

**IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CASCADE, IDAHO  
December 23, 2013**

**PRESENT: GORDON L. CRUICKSHANK (CHAIRMAN)  
ELTING G. HASBROUCK (COMMISSIONER)  
BILL WILLEY (COMMISSIONER)  
DOUGLAS MILLER (CLERK)**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Cruickshank at 9:03 a.m.

Commissioners Hasbrouck led the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Commissioner Willey seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to accept the agenda as presented.

Valley County Deputy Auditor, Alysa Morrison presented the Commissioners with Claims and Board Order Claims totaling \$159,914.15 and Junior College Tuition applications. Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to approve Claims as presented with the changes to cell phone reimbursement and to accept junior college applications. Commissioner Willey seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve Claims and Board order Claims totaling \$159,914.15 and Junior College Tuition applications.

Valley County Chief Deputy Assessor, Sue Probst presented a Request for Market Value Cancellations on two different parcels. Deedee Gossi provided an explanation of the reason for the cancellations. Commissioner Willey made a motion to accept the request for cancellation of market value for Parcel Number RP001040001500 and Parcel Number RPM01370000500. Commissioner Hasbrouck seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to accept the request for cancellation of market value for Parcel Number RP001040001500 and Parcel Number RPM01370000500.

Valley County Clerk, Douglas Miller notified the Commissioners about jury trial that took place the previous week. He reported that the trial ended up settling but he felt that the Court Clerks did a fantastic job getting things organized for the trial. He also advised the Commissioners that the department is continuing to get ready for the upcoming outside audit the end of January 2014.

Valley County Treasurer, Glenna Young stated that the State of Idaho Fire Protection had reviewed the Valley County parcels for 2013 FPA charges and their update resulted in some parcels being charged the fee that should not have been charged. When the Fire Warden's office brought this to her attention she asked that they send her written instructions to remove the charge as she did not feel that it was in the authority of County officials to remove a charge by the State. They have been emailing her instructions to remove these charges and she wanted to assure the Commissioners that this only canceled the charge by the State and there was no cancellation to any taxing districts. Glenna also stated that she has been in contact with the Idaho Tax Commission in regards to taxes owed on Payette Lake Lease Lot properties that leases are expiring and the State is now the owner. She has spoken to the Prosecuting Attorney regarding this issue and he asked that she request a ruling from the Idaho Tax Commission and their legal staff. She has been unable to speak to anyone at the Idaho Tax Commission due to the holidays but will continue to do so. Glenna needs to know what she is supposed to collect in taxes on all of the properties. Chairman Cruickshank asked if the County could place a lien on the property? She needs to collect the taxes if the taxes are due. Chairman Cruickshank suggested that we get a list from the State of Idaho of the properties that were given back. Glenna said that she got a list from Valley County Assessor, June Fullmer on those that have relinquished the leases. Commissioner Willey asked how many properties have been turned over? Glenna said that the list from June is around 12. She advised that her staff are posting tax bills and catching up from the mailings of taxes. Commissioner Hasbrouck asked if Glenna would be informing the Commissioners about the Tax collection amount? Glenna advised that she will be providing a report to the Commissioners.

Anne Guarino with the Valley County Building Department reported that they are still getting building permits in. She reported that the department is almost up to 200 permits for the year. Commissioner Hasbrouck asked how many building permits were last year? She reported about 160 permits were issued. Anne reported that a builder has 180 days to start building after they acquire a permit but she has allowed a year.

Valley County Court Service Director, Skip Clapp was unable to appear in person but provided his update via email. He reported that Kendra Corkill graduated from the Idaho P.O.S.T. Academy for Juvenile Detention. He reported that there are no residents at the Juvenile Detention Center. Skip further reported that there has been an increase of Pre-Trial release clients. Chris Andersen and Skip will start taking on some of these cases to ease the workload of the Misdemeanor Probation Officers.

Valley County Recreation Director, Larry Laxson advised that two new Groomers are in service. He reported that there was a groomer safety meeting and during the meeting there was also a discussion about radio protocol. He indicated that it was nice to have all of the staff together to discuss practices. He would like to have another meeting at the end of the year. He reported that the Snow Groomers have been grooming at higher elevation and at Burgdorf. He reported that the Snow Groomers cannot groom at Smiths Ferry because of logging and lack of

snow at lower elevation. He reported that Donnelly Snowmobile Fun run is this Saturday on December 28, 2013. Commissioner Hasbrouck asked if Larry got email from Curtis Bennett about the Recreation Grant? Larry advised that this grant application is not due until the end of August 2014 and he reported that he would be pursuing the grant.

Valley County Sheriff, Patti Bolen reported that she had Sherriff's Association meeting last week. She reported that she received great comments from the Idaho National Guard about her staff in relation to the recent airplane search. Sheriff Bolen reported that she was elected as the President of the Idaho Sheriff's Association. She reported that the Valley County Search and Rescue team that is functioning now is a remarkable crew. She indicated that they have had increase in applications for the Valley County Search and Rescue team. Chairman Cruickshank advised Sheriff Bolen that furniture and blinds have been purchased for the EOC building. Sherriff Bolen presented the affidavit of legal interest for the City of Cascade. The City of Cascade wants the County to take on liability for the tower/antennas. Sherriff Bolen advised that the City of Cascade also wants some of the fees to be waived. Commissioner Hasbrouck asked if there was a use and market for the old antennas? Sheriff Bolen expressed that there might be a market for the old antennas. Chairman Cruickshank advised that he is ok with the agreement after conferring with Valley County Prosecuting Attorney, Jay Kiiha. Commissioner Willey made a motion to have Chairman Cruickshank sign the affidavit of Legal Interest. Commissioner Hasbrouck seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to have Chairman Cruickshank sign the affidavit of Legal Interest.

Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the Commissioner meeting minutes from December 16, 2013 as written. Commissioner Willey seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the meeting minutes from December 16, 2013.

Valley County Road Superintendent, Curtis