

Custer County
Commissioner Meeting Proceedings
June 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, Custer Soil & Water Conservations Karma Bragg and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins in attendance. Commissioner Chairman Wayne Butts attended via phone from the hospital.

Weeds: Brett is working hard trying to keep ahead of the spurge in the Mackay area. He is planning two trips along the Salmon River to spray spurge also. His equipment is working well to date.

CSWCD: Administrator Karma Bragg attended and thanked the Board for the timely full payments on the Garden Creek mitigation project. She then asked for direction on just how they would like her to move the project forward.

- 1) What are the expectations of the Army Corp. of Engineers?
- 2) What should be done to keep the native plantings alive when the stream dries up in the fall?
- 3) She would like a monitoring protocol, from the Corp. to follow?

It was agreed that a letter of inquiry needs to be sent to Muhammed Zubery with LHTAC, and Commissioner Smith agreed to author the letter. The final issue of concern was a 100' section of fence that needs some attention.

Road & Bridge: Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into executive session under Title 74-206(1)(b) for Personnel at 8:16 AM. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. Attending were Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Butts, Commissioner Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker, R&B Supt. Brandon Jones and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins. No decisions were made during this session, and the board returned to regular session at 8:55 AM. Brandon reported on the crews' progress on area roads in spite of the weather making it all very difficult. He reported that the automated traffic lights on the Garden Creek Road project are being ignored. He personally checked the lights and their timing. They are set at 6 minutes, well within the parameters of State Highway requirements, and that is how long it takes to drive through the work area. The residents have been quite vocal and he has received many different opinions on the work being done. The R&B dump truck that needed new injectors has been repaired. During the test drive before coming home from the shop it was found to still have engine problems, so it went back for complete repair. Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into executive session under Title 74-206(1)(b) for Personnel at 9:20 AM. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. Attending were Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Butts, Commissioner Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker, R&B Supt. Brandon Jones and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins. No decisions were made during this session, and the board returned to regular session at 9:30 AM.

Indigent: Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into executive session under Title 74-206(1)(d) for Indigent at 9:32 AM. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. Attending were Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Butts, Commissioner Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker, Court Clerk Lyndee Kauffman and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins. No decisions were made during this session, and the board returned to regular session at 9:33 AM. Commissioner Smith made a motion to release the medical lien on #21-14. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and it passed. Lyndee then read the affirmation letter received from the Department of Health and Welfare.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into executive session under Title 74-206(1)(f) for Legal Review at 9:36 AM. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. Attending were Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Butts, Commissioner Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker, Prosecutor Justin Oleson and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins. No decisions were made during this session, and the board returned to regular session at 9:55 AM. The phone connection with Commissioner Butts was then refreshed and he was brought up to date. The court annex design was discussed and updated with decisions on window placement, carpet and jury box design. It is required that a space for a court reporter be provided.

Junior College: The application for Michelle Warner of Mackay was received and reviewed. Commissioner Smith moved to approve the application, Commissioner Corgatelli seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

E. Idaho Public Health: Information from the department was reviewed on the nomination of John Walker and Blair Dance. Commissioner Smith moved that John Walker and Blair Dance be approved for appointment to the EIPH Board of Directors. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Sheriff: A copy of the Law Enforcement Contract with the City of Challis for 2024 has been received from the City of Challis. The contract will be reviewed with the Sheriff before proceeding.

Clerk: Lura reported that 42 cords of firewood have been delivered to the woodlot in Mackay. John Gentry was pleased with the loads and felt it would be enough for this year and perhaps next. Commissioner Smith moved that the minutes of the 6/2/2023 Budget Workshop Meeting be approved as written. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded and the motion carried. Commissioner Smith then moved that the minutes of the 6/9/2023 Budget Workshop Meeting be approved also. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and it passed. Clerk Lura Baker then presented the request from the Butte County Sheriff for a support letter to endorse an E-911 Grant application for items and equipment. Wording was agreed upon for the support letter. It is understood that Custer Telephone is applying for the broadband grant also. The meeting was recessed at 10:50 AM to go into South Custer Ambulance Board proceedings. The regular meeting reconvened at 10:54 AM.

