

Abbreviated Minutes: Complete Set Of Minutes Are On File In The Clerk's Office

**Madison County
Commissioner Meeting Minutes
February 26, 2018**

Attendees:

Jon Weber, Chairman
Todd Smith, Commissioner
Brent Mendenhall, Commissioner
Troy Evans, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Kim Muir, County Clerk
Ilene Palmer, Deputy County Clerk

Agenda Topics

Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation

Public Comment – Layne Sommers

Layne Sommers asked if the Misty Valley Subdivision was completed. The Commissioners stated the preliminary plat has been approved, and they are waiting to see the recommendations from P&Z on the final plat. Layne presented Commissioners with the petition of those that signed with concerns over the subdivision. This was previously entered into evidence at the P&Z level for Final Plat and will be coming to the Commissioners. Layne still has various concerns. The Commissioners will review the public hearing testimony at P&Z level for the Final Plat and the recommendations from P&Z prior to making their decision.

County Business

Committee & Board Reports

Brent Mendenhall- Health Board
Brent reported he is continuing to learn more about the Board.

Calendar Discussion

Next Meeting: March 12, 2018
Social Services Conference: April 17-19, 2018

Discussion Items

Contracts/Documents

After review and discussion, Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve and sign the Cat Lease Agreement for a Solid Waste Track Hoe. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. There was a previous issue on the amount of the trade in and purchase of the current loan, but the paperwork was correctly done and finalized.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve and sign Resolution No.: 424 to destroy old Indigent files. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.



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Sid Brown

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Rick Henry

Treasurer

Sherry Arnold

Routine Matters

After review and discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the claims presented by the Clerk in the amount of \$314,789.74 and \$53,968.12 from the general fund. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve and sign the Commissioner meeting minutes of February 9, 2018. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Certificates of Residency. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. See the attached list.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the personnel actions. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

Ted Hendricks, ECIPDA update on properties

Rick Miller was also present.

- The Appletree Daycare is still leasing with them, and there has been no rental increase in sixteen years. They can't make improvements or pay more as they are barely surviving. It is a competitive market and they have had to lower their prices.
- The building on Second East is possibly sold and ECIPDA will carry the note. There was a prospective buyer; however it may have fallen through.
- The Business Development Center has graduated a lot of tenants over the past several years.
- The Business Park in Sugar City has sold a few lots. The County has an interagency agreement with the City of Sugar City and ECIPDA. The sale of lots can go toward other Economic Development projects. It will take a few years to get this all settled with the governmental agencies. There have been two other lots sold in the past year and building will start soon.

Small businesses are coming on; however they don't see larger companies coming. Our economy is still struggling. ECIPDA is slightly ahead of where they were before the crash in 2008. There is still an office and the Business Development Center that are not on the tax rolls.

Executive Session Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(b) employee matters Bradley Petersen (c) to discuss acquiring an interest in real property and (d) exempt records-Ann Marie Sorensen, Indigent Clerk.

Commissioner Weber made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:35 a.m. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Commissioner Weber- yes

Commissioner Smith- yes

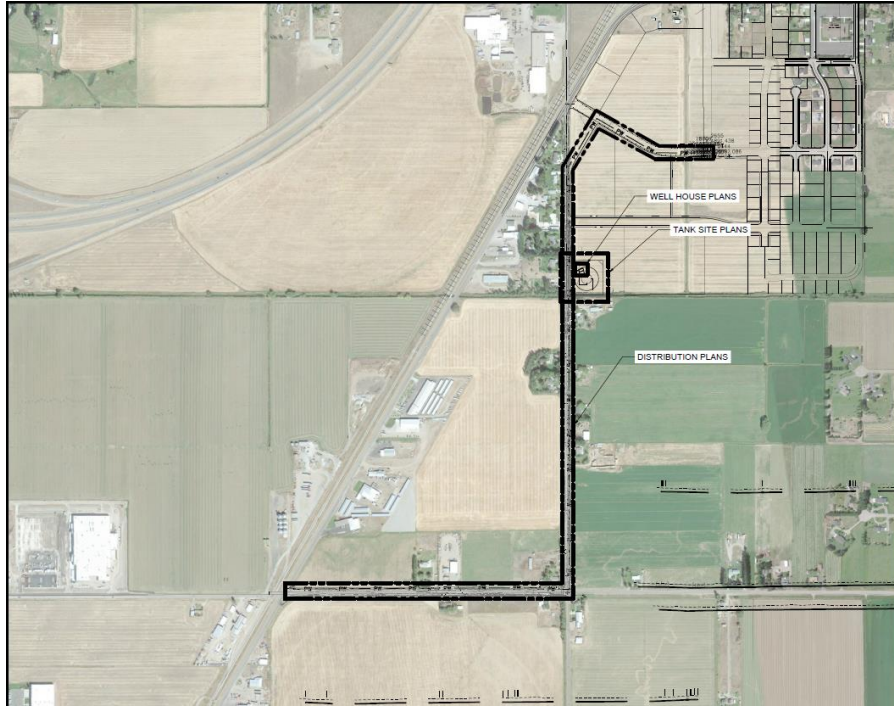
Commissioner Mendenhall-yes

Commissioner Weber returned the County Commissioners to open session at 10:05 a.m. Commissioner Weber made a motion to sign Amended Approval on Case No.2018005A and a Lien on Case No. 2018010. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. No further decisions were made.

