



Abbreviated Minutes: Complete Set of Minutes Are on File in The Clerk's Office

**Madison County
Commissioner Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2022**

Attendees:

**Todd Smith, Commissioner Chairman, was excused
Brent Mendenhall, Commissioner
Douglas Smith, Commissioner
Troy Evans, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Kim Muir, County Clerk
Commissioner Elect Dustin Parkinson**

ACTION ITEMS

This meeting was streamed electronically.

Pledge of Allegiance: By all

Invocation: Commissioner Doug Smith

Calendar Discussion:

Next Commission Meeting: November 28, 2022

District 6 Meeting, November 16, 2022 11:30 a.m., Bonneville County Elections Building

IAC Fall Conference – Residence Inn, Idaho Falls, December 6-7, 2022

Contracts/Documents: Action Items:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Doug Smith made a motion to approve Grizzly Drive, in Thornton area, as county roadway. This was also approved by Madison County Road and Bridge. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve Canvass of Votes for the November 8, 2022 Election. Commissioner Doug Smith seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Doug Smith made a motion to approve Searle/Hart Engagement letter for 2022 Audit. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Doug Smith made a motion to approve Financial report for Juvenile Corrections – Juvenile Probation. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Routine Matters:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Doug Smith made a motion to approve the claims presented by the Clerk. The grand total of claims was \$2,465,631.20. Commissioner seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 24 and November 4, 2022. Commissioner Doug Smith seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Personnel Actions. This will be on the next agenda.

Public Comment: None.

Executive Session: Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:00 a.m. Idaho Code §74-206(1)(b) employee matters, (d) exempt records - AnnMarie Sorensen, Indigent Clerk and (f) litigation matters. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Commissioner Mendenhall – yes, Commissioner Doug Smith – yes. The motion passed. Commissioner Mendenhall returned to open session at 9:37 a.m. No action needed.

Gary Armstrong, P&Z Matters:

Zone Change/Findings of Fact for Madison County/Eastern Idaho Regional Solid Waste District: After review and discussion, Commissioner Doug Smith made a motion to approve the Findings of Fact and application from Madison County (Eastern Idaho Regional Solid Waste District) to assign Agricultural Zoning to approximately 947 acres, as proposed in application materials received September 21, 2022. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. After review and discussion, Commissioner Doug Smith made a motion to approve signing Ordinance #465 Amending and Changing the Zoning of Madison County rezoned from State Lands to Agriculture. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Blane and Sandy Albertson: They are applying for a Conditional Use Permit to an accessory building with living quarters on 3.4 acres of land located at 6959 S 3100 W. The property currently has a primary home. After review and discussion, Commissioner Doug Smith made a motion to approve the Findings of Fact and Application from Blane and Sandy Albertson for a Conditional Use Permit for Accessory Building with Living Space as proposed in application materials received September 20, 2022. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Jade Koyle, Madison County property located across from 4455 E Highway 33: Jade farms the area owned by Bill Hollist. He owns the ground to the north of the property and they have irrigation systems going into that area. There is a leafy spurge issue in that area. They run an organic farm and with the organic system plan you can contain the weed, but not spray. They

want to contain the weeds, but need a buffer to maintain the organic system. They would like to work with Bill on mowing practices to keep the weeds down. They can manage leafy spurge if it gets into the organic production. They would put sprinklers on the property, but would need some water rights. He is requesting purchasing or leasing the land in order to control the weeds. Access points were discussed. Commissioners will discuss this matter with Road and Bridge.

Bradley Petersen, Flood control update:

Bradley gave updates on projects he is working on. The projects are, Broadband, BYU-I Engineering Capstone class opportunity, grant updates/funding opportunities. flood mitigation and Economic Development. He is meeting with IDWR for funding possibilities. Also discussed was share of local funding with the cities and county involved.

Shawn Boice, Tax Cancellations:

Lynn Kauer: Property is 40 acres west of town on 5000 W. A lease was set up for his daughter to lease the portion of land her home is on. The home value was accidentally placed at full value with the home and the same value on the real property. The Assessor is correcting this error. Total tax credit is \$4,004.72.

Michael Gilbert: Property is located on the east side of the Butte road and includes two lots side by side. Both lots were assessed at full value. Shawn's standard rule is If you own more than one lot that is contiguous, he puts full value on the main on parcel and secondary value on 2nd lot. This was overlooked on these parcels. Final tax cancellation is \$321.10

Colonial Heights: There is a 6-plex, a 4-plex, and a vacant lot. The owner provided a P&L and it showed that an adjustment was needed. Total tax cancellation was for all three parcels is \$1,490.63.

Golden Valley Development: This is on the mobile home park on the west side of Interwest Cabinets. During BOE it was revalued. They renegotiated on value. After review and discussion, Commissioner Doug Smith made a motion to approve Tax Cancellations for Lynn Kauer, Michael Gilbert, Colonial Heights and Golden Valley Development for a total of \$427.81. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Tim Solomon, Rocky Mountain Power:

Tim discussed projects. Nuclear Facility in Kemmerer Wyoming is under construction and is replacing a coal plant. This will be under construction until 2025 – 2030. The company is announcing 5 additional nuclear power plants. Nuclear power is renewable energy.

Tim also discussed the new demand response program that will help large customers manage their usage load. Industrial/Commercial customers can apply to see where they can curtail power use and they will be paid well for that. A digital device is put on the meters of those applying.

Proposed changes to residential rates: Customers are currently paying an \$8 service charge per month + kilowatt hours used. They have filed with the Commission to increase incrementally

over 5 years to gradually increase up to \$29.95. Those using more energy will pay slightly less and those using less energy will pay slightly more. Fixed costs are not equitable.

Rocky Mountain Power has experienced tremendous loss to power poles from fires, storms and other conditions. He discussed programs the company is considering to mitigate this issue.

Commissioner Doug Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Approved:

Brent Mendenhall, Commissioner

Doug Smith, Commissioner

Attest:

Kim Muir, County Clerk