

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

JUNE 9, 2014

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, Civil Attorney Buzz Grant, Clerk Barbara Steele, and Deputy Clerk Shelley Hooper.

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

HOFER -AYE

CORBUS -AYE

WOOTAN -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Central District Health 2014 West Nile Virus Mosquito Surveillance Contract Amendment.

HOFER -AYE

CORBUS -AYE

WOOTAN -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Sheriff Rick Layher and Chief Deputy Mike Barclay appeared. Sheriff Layher reviewed grant funding from the Boise National Forest.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the 2014 Cooperative Law Enforcement Operating & Financial Plan between the Elmore County Sheriff’s Department and the USDA, Forest Service, Boise National Forest.

HOFER -AYE

CORBUS -AYE

WOOTAN -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Sheriff Layher stated that he will be having an employee retire in September. A new road patrol officer will be hired to replace the employee. The retiring employee currently has a vehicle with high mileage and Sheriff Layher may have to purchase a new vehicle once the new patrol officer is hired to replace the current high mileage vehicle.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the Agreement for Dispatch Services between Elmore County and the City of Mountain Home.

HOFER -AYE

CORBUS -AYE

WOOTAN -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 67-2345(b) to discuss a personnel issue. Roll call vote was taken.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

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

Deputy Barclay updated the board of a discussion with Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) regarding the National Guard becoming the primary emergency responders on a stretch of interstate 84 near the Oasis area. As of now, this is in the discussion phase. Deputy Barclay would like to have a meeting with ITD and all of the Elmore County emergency entities to discuss the matter further.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the Independent Contractor Agreement with Badger Medical for Jail Medical and Mental Health Services.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Bill Kelly and Jolene Hobdey, of the Oasis Fire Protection District, appeared to discuss the Mayfield voting precinct. They would like to propose a change to the southern boundary of the Mayfield voting precinct, essentially extending a straight line from the Ditto Creek Road and Martha Road intersection to the Old Highway 30 spur to eliminate the jog in the present boundary. Currently, there are ten residents on the south side of Tilli Road. This boundary change would allow them to vote in the Mayfield precinct and would also put the Tilli Fire Station in the precinct as well. They would also like to offer the use of the Tilli Fire Station as a voter polling place starting in 2015, as it provides a location on a paved road with available off-road parking. Clerk Steele stated that the boundary lines can only be changed each January and explained the process of changing the boundary lines. She will send the request to the Land Use & Building Department for the boundary line change. Mr. Kelly stated that they are no longer offering volunteer ambulance services in the Oasis area. Currently, they do not have enough volunteers to staff the service, but they will start the service again if the volunteer status increases.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the Profession Services Agreement for Qualified Planner.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Ambulance District Expenses in the amount of \$63,178.39, Norco-\$25.29 and Elmore Medical Center-\$63,153.10.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Pest Abatement District Expenses in the amount of \$146.20, Centurylink-\$36.22 and D&B Supply-\$109.98.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the Certificate of Residency applications for Andrea Juarez, Lucia Rubi, Sidney N. Szfranzski, Cody J. Boguslawski and Heather R. Geranen.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve Tax Cancellation No. 1247 Curtis Duncan-\$1,602.37.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Terry Ratliff, County Public Defender, appeared to discuss the Public Defender Contract. Effective July 1, 2014 his office may no longer bill a flat rate for its Public Defender services. Mr. Ratliff reviewed a proposal of hourly rates for services in several different categories. Discussion followed.

Attorney Grant reviewed the AT&T lease proposal at the Elmore County fairgrounds.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to add to the agenda and discuss an Application for Property Tax Exemption.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Assessor Ron Fisher appeared and reviewed the application for property tax exemption from the Elmore County Amateur Radio Club. Discussion followed regarding whether the organization is a benefit to the residents of the county and if they are eligible for a tax exemption status. The board would like to meet with the members of the club to discuss this further before making a decision on the tax exemption.

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.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 547-14 and refer to it in title only.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve Resolution No. 547-14 Transfer of Funds from Capital Improvement to County Bond.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 547-14

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BUDGET OF THE ELMORE COUNTY GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE CONTINUING FUNDING AND ADJUST FOR CHANGES IN SPENDING PRIORITIES.