Mayor Ogden, Sugar City Impact discussion

A new well is being installed in the Sugar City limits. Mayor Ogden requested a right of way easement from Madison County for installation of the well through County right-of-way on the east side of south 7th west and along the north side of the Moody Highway. There are three homes and they will have to get easement agreements for those. These properties are all in the Impact Area. The City already has

agreements signed by Randall Porter and Gary Jeppesen who would like to develop their land within Sugar City. The water line is initially to provide water to Randall Porter. He would like to sell, however no one will buy until there is water. All property is north of the Moody Road. The route of the proposed water line is below in black.



Commissioner Mendenhall moved to approve the right away easement as per the attached map. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous. The Sugar City engineer on this project (i.e., Randy Johnson) will communicate with Troy to see if a written right-of-way agreement is needed with the

County and City for the grant. There may also be a need for a legal description of this area where the water line will be run off the side of the county roads.

Jarold Arnold, Matthew Jensen regarding the Renaissance Fair reservation requested at Twin Bridges. Discuss Solid Waste hours and introduce new employee Shannon Lewis at Solid Waste.

New Employee

Jared Arnold introduced Shannon Lewis as the new employee at Solid Waste. She was welcomed to the County.

Renaissance Fair

Matthew Jensen reported the community-wide renaissance fair will be June 20th – July 2nd, 2018. This event is not sponsored by the County; the organizers just want to hold it at the County's Twin Bridges campground. The actual renaissance fair will be on Fridays and Saturdays, however, the additional days during the week are needed for setup. The renaissance fair will use ten sites and one shelter at Twin Bridges. They are expecting approximately 1,000 participants, including some from outside the area. They do carry their own liability insurance which will be required by the County. The outside public will still be able to camp during the renaissance fair and use the boat dock. This fair will be placed in the back corner of the campground. Organizers have a check out process to ensure the area is cleaned up before any of the vendors leave. The fees will be \$100 for a shelter, \$750 for artistic, \$10 for food vendors. There will be no alcohol at the renaissance fair, and it will close at 10 p.m. each night. Based upon these terms, the Commissioners agreed to allow the renaissance fair to be held at Twin Bridges campground.

Solid Waste

Jared will change the facility's open time in the mornings to 6 a.m. to accommodate the needs of the public and City of Rexburg trucks who are there early.

Four wheeler purchase

The transmissions on two of the four-wheelers in Mosquito are breaking down. New transmissions will cost thousands of dollars. Jared wants to lower the engine size to 450cc's because the larger sizes are not necessary. RMS has agreed to trade in the two four-wheelers for Can Ams. This will come out of the Mosquito budget. Commissioners agreed this is a good plan and approved moving forward.

C&D Site

The Commissioners will stop by to see the new equipment today during the noon hour. Commissioner Weber asked if Darby can attend the East Idaho Waste District meeting on February 27th, at 9 a.m.

Amanda/Kirk, County facilities benefit/finalize details with gym benefit and start date.

Jade Parker was also present for this discussion.

Gym Membership

Amanda presented Commissioners with more details on the proposed gym membership benefit. Since proof of attending three times a week is difficult, it was decided that the employee will need to bring a contract from the gym. Dawn will give the employee \$15 on their check to pay the membership themselves. Commissioner Weber asked for a monthly or yearly report so we know how many people are taking advantage of the benefit. Amanda will provide a flyer for employees explaining the new benefits in detail. The start date will be March 1, 2018.

Madison County Facilities

Employees can camp for free and use a shelter for free with a reservation.

Commissioners have previously approved these new employee benefits. This conversation was for additional detail.

Shawn Boice, Tax cancellation for Barry Peterson, Site improvement exemption for DP Rentals, Mendoza, Public Meeting 602NN. Exemption for Pro Peat, Ag exemption for Corey Robison, Goodman

Tax Cancellation for Barry Robertson

This is a reappraisal. There was no home at the time; however it was added onto the new construction roll. Shawn said this is due to a mistake on the Assessor's office.

Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve the site improvement exemption for Barry Robertson. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Site Improvement exemption for DP Rentals

DL Beck owns a four acre property near Walters Ready Mix. He wants to put apartments on the property which have already been plated.

Commissioner Weber made a motion to approve the site improvement exemption for DP Rentals. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

Mendoza Commercial Development

The Mendoza's have a rental property they are building storage units on. The plat has already been recorded and they will be taxed on 25% of the value.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the site improvement exemption for Mendoza. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

Exemption for Pro Peat

John Pocock, the owner was present. To qualify for the Economic Development exemption the company must be non-retail and have at least \$500,000 or more investment. Their improvement on the building is already on the rolls. The personal property improvement today is \$1.8 million; however they need to meet the five year qualification. John provided the Commissioners a flyer and a sample of the product they are manufacturing. He said they are one of two plants in the world that provide this product. They are in the process of setting up distributors now. They currently have five fulltime employees and hope to soon grow to ten to fifteen employees.

