

**IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CASCADE, IDAHO
January 14, 2013**

**PRESENT: GORDON L. CRUICKSHANK (CHAIRMAN)
ELTING G. HASBROUCK (COMMISSIONER)
BILL WILLEY (COMMISSIONER)
ARCHIE BANBURY, CLERK**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Cruickshank at 10:01 a.m., immediately following the ceremony for the oaths of office for new elected officials: Patti Bolen, Sheriff; Jay Kiiha, Prosecuting Attorney; and County Commissioners Elting Hasbrouck and Bill Willey. Magistrate Judge LaMont Berecz administered the oath to Patti Bolen and Jay Kiiha, and Senior Magistrate Judge Henry Boomer administered the oath to Elting Hasbrouck and Bill Willey before County Clerk Archie Banbury.

Senior Magistrate Judge Henry Boomer had led the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of the Oath of office ceremony and it was, therefore, omitted from the start of the regular meeting.

Commissioner Willey nominated Commissioner Cruickshank as Chairman, and Commissioner Hasbrouck seconded. Commissioner Cruickshank accepted the nomination, and the motion passed unanimously with abstention by Commissioner Cruickshank.

Commissioner Hasbrouck moved for approval of the claims in the amount of \$345,334.86, including board ordered claims, second by Commissioner Willey and carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Hasbrouck moved for approval of Junior College Tuition Certificate of Residency for Jacob M. Schimpf. Second by Commissioner Willey and carried.

Commissioner Hasbrouck moved to approve the agenda as amended by addition of an item by Treasurer Young to discuss the Jughandle LID fee to be charged for handling the account.

For the next quarter, the Board will meet the first four Mondays of each month. The meeting of Feb. 4 will be cancelled so all can attend the IAC Legislative meeting in Boise. Chairman Cruickshank noted his absence on March 4, 2013. A decision will be made on holding that meeting at a later date when the level of business is known.

Commissioner Willey moved for approval of the minutes of December 27, 2012 and January 7, 2013 and Commissioner Hasbrouck seconded. (Both Commissioners Willey and Hasbrouck were present during those meetings, though not in office at the time.)

Commissioner Willey moved and Commissioner Hasbrouck seconded approval of the grant request originated by the Donnelly Snowmobile Club for Rest Room facilities at “4 corners” near No Business Peak.

Closed session for indigent and charity at 10:30 a.m.

12-GW049	Request for Assistance Approved
13-JN049	Request for Suspension
13-MG058	Request for Lien/New Application Received
13-ND082	Request for Lien/New Application Received
13-CA067	Request for Lien/New Application Received
13-MG064	Request for Lien/New Application Received
12-SM052	Release of Medically Indigent Lien
12-SB083	Release of Medically Indigent Lien
12-CS075	Release of Medically Indigent Lien

Resume regular session at 10:52 a.m.

Motion to approve the Waterways Vessel Report for FY 2012 by Commissioner Hasbrouck, Second by Commissioner Willey and carried.

Commissioner Hasbrouck moved to convene executive session per IC 67-2345(1) (b) and Commissioner Willey seconded the motion. Roll Call vote, Commissioner Willey, “aye”, Commissioner Hasbrouck, “aye” and Chairman Cruickshank, “aye”.

Resume regular session at 11:17 a.m.

Commissioner Hasbrouck moved to approve the commercial contract with Highland Appraisal, second by Commissioner Willey and carried.

Commissioner Hasbrouck moved to correct the levy for the Valley County Emergency Medical Service to .000286813, which will generate \$750,000 for EMS Contracts. Second by Commissioner Willey and carried by unanimous vote. Treasurer Glenna Young is working with the State Commissioner to issue appropriate corrected tax statements to Valley County taxpayers.

Commissioner Hasbrouck moved to borrow \$200,000 from the Court Facilities Fund at the State’s Local Government Investment Pool. The interest rate on this loan should be .0021%. Second by Commissioner Willey. The Clerk explained that \$200,000 would be adequate to fund the Fire Department’s contracts through July 1, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Willey moved to approve the EMS contracts for the Fiscal 2013 year. Second by Commissioner Hasbrouck and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Willey stated that unless we receive advice to the contrary by the EMS Advisory Council we should not look at consolidation. Commissioner Hasbrouck concurred. He added that we should all look at the equipment vs. personnel in the departments, together, and assure that we are all going in the same direction with EMS.

