

Custer County
Commissioner Meeting Proceedings
April 26, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Vice Chairman Randy Corgatelli with Commissioners Steve Smith, Clerk Lura Baker, Weed Supt. Brett Plummer, R&B Supt. Brandon Jones, Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins in attendance. Commissioner Chairman Wayne Butts attended via phone connection.

Weeds: Brett reported that he is almost finished spraying the roadsides in Pahsimeroi, and will be starting on roadsides in Round Valley. The annual BLM Grant application has been submitted and he is waiting for their reply. It is for \$389,000.00 and will mainly be for treating the road sides. There are more Grant opportunities available through the ID Fish & Game, but he is not sure he has enough crew or time to get the work completed. He is getting a lot of interest in future "drone" spray work and has explained that he will need plenty of time to become proficient with the equipment once it is in house. It takes a lot of work to keep ahead of the newly introduced weed varieties that come each growing season. Jerrod at the BLM is promoting "weed wash stations" at the larger improved BLM campgrounds. Brett has really enjoyed working with him in the weed program.

Clerk: Lura reported on the Challis Area Trails meeting that she attended on behalf of Chairman Wayne Butts. The Idaho Dept. of Parks and Recreation manager let her know about Grants that are available for road maintenance on roads that are impacted by recreational use. Brandon will follow up from the Road & Bridge Department.

Road & Bridge: Brandon has connected with JUB on the Garden Creek Road fence moving situation. He is meeting with the landowners and survey crews later today to get the misunderstanding straightened out. He provided his plan for providing the access approach involved and the Board agreed it was a good plan. The R&B has finished the grading work around town. They have opened up the Custer Motorway, but there are a few soft spots to watch for. They will be applying the Mag on that road section soon. The water truck that they are utilizing to apply the Mag needs some repairs. The parts amount to \$1,664.36 and will be coming from United Truck & Equipment. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the purchase of \$1,664.36 for water truck repair parts by the Road and Bridge Dept. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded and the motion passed. His crew is having trouble with the Hamm Roller again. Brandon has called an outside mechanic to come and get it running again. There is one more year on the purchase contract before it can be traded off. The East Fork road repairs are next on the job list. Materials for the Dura-Patching Machine have arrived. There are many potholes to repair from the harsh winter. Challis High School has a "School to Work" program for their students. It provides for 120 hours per summer for a student and a para-professional comes with the student. The funding is all done through the school program. Brandon wanted to clarify the state rules about crew needing to be 18 years or older to work on a road crew. The BLM has the same age issue, and has offered their "way around volunteer paperwork" for the county to draw from. The Board all voiced their approval of working with the school if at all possible. The insurance coverage needs to be clarified and verified also. The kids in our community are important and need opportunities. Two of the Road & Bridge employees have found grant funding for CDL training. CDL training classes vary from 6-weeks to 4-weeks long and are a big commitment. The road department needs more licensed CDL drivers and these two employees want to get licensed. Ideas were exchanged but no good solutions were found to the time involved away from the job. All the Board members felt more information was needed.

Assessor: The Tax Exemption Session was begun at 9:30 AM with Jacquell Bruno/Assessor, Matt Virgil/ID State Tax Dept. and Tamra Giampedraglia/Deputy Clerk also attending. (see attached minutes) The session ended at 10:13 AM.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into executive session under Title 74-206(1)(f) for Legal at 10:15 AM Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. Attending were Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Butts, Commissioner Corgatelli, Prosecutor Justin Oleson, Clerk Lura Baker and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins. No decisions were made during this session, and the board returned to regular session at 10:59 AM.

Kirk Flannigan/USFS – Stanley Housing: Attending the meeting was Austin Clegg/Stanley City Council member and Kirk Flannigan/SNRA and Kate Olsen/SNRA attended via Zoom connections. Vice Chairman Corgatelli reviewed the deputy housing shortage with all present. Commissioner Butts asked Kirk about the possibility of remodeling the county sheriff's office building at the ITD site into a second housing unit and or permission to put in a RV parking set up. Kirk responded that the site contains 36 acres and is shared by Custer County, ID Dept. of Transportation and the Salmon River Electric Co-op. The SNRA recently completed the necessary studies for the SREC Propane tank, and felt the County request would not be a problem. Commissioner Smith inquired about when the remodel could be done, as well as the RV pad installation. Kirk felt the RV pad could be done as soon as this summer, and the housing remodel project would probably get approval during the summer, as the building is already there. Clerk Lura Baker inquired about the needed steps for progress. (1) provide a detailed proposal of the scope of work (2) site inspection with SNRA. Austin Clegg then thanked Kirk for his understanding of the urgent need for deputy housing. Commissioner Butts agreed that a field trip to the site would be an excellent idea. Housing is needed for the second deputy during the summer season, as well as the waterways deputy that patrols the area lakes.