Troy is drafting a resolution for the Commissioners and John to sign per the requirements of our ordinance and Idaho Law. It will be placed on the next agenda for approval.

Ag exemption for Corey Robison

Corey has five acres in hay and a stocking yard along the Archer Hwy.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Ag exemption for Corey Robison. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

Ag exemption for Goodman

Shawn reported that mares were brought onto the property and they are running a colt operation. There is a seven acre parcel including the house. All lots are fenced.

Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve the Ag exemption for Ryan & Christina Goodman with the recommendation to have Shawn follow up every few months to make sure they are meeting the requirement. Commissioner Smith seconded and voting was unanimous.

Mayor's Youth Committee, Tobacco 21

The Mayor's Youth Committee asked the Commissioners for a decision on whether the County will ban the sale of tobacco products to anyone under the age of 21. The City has done this previously. What was presented and what the City passed has nothing to do with possession or use of tobacco however. Commissioner Mendenhall read from his Idaho District 7 Board notes and stated statistics show smoking begins before the age of eighteen and that family and education is a better deterrent than age limits. There was also a discussion on the State not passing legislation on this matter recently. The Commissioners feel that the smoking age should continue to stay at eighteen. There is no question smoking is bad for people. This has been proved, and is not this issue today. However, eighteen is when you become an adult in this country, and the Commissioners don't want to legislate what adults do regarding purchasing of tobacco products. Commissioner Weber thanked the committee and encouraged the youth to continue to work on the issues they believe in and to get their message across through other means. Sometimes legislation is not the best way.

Road and Bridge, Field Trip, State gravel pit, bridge, frontage road, Teton Lakes Golf Course, Lunch at Frontier Pies.

Budget Review

Budgets were discussed and reviewed. Various items were noted that need to be discussed with Department Heads.

Bradley Petersen, discuss Enterprise proposal, Courthouse repairs.

Bradley discussed the proposal received from Enterprise Rental Cars. If we enter into an agreement, we could have Enterprise alert us when cars need servicing and purchase gas through them at a discounted rate. Gas is currently obtained in bulk at Road and Bridge. Further information will be forwarded to the Commissioners.

The Courthouse upgrades were discussed and plans reviewed. The bid request will be in the newspaper tomorrow and next week. There will be a bid walk through on March 8, 2018, and the bid opening will be March 22, 2018, for Phase II and the re-roof at the Courthouse. The phases don't need to be done in any particular order. Once these two projects are close to completion, the bid for Phase I will go out to the public for bidding. Permits for these projects will be purchased directly from the City of Rexburg. The contractor will have to coordinate with the court schedule on times and dates of heavy court traffic. Bradley will have cleaning done on the floors once the construction is complete.

Bradley submitted an estimate from Ark Key and Security to fix the existing doors at the Sheriff's Office and the Courthouse. Commissioners said to move forward with fixing the doors for Drivers License and hold off on the Courthouse Doors.

Evan Wise, County Fair and building project updates 4H use of Fairgrounds.

Insulation for the arts and crafts building will be here Friday and Parks and Rec will be ready to help install. A college student and two high school students, who are working part time, are painting the hens nest, offices and hallways. The part time help is working less than 20 hours per week. Evan presented costs for a new shop at the fairgrounds. The price does not include utilities from supplier to building. Evan will finalize the exact location of the shop. Commissioner Weber requested installing lights outside the county shop also. The roof line was discussed. Evan and the county will be the contractor on this shop project, and all bids are under the \$25,000 threshold.

4H use of the Fairgrounds

Lance was present from the Extension Office for this discussion. There are so many clubs, that it need to be scheduled in the indoor arena. A discussion was had allowing each group use it once for free and after that, they would have to pay for the usage of the fairgrounds.

Kevin Taggert, donation of property for frontage and movement of billboards

Kevin wondered if the billboard signs could be moved closer to the freeway on the state ground. It appears they will not be able to go that route. Kelly Hoopes had conversation with the sign people and he will run that information down. Kevin's project will be done in up to four phases, the trailers will be moved out in the last phase. He wants to be ready to begin this spring. Kevin said he would donate some land for the frontage road north of the Thornton interchange on the west side of Highway 20. The signs just need to be negotiated to see what the contracts are and if they can be moved. Cindy will call Kelly at Horrocks Engineering to get more information. Once this is determined, an MOU will be drafted wherein Kevin and his entity that owns this land will formally agree to deeding over a portion of his property to the County for the frontage road.

Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to adjourn at 3:45. Commissioner Weber seconded and voting was unanimous.

Approved:

Jon O. Weber, Commission Chairman
Todd Smith, Commissioner
Brent Mendenhall, Commissioner