

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

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 Al Hofer, Commissioners Bud Corbus and Wes Wootan. Also present were Civil Attorney Buzz Grant, Clerk Barbara Steele and Deputy Clerk Shelley Hooper.

Dan Collins appeared to discuss county website support. The current county website has several issues that need to be fixed and updated. Mr. Collins can rebuild the website and update the programs to be compatible with the newer computer programs. New links will also need to be added. The cost will be \$3,700.00 to rebuild the website. He can also provide support to update information on the site at a rate of \$30.00 per hour. Discussion followed.

Motion by Corbus, second by Hofer, to accept the proposal from Dan Collins for county website support. Mr. Collins will bring a written proposal and fee schedule to the Board for execution.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Cliff Ogborn and James Gilbert, of the Mountain Home School District, appeared to discuss a request for an emergency school levy in the amount of \$437,000.00. The reason for the emergency levy is due to an increase in student enrollment. The money will be used to get extra supplies and hire teachers and support personnel to offset the increase in students. The last emergency levy was in 2003 when they had an increase in student enrollment. There is an increase of one hundred three students, so they have hired extra teachers. Attorney Grant reviewed the requirements for requesting the emergency levy. Discussion followed.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to correct a motion made on August 12, 2013 for a tax cancellation application for Mary V. Kienlen, parcel # RP07S12E342410A requesting cancellation of the taxes for 2011 and 2012. The 2011 taxes were already paid and erroneously included on the tax cancellation application. Approval is just for the cancellation of the 2012 taxes in the amount of \$816.85.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve the minutes for August 9, 2013 and August 26, 2013.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Recorder’s Office Report for the record only.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Dale Nalder, Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security and Carol Killian, Disaster Services appeared to discuss the financial aspects of the Elk Complex and Little Queens Fires. Mr. Nalder stated that the Elk Complex fire costs are estimated at \$200,000.00. Elmore County has a cost share agreement with the Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security which means the county and the state are each responsible for 50% of the cost. Once those fire expenses are paid in full, the county can seek reimbursement of those costs from the FMAG (Fire Management Assistance Grant). Mr. Nalder is unsure of the cost of the Little Queens fire at this time, but that fire was not eligible for an FMAG, so the county will not get any reimbursement for that fire. Ms. Killian stated that the Small Business Administration (SBA) will be meeting with residents who lost their lively-hoods due to the fires. They will be starting in the Prairie area and then move on to the Featherville area.

Mir Seyedbagheri, Extension Office Director, appeared to update the board of the BAER(Burn Area Emergency Response) Team. The team discussed re-vegetation programs, major erosion and flooding problems, noxious weed infestation and livestock loss. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) projects that a re-seeding program will be started in the Pony Complex fire area by November 1st. Mr. Seyedbagheri’s office will be starting research plots for controlling erosion by using different organic based materials. Commissioner Corbus stated that the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) has three million dollars in funds appropriated for emergency use. One million dollars is for wildlife habitat restoration on private grounds and two million dollars is to be used for re-building fences and for equipment.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Pest Abatement District Expenses in the amount of \$290.74. Centurylink - \$37.68, Paul’s Market-\$6.93 and D&B Supply-\$246.13.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to approve the Ambulance District Expenses in the amount of \$161.44, payable to Hiler Brothers Co.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Certificates of Residency for Krystin Page Benson, Kierianna Thalia Chavez, Shannon Marie Conway, Eduardo Dominguez, Natasha Ann Feekes, Tavera Shonice Freeman, Arnaldo Gastelum, Valeria G. Guadarrama, Toren S. Lombardo, Liana Ysabel Lopez, Thomas Lee Martin, Cheri Nicole Minor, Feona Jenine Peele, Jose Manuel Ramirez, Osvaldo Rubi, Angela Lee Shockey, Austin S. Standlee, Benjamin Lowry West, Timothy J. Bremser, Anthony T. Fullmer, Oscar Guevara, Jonathan M. Hastings, Evan T. Hiddleston, Leeann K. James, Olympia E. Morin, Kelsey Jo Robinson, Amanda M. Rouse, Joseph C. Schafer and Cami J. Smith.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to add to the agenda and discuss a personnel issue in the Land Use and Building Department.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the Juvenile Detention Memorandum of Agreement with Ada County.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Commissioner Corbus updated the Board of a discussion with Jay Wilson, Elmore Ambulance Services Manager, regarding billing for extrication employees who respond to ambulance calls. There are a few more issues he needs to review, but is confident that they will be able to bill for these services. Mr. Wilson will keep Commissioner Corbus updated.

Brenda and Robert Cavanaugh, Mountain Home residents, appeared to discuss a Land Use and Building Department issue. They received notice that they are in violation of an Elmore County Zoning & Development Ordinance. There have been several complaints concerning activities of cleaning and restoring dumpsters on his property. Beth Bresnahan, Land Use and Building Department also appeared. Ms. Bresnahan stated that Mr. Cavanaugh would need a Conditional Use Permit to be allowed to continue working on the dumpsters on his property.

The Board reviewed a bid made by Neil Slimm on the remaining eighteen Tax Deed properties that were not sold at the Tax Deed sale on August 26, 2013. The total amount owed on the eighteen parcels is \$38,544.01. Mr. Slimm offered a total of \$8,500.00 for the eighteen parcels. The Board discussed the bid specifics.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to refuse the bid made by Neil Slimm, in the amount of \$8,500.00 on the eighteen remaining Tax Deed parcels.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Attorney Grant reviewed the request for bids for snow removal at the Pine EMS building. The request for bids will be published in the Mountain Home News.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to adjourn for lunch.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed.

