

**IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CASCADE, IDAHO
January 26, 2009**

**PRESENT: GERALD “JERRY” WINKLE) CHAIRMAN
GORDON L. CRUICKSHANK)
FRANK W. ELD)
ARCHIE N. BANBURY, CLERK**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Winkle at 9:00 a.m. .

Claims were read by Commissioner Cruickshank as follows:

General Fund	\$135,360.34
Road & Bridge	46,132.72
Ambulance	38,625.00
District Court	1,852.81
Probation	357.71
Revaluation	18,149.95
Solid Waste	56,445.12
Tort	654.33
Weed	317.49
Waterways	37.46
Snowmobile 43A	5,282.70
Snowmobile 43 B&C	<u>1,199.15</u>
 Total	 <u>\$304,414.78</u>

On motion of Commissioner Cruickshank, second by Commissioner Eld, payment of the bills was approved.

Junior College tuition requests were approved for Warren Desoky and Joshua Henggeler on motion of Commissioner Eld, and seconded by Commissioner Cruickshank.

Mr. Coughlin addressed the board as a former environmental analyst for the State of Nevada. He questioned the use of a membrane plant for sewer effluent disposal.

Karen Campbell appeared and discussed a market cancellation necessitated by the destruction of a mobile home in 2007. Value was \$8,900. Motion to approve the requested cancellation by Commissioner Eld and second by Commissioner Cruickshank and carried. She also discussed the interplay between the "Circuit Breaker" tax reduction mechanism and the fees assessed for the Southern Valley County Recreation District.

Karen also presented the Attorney General's (State Tax Commission) opinion on the refund of prior year's taxes beyond the most recent year.

Glenna Young appeared and said that she would assist the Assessor with the aforementioned "Circuit Breaker" concerns. She also reported on the January meeting of the Valley County Board of Community Guardians, Tom Penry, Joyce Eld and Leslie Clark. She asked for reappointment of the three members of the Board. She presented a tax cancellation regarding a posting error of \$2.65.

On motion of Commissioner Eld, second by Chairman Winkle to appoint the Board of Guardians members as listed above. It was moved by Commissioner Cruickshank and seconded by Commissioner Eld to approve the aforementioned tax cancellation.

Greg Malmen appeared and explained the problem with extension office fiber optic connection.

Kevin Gaither appeared and requested the approval of two grant requests concerning Eurasian milfoil eradication, Waterways for \$13,000, and a Eurasian Milfoil grant for \$8,000.

On motion of Commissioner Cruickshank, second by Commissioner Eld, it was carried to submit grants to the concerned agencies.

Kevin also reported that he had received a report that Eurasian Milfoil had been found in the Cascade Reservoir, but he has yet to identify it in that body of water. (Eurasian water milfoil generally does not live in bodies of water with fluctuations of water levels, such as Cascade Reservoir.)

Snowmobile grooming is doing well, all machines up and running. It will wind down after the President's Day weekend.

Sheriff Patti Bolen appeared and provided copies of the Special Olympics Snowshoe Competition. Jail population is currently 42 inmates. A microchip has been installed in each cell which records each visit into the cell by a jailer. This was provided free of charge by our telephone vendor, other than an installation charge. The data can be downloaded into a computer.

Paula Fodrea (WICAP) appeared and reported on her visit to Yellow Pine. She gave out eight applications for a total \$4,020 that was received in energy assistance. She also took back some excess foodstuffs for distribution. She expressed appreciation for the food drive conducted by Valley County's elected officials.

Cynda Herrick appeared and reported on the forthcoming Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, and advised that the County Commissioners that they would be hearing three applications for variances on February 2, 2008.

Closed meeting for Indigent and Charity.

Case Number 09-RJ057 Approved for Assistance
Case Number 07-EE001 Rescheduled Hearing
Case Number 08-RD058

Commissioner Eld moved to appoint a steering committee to attract members of the community to market the features of Valley County through a committee of volunteers. His motion was seconded by Chairman Winkle and carried. John Blay should handle this.

Sandra Pannell and Gary Austin, faculty members at the University of Idaho, and students Vine Brock and John Meyers.

Cascade is the University's first major project in Idaho. Fifty seven people signed in at their meeting on Saturday. Commissioner Eld's most recent motion was discussed at that meeting which he attended.

Lunch Recess from 12:00 Noon until 1:05 p.m.

Payette National Forest, Emmit Taylor, Nez Perce Tribe, and Mark Raney Project Manager, Nez Perce Tribe.

