

Custer County
Commissioner Meeting Proceedings
December 27, 2023

The meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Commissioner Randy Corgatelli. In attendance Commissioner Randy Corgatelli, Commissioner Steve Smith, Clerk Lura Baker, Deputy Clerk Tamra Giampedraglia, Mike Newmyer.

Weeds: No report from the Weeds Dept.

Road & Bridge: No report from the Road & Bridge Dept.

Commissioner Smith asked if there was any update on Damon Burk and the Stanley law enforcement housing remodel. No current update on this project.

Commissioner Corgatelli asked about any updates in regards to the Grizzly Bear introduction. Commissioner Smith advised that he had discussed with other entities the opportunity of utilizing Mary Darling's services to represent several counties collectively.

Commissioner Smith also addressed the 30/30 concept and support from the County to oppose this idea, would like to have it added to the next agenda to address monetary support to the American Stewards of Liberty who are fighting the 30/30 movement. Last year sent donation in July per Clerk Baker.

Commissioner Smith advised that he had a letter regarding Sage Grouse that needs to be sent to Mary Darling. Clerk Baker advised that she would scan that and email to Mary.

Smith advised that the F&G has curtailed action regarding wolves in unit 50. In Southern Idaho, groups hired their own trapper, which locks the F&G out. Would like to write a letter to the F&G to address the management of the wolves in Custer County. There should be automatic kill actions if there is a problem with the wolves.

Clerk: Updated Commissioners on IT, all departments set up that needed to be with Jonathan's remote in software. Jonathan also reviewed the servers and did updates as necessary. Advised Commissioners that the new printers will be delivered and set up Thursday the 28th. Jonathan will then program the printers for scan functions to individual computers.

Clerk Baker advised that there is a job posting for the Clerk's office but there has yet to be anyone interested. She is going to look into posting it back on the County site. Newmyer advised that possibly even posting information on social media directing interested individuals to our County site.

Commissioner Smith made motion to approve the minutes for the Commissioners meeting held December 11, 2023 with the correction of Mike Newmyer's name, second by Corgatelli, motion passed.

Commissioner Smith made motion to approve the minutes for the public hearing meeting regarding the RV fee increase at the Fairgrounds, held December 11, 2023, motion seconded by Corgatelli and motion passed.

Claims: Commissioners reviewed submitted claims, Clerk Baker explained several claims. Commissioner Smith made motion to approve the claims submitted 12/27/2023, Commissioner Corgatelli seconded and the motion passed.

Current Expense	15,809.75
Road & Bridge	9,406.85
District Court	686.01
Revaluation	313.00
Solid Waste	5,429.00
Weeds	107.81
PILT	26,246.10
Auditors Trust	356.50
Odyssey Court	<u>65,651.05</u>
TOTAL	\$124,006.07

Update on jail water problem, Clerk Baker advised that the leak is not from the roof, it is from condensation. Maydole agreed that there is still a problem whether it is the roof or condensation, which will be reviewed further.

Disaster Coordinator: Levi Maydole brought in a report from his department. Maydole advised that he will address items at the first meeting of the month and then do a follow-up at the second meeting of the month. Currently reviewing the Federal inventory List. Currently looking into an inventory policy for the County and will bring that back for the Commissioners for review. Public Alert & Warning System (PAWS), still waiting for FEMA PAA signature. Update on Custer County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), still attempting to contact community members, Kathy Rodgers is a CERT Instructor. Flood and Recovery Storage, needing to have people that would participate in moving the sand bags to the Conex. Custer County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting to be scheduled in January or early February at the Challis Community Center, would like to discuss the new Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mackay Dam, gates have been installed and being filled. TUSA Consulting update, still waiting to meet with Custer Telephone and TUSA, have run into an issue with the bid as TUSA is recommending two towers and indoor equipment. Law Enforcement Tactical Upgrade, all orders have been made just waiting for delivery. SCFD Portable Hand-held radios are on their way, will be getting an invoice for \$634.31. County AED's are all on location, just need to have time to mount them upstairs. Federal SHSP Grant Funds has been disbursed in amount of \$22,402.87. Orion Dashboard funding will be paid directly for the use of Disaster Services and Planning & Zoning. Plumbing has not been completed at the Disaster Services building, Halls Town & County has not come back to complete the work and the request has been out for several months. Commissioner Smith advised that he would like to have Maydole advise Halls Town & County that we need to have the work completed by a certain date and if this is not possible would like Maydole to try and get another company to complete the work. Commissioner Smith advised that there also needs be a gutter system or awning completed at the Disaster Services building. Maydole agreed and will look into a bid for this to be completed.

Sheriff: Stanley law enforcement contract update, Commissioner Smith asked for the past year contract to be able to compare with this year's contract prior to signing. Commissioners reviewed the current

contract. Commissioner Smith made motion to approve the Stanley Law Enforcement Contract pending the signature of the Sheriff. Motion seconded by Commissioner Corgatelli and motion Passed.

Clerk: Commissioners discussed snow removal for the Courthouse. There hasn't been a bid submitted as of yet. May have to go back to having the Road & Bridge do this.

Great West Engineering: Travis Pyle from Great West Engineering is working on the Custer County Solid Waste project and wanted to go over the technical report that he has compiled. He discussed the Disposal Alternatives (5 Alternatives) to consider for waste site. He reviewed Alternatives such as continuing to operate transfer sites as-is, direct "haul all" waste, complete a new central transfer station or improve transfer sites with county staffing. The Commissioners asked Travis if it could be a possibility to lease the transfer site to the city, such as in Stanley. Pyle advised that it would be a possibility to do a co-op with the city, but ultimately the County is responsible for waste disposal.

Travis reviewed the two disposal sites that could be used. Ruled out the Mackay site due to issues with location and ground water. Would concentrate on the Challis location. Sanitation costs have to be at 1% of the community's total annual budget. It has to be a reasonable alternative, so the County has to be paying at 1% for sanitation. Commissioners and Clerk Baker advised Travis that this would not be an issue.

Pyle advised that in review of the current financial structure for Custer County Solid Waste, the fees charged are low and there needs to be a plan implemented to increase fees in 2024 and 2025. He has completed a Financial Forecast Module for Custer County in regards to fee increases. Pyle asked that Clerk Baker look into the solid waste revenue from assessment fees on multi-unit housing. Clerk Baker will inquire of the Assessor, but Commissioners will need to follow up on this and other revenue generating avenues.

Reviewed the timeline on getting started, from trenching, revenue, permitting, etc. Commissioner Smith asked Pyle if he could provide the County with a copy of the presentation he had put together so that the Commissioners would have a copy to review. Pyle advised that this would not be a problem, he would get a copy to Clerk Baker to then be distributed to the Commissioners. Commissioners thanked Pyle for the work he continues to do on moving this project forward.

With no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at


Randy Corgatelli, Vice Chairman
Custer County Commissioner

Attest: 
Lura H. Baker
Custer County Clerk

