

Custer County
Special Meeting Proceedings
March 17, 2023

The Special Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM in the Custer County Commissioners Room. Attending the meeting were Commissioner Randy Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker, Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins, ID Historical Society Outreach Historian Dan Everhart and ID Historical Society Compliance Architectural Historian Ashley Molloy. Commission Chairman Wayne Butts also attended.

Idaho State Historical Society: Introductions were offered around for everyone attending. Copies of the proposed plans for a new jail facility were provided to Dan and Ashley. The original plan of just replacing the temporary Sheriff's Office trailer has been abandoned. Clerk Lura Baker inquired about a possible "option" to access the old jail via an attached hallway. Dan and Ashley felt it could be approved as it would be with minimal intrusion into the historic structure. They would like to have a letter of intention and final plans that would show no adverse effects to the old 1910 jail building. Ashley informed Custer County of the Idaho Heritage Trust non-profit that offers grants for the restoration of historical buildings. They offer from \$6,000 to \$10,000 per year for basic brick & mortar repairs/ie: doors, windows, mortar cracks, etc. The grant can be applied for each year until the repairs are completed.

After reviewing the latest plans for a new jail facility that will NOT be in-front of the historic structure, Dan expressed his pleasure with and approval of the solution that Custer County has proposed. Funding sources for the construction of the new facility were then discussed. All agreed it was good that a bond election was not needed.

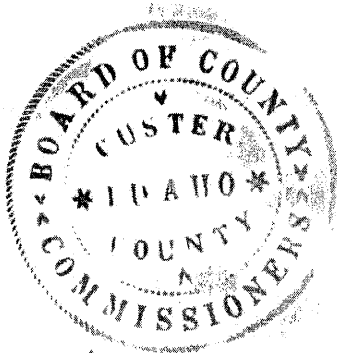
The group then went over to the Sheriff's Office and toured the historical building. Chairman Wayne Butts recalled that the current jail doors were installed sometime in the 1940's. The cell toilets (@ \$4,000 each) were installed to maintain use of the jail. Chairman Butts inquired about any maintenance that needs to be done, to continue use until replaced? The Historical Society responded that the County is able to do whatever repairs that need to be done, to keep it operating. The Society is mainly concerned about the exterior condition of historic buildings. A mitigation process is started if there are adverse effects proposed for a historic building. The process does not stop the County from actions, but it does require that specific steps be followed.


The tour then continued around the outside of the old jail. The original Custer County Sheriff sign that is still on the front of the building was viewed as a big asset. Outside windows that need to be replaced will qualify for the Idaho Heritage Grant process. Options for the possible connecting walk way were discussed for the least intrusion into the historic structure.

Upon returning to the Commissioners room it was agreed that the final plans and drawings of the replacement facility will be sent as soon as they are available. It is a single-story basic structure. Dan asked that any "substantial changes" to the plans be sent to them also.

Election Canvass: Kristen Walker brought the poll books from the March 14 School Levy Election. Commissioner Butts and Commissioner Corgatelli went through each book and Kristen responded to all questions. Keeping abreast of deceased voters has become quite difficult, due to changes in state reporting requirements. Hospice and hospitals no longer report to the state when someone dies. The court case concerning a felon that voted in the November general election will have the preliminary hearing on Monday March 20th. Kristen has been required to attend and testify. Kristen then updated the Board on the new petition signature certification requirements that she has been given. Commissioner Corgatelli made a motion to accept the canvass of the March 14th School Levy Election. Commissioner Butts seconded the motion and it passed.


With no further business before Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 Noon.





Wayne F. Butts, Chairman
Custer County Commissioner

Attest:



Lura H. Baker, Clerk