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**Madison County
Commissioner Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2023**

Attendees:

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

ACTION ITEMS

This meeting was streamed electronically.
Pledge of Allegiance: By all
Invocation: Troy Evans

Calendar Discussion:

Next Commission Meeting: January 23, 2023, Department Head Meeting.
Commissioner Mendenhall will be attending the Sugar City Council January 12th regarding the Sugar City business park property.

Schedule of Commissioners:

January 14, 2023, P & Z Meeting
January 17, 2023, Commissioners to meet with Eastern Idaho Public Health
January 24, 2023, Chamber of Commerce, State of County/Cities
January 31-February 3, 2023, Midwinter IAC Conference

Discussion Items:

Commission organization:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to retain Commissioner Todd Smith as Chairman of the Madison County Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to retain Commissioner Mendenhall as Vice-Chairman of the Madison County Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Board responsibilities:

The Commissioner board responsibilities were discussed and reviewed. The current responsibility list is attached.

Hospital Board Appointments:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to reappoint Redge Allen, Mauri Barton and Neil Erickson for 3-year hospital board appointment terms. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Fair Board Report:

Commissioner Smith said they still need two new members to serve on the Fair Board. Whoopie Days is also scheduled for June 22-24, 2023, and the Fair is scheduled for August 15-19, 2023.

Rexburg Recreation District Report:

Commissioner Smith said they were updated on Rexburg Recreation District’s survey results which exceeded more responses than expected—661 responses. The biggest need that came out of the survey was a need for an indoor pool but they are expensive to build, maintain and don’t usually make money. They would need 4000 registered voter signatures to get one on the ballot.

Contracts/Documents:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve Vehicle Use Authorization forms. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Parkinson made a motion to approve the Estimate for Rain for Rent for the Jones Mainline Location in the amount of \$6,156.00. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve Whoopie Days miniature bull riding contract with Chad Casperson. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve Madison County Fair contract with Dalton Morris. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve LHSIP Application for Road & Bridge. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Routine Matters:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve the claims presented by the Clerk. The grand total of claims was \$713,970.95. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of December 21, 2022. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Personnel Actions:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Parkinson made a motion to approve the Personnel Actions. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Certificates of Residencies:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Parkinson made a motion to approve the Certificates of Residency as received for McKenna Grant, Destiny Thain and Brittney Crisp. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Public Comment: None.

Board of Equalization: There were no BOE matters to be heard.

Executive Session:

Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into executive session at 9:31 a.m. Executive Session Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) exempt records, Ann Marie Sorensen, Indigent Clerk, and (j) contract matters, Rob Wood. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Commissioner Smith – yes, Commissioner Mendenhall – yes Commissioner Parkinson – yes. The motion passed. Commissioner Smith returned to open session at 10:15 a.m.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Parkinson made a motion to sign an Approval for Case No. N2023001. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Rachel Telford and Drew Meppen: Informative presentation on traffic signals for Exit 337 This presentation is in regards to the North Rexburg exit. This will run off of one cabinet vs. two. Rachel gave maps with typical layout. The ramp functions independently and will reduce backups and will be mitigated as well as possible. Night work will be included to expedite construction and they will have public relations working with the county and city. The project is in final design currently and work is planned to begin in Spring of 2024.

Robert Kohler, grant authority:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve Resolution #495 regarding transfer of authority of SHSP grant. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Angie Moffat, HOE Tax Cancellations, Late Fee and Internet Cancellations, other Cancellations: McDonald's Corporation wrote a check to Sheriff's office vs. Treasurer's office by mistake. They are now asking for penalty and interest to be waived.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve penalties and interest for McDonald's Corporation to be waived in the amount of \$199.97. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Madison Memorial Hospital has agreed they will start paying taxes on a home owned by them even though they are exempt as an organization. The reason being is they are collecting rent on the home owned by them. They are asking for a tax cancellation in the amount of \$4,913.00 for this year and will start paying taxes next year on the house value only vs. house and land.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Mendenhall made a motion to approve the tax cancellation in the amount of \$4,913.00 for this year for Madison Memorial Hospital. Commissioner Parkinson seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

The following tax cancellations need to be approved for the following names since their Homeowner's Exempt application was turned in after June 2022. Vaudys J. Rigby, Keagan & Mykilee Seipert and James & Connie McFarland totaling \$2,435.97.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Parkinson made a motion to approve the Homeowner's Exempt tax cancellations totaling \$2,435.97 for the above names. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous. The motion passed.

Evan Wise, Fair-Upcoming Projects:

Evan expressed his gratitude for the Commissioner's support and talked about projects that the Fair Board is all in agreeance with. New electrical outlets to be installed in hopes to relieve pressure that the vendors put on current system. Also, Tearing down old catch pens on the west side of the grandstand arena and filling that space with some old bleachers, new pens will be built behind the bleachers. A new set of raised bleachers with three spaces for wheelchairs to help adhere to ADA accommodations. These are ongoing projects and the Commissioners will be kept up-to-date.

Commissioner Smith adjourned the meeting at 12:54 p.m.

Approved:

Todd Smith, Commissioner
Brent Mendenhall, Commissioner
Dustin Parkinson, Commissioner

Attest:

Kim Muir, County Clerk