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 Wootan, to add the Fleet card account applications to the agenda.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the Fleet Card Account Applications.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

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-02-17-02 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to amend approval and reimbursement order due to calculation error.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-03-17-01 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to sign the Order of Dismissal as St. Luke’s Regional Medical Center withdrew the appeal.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-05-17-06 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to suspend as the applicant is pending Medicaid with the Department of Health and Welfare and DDS Unit.
G-06-17-04 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to deny as St. Luke’s Regional Medical Center withdrew the 10 day prior application. The surgery is postponed to a later date.

The monthly department head meeting was held.

Beth Bresnahan, Land Use and Building Department Director, appeared. They have issues twenty two building permits this month and they have seven pending permits. There are twelve active code enforcement investigations, with one case at the prosecutor’s office. Mountain Home Solar is still in the process of re-doing their road because of the winter weather. The staff is on a waiting list to attend flood plain training in Maryland at the National Emergency Training Center. She had a lengthy conversation with ITD regarding the approaches for the Public Service building.

Wade Baumgardner, Veteran Services Officer, appeared. He has completed several long withstanding claims and awaiting medical records from the archives in St. Louis. He has several requests for “Aid and Attendance” for those veterans residing in assisted living or a nursing home. He participated in the annual Memorial Day ceremonies at the Mountain View Cemetery on May 29th. He is in the process of completing as many older claims as possible before his retirement. Since the last meeting, he has assisted thirty seven veterans, spouses and family members with specific VA issues.

Jeff Day, Waterways Department, appeared. He gave an update on the Curlew docks. There will be no docks put back in the water this year. New anchors and cables may be installed at the end of the boating season when and if the water goes down. The Forest Service asked if the Waterways Department would be able to give some funding to help with repairs and replacement of the docks, with an estimated cost of $10,000.00 to $15,000.00. He will discuss the funding request at the next Waterways meeting.
Deb Ireland, Landfill Supervisor, appeared. They have been getting tires at the Bennett Road landfill so they have been taking them to the recycling center. The city department of public works came to landfill with dump truck load of construction debris, but the debris was too big for them to take so they sent them to Simco Road. They are still having problems with hydraulics on the back hoe. A mechanic from Western States CAT came out to work on it but it is still not working correctly, so she will call them to come back out. Also, the tire on the back hoe was sliced by large piece of metal, so she will need to buy a new tire and rim.

Brian Chevalier, Pine EMS, appeared. The propane line for the generator was installed. EC Power needs to have an electrician inspect the electrical and local where the generator will be before the install. The water level in the river is finally going down. They have given out approximately four trailers full of sandbags to residents with flooding issues. He received the automated external defibrillator and will be getting batteries and pads this week. He met with Alan Roberts for a pre-build meeting regarding the new ambulance. Scheduling still remains a challenge. He has removed more people from the roster that have not volunteered in over six months. He just brought on two new EMT’s and is working on scheduling their orientation. The country music festival will be coming up in July. He has both ambulances scheduled to cover the event. He has an ATV training day scheduled with the Search and Rescue Department for June 24th. They had a total of six runs since mid-May.

Alan Roberts, Extrication Department, appeared. They had a very serious accident in I-84 on Tuesday involving a cement pump truck that was imbedded into the back of a tractor trailer. It was a secondary accident due to a rollover accident three mile ahead. They were able to extricate the driver of the cement pump truck, who was alive but in pretty critical condition. He stated that the quick actions of his team and the new equipment was responsible for getting the driver out of the wreck and off to the hospital for medical attention.

Steve Dye, Probation Supervisor, appeared. Juvenile Probation has been busy and behind on reports so he needed to authorize some comp time. Adult misdemeanor numbers are lower than last year and they have been slower than usual. The Drug Court program has twenty seven participants with three inactive and four pending entry into the program. He has been doing some research but does not think there will be any available grant funding to cover the extra costs that the county contributes to the drug court budget.

Brad Stokes, Extension Educator, appeared. He attended the University of Idaho Parma field day on June 21st, which was very informative. He is beginning to receive emails from Potato Psyllid Weekly Traps, by Ian Pattani from Simplot. Zero psyllids have been collected so far this year. He will be attending a trapping day with Ian on July 5th. He received an interesting weed from Knight Vet Clinic, which has a toxicity to cattle at 275 grams/day. The weed was found near Elko, Nevada and he doesn’t believe it to be anywhere in Elmore County.
Jim Torbert, Pest Abatement, appeared. He has been assisting the Department of Agriculture with Morman Cricket bait distribution and has signed out approximately 3,400 pounds of bait so far. He also worked on the Side Shoot Bait Project on Highway 20, with approximately 1,200 pounds of bait distributed. He is still larvaciding throughout the county. He has been fogging at night and meeting with people in the evening hours, informing them about the mosquito abatement alert program and addressing concerns about mosquitos in their neighborhoods. He is doing Zika virus BG Sentinel trapping and has been trapping for West Nile virus. Their Facebook page has been activated and they are posting weekly informational flyers along with any other current events.

Christy Accord, Glenns Ferry Economic Development, appeared. She is working on Project Duke and submitted sec. 27 Simco Road for evaluation. The request was for a pet food manufacturer which will support the production of regionally sourced pet food. The project will include a full on-site distribution warehouse and logistics center built by the company. She is also working on Project Route. Sites must be rail served and have access to I-84. It will require 40 plus acres of a square plot of land, significant parking for tractor trailers, peak seasonal use will require daily service of eight 85 foot long refrigerated cares. She is currently looking for properties that fit these requirements. She will be holding a business meeting with local businesses to discuss grant funding and opportunities and discuss opportunities to help each other. She is creating Welcome to Elmore County packages to send out with Request for Information packets.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed.

Julia Robertson, Elmore County Domestic Violence Council, appeared to discuss an annual funding request. They are requesting $2,535.00. The funding will be used for the crisis hotline phone service, the website hosting services, several outreach programs, and printing and postage costs for informational mail-outs.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 629-17 and refer to it in title only.

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Wootan, second by Hofer, to approve Resolution No. 629-17 Oder of Annexation of Property into the Oasis Fire Protection District.
RESOLUTION NO. 629-17

ELMORE COUNTY
RESOLUTION AND ORDER OF ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY INTO THE OASIS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE ELMORE COUNTY (the “County”) COMMISSIONERS (the “Board”), STATE OF IDAHO, ON THE 23rd DAY OF JUNE 2017, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION AND ORDER OF ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY INTO THE OASIS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT WAS ADOPTED, TO WIT;

WHEREAS, annexation of territory into a fire protection district is governed by Idaho Code Title 31, Chapter 14 (“Annexation Statutes”); and

WHEREAS, a petition (the “Petition”) pertaining to a parcel of real property (the “Property”), was submitted to the Oasis Fire Protection District (“District”) on or about March 8, 2017 for annexation of the Property into the District”), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof;

WHEREAS, the Property is shown and is contiguous to the District boundary as shown on Exhibit B, which exhibit is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Property is comprised of approximately 37 acres of land, contiguous to the property which makes up the District; and

WHEREAS, the petitioner of the Property consented to a hearing within one hundred eighty (180) days of the date of the Petition; and

WHEREAS, the commissioners of the District on May 10, 2017, held a public hearing in connection with the proposed annexation of the Property, which public hearing was published in the Mountain Home News on April 26, 2017 (“Notice of Hearing”), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit C and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the commissioners of the District on May 10, 2017, approved the annexation of the Property into the District and issued an Order of Annexation of Property to the Oasis Fire Protection
District (the “Order of Annexation”), which Order of Annexation was delivered to the Board, on June 9, 2017, and a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit D and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Petition, the Notice of Hearing, the Order of Annexation and the Annexation Statutes, and has found that the requirements under Annexation Statutes have been satisfied;

WHEREAS, the Property, considered by the Board for inclusion of in the Oasis Fire District is legally described on Exhibit E, which exhibit is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to enter this Resolution and Order of Annexation of Property for the inclusion of the Property into the Oasis Fire Protection District and to include the Property on to the Elmore County tax rolls for the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that Elmore County Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve and order that the Property be annexed into the District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Elmore County Assessor be directed to add the Property to the tax rolls of the District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Elmore County Recorder be directed to record this Resolution and Order of Annexation of Property into the Oasis Fire Protection District pursuant to the Annexation Statutes.

This Resolution and Order of Annexation of Property in to the Oasis Fire Protection District of the Elmore County Board of Commissioners, was approved on and shall be effective on this 23rd day of June 2017.

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 Wootan, to approve the expenses in the amount of $176,228.53.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.
Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 630-17 and refer to it in title only.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve Resolution No. 630-17 Amendment and Seventh Extension Declaration to Local Disaster Emergency.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 630-17

AMENDMENT TO AND SEVENTH EXTENSION TO THE ELMORE COUNTY DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY, DECLARED UNDER ELMORE COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 614-17

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ELMORE COUNTY (the “County”) COMMISSIONERS (the “Board”), STATE OF IDAHO, ON THE 23rd DAY OF JUNE 2017, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED, TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the Board, pursuant to Idaho Code §46-1011, has the authority to declare a state of local disaster emergency regarding the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board, on February 10, 2017, passed Resolution No. 614-17 (“Initial Declaration”) declaring a state of local disaster emergency due to melting snow and rain storms which have currently and may in the future may create flooding, mudslides and/or avalanches and a large amount of infrastructure damage in the following areas: Oasis and Tipanuk areas, Alkali, Rosevear, Hot Creek, Sailor Creek, Slick Ranch, Sugar Bowl, Murphy Springs and Black Mesa areas, the Pine Featherville Road area, Blacks Creek and South Fork of the Boise River areas, Prairie, Pine to Featherville area, Beaman Road and the Mountain Home area, the Atlanta area and other areas of the County (“flooding, mudslides and avalanches”); and

WHEREAS, the declaration of local disaster emergency under Idaho Code is §46-1011(1), is limited in duration to seven days unless it is continued or renewed for a period in excess of seven days with the consent of the governing board of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the Initial Declaration ran from February 10, 2017 through February 17, 2017; and
WHEREAS, the Board on February 17, 2017, passed Resolution No. 615-17 (the “First Extension”) extending the declaration of local disaster from February 18, 2017 through February 24, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board on February 17, 2017, passed Resolution No. 616-17 (the “Second Extension”) extending the declaration of local disaster from February 24, 2017 through March 3, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board on March 3, 2017, passed Resolution No. 617-17 (the “Third Extension”) extending the declaration of local disaster from March 3, 2017 through April 7; and

WHEREAS, the Board on April 7, 2017, passed Resolution No. 620-17 (the “Fourth Extension”) extending the declaration of local disaster from April 7, 2017 through May 5, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board on May 5, 2017, passed Resolution No. 624-17 (the “Fifth Extension”) extending the declaration of local disaster from May 5, 2017 through June 2, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board on June 2, 2017, passed Resolution No. 626-17 (the “Fifth Extension”) extending the declaration of local disaster from June 2, 2017 through July 7, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the flooding, mudslides and avalanches located in the County, are a continuing local disaster emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Board anticipates due to the flooding, mudslides and avalanches that mosquitoes and mosquito transmitted diseases may become a problem in Elmore County and, as of the date of this Seventh Resolution, desires to amend the Initial Declaration to include the spraying and other eradication efforts for mosquitoes; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to extend the declaration of local disaster emergency from July 7th through August 4, 2017 (“Extension Period”); and

WHEREAS, a local disaster emergency exists in the County and the County requires state emergency assistance to supplement local efforts to protect life and property and to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local or intergovernmental disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Board requests that the Governor of the State of Idaho, together with the other appropriate state officials, along with other appropriate federal officials, to make such declarations, and provide such assistance within County as required and allowed by law.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Elmore County Board of Commissioners does hereby declare, pursuant to Idaho Code §46-1011, that a local disaster emergency exits in Elmore County, Idaho; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Governor of the State of Idaho be advised of this local disaster emergency and is requested to take all action available for the amelioration of the above described local disaster emergency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Elmore County Recorder be directed to properly file this Resolution pursuant to Idaho Code Section 46-1011 and that the Elmore County Clerk provide prompt and general publicity of this declaration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall remain in effect through the expiration of the Extension Period, unless it is extended or terminated by the Board.

Approved as a Resolution of the Elmore County Board of Commissioners effective on this 23rd day of June 2017.

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 Wootan, to add the Public Defense grant funding application for Public Defender services.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the Public Defense grant funding application.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Andrea Tuning and Dave Lemons appeared to discuss flooding and levee issues in the Ballantyne Subdivision. Ms. Tuning gave a background of the Ballantyne levee. She stated that Elmore County and the Army Corp of Engineers entered into an agreement for a project that cleared fallen tree snags, removed sediment deposits and repaired the levee to accomplish flood protection in the area. The project named Elmore County as the local sponsor of the Ballantyne levee. She stated that Elmore County, as the
sponsor, upheld the requirements to maintain the levee for several years, but eventually the river had appeared to go over and around the levee during spring runoffs and no maintenance had done to correct this. She stated that in 2007, Elmore County sent letters to notify the homeowners of the subdivision of the current status of the levee and the plans that the county was working on to address deficiencies. The homeowners received no other correspondence and assumed that the deficiencies had been corrected. The next correspondence the residents received from Elmore County was in 2012. The letter stated that Elmore County believes the residents need to create a flood control district as a mechanism to receive funding for flood issues. The residents feel that Elmore County failed to carry out their duties as the local sponsor of the levee and this gross negligence has created significant loss and damage to private property during the significant flood event on May 6, 2017. They feel that Elmore County is responsible for the repair or replacement of the levee and future upkeep of the levee to avoid another major flood event in the future. A lengthy discussion followed. The commissioners stated that they would like some time to review the information they received at today’s meeting and to do some further research on this issue before they can make an informed decision on how to proceed.

Connie Cruser appeared to request funding for the Mountain Home Senior Center and their Meals on Wheels program. Ms. Cruser thanked the board for their yearly funding contribution and stated that it is very valuable in helping them provide the services to the senior citizens of Mountain Home. She reviewed their yearly budget, income and expenditures.

Billing for ambulance, extrication and search and rescue services was discussed.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to adjourn.

Motion carried and so ordered.

/S/ ALBERT HOFER, Chairman

ATTEST: /S/ BARBARA STEELE, Clerk