COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

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 Chairperson Al Hofer, Commissioners Bud Corbus and Crystal Rodgers and Deputy Clerk Vicky Trevathan. Prosecutor Shondi Lott joined the meeting later.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the bi-weekly payroll for April 21, 2023 and the general payroll for April 28, 2023.

HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the minutes for May 5, 2023

HOFER-AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to approve FY2024 Indigent Defense Financial Assistance Application.

HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 2023-05 and refer to it in title only.

HOFER--AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to approve Ordinance No. 2023-05, Implementation of Impact Fees.

CORBUS --AYE
RODGERS --AYE
HOFER --AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Traci Lefever appeared before the Board to discuss the Lumen Service Agreement for backup Dispatch. The Board would like to hold off on making a decision regarding the Service Agreement until they how nailed down how they will be moving forward with the Forest service Building.

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Recess taken at 9:38 am

Back on record at 10:03 am

Commissioner Hofer left the meeting to attend the Central District Health Budget Hearing.

Motion by Corbus, second by Rodgers to appoint Commissioner Rodgers as Chairman in Chairman Hofer's absence.

Motion carried and so ordered.

Amber Sloan – Elmore County Treasurer appeared before the Board. This was the time scheduled for Tax Deed Hearings. There are no properties that the County will have to take Deed on.

Josh Dison – Elmore County Assessor appeared before the Board to discuss a Casualty Loss Application on Parcel RPB0065020019A.

Motion by Corbus, second by Rodgers, to approve the Casualty Loss Application on Parcel RPB0065020019A.

CORBUS --AYE
RODGERS --AYE
HOFER --AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Time Set for Public Hearing on Application for 63-602NN Tax Exemption filed by IVMHMF, Inc Public Hearing Opened at 10:40 a.m.

Present it the Hearing were. Josh Dison – Elmore County Assessor, Zack Simons – Broker for Imagine Ventures, Kevin Halverson – Imagine Ventures, Jasper Kasim – Imagine Ventures

Mr. Halverson requested that the Board not make a final decision during this session and defer that decision to a later date so that they can provide additional data driven facts.

Mr. Kasim provided an overview of the project.

Josh Dison advised the Board that this Public Hearing had been set for today's meeting because any decisions regarding tax year 2023 need to be made by May 15th. Upon further discussion it was determined that this application would not affect tax year 2023 and instead would begin in tax year 2024 if approved.

Chris Alzola spoke in opposition to the application.

Public Hearing Closed at 11:18 a.m. Continued to June 2, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

Linda Culver – Regional Director for U.S. Congressman Mike Simpson, Craig Quarterman – Ag and Natural Resource Director for Congressman Mike Simpson, Jessica Hammond – Veterans and Military Outreach Coordinator for Congressman Mike Simpson, Parker Harrell – Regional Director for U.S. Senator Mike Crapo and Marty Broughton – Communications Director/Regional Director for U.S. Senator Jim Risch appeared before the Board to introduce themselves and provide information to the Board about what it is they do in their offices and provide their contact information.

Dylan Lawrence and Keri Hill appeared before the Board to provide an Update regarding the County water Projects. Discussion was held regarding the possibility of using a Public Relations firm to get information to the public about the Water Projects. Elmore County Prosecutor, Shondi Lott, advised the Board that it would be acceptable for the Board to use a PR firm to share information so long as they do not advocate one way or the other.

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

Motion carried and so ordered.

Mitra Mehta-Cooper – Elmore County Land Use Director, Abigail Germaine – Counsel for Elmore County, Molly Hage – Counsel for Elmore County, Amanda Schauss – Counsel for Elmore County, Brent Copes – Central District Health- John Runft – Counsel for IRWS, John Crigler – IRWS, Jessica Borders – Counsel for IRWS, Kelly Larson-Crigler – IRWS, James Roddin – Elmore County Land Use Code Enforcement appeared before the Board for a discussion regarding Simco Road Regional Landfill. Also present at the meeting were Sawyer Crenshaw – Mountain Home News, Bob Bennett – Republic Services, and Deb Ireland – Elmore County Landfill Supervisor.

Shondi Lott appeared before the Board to discuss her request for authorization of internships in her Office. Internships would run for a 10 week period. Requesting one L1 and one L2 internship for this year. Additionally, Ms. Lott informed the Board about a grant that she had applied for and just received notification that Elmore County has been chosen as one of the four grant recipients.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Internships in the Elmore County Prosecutor's Office as requested.

CORBUS --AYE
RODGERS --AYE
HOFER --AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second as Corbus, to adjourn as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the Board of Equalization.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Casualty Loss Application regarding RPB0065020019A.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE

HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to adjourn as the Board of Equalization and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE

HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to adjourn.

CORBUS.....--AYE

HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

/S/ ALBERT HOFER, Chairperson ATTEST: /S/ SHELLEY ESSL, Clerk