

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 11, 2015

The Elmore County Commissioners met in regular session on the above date in the Commissioners Room, basement of the Elmore County Courthouse, 150 South 4th East, Mountain Home, Idaho.

Present at the meeting were Chairman Wes Wootan and Commissioner Al Hofer, Civil Attorney Buzz Grant and Clerk Barbara Steele. Commissioner Bud Corbus was absent.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(d) – 31-874 to discuss indigent applications. Roll call vote was taken.

WOOTAN..... -AYE
CORBUS..... -ABSENT
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Regular session resumed. The following decisions were made as a result of the Executive Session:

K-08-15-01 Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to suspend until the results of her SSI/SSD application is known.

WOOTAN..... -AYE
CORBUS..... -ABSENT
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Commissioner Corbus joined the meeting.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve the Ambulance District expenses in the amount of \$143,993.45, payable to Elmore Medical Center.

WOOTAN..... -AYE
CORBUS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve the Pest Abatement District expenses in the amount of \$933.06, payable to Cycle City of Mountain Home \$269.98, Express Services \$581.05, and Paul’s Market \$82.03.

WOOTAN..... -AYE
CORBUS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Commissioner Corbus reported on the ambulance oversight meeting he attended.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to add discussing ambulance coverage for surrounding areas including other counties to the agenda.

WOOTAN..... -AYE

CORBUS..... -AYE

HOFER -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Assisting adjoining counties with emergency services was discussed. U.S. Ecology has been assisting Owyhee County through tipping fees for emergency services.

Idaho Waste Systems was discussed.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to approve the Clerk’s Bail Bond Report for the record only.

WOOTAN..... -AYE

CORBUS..... -AYE

HOFER -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

The Mountain Home Music Country Festival group came and gave a visual presentation of the Country Music Festival that was held in July/Aug of this year. They reported that several groups that volunteered their time will receive a monetary contribution for their efforts. Chairman Wootan asked about the Security Company that was hired that didn’t get paid per the news. There was a problem with the Security Company and it is being addressed by the attorneys for the Music Festival. They have several remedies for dust abatement that will be addressed next year. Chairman Wootan made a recommendation of planting grass and using a water pivot which will provide consistent water coverage to grow the grass prior to the event. He also recommended speaking with the Department of Water Resources to see if they can assist with that in any way. The Music Festival representative stated it was a success and look forward to next year. Commissioner Corbus thanked the group for the professional job that they did. Chief Deputy Barclay stated possibly another entrance would be good and has already been discussed. The impact on Mountain Home, Glens Ferry, and Pine was positive. Mayor Tom Rist stated traffic was heavier and impacted the City Police Department more than expected and the Concert Company stated they will reimburse the City for any extra time they spent. Possible shuttles were discussed for next year. Bonnie Harper stated that the music festival will affect the quality of Elmore County and will gather more tourists to the County in the future. Annie Hawkins stated the marketing platform is year round and includes the Mountain Home Music Festival on all their marketing items which reach several states.

Alan Bermensolo, City of Mountain Home Fire Chief, appeared and the burn ban was discussed. The burn ban will be lifted as of today for all agencies. The County will be lifting their burn ban next Friday.

Motion by Corbus, second Wootan, to approve the bill of sale for the Drug Dog.

WOOTAN..... -AYE

CORBUS..... -AYE

HOFER -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Shauna Kellerman, Jail Commander, and Chief Deputy Mike Barclay appeared and discussed the old account from Commissary income. Clerk Steele will contact our outside Auditor. Commissioner Hofer had a few questions on some claim forms. A voucher for a repair of a citizen’s car was questioned. The Clerk will send the claim to ICRMP. Discussion followed on electrical issues at the Jail. Chief Barclay will call and get the issues fixed.

Steve Dye, Contract Probation Officer, appeared to discuss drug court. Commissioner Corbus stated the drug court participants are reaching out to individuals in the community asking questions. Discussion followed on the drug court probation officer’s duties. Mr. Dye is working on the on the drug court grant and recovering approximately \$70,000 that could possibly be available. Mr. Dye will meet with the probation officer and clarify which way the drug court program will be progressing. The Commissioners are in full support of the program.

Motion by Corbus, second by Hofer, to approve and sign the FY 2016 Juvenile Detention Housing Agreement between Elmore County and Canyon County.

WOOTAN..... -AYE

CORBUS..... -AYE

HOFER -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Alan Christy, Land Use and Development Director, appeared and water issues were discussed. Possibly submitting a letter to the Federal Regulatory Commission regarding a preliminary permit application for the Anderson Ranch Pumped Storage Project was discussed. Our water Attorney will prepare a letter and it will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to add the expenses to the agenda.

WOOTAN..... -AYE

CORBUS..... -AYE

HOFER -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to approve the Certificates of Residency applications for Rebekah M. Austin, Javier Baltazar Ruiz, Brion P. Bethel, Anthony E. DeSantis, Joshua Diaz Munoz, Kearstin F. King, Mikayla S. Kinney, Amber C. Laing, Nicole S. Milford, Covin T. Parsons, Viridiana Ramirez, Jeremiah D. Young and Jacob Alexander Campos.

WOOTAN..... -AYE

CORBUS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the expenses in the amount of \$154,476.79.

WOOTAN..... -AYE
CORBUS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the County Extension Agreement between Elmore County and the University of Idaho.

WOOTAN..... -AYE
CORBUS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the Executrack Service Agreement Amendment No. 3 and 4 between BI Incorporated and Elmore County.

WOOTAN..... -AYE
CORBUS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Solid waste and Idaho Waste Systems were discussed. Idaho Waste Systems has not reimbursed the county for two fuel bills and has not paid the County any tipping fees for several months.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to go into executive session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(f) to discuss pending litigation.

WOOTAN..... -AYE
CORBUS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

No decision was made as result of the executive session.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to adjourn.

WOOTAN..... -AYE
CORBUS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

/S/ WESLEY R. WOOTAN, Chairman
ATTEST: /S/ BARBARA STEELE, Clerk