Indigent: Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into executive session under Title 74-206(1)(d) for Exempt Records at 11:15 AM Commissioner Butts seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous Ayes. Attending were Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Butts, Commissioner Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker, Deputy Court Clerk Lyndee Kauffman, and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins. No decisions were made during this session, and the board returned to regular session at 11:20 AM. Commissioner Smith made a motion that Cat accounts #7C-2019-1 #7C-2019-3, #7C-2019-4, #7C-2020-1, #7C2020-2, and #7C-2021-2 be assigned to CAT. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into executive session under Title 74-206(1)(i) for Risk Management at 11:35 AM Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. Attending were Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins. No decisions were made during this session, and the board returned to regular session at 11:50 AM.

A date was set with the Board of Commissioners for the Budget Hearing on August 30th at 6:00 PM. The meeting was recessed for a lunch break at 12:00 noon. The meeting reconvened for business at 1:30 PM with Commissioner Corgatelli, Commissioner Smith, Clerk Lura Baker and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins attending. Commissioner Butts attended the meeting via telephone connection.

Truleap Technologies – Coren Blackmon/Director, Pedro Baptista/Operations Manager and Troy Prigmore /Account Specialist attended the meeting. Coren provided the company background and growth. They are offering customized IT services and a Tec-centered hotline throughout Idaho. They do equipment servicing, data storage, hardware and software as well as a SOC (Security Operations Center). Commissioner Smith asked how they handle a cyber-attack? Coren responded with their three-step response. 1) Prevention with training of employees 2) Work with the FBI on the Counties behalf 3) Provide a security software stack. Their Tec. response time is currently within 20 minutes. The cost is approximately \$90 per computer managed. They currently serve the Kimberly School District, Jefferson County and the Filer School District.

Lost River Economic Development: Mike Evans reported on their grant status and applications. The Mackay Rodeo has a 5-year lease and is making many improvements on the rodeo grounds. This year the Rodeo is June 16 & 17th and is PBA affiliated. The Mother's Day Craft and Gift Event is scheduled for Saturday, May 13th. Mike/LRED is working with Jolie/CEDA and Tammy/LCEDA and hosting the mining community on a shared values forum workshop. The Proud Source bottled water business in Mackay was recently sold to Source Global. The Butte Co. executive director has resigned as of 3/24/23. The Scholarship Review will be coming up for \$25,000 worth of scholarships. The Mackay Theater is pursuing a Heritage Grant to help finance structural repairs and provide heating for the old theater.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve a letter of support to the North Custer Hospital District for the EMSAVE Grant application. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded and the motion passed. Commissioner Smith then moved that the agreement for Microsoft Signature Form be approved and signed. Commissioner Butts seconded and the motion carried. Commissioner Smith then made a motion to approve the submission of the Public Defense Commission Indigent Assistance application for Custer County. Commissioner Butts seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was recessed at 2:40 PM to go into South Custer Ambulance. The meeting reconvened at 2:50 PM.

Claims: Commissioner Corgatelli moved that the 4/10/2023 claims be approved and paid with additions of \$25,769.61, Commissioner Butts seconded and the motion carried.

Current Expense	50,619.99
Road & Bridge	40,057.93
Election Fund	7.99
District Court	5,765.01
Rodeo Grounds	2,235.54
Health District	13,308.75
Indigent	25.32
Revaluation	135.85
Weeds	32,997.16
TOTAL	145,153.54


Planning & Zoning: Jessica has been working with a Title Co. about the requirement for lot splits and property line changes. The Board backed her in the enforcement of the County Ordinances. She will get the paperwork to Prosecutor Oleson for the next step. Commissioner Smith inquired about homes being built in the floodplain? Jessica verified that they have followed through on all required P&Z paperwork, including FEMA approval. She then inquired about how to manage the dispersal of confidential information. Commissioner Butts suggested she invite Prosecutor Oleson to provide a reminder speech on the subject to all members of the P&Z Board.

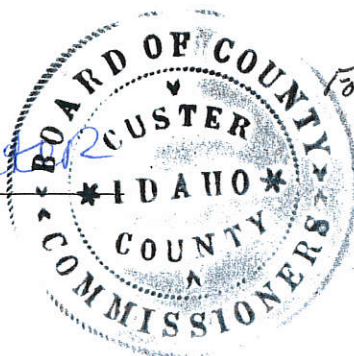
Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the credit card use for payment of the Zoom Membership extension in the amount of \$149.90 by the Clerk's Office. Commissioner Butts seconded and the motion passed.

Clerk: Discussion was held on Computer Arts Inc. that is serviced by Harris. They will be upgrading the modules over the next 5 years with a slow step up in costs from \$29,590.00 for 2023 to \$60,000.00 by 2028. There is a Budget and Levi Training offered on May 9th. Representatives from the Clerk's Office and the Treasurer's Office will be attending. The response letters provided by Darling Geomatics/Mary Darling to the BLM Greater Sage Grouse Management Plan were reviewed and discussed by the Board. Clerk Lura Baker has been able to get a copy of the TUSA Needs Assessment from Norm Folgers for fulfillment of the FOIA request the County received. The Board agreed that the project progress has not reached the point where we are ready to hear their proposals and suggestions. The Redfish Lake waterways issues were revisited and Commissioner Smith agreed to e-mail Commissioner Butts for his suggestions on boat mooring and such.

With no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 P.M.

Attest:


Lura H. Baker, Clerk




Wayne F. Butts, Chairman
Custer County Commissioner