

**COMMISSIONERS MINUTES**

**SEPTEMBER 25, 2015**

The Elmore County Commissioners met in special session on the above date in the Commissioners Room, basement of the Elmore County Courthouse, 150 South 4<sup>th</sup> 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, and Deputy Clerk Shelley Essl.

The purpose of the special session was to approve the expenses, discuss landfill issues and discuss the Over-Snow Vehicle Travel Management Plan in the northern portion of the Fairfield Ranger District.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the letter to Jack Yarbrough of Idaho Waste Systems regarding the Landfill Mitigation Agreement.

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

**Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the letter to Jack Yarbrough of Idaho Waste Systems regarding the Request for Compliance with the Landfill Mitigation Agreement.

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

**Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the letter to Jack Yarbrough of Idaho Waste Systems regarding the Request for Compliance with the Solid Waste Management Services Agreement for the Bennett Road Transfer Station.

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

**Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve the Ambulance District Expenses in the amount of \$4,544.08, payable to Nitz Pine Store-\$160.59 and Elmore County-\$4,383.49.

- 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 \$3,054.95, payable to Centurylink-\$36.25 and Elmore County-\$3,018.70.

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

**HOFER ..... -AYE**

**Motion carried and so ordered.**

The issue of over-snow vehicle access into the Upper South Fork Boise River area was discussed. In order to provide opportunities for backcountry winter recreation without causing winter wildlife conflicts, and to minimize the potential disturbance effects to winterizing wildlife, the Fairfield Ranger District is proposing to change the boundaries of existing winter wildlife closure areas, removing motorized restrictions from Couch Summit to Fleck Summit and up Little Smoky Creek and to add motorized restrictions in the South Fork Boise River and Big Smoky Creek. Commissioner Corbus spoke with Jeff Day, Idaho Fish and Game, who stated they have been working with the Fairfield Ranger District regarding the proposed changes and they have all agreed that this corridor should be closed to snowmobiles.

The expenses were reviewed.

The issue of water acquisition for the county was discussed. Commissioner Hofer received a call from Gridflex Energy, LLC asking if a representative can meet with the board to discuss a proposed pump storage project. The Mountain Home Air Force Base water pipe line and storage project was also discussed.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to add the discussion of the water acquisition issue to the agenda as this is an ongoing issue and the board needs to receive weekly updates regarding the issue.

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

**CORBUS ..... -AYE**

**HOFER ..... -AYE**

**Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to approve the expenses in the amount of \$125,672.75, excluding a fair bill for ambulance charges in the amount of \$1,094.36.

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

**CORBUS ..... -AYE**

**HOFER ..... -AYE**

**Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to adjourn.

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

**CORBUS ..... -AYE**

**HOFER ..... -AYE**

**Motion carried and so ordered.**

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