

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

APRIL 13, 2018

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, Commissioners Bud Corbus and Al Hofer, Civil Attorney Buzz Grant, Clerk Barbara Steele.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, 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 -AYE
HOFER..... -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

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

K-02-18-09 Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve with reimbursement order of \$100.00 per month and 50% of State and Federal tax refunds.

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

K-02-18-10 Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve with a reimbursement order of \$25.00 per month and 50% of State and Federal tax refunds.

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

K-03-18-01 Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve with a reimbursement order of \$100.00 per month and 50% of State and Federal tax refunds.

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

K-03-18-04 Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to suspend as the applicant’s packet is in the disability unit at H&W for Medicaid determination.

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

NM-04-18-02 Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve with no reimbursement order as the applicant is deceased with no family identified.

WOOTAN -AYE
CORBUS -AYE
HOFER..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-02-18-03 Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to dismiss as St. Luke’s Regional Medical Center withdrew the case as the applicant is an Ada County resident.

WOOTAN -AYE
CORBUS -AYE
HOFER..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Julie Lisle, Fair Board Director, and Christy Acord, Glenns Ferry Economic Director appeared before the board. Several contracts were discussed for the Fair. A vacancy on the fair board was discussed. The contracts need some final adjustments at this time and Civil Attorney Grant will make those adjustments.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to appoint Cliff Lisle to the Elmore County Fair and Rodeo Board to fill Mike Caraway’s position/term on the Board.

WOOTAN -AYE
CORBUS -AYE
HOFER..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Ken Widner appeared to discuss a payback agreement on an indigent case. The Commissioners requested that Mr. Widner pay back \$3,000.00 of the current balance.

Alexis Pickering appeared to discuss the County Health Initiative. Representatives from the community were in the audience from the Hospital, Ambulance Service, City of Glenns Ferry, Eastern Elmore County Recreation District, Fire Department, Juvenile Probation and the Mountain Home News. Ms. Pickering introduced herself and reviewed some of the health needs in the County that were determined after a survey was done a few months ago. Mental health problems were determined to be a high need from the survey results. Also, Elmore County has a high rate of tobacco use. Obesity related illnesses are also an issue. Trying to get ahead of preventable diseases was discussed, along with funding the above issues. Ms. Pickering stated there were grant funding sources available through several agencies. The group agreed that the whole community needs to get together to help the residents with their health needs. Several ideas were reviewed and how to facilitate them were discussed. Another meeting will be held in the near future.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to add the TLK Properties application for property tax exemption to the agenda.

WOOTAN -**AYE**
CORBUS -**AYE**
HOFER..... -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Assessor Ron Fisher appeared and discussion followed on a tax exemption agreement between Elmore County and Inventive, LLC.

Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to sign the tax exemption agreement between Elmore County and Inventive LLC.

WOOTAN -**AYE**
CORBUS -**AYE**
HOFER..... -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Discussion was held on the TLK Properties application for property tax exemption 63-602NN – Certain Business Property. Assessor Fisher has a different figure on the assessment value than the application states. Attorney Grant stated a public hearing will have to be held before a decision is made by the Commissioners. Assessor Fisher will do a summary of the difference between the value on the application \$3,500,000.00 and amend it to \$1,821,797.60. A public hearing will be held on May 4, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Assessor Fisher will get the public hearing notice prepared and will send to Attorney Grant for review. Clerk Steele will get a list of the taxing districts that the property lies in to Assessor Fisher.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to approve the Certificate of Residency application for Joshua R. Newton.

WOOTAN -**AYE**
CORBUS -**AYE**
HOFER..... -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to adjourn for lunch and go to the Jail for the quarterly inspection.

WOOTAN -**AYE**
CORBUS -**AYE**
HOFER..... -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the contract for county fuel services with Hiler Brothers Company.

WOOTAN -**AYE**
CORBUS -**AYE**
HOFER..... -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Discussion followed on the current Planning and Zoning Ordinance and a legal review of that document. Several changes have been made over the years and a complete review is warranted at this time.

Sheriff Mike Hollinshead and Under Sheriff Greg Berry appeared to brief the Commissioners on courthouse security.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to go into executive session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(d) exempt records. Roll call vote was taken.

WOOTAN -AYE

CORBUS -AYE

HOFER..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed. No action was taken as result of the Executive Session.

Belinda and Fabian Romero and several other citizens n) appeared to discuss the Land Use and Building Department. Beth Bresnahan, Land Use and Building Director and Tell Riley Building Inspector were also present. The Romero’s have a problem with inspections and the 24- hour notice. The Land Use and Building Department has waived the 24-hour notice for the Romero’s. It was decided that if someone needs an inspection and calls the Land Use Department before 7 a.m. then Mr. Riley will do a same day inspection. The Romero’s still feel they have been treated unfairly. Jeff Wortham stated he was also upset with the Land Use and Building Department with an email Tell Riley sent to him because he is not a registered contractor in the State of Idaho. The Romero’s made several accusations concerning Commissioner Hofer and Tell Riley and a lively interaction followed. The Romero’s business license expired and they were reported and have spent many hours getting it reinstated. The complaining continued by the Romero’s. Commissioner Wootan asked the Romero’s if they can work with calling before 7 am for a same day inspection. The conversation changed to another subject. The Romero’s poured concrete after a failed inspection. No house plans were at the sight and no one was there. Mr. Riley left a note on a piece of paper saying the inspection failed at the property and an engineer is now being required to inspect the foundation. Mr. Romero stated that he did not find the note. A long discussion followed on what the next step would be. Mr. Riley stated this has happened before and engineers have done inspections in these instances in the past. Larry Lasuen also spoke and had a complaint regarding Tell Riley on a building permit application. Mr. Riley explained his communication with Mr. Lasuen’s wife regarding the building permit. Jeff Wortham stated he was unhappy with the Land Use and Building Department. Civil Attorney Grant asked Mr. Riley what his solution would be besides having an engineer sign off on the foundation. One solution was chipping off part of the foundation to see the footing. Mr. Riley will check the legalities of that kind of an inspection.

Motion by Corbus, 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