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners of Elmore County have the authority and duty under Article XVIII, Section 6 of the Idaho Constitution and Title 31, Chapter 6 of the Idaho Code to provide funding operations of the Government of Elmore County for expenditure of those funds; and

WHEREAS, The Board considered this adjustment to the 2014 County budget during a regular session on June 9, 2014, and the need to amend the County budget has been satisfactorily demonstrated to the Board of Commissioners.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. That \$105,310.00 from line item 650.850.00.099.00 Capital Improvement, be transferred to line item 132.332.00.098.00 County Bond as this is the balance of the Jail Bond monies received. This amount will be a principal payment to the Jail Bond in August of 2014.
2. That this resolution shall be effective June 9, 2014.

PASSED, at a regular meeting of the Elmore County Board of Commissioners in the County of Elmore, State of Idaho, held on the 9th day of June, 2014, upon which roll call vote was duly taken and said Resolution duly passed by a unanimous vote.

ELMORE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

/S/ ALBERT HOFER, Chairman

/S/ FRANKLIN L. CORBUS, Commissioner

/S/ WESLEY R. WOOTAN, Commissioner

ATTEST: /S/ BARBARA STEELE, Clerk

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the payroll for 2014 in the amount of \$414,376.14.

HOFER -AYE

CORBUS -AYE

WOOTAN -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve and authorize Chairman Hofer to sign the amendment to the Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security Sub-Grant Award in the amount of \$44,380.19.

HOFER -AYE

CORBUS -AYE

WOOTAN -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Attorney Grant reviewed the draft of the lease proposal for the Pine Senior Center.

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

HOFER -AYE

CORBUS -AYE

WOOTAN -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed.

Jay Wilson, Elmore Ambulance Service, appeared to discuss Pine EMS. Chairman Hofer explained that the county will need to hire an individual to supervise the EMS services in Pine and coordinate volunteer coverage in the area. Currently, there are no fees charged for EMS services in the Pine area, as the services are provided by volunteers. A minimal fee for services may now need to be charged to help offset the cost of having a paid employee. A draft of the job description was discussed. Base rates, on-call rates and overtime pay was discussed.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to add to the agenda an update of remounting of the box on an EAS ambulance, as the issue has been discussed previously.

HOFER -AYE

CORBUS -AYE

WOOTAN -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Mr. Wilson updated the board of his research on purchasing a new ambulance chassis and remounting the current ambulance box onto it versus purchasing an entirely new ambulance.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 67-2345(d) – 31-874 to hold a Hearing of Continuation on case K-03-13-07. Roll call vote was taken.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

A Hearing of Continuation was held on case K-03-13-07. Present at the hearing were Chairman Al Hofer, Commissioners Bud Corbus and Wes Wootan, Civil Attorney Buzz Grant, Clerk Barbara Steele, Deputy Clerk Shelley Hooper, Social Services Director Marianne Bate and Deputy Clerk Candi Hinton. Attorney Michael Hague, representing St. Luke’s Elmore, was present via speaker phone. Questions were asked and answered and the hearing was closed.

Regular session resumed. The following decision was made as a result of the Executive Session:

K-03-13-07 Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to approve pursuant to the Statement of Finding of Facts dated 6/9/14.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Clerk Steele discussed the Drug Court Program. Katie Ashby, Drug Court Coordinator, will be resigning and asked if she can advertise for a replacement for her position. There has been discussion in the past few months regarding the funding of the program, as grant funding is no longer available.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 67-2345(d) – 31-874 to hold a Hearing of Continuation on case K-11-13-02. Roll call vote was taken.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

A Hearing of Continuation was held on case K-11-13-02. Present at the hearing were Chairman Al Hofer, Commissioners Bud Corbus and Wes Wootan, Civil Attorney Buzz Grant, Clerk Barbara Steele, Deputy Clerk Shelley Hooper, Social Services Director Marianne Bate and Deputy Clerk Candi Hinton. Questions were asked and answered and the hearing was closed.

Regular session resumed. The following decision was made as a result of the Executive Session:

K-07-13-01 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to sign the Order of Dismissal as St. Luke's Elmore withdrew the appeal on 6/9/14.

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

K-11-13-07 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to deny as applicant was approved for SSI and Medicaid for dates of service requested on the application.

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

K-04-14-05 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to approve with a reimbursement order of \$75.00 per month and 50% of Federal and State tax refunds as payment.

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

K-05-14-01 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to deny as applicant is not indigent and has discretionary income to pay the bills over five years. The applicant also failed to cooperate to complete the interview process and to provide documentation to the county.

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

K-05-14-07 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to deny as applicant failed to cooperate to determine eligibility for a 10 day prior application for eye surgery.

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

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to adjourn.

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

/S/ ALBERT HOFER, Chairman
ATTEST: /S/ BARBARA STEELE, Clerk