John Boguslawski appeared to address some concerns regarding rebuilding in the Fall Creek area after the recent wildfires. He questioned whether residents will be charged a building permit fee when they decide to rebuild. Alan Christy, Land Use and Building Director, will research the possibility of reducing the fee for building permits for resident’s to rebuild. Assessor Ron Fisher, discussed casualty loss exemption forms, which will give residents exemption from their taxes until such time as they decide to rebuild. Mr. Fisher explained that each resident will need to fill out a casualty loss exemption form to get the exemption of their taxes, they will not automatically be exempted just because they had a structure on the property. Timber issues were also discussed. Mr. Boguslawski questioned a fee on their property tax bills labeled “fire” and wondered where that money goes. Mr. Fisher stated that the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) goes through the timber on each resident’s land to see what belongs to IDL and assess the timber for fire protection. Mr. Boguslawski asked about the benefits of being in a fire district and possibly starting a district in the Fall Creek area. Dale Nalder, BHS, stated that he can help Mr. Boguslawski with information on how to start a fire district. Mr. Boguslawski raised a concern that the roads staying open during the winter for logging operations may be detrimental for the winter snowmobile program and the businesses that rely on the winter recreation in the area. The Mountain Home Highway Department will be in charge of opening the roads for logging operations and will keep in contact with the snowmobile group when the issues arise.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to add to the agenda and discuss the purchase of a vehicle for the vessel fund, as the ordering of the vehicle needs to be done before the end of the fiscal year.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Sheriff's Deputies Laytredda Schultz and Nancy Jo Hawley appeared to review the state bid for the purchase of a Ford F250 for the vessel department, to be used to pull the vessel department boat.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to approve the purchase of a new Ford F250 for the vessel department.

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

Sheriff Rick Layher was also present and discussion followed on the jail audit.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve Tax Cancellation No. 1218 Southwestern Idaho Co-Op Housing Authority-\$18,131.54.

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

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the expenses in the amount of \$344,350.45.

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

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Polling Locations for the November 5, 2013 election.

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

MOUNTAIN HOME #1..... CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

790 S Haskett Street
Off Airbase Road, behind McDonald's

MOUNTAIN HOME #2..... SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER

1000 North 3rd East
Corner of 3rd East and 10th North

MOUNTAIN HOME #3..... SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER

1000 North 3rd East
Corner of 3rd East and 10th North

MOUNTAIN HOME #4..... CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

1150 North 8th East, in gymnasium
Corner of 7th East and 12th North

MOUNTAIN HOME #5..... FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH

1400 North 3rd East

- Corner of 3rd East and 14th North
MOUNTAIN HOME #6..... FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
 515 East 15th North
 Between 3rd East and 6th East on 15th North
- MOUNTAIN HOME #7..... CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS**
 1150 North 8th East, in gymnasium
 Corner of 7th East and 12th North
- MOUNTAIN HOME #8..... CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS**
 790 S Haskett Street
 Off Airbase Road, behind McDonald's
- MOUNTAIN HOME #9..... FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**
 515 East 15th North
 Between 3rd East and 6th East on 15th North
- ATLANTA..... MAIL-IN BALLOT PRECINCT**
 Absentee voting available in the Courthouse
- CAMAS..... MAIL-IN BALLOT PRECINCT**
 Absentee voting available in the Courthouse
- CHATTIN FLATS..... MAIL-IN BALLOT PRECINCT**
 Absentee voting available in the Courthouse
- GLENNS FERRY..... GLENNS FERRY CITY HALL**
 110 East 2nd Avenue
 Turn Left from 1st Avenue on Lincoln Street and go North Two Blocks
- HAMMETT..... HAMMETT COMMUNITY CHURCH**
 9223 W Church Street
 Go through Hammett on Hammett Road, Turn Left, One Block
- KING HILL..... KING HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
 5391 East Main (near the Post Office)
- MAYFIELD..... FRANK BRADY AIRPLANE HANGAR**
 1950 E Aeronca
 Off Desert Wind, marked by two red flags
 Piper turns into Cessna, left on Aeronca, 2nd house on right
- PINE..... SOUTH FORK BOISE RIVER SENIOR CENTER**
 390 N Pine Featherville Road, Pine, Idaho 83647

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the Medical Director Letter between Elmore County, Dr. Timothy Brininger and Elmore Medical Center Hospital District.

HOFER -AYE

CORBUS -AYE

WOOTAN..... -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the Juvenile Probation FY12 JABG Grant.

HOFER -AYE

K-08-13-08 Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to approve with a reimbursement order of \$200.00 per month and 50% of Federal and State tax refunds as payment.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-08-13-05 Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to approve with the bills being sent to CAT as the applicant had another application approved and is still in the same CAT year.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

A short recess was taken. Regular session resumed.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to add to the agenda, the discussion of the Disaster Services Coordinator due to the urgency of the resolution of fire matters.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Commissioner Hofer discussed the Disaster Services Coordinator and the communication within the department.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to adjourn.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

ALBERT HOFER, Chairman

ATTEST:

BARBARA STEELE, Clerk