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 Bud Corbus, Commissioners Wes Wootan and Al Hofer, Civil Attorney Buzz Grant, Clerk Barbara Steele, and Deputy Clerk Shelley Essl.

Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(f) to discuss pending litigation. Roll call vote was taken.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

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

Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(d) – 31-874 to discuss indigent applications. Roll call vote was taken.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

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

K-04-16-10 Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve with a reimbursement order of $25.00 per month and 50% of federal and state tax refunds as payment to begin on 7/15/16.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Clerk Steele updated the board on the Idaho Association of Counties (IAC) conference she attended this week.

Billing for services by the Pine Ambulance, Extrication and Search and Rescue was discussed.

Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(d)(f) to discuss protected records and pending litigation. Roll call vote was taken.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.
Regular session resumed. No decision was made as a result of the Executive Session.

The board spoke with Dwight Miller, Parametrix, via speaker phone regarding the Operations Plan and Arid Exemption for the Bennett Road Landfill and the Glenns Ferry Landfill. The board requested a timeframe of when the operations plan for Bennett Road will be completed. Mr. Miller stated that they are working toward having it by next week, but there are details that need to be worked out such as staffing and equipment. Then it will be sent to DEQ for their review and approval. Chairman Corbus asked if Mr. Miller could include dates and timeframes in his monthly report so the board can get an idea of when specific things will be accomplished. Mr. Miller stated that he will send the board a schedule showing the documentation and timeframes on when specific items will be completed. Discussion followed.

Terrill Howard, Blue Cross of Idaho representative, appeared to review costs for employee health benefits. Mr. Howard stated that the county will have a 19.62% increase in premium rates for next year. The reason for the increase is due to the 29.6% increase in claims filed and a 20% increase in utilization of prescription drugs. There was also an increased number of “large” claims. Mr. Howard explained that the county can increase the deductible and co-pays for prescription drugs to help lower the cost of the premium. Discussion followed. The board will ask department heads and elected officials to discuss the options with their employees.

Attorney Scott Campbell appeared to discuss the Anderson Ranch Dam water feasibility study. Attorney Campbell attended a meeting at the Bureau of Reclamation, which he felt was discouraging but also encouraging because the bureau now has participants who have sent in letters of commitment for funding. In order to proceed with the next level of the feasibility study, the bureau is requiring a 50% share of the $3 million cost to come from non-federal entities. Attorney Campbell drafted a commitment of funds letter for the board’s review and submission. He feels that the county needs to commit some sort of funding for the study. He stated that if the county waits to send the commitment letter, the chances of being able to participate later if the study does move forward are slim. He also stated that contributing does not guarantee that they will get any water if dam is raised. Discussion followed.

Motion by Corbus, second by Hofer, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(d) – 31-874 to hold a Hearing of Reconsideration on case K-11-15-04. Roll call vote was taken.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

A Hearing of Reconsideration was held on case K-11-15-04. Present at the hearing were Chairman Bud Corbus, Commissioners Wes Wootan and Al Hofer, Civil Attorney Buzz Grant, Clerk Barbara Steele, Deputy Clerk Shelley Essl, Social Services Director Marianne Bate, Social Services Assistant Deb
Marceau and Timothy Ryan representing St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center. 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-11-15-04 Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to continue the hearing until July 8, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

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Motion carried and so ordered.

Paula Riggs and Courtney Lewis, Mountain Home Economic Development, appeared and updated the board on their meeting with Roger Brooks and his presentation on the community review of Mountain Home. Mr. Brooks had some great suggestions for the Paul’s Market building, including a public market with a large double parking lot, an outdoor gathering place and possibly closing the street between the Stockyard and Pauls’ building and make that all part of the whole plaza and tie it into the El Rancho parking lot and Railroad Park. Ms. Riggs stated that Mr. Brooks was very impressed with Anderson Reservoir and how beautiful the area is and the drive to get there. He said that the city and the county really need to market that area for tourism. He was also very impressed with Glenns Ferry, especially the winery, the golf course, the park and the downtown visitor’s center. He feels that the number one priority should be decide what Mountain Home wants to be known for and work on that branding. The second priority should be the public market in the Paul’s Market building. The third priority should be the “way finding”, which is to have more signage for visitors to get to different places in Mountain Home. Discussion followed.

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

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Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the minutes for May 6, 2016.

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Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve the expenses in the amount of $136,612.26, and hold out a bill from Idaho Waste Systems pending further instruction.

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Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the payment to Ytuarte Concrete Inc. for repairs to the Bennett Road transfer station in the amount of $27,614.00.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to approve the Certificate of Residency applications for Jordan M. Lenz, Sidney N. Szafranski, Andrew J. Koschier and Conner K. S. Carpenter.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Treasurer Amber Sloan appeared and reviewed her budget. She will have a slight increase in her cost for tax notices, but the rest of her budget will stay the same.

Allen Kiester and Scott Mecham appeared to review the snowmobile budget. Mr. Kiester requested a slight increase for the snowmobile operator.

Vence Parsons, Plant Facilities Supervisor, appeared and reviewed his budget. Mr. Parson’s budget will have several increases due to the purchase of the building on American Legion Boulevard.

Traci LeFever, Vicki Smith, Alan Roberts and Allen Kiester appeared to review the E911 budget. Ms. LeFever requested an increase in the training line item for dispatchers.

Terry Ratliff, Public Defender, appeared to review his budget which will basically stay the same.

Attorney Grant reviewed the process for purchasing heavy equipment for the Bennett Road Landfill.

Motion by Corbus, second by Hofer, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(f) to discuss pending litigation. Roll call vote was taken.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

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

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to accept the bid of $250.00 from Leo Gilbride for the purchase of a 1990 Ford Ambulance.
Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the Third Amendment to the Inmate Telecommunication Location Agreement with Telmate LLC.

Motion by Corbus, second by Hofer, to approve and sign the Third Amendment to Addendum A for Electronic Transaction and Access between Access Idaho and the Elmore County Assessor’s Office.

Motion by Corbus, second by Hofer, to adjourn.

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FRANKLIN. L CORBUS Chairman

ATTEST:

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BARBARA STEELE, Clerk