

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

DECEMBER 31, 2012

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 Commissioners Al Hofer and Wes Wootan, Civil Attorney Buzz Grant, Clerk Barbara Steele and Deputy Clerk Shelley Hooper. Chairman Shaw was absent due to a death in the family.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the minutes for December 17, 2012.

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

Attorney Grant reviewed the New Dawn Software Package Contract for the Prosecutor’s Office.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the New Dawn Software Package Contract for the Prosecutor’s Office.

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

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve the Expenses in the amount of \$229,337.03.

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

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve Tax Cancellation No. 1195, Adam L. and Tessa D. Holtz - \$399.35.

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

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve the Ambulance District Expenses in the amount of \$1,638.58, RTI - \$138.58 and Lesia Knowlton - \$1,500.00.

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

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve the Certificates of Residency for Courtney Ann Frank, Angel Pedroza, Kelly Chung-Yuen, Laura Hidalgo, Marcella Ambriz, Timothy W. Luckraft and Cheri Nicole Minor.

SHAW -ABSENT

HOFER -AYE

WOOTAN..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Jak Krieger appeared representing the Three Island Days Committee in Glenns Ferry. Valley Regional Transit, of Meridian, has offered to donate a bus to them to transport senior citizens, wheelchair citizens, visitors and locals to visit the library, post office, grocery stores, pools, parks and downtown businesses and would like a letter of support from the County. The Three Island Days Committee will be responsible for all of the financial aspects for the bus, including maintenance and insurance. Discussion followed.

David and Robin Cameron appeared to discuss why the Board denied their Tax Cancellation Request. Assessor Fisher and Kathlyn Ireland, of the State Tax Commission, also appeared. Ms. Ireland reviewed the processes and timeframes in which a homeowner has to address the increase in taxes and make appeals and stated that all of the appeal timeframes are listed on each assessment notice. The Cameron’s missed the deadlines for any appeals and that is why their request was denied. Discussion followed.

The monthly Department Head Meeting was held.

Wade Baumgardner, Veterans Services Officer, appeared to give the Board his monthly update. Mr. Baumgardner reviewed GI Bill requirements. His office helped a World War II Veteran who appears to qualify as an “Atomic Veteran”, which are veterans who took part in atomic testing in either Nevada or the Pacific Islands. Mr. Baumgardner held a VA briefing and since then has had several veterans come in stating that the briefing was very informative and learned that they qualified for many services. His office had assisted 26 veterans, spouses and family members last month.

Alan Christy, Growth and Development Director, appeared to update the Board. Mr. Christy discussed changing the name of the Growth and Development Department to the Elmore County Land Use and Building Department.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve and sign Resolution No. 510-12 Growth and Development Department name change to the Elmore County Land Use and Building Department.

SHAW -ABSENT

HOFER -AYE

WOOTAN..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Mr. Christy stated that building permit deposits will be issued for seventy one wind towers and foundations for High Mesa and Idaho Wind Projects. His department has ordered a new truck and is waiting for it to be delivered. Four building permits have been issued for the month of November. Mr. Christy discussed Land Use Applications. There is one Planned Community application pending with the Planning and Zoning Commission. The hearing is tabled until some remaining deficiencies are resolved. His department conducted an agency meeting on December 5, 2012 regarding the Comprehensive Plan.

Mir Seyedbagheri, County Agent Office, was unable to attend the meeting but submitted a list of his department's accomplishments for the month of November.

Steve Dye, Juvenile Probation Director, appeared to update the Board of his monthly progress. They have been very steady and have more pending cases than ever before. The number of juveniles on probation in Elmore County has double since 2009-2010. Mr. Dye provided the Board with a caseload summary and community service summary. The State provider for their substance abuse program has had a significant staffing change, so they will now be using a secured skype system called TeleHealth to provide outpatient counseling treatments.

Bill Wenner, Misdemeanor Probation Officer, appeared to update the Board. The total number of clients on probation is 159. Their numbers had been slowly declining, but went up again this past month. There are forty four people enrolled in Community Service.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the Liquor License for Red Pavilion.

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

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the Mountain Home Highway District letter regarding the Bennett Road Landfill Road Repair.

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

The monthly Elected Officials Meeting was held.

Assessor Fisher explained how the Data Share State Parcel Project works.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the Data Share State Parcel Project Agreement for the Assessor's Office.

SHAW -ABSENT

HOFER -AYE
WOOTAN..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Assessor Fisher’s Office has been wrapping up end of the year tax issues. He has been working with the State in regard to Personal Property Tax information. The possibility of the County losing personal property tax revenue was discussed.

Treasurer Rose Plympton stated her office just finished the end of the year tax collections. Today is the deadline to pay past due taxes before extra fees accrue and the tax deed process starts.

Clerk Steele stated her department will be holding a recall election in Glenns Ferry in March.

Sheriff Rick Layher updated the Board of his monthly progress. His department ordered new vehicles and needs to have radios installed in each vehicle. Applying for a waterways improvement fund grant for a new vehicle to tow the department’s boat was discussed. Sheriff Layher will be interviewing to fill sergeants positions.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 67-2345(f) to discuss a pending litigation. Roll call vote was taken.

SHAW -ABSENT
HOFER -AYE
WOOTAN..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed. There was no decision made as a result of the Executive Session.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve and sign the EMPG Grant for Disaster Services.

SHAW -ABSENT
HOFER -AYE
WOOTAN..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 67-2345(d) – 31-874 to discuss indigent applications. Roll call vote was taken.

SHAW -ABSENT
HOFER -AYE
WOOTAN..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

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

K-11-12-08 Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve with reimbursement order of \$25.00 per month and 50% of Federal and State tax refunds as payment. Review the monthly payback in six months.

SHAW **-ABSENT**

HOFER **-AYE**

WOOTAN..... **-AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-11-12-09 Motion by Wootan, second by Wootan, to approve with reimbursement order of \$50.00 per month and 50% of Federal and State tax refunds as payment.

SHAW **-ABSENT**

HOFER **-AYE**

WOOTAN..... **-AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-11-12-10 Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve with reimbursement order of \$75.00 per month and 50% of Federal and State tax refunds as payment.

SHAW **-ABSENT**

HOFER **-AYE**

WOOTAN..... **-AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-12-09-02 Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to sign the subordination agreement.

SHAW **-ABSENT**

HOFER **-AYE**

WOOTAN..... **-AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to adjourn.

SHAW **-ABSENT**

HOFER **-AYE**

WOOTAN..... **-AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

ARLEN O. SHAW, Chairman

ATTEST:

BARBARA STEELE, Clerk