Recess for lunch at 12:00.

Reconvene regular session at 1:00 p.m.

Anne Guarino, Building Department, reported fees collected for Calendar Year 2012 were \$119,486.79 and the net payments after reduction for Plan Review Fees were \$105,950.91.

Douglas Miller, Court Services reported and gave a report on the services provided by his office which includes adult (misdemeanor) probation and juvenile probation. He currently supervises 35 juveniles on probation, 149 for adult misdemeanors and alcohol monitoring.

He presented the JABG award for signature by the Chairman.

Vim Braak, Extension Office provided a briefing on the activities of the Extension Office. He will provide updates on his various projects/programs periodically. He invited the participation of the Commissioners at all of his meetings and other activities. He mentioned the energy committee which is trying to bring together all knowledge and interest in geothermal energy. They will be meeting at the Cascade school.

Pat Duncan, Human Resources reported she is working on seasonal employees and job descriptions and provided an updated task list. New employee orientation is tomorrow, here in the Commissioner's Chambers.

Cynda Herrick, Planning and Zoning reported, noting that both new commissioners have prior experience in Planning and Zoning. She provided up to date statistical information on her various activities.

Larry Laxson, Snowmobile Groomer Coordinator. All trails are being groomed except Mud Lake and Sulfur Creek with windfalls blocking the trails. About 20-25% of snowmobiles appear to be unregistered. Warning tickets are being written to violators by the Sheriff's Department. An avalanche prediction training session is scheduled for January 26th and 27th, 2013

Paula Fodrea of WICAP reported. She serves all of Valley County and provided some statistical data concerning the assistance WICAP provides. Fuel assistance for the needy, \$2,300, Emergency support, \$11,000, Food boxes, \$2,000. They work with the food bank for food support, \$5,000 in holiday packages. She will provide an annual report. She also demonstrated the "Easy Savings" kit for saving energy costs from Idaho Power.

Commissioner Willey moved to convene executive session as provided in Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(f) litigation at 2:00 p.m. Commissioner Hasbrouck seconded the motion. Roll Call vote, Commissioner Willey, "aye", Commissioner Hasbrouck, "aye" and Chairman Cruickshank, "aye".

Returned to regular meeting at 2:36 p.m.

Ronn Julian presented a request for a Grant to add to the Groomer Shed and make necessary repairs for approval by the Commission. Matching funds are “sweat equity and cash from Snowmobile Fund 43C. Commissioner Hasbrouck moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the grant, second by Commissioner Willey and carried.

He also presented a letter to the Forest Service asking permission to make an addition to the shed located on the National Forest for the Chairman’s signature. Commissioner Willey moved approval by the Chair, second by Commissioner Hasbrouck and carried.

Assessor June Fullmer presented market value cancellations #13-17 for approval.

Commissioner Willey moved to approve cancellation of market Value for the Cape Trust, Cancellation #13. Second by Commissioner Hasbrouck and carried.

Commissioner Hasbrouck moved to approve Cancellation of Market value for Warren Kline, cancellation #14, second by Commissioner Willey and carried.

Commissioner Willey moved to approve Market Value Cancellation #15, for Lonny Baum, second by Commissioner Hasbrouck and carried.

Commissioner Hasbrouck moved to approve increase an in market value as a result of action by the Board of Tax Appeals, #16 for B and L Co., LLC, second by Commissioner Willey and carried.

Commissioner Hasbrouck noted a small potential conflict of interest with #17, Mark Phillips as he leases land to the applicant. Chairman Cruickshank and Commissioner Willey so noted this disclosure, and decided the conflict is of no significance. Commissioner Willey moved for approval of #17, second by Commissioner Hasbrouck and carried to approve the market value cancellation.

