with the same range permittee that the USFS is having problems with, this permit is up for renewal and has been pulled for review due to noncompliance. Commissioner Naillon asked about the temporary electric fencing proposal at the Mine Hill area, Anderson advised that this is a temporary fence to keep cattle out of town, private property and on permitted range.

Lance Stavast (Lost River USFS): Quick Creek Road will be under construction, road to Windy Devil will also be under construction. Had a front desk employee retire, have a fill in replacement through August. Will be going into High Fire Danger as of tomorrow, which is two weeks early this year. Volunteers have started at the guard stations this year, to assist with cleaning outhouses, etc. Have a youth program with several Mackay youth that started today.

<u>Dave Hilliard (BLM):</u> Front desk employee has retired. Mackay 4th of July celebration off of the Mackay Reservoir is under review due to strict restrictions being implemented and enforced – would like to ask the County to assume liability of this firework show, would like to have the presence of County Fire and EMS. Would also ask that a law enforcement presence be available on the 4th if possible. Commissioner Vaden will have a conversation with Fire/EMS in South Custer.

Louise Stark advised that there will be a 2-day symposium in Nampa this week in regards to Outfitters & Guides matters, which will concentrate on tag allocation, licensing, etc. Licensing Board has met and approved Outfitters and Guides to offer trapping excursions, however have to hold all appropriate licensing and follow trapping guidelines.

Sheriff: Commissioner Naillon made motion to go into Executive Session under I.C. 74-206(1)(f) for Legal, at 2:38 PM, Seconded by Commissioner Vaden, the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. Attending were Commissioner Corgatelli, Commissioner Naillon, Commissioner Vaden, Sheriff Maydole, Deputy Clerk Tamra Giampedraglia, Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins and Prosecutor Paul Rogers in attendance. No decisions were made during this session and the board returned to regular session at 2:46 PM.

Maydole introduced the Yamaha Law Loan Program Agreement for the Commissioners to review. Discussion of the contract and benefits of the program, Commissioner Naillon advised that he felt that this would be beneficial as long as there is a Policy in place prior to operation. County will be responsible Commissioner Vaden made motion to take advantage of the Law Loan Program, motion seconded by Commissioner Naillon and motion passed. Commissioner Vaden made motion to include these UTV's on the County fleet insurance through ICRMP, Commissioner Naillon seconded the motion and the motion passed.

OHV Law Enforcement funding for 2024 was received from the Department of Parks & Recreation and funding will continue through grant funds. Because of this, Maydole would like to have a budget established for the Back-Country program, Commissioner Naillon advised that this would be addressed more at the budget hearing scheduled for June 12, 2025. Discussion regarding the Back Country deputy and program.

Emergency Management: Lisa Benson presented a report for the Commissioners to review. Discussion with Prosecutor Rogers regarding a Public Information Officer position being a volunteer, which Rogers advised would be acceptable with completed paperwork.

Benson has had numerous concerned citizens calling in regards to the recent earthquakes. She has been advising citizens to have a 72-hour pack ready for their families, in case of emergencies, as a rule of thumb. There is a geologist that has put up temporary instruments to measure seismic activity.

P&Z: Jessica Clemenhagen advised that her part time assistant, Lindsey Harris, will start on June 17th. Due to the new employee, Clemenhagen would like to have approval to obtain a computer and phone. Discussion regarding the extra computer, rather than purchasing a new computer. Giampedraglia will check on spare computer and extra phone line.

Clemenhagen advised that she would like to have a form for citizen complaints. She advised that she has been getting calls from citizens complaining about neighbors and other citizens and she would like to have a policy and/or complaint form. Discussion regarding how to adopt policy for the P&Z for office procedures. Prosecutor Rogers would like to see these policies put into place through Resolution.

The revision of the Comprehensive Plan is continuing, the P&Z Board has met with the consultant and will meet with him at least two more time before a revised draft is reviewed and decided upon.

Probation: Aletia Straub-Workman gave a report of her current case load. Straub-Workman advised that she would like to look into purchasing a new firearm for the Probation Dept., Commissioner Naillon advised her to get quotes on a new firearm to bring back to the Commissioners to review.

With no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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Attest:

Lura H. Baker, Clerk