CEDA/City of Challis/Transportation: Attending were Challis City Clerk Savannah Pedersen, Challis Mayor Corey Rice, and CEDA Admin. Jolie Turek. Jolie began with an update on plans to remodel and revitalize Main Avenue in Challis. They are applying for grant funding, but it requires matching funds. The CBDC Grants are also being investigated with Rick Miller. The Idaho Transportation Dept. has offered to assist the City with matching funds. Mayor Corey Rice spoke on the Main Avenue section of road. Commissioner Corgatelli let those attending know that the Main Avenue exchange can be done directly between the City of Challis and the ID Transportation Department without involving the County. The Y-Intersection park area is still owned by ITD and under their jurisdiction.

The agenda was amended to include Emergency Services at 11:30 AM. Commissioner Smith made the motion and Commissioner Corgatelli seconded. The motion passed.

Emergency Services: Manager Levi Maydole attended and updated the board on the cost of getting the new generator installed at Grouse Peak. Ray's Heating, Plumbing & Electric has estimated it will cost between \$7,500.00 and \$9,000.00. There is not a solid installation date as yet. TUSA is finalizing the RFP. Jeff and Norm will be coming to Challis to meet with Levi on July 17th – 1:30 to 3:00 PM and will update the Board of Commissioners. Levi has helped with the fitting of tactical equipment for Law Enforcement personnel. He is now awaiting the bid figures. Teton Communication has ordered the radios that are needed by South Custer Ambulance Dist. The last of the 2020 SHSP funding is being used to purchase these radios. Levi then requested permission to assist the Sheriff's Office with purchasing of trauma kits for each vehicle. He has assisted with getting all the new deputies certified in First Aid. He reported his completion of (6) Federal courses through FEMA, and the board thanked him for his dedication and hard work on behalf of Custer County. Commissioner Smith inquired about the tone-outs for the South Custer Fire Districts? The handheld Kenwood Radios have been ordered and are awaiting serial numbers before distribution. The deputy housing in Stanley was then discussed. Careful consideration of tough winter conditions must be applied to any new office structure to be built. Clerk Lura Baker brought the budget numbers forward and asked just where the funds will come from? Once the contract funds are depleted then PILT monies will need to be used. The \$3,340.50 invoice from Complete Construction for moving the backup generator out of the old Quonset building was reviewed, and payment accounts verified.

The meeting was recessed for lunch at 12:00 Noon and reconvened again at 1:30 PM. Attending were Commissioner Corgatelli, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Butts (via phone), Clerk Lura Baker and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins.

University of Idaho: Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into executive session under Title 74-206(1)(a) for Personnel at 1:32PM. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous Aye. Attending were Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Butts, Commissioner Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker, Barbara Petty/Extension Director and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins. No decisions were made during this session, and the board returned to regular session at 2:30 PM. The Board requested a response from the Univ. of Idaho on which district our Extension Educator Sarah Baker would be included in, sometime before the fiscal year end. The timing of Market Animal Sale payments was also discussed and comparisons with other fairs were made.

Great West Engineering: Travis Pyle attended via Zoom connection. Alternatives to the current solid waste situation were given. The possibility of a Solid Waste Landfill in Custer County OR a different landfill to offload in. The needs listed were; 1) a site assessment 2) ARPA funding 3) DEQ assessment grant 4) USDA-RD funds. Travis will work with Clerk Lura Baker on this project.

SRS Funds were then discussed. The Title I funds go to Schools and Roads, The Title II funds go to the USFS, and the Title III funds go to Counties for specific purposes. The ratios are 85% of Title I, 8% of Title II and 7% of Title III. Commissioner Smith made a motion that the ratios remain the same as in the past. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded and the motion passed.

