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 Essl.

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

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

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

K-07-16-04 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to deny as the applicant was approved for Medicaid for dates of service on the application. Elmore County is not the last resource.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-11-16-03 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to amend the approval to add billing from two additional providers for payment.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-11-16-08 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to deny as the applicant and third party failed to cooperate and the applicant wished to withdraw the application.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-11-16-09 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to deny as the applicant failed to cooperate to determine indigency and last resource. Elmore County is unable to locate the applicant.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.
K-01-17-06 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to deny as Elmore County is not the obligated county. Ada County is the obligated county.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-01-17-09 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to deny as Elmore County is not the last resource. The applicant has Cobra Insurance to cover the dates of service.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve and authorize Chairman Hofer to sign the Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security 2014 Grant Adjustment.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the minutes for October 28, 2016, November 4, 2016 November 10, 2016, November 18, 2016, November 28, 2016, December 9, 2016 and December 16, 2016.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the Parametrix Scope of Work Task Authorization 04 Amendment 2.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve and sign the C2 Construction Contract Extension for the Fairground Restroom Remodel.

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

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the purchase of a ¾ ton Ford truck for the Noxious Weed Department.

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

James Brothers appeared to discuss upgrading Xerox copiers for the Commissioners’ Office, the Clerk’s Office and the Treasurer’s Office. Mr. Brothers reviewed monthly pricing for each upgrade.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(b) to discuss a personnel issue. Roll call vote was taken.

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

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

Steve Dye, Probation Services Director and Cassidy Wenner, appeared to discuss a grant application that was submitted to St. Luke’s Elmore. The grant funding will be for the Adult Misdemeanor Probation Department to help clients cover costs for certain probation services.

Cristy Accord, Glenns Ferry Economic Development Coordinator and Rusty Howard appeared to discuss a car show that will be held in Glenns Ferry in June. They are hoping to make this an annual event and not just a one-time event. Several small events will held throughout the weekend, such as a poker run, a slow cruise parade through town, a flea market, a car show and a street race. There will also be a kid’s play park set up that will have a jumping castle and rock climbing walls. Since the event will promote the town and bring business to downtown Glenns Ferry, they would like to have downtown businesses sponsor portions of the event. Business advertising will be done through a DJ on the fairgrounds and banners on the fairground fences. Attorney Grant asked if they spoke with Sheriff Hollinshead regarding the street race. Mr. Howard stated that they have coordinated with the sheriff and the highway district to find the most appropriate spot for the race. Attorney Grant wants to make sure they have release of liability in place for all aspects of the event. Discussion followed.

Members of the Search and Rescue Department appeared and discussed the procedure for transferring vehicle titles into the county’s name. Rusty Fairclough asked how the county would go about purchasing new vehicles and if there would be a county budget line item for the department for vehicle maintenance and to purchase vehicles if the titles were transferred into the county’s name. Chairman Hofer stated that
currently there is not a line item for those issues and would need to be discussed at budget time. Members of the department being covered by the county’s workers comp insurance was also discussed.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(b) to discuss a personnel issue. Roll call vote was taken.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

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

The board received two bid proposals, from Scales Northwest and Total Scale Service, Inc., for the replacement of the truck scale at the Bennett Road Landfill. Representatives from each scale company were present. Commissioner Corbus stated for the record that before they open the bids, he wants to make sure that the dollars for the project are spent in Elmore County. The board opened and reviewed the bids. A lengthy discussion followed regarding the bid specs from each bidder.

Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to accept the bid from Total Scale Service, Inc. in the amount of $77,345.35 for a new truck scale at the Bennett Road Landfill.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

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

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed.

Russ Duke, Megan Blanksma and Betty Nettleton, representing the Central District Health Department, appeared and discussed the distribution of state general funds appropriated to the seven local public health districts of Idaho. Each year the Idaho Legislature provides a single appropriation to our local public health districts. Those funds are divided among the districts based on a formula that is determined by a board of trustees, which includes one member from each health district. Currently, there is no external review and no appeal process for any decision made by the board. The board changed the formula for the FY 2014 appropriation which caused an immediate reduction in funds for the two largest and fastest growing districts in the state, Districts 3 and 4. Proposed legislation includes a formula that will ensure base level funding for each health district by matching 67% of their counties’ contribution, in accordance
with statute, with the remaining amount of the appropriation divided based on indicators of workload. They asked that the commissioners to submit a letter of support for the proposed legislation.

Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the letter of support for the proposed legislation for a funding formula for the distribution of funding appropriations to the local public health districts.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the expenses in the amount of $337,352.57.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the Ambulance District Expenses in the amount of $5,761.97, payable to Verizon Wireless-$205.98, Pine Resort, LLC-$304.28, Sawtooth Emergency Vehicles, Inc.-$344.03, RTI-$139.95, Hiler Brothers Company-$114.81 and Elmore County-$4,652.92.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the Pest Abatement District Expenses in the amount of $4,448.72, payable to Centurylink-$107.40, Verizon Wireless-$52.90, Office Value Inc.-$72.71 and Elmore County-$4,215.71.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Deliberations were held regarding an appeal of the denial of a request for five conditional use permits for Cat Creek Energy, LLC. The board reviewed proposed conditions that were drafted from deliberations held on January 13th. The requirements of a development agreement between the landowner and the county were also discussed. The board made no final decision at this time. Continued deliberations will be held on Friday, February 10, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Beth Bresnahan, Land Use and Building Department, updated the board on a cell tower issue by Silver Sage Mobile Home Park. The board received a complaint from a resident who feels he is having health issues due to a “microwave dish” that is on the tower. Ms. Bresnahan went to the tower site and took pictures so the board could see what the tower looks like. The site was approved for a communications tower, which should not be emitting any sort of waves that could cause health issues. Ms. Bresnahan stated that her office is going to contact Intermountain Communications to see if they can get further information on the tower and how it operates.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(a) to discuss hiring. Roll call vote was taken.

Motion carried and so ordered.

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

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to adjourn.

Motion carried and so ordered.

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