Subject matter includes restoration projects. Mary Faurot, Fish Biologist, McCall and Krassel districts. Discussion centered on sedimentation caused by abandoned roads which have fallen into disrepair.

Replacement of the Parks, Salt and Profile Creek Bridges was discussed, as well as the need for repairs to other bridges. The concept of a MOU with the tribe was also discussed and will be forthcoming.

Harry Soulen, representative for Valley County Animal Damage Control and Todd Grimm, appeared and provided an update for progress in Valley County. They were accompanied by the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. Their presence and efforts in Valley County are on the increase.

Costs of predation run from \$7,500 to \$38,000 annually. Traditional support for animal control in Valley County has been strong, to the tune of \$2,500 annually. It may not be enough. Problems are cited from Round Valley to North of McCall. Most of the damage recently is south of Donnelly.

Anecdotal evidence was provided, and a budget increase to \$5,000 was requested by Mr. Soulen.

Commissioner Cruickshank moved to enter executive session in accordance with I.C. 67-2345 (b) regarding a personnel matter. Second by Commissioner Eld and carried.

Reconvened regular session at 4:05 p.m. Motion by Commissioner Eld that the transfer station goes to a no cash basis, and that starting March 1st, credit cards and debit cards, checks but no cash. Second by Commissioner Cruickshank and carried. Commissioner Cruickshank moved to include the fees involved in credit cards on the fee and carried.

Glen Holdren and James Bledsoe, Keller engineering appeared to present additional information concerning South Lake Recreational Sewer and Water District. Initial action is to begin the process of obtaining a Conditional Use Permit.

The district will then mobilize some public relations activities and publicize their intentions.

The completion of the study and environmental activities will then proceed.

Steps outlined are numbered, and proceed consecutively in order. They do not proceed independently of each other. Some will proceed simultaneously, if appropriate.

Mr. Bill Coughlin was asked to propose his questions to the engineers. He initially questioned a system such as a pond situation. Mr. Holdren replied he had identified lagoon treatment, with seven possible sites. They contacted all owners, it came down to three. The proposed site is one of the three, and it is the least expensive. Mr. Coughlin invited to meet with the engineers after the Commissioner's meeting.

Commissioner Cruickshank moves to accept addenda Nr. 1, and approve the \$11,275 subject to approval by South Lake. Second by Commissioner Eld and carried.

Results of bid opening were presented by Jerry Robinson for a crew cab $\frac{3}{4}$ ton vehicle for waterways, and two $\frac{1}{2}$ ton Sheriff's office vehicles. It was recommended to accept the bid from Cascade Auto for the $\frac{3}{4}$ ton. Wondries is lower, but out of state and they posted no bond. For the two $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehicles, Bob Bate Ford bid was recommended. Wondries is again lower, but out of state and no bond.

A motion was made to accept Bob Bate Ford bid for \$26,800 for the $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehicle today by Commissioner Cruickshank, but because of economic conditions with the condition that we defer purchase of one pending review of budget. Second by Commissioner Eld and carried. Motion by Commissioner Cruickshank, second by Commissioner Eld to purchase the Water Ways vehicle to Cascade Auto for \$27,800 and carried.

Lakeshore Disposal appeared and produced the receipts for sales of recyclables for 2006-2008 and as well as their breakdown by commodities and the diversion rate for each of them.

Commissioner Cruickshank moved to continue with the contract, second by Chairman Winkle and carried. Moved to reduce the recycle contract back to the prior level, second by Commissioner Eld, and carried. Commissioner Cruickshank then moved to accept the rate for loads collected outside of Valley County (without prior authorization of the board), and after December 1, 2008 at the new rate of \$105, in total (\$29,036). Second by Commissioner Eld and carried.

Commissioner Cruickshank moved to authorize dumping entire truckloads by the gatekeeper in emergencies. Second by Commissioner Eld and carried.

Commissioner Eld moved to require Lakeshore to audit its records in a search for out of county loads improperly dumped and charged to Valley County. Second by Commissioner Cruickshank and carried.

Moved by Commissioner Cruickshank, second by Commissioner Eld to authorize the Chairman to sign a grant application for a storage building to house Sheriff's equipment and carried.

Motion by Commissioner Cruickshank, second by Commissioner Eld to approve the rip rap placement agreement for the Road Department and carried.

Motion by Commissioner Eld and second by Commissioner Cruickshank and carried to approve the Timberline Development drainage easement and carried.

Motion by Commissioner Eld and second by Commissioner Cruickshank and carried to approve continuation of the Soulen Gravel Pit contract and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

GERALD WINKLE, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

ARCHIE N. BANBURY, CLERK