Planning & Zoning: Administrator Jessica Clemenhagen attended and reported that the latest road name request she received, has been sent back to the Lost River Highway District for signatures.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of the 6/14/23 Special Court Annex Meeting be approved as presented. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and it passed. Commissioner Smith then moved that the 6/12/23 Commissioners Meeting minutes be approved as written. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded and the motion carried.

Liquor License: The annual Resolution to set the Custer County Liquor License was reviewed. A new signature process will be needed as the old-style books are no longer available. The new licenses will be printed on the Computer Arts program and signed by the Commissioners as they are applied for. Price changes were suggested by Prosecutor Justin Oleson and the Board of Commissioners for 2023/2024 licenses. Idaho Code will be verified on the suggested changes before the motion is made.

Clerk: Lura reported that Custer County has received \$938,230.00 in PILT payments this year.

Sheriff: Stu reported that Damon Burk has been contacted about working on the Stanley Sheriff's Office and the Board is awaiting a written bid on the work to be done before proceeding. Damon needed to get some accurate measurements to be able to bid. Sheriff Lumpkin then presented information on a Bank Corp. Master Lease option for acquiring patrol vehicles or equipment. It was agreed that it should be looked over by Prosecutor Justin Oleson. Discussion included estimated annual mileage per patrol vehicle. Stu was encouraged to contact other Sheriffs about their experience with such lease agreements.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to amend the agenda to include Dawn Maydole/AED Grant Application at 4:20 PM. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded and the motion passed.

AED Grant Application: Dawn Maydole has researched the statistics on heart attacks within the USA, as well as the cost of an AED Unit. They currently cost between \$1500.00 and \$2500.00 each. She is now researching the grant funding available for such purchases. She wants to begin an AED Program at the courthouse, and then move on to the other departments. The Sheriff already has a unit. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the AED Grant. Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and it passed.

Emergency Manager: Levi returned with news that there is a big leak in the ceiling of his office. He will contact Damon Burk and get things repaired.

Clerk: Clerk Lura Baker brought forward the IT coverage we have set up with Steve Stringham, and how it will be changing in October as he is unable to cover two counties. Hacking is becoming a huge problem for everyone. The process of moving funds from PILT into the budget was then gone over.

Claims: Commissioner Corgatelli moved that the following claims be approved and paid with the additions of \$9,078.32 for Complete Construction, Steve Smith & Murdock Law. Commissioner Smith seconded and the motion carried.

Current Expense	39,026.87
Road & Bridge	89,841.20
District Court	5,995.07
Revaluation	1,483.84
Solid Waste	2,098.19
Weeds	375.69
Waterways	10.08
ARPA	<u>7,383.00</u>
TOTAL	146,213.94

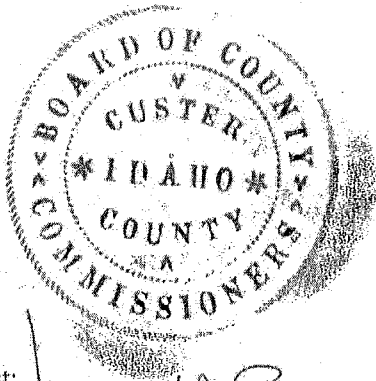
After researching Idaho Code, Deputy Clerk Tamra Giampedraglia reported back to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Smith moved that the 2023/2024 Custer County Liquor License fees be set at:

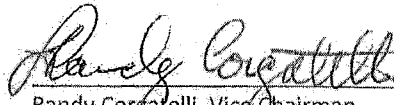
Bottled, Canned & Draft Beer	\$100.00	to stay
Bottled, Canned & Draft Beer	\$ 25.00	to go
Liquor by the drink	\$ 75.00	
Wine	\$100.00	to stay
Wine	\$100.00	to go
License transfers	\$ 25.00	

Commissioner Corgatelli seconded the motion and it passed.

The Commissioners set July 5th and July 10th for the BOE Appeal Hearing dates.

With no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 P.M.




Randy Corgatelli, Vice Chairman
Custer County Commissioners

Attest:


Lura H. Baker, Clerk