Commissioner Willey moved for approval for the Homeland Security grant as requested by Sheriff Bolen. Second by Commissioner Hasbrouck and carried to approve EM W-2012-SS-00136 for submission.

She also presented a Waterways grant for an overhaul of the boat, totaling \$25,000 with a match of \$12,500. Commissioner Hasbrouck moved for approval, second by Commissioner Willey and carried.

She then presented a Snowmobile grant for two snowmobiles for the Sheriff’s office for \$19,000 with a \$9,500 match from trade-in of the older machines. The new snowmobiles are to be used for search and rescue operations and avalanche detection and prevention similar to the use made by the older models. Commissioner Hasbrouck moved for approval of this grant and Commissioner Willey seconded, and the motion carried.

Commissioner Hasbrouck moved to set the Treasurer's fee for servicing the Jughandle LID at \$7.50 for each bill processed. Second by Commissioner Willey and carried to set the charge at \$7.50.

Jerry Robinson, Road Department Superintendent, appeared and presented packets of information discussing and summarizing the RDA issue. Cynda will discuss small charges being paid with RDA credits with counsel.

The Clear Creek 319 grant process has changed and must be deferred until further clarification of the process has been received.

He provided a list of completed 2012 projects and list of proposed 2013 projects, prioritized. He also provided a pro forma analysis of future Road Department funding.

Jerry also discussed the review of the Weed Department he is conducting to understand more of what the needs are. He is also going to attend the Weed Conference the end of January.

Ralph McKenzie, Facilities Manager appeared and asked for approval for purchase of a dry-erase calendar, cost of about \$45, for the commissioners, a Valley County 4' x 4' emblem to be mounted on the South Wall –cost \$240, and finally to suggest and cost out photographs of a historical, industrial and outdoor nature to decorate the courthouse. The photos would cost from @2.00 to \$12.00 each plus framing/mounting.

He also noted that he has a bid from Northwest Technologies bid for \$2,985 for asbestos removal from the residence at 311 N. Main, floor in the north end, and also has a bid from Performance Engineers for \$500 to inspect the foundation under the north east corner of the courthouse.

Ralph has budget authority for the above items.

For Solid Waste Ralph reported they are grinding the wood debris and sending to Evergreen Forest to be used in their Co-generation Plant.

He is also still in the process of reviewing the Bid Proposals received for the Solid Waste Contract.

Commissioner Willey moved to convene executive session as provided in IC 67-2345(1)(b), a Personnel matter. Second by Commissioner Hasbrouck and carried. Roll Call vote, Commissioner Willey, "aye", Commissioner Hasbrouck, "aye" and Chairman Cruickshank, "aye".

Convene executive session at 4:55 p.m.

Resume regular session at 5:25 a.m.

Commissioner Willey nominated Frank Eld to serve on the board of Central District Health, a position he has previously held while a Valley County Commissioner. Second by Commissioner Hasbrouck, and carried.

The Commissioners discussed committee assignments and agreed to the following schedule of responsibilities.

Chairman Cruickshank

Board of Community Guardians
Payette Forest Coalition
Idaho Council of Governments
Community Forest Trust
Woody Biomass Utilization Partnership
Wolf Depredation
IAC Public Lands
IAC Transportation
IAC Legislative – elected to represent IAC District III
WIR – elected to represent IAC
WGA FHAC – appointed by Governor Otter
NFCSC – appointed by NFCSC Board
RAC – appointed by U. S. Secretary of Agriculture for SW Idaho

Commissioner Hasbrouck

Boise Forest Coalition
Local Emergency Planning & Wildfire
Mental Health Board
Snowmobile Advisory Committee
West Central Highlands RC&D
WICAP

Commissioner Willey

Emergency Medical Services
Fair Board and 4-H
Valley County Economic Development Council
Waterways
Winter Recreation
St. Lukes Community Health

Cynda Herrick

Payette River Scenic Byway
Valley Adams Planning Partnership

Jerry Robinson

Valley Adams Planning Partnership

Doug Miller

Youth Advisory

Meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Gordon L. Cruickshank, Chairman

Attest:

Archie N. Banbury, Clerk