COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

MARCH 10, 2017

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-01-17-10 Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to approve with a reimbursement order of $150.00 per month and 50% of federal and state income tax refunds as payment.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

K-02-17-02 Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to approve with a reimbursement order of $25.00 per month and 50% of federal and state income tax refunds as payment to begin July 2017.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Pat Momont appeared and introduced the board to Brad Stokes who will be the new county extension educator.

Chairman Hofer discussed the purchase of a pickup truck and a dump trailer for the Bennett Road landfill.

Motion by Corbus, second by Hofer, to approve the purchase of a pickup truck and dump trailer for use at the Bennett Road Landfill.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.
Sheriff Mike Hollinshead appeared. The commissioners would like the sheriff to utilize the SILDS inmates on a daily basis to do approved work. Sheriff Hollinshead stated that the deputy assigned to the SILDS program is part time and would need to hire another deputy to work the SILDS program so the part time deputy doesn’t go over his allotted hours per week. Discussion followed. Sheriff Hollinshead also discussed the annual grant funding for the boating safety program.

Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the Agreement with the Department of Parks and Recreation for Boating Safety Grant Monies.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Corbus, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the Agreement for Dispatch Services with the City of Mountain Home.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Cassandra Wenner, St. Luke’s Elmore and Alexis Pickering, Central District Health Department appeared and reviewed a Change Tool for a Community Health Project.

Bill Morgensen and Chris Valenzuela, Corporate Technologies IT Services appeared and reviewed a proposal to provide the county with website management. They would provide IT support, hardware and software. Their help desk is staffed with twenty engineers to take calls. Chairman Hofer discussed the issues at the jail with different programs and asked how they would structure the IT services. Mr. Morgensen suggested sending someone onsite to do an assessment and get detailed information on how everything is configured and then he could provide an accurate quote for services. Discussion followed.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to adjourn for lunch followed by a tour of local water recharge areas.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to add Mountain Home Fire Chief Mark Moore to the agenda to discuss Rattlesnake Hill repeater issues as they came up after the agenda was posted and are time sensitive.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.
Chief Moore stated that there is a repeater on Rattlesnake Hill that the city and the county use for emergency communications. There has been issues with weaker radio communication and transmissions cutting out and Chief Moore found out that a paging company had moved onto the repeater site without permission and their equipment was causing the repeater issues. The paging company also “rented out” part of the space to another company who was using the power source on the site and had the power bill changed into their company name. Both companies were asked to vacate the site by the end of the month so Idaho Power will be shutting off the power because it is in the name of the second company. Chairman Hofer said that the county will take over the power bill so the emergency radio communication will not be interrupted. Discussion followed.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the minutes for January 6, 2017 and March 3, 2017.

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the establishment of the polling places for the May 16, 2017 Taxing District Election.

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve and sign the Independent Contract Agreement with Joe Inama for the Atlanta Trash Site.

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the expenses in the amount of $418,014.57.

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Ambulance District Expenses in the amount of $5,482.07, payable to Valley Co-ops, Inc-$410.41, Elmore County-$5,003.03 and Norco-$68.66.

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to approve the Pest Abatement District Expenses in the amount of $8,921.08, payable to Elmore County-$7,799.42, Northwest Mosquito & Vector Control-$50.00,
Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to add Carol Killian, Disaster Services Coordinator and Dale Nalder, Bureau of Homeland Security to the agenda to discuss a state disaster declaration due to destruction from recent flooding.

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 an indigent application. Roll call vote was taken.

Motion carried and so ordered.

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

K-09-16-01 Motion by Wootan, second by Corbus, to approve with a reimbursement order of $100.00 per month as payment.

Motion carried and so ordered.

The board had a lengthy discussion via speaker phone with representatives from the Water Resource Board regarding water being diverted into gravel pits.

Motion by Hofer, second by Wootan, to adjourn.

Motion carried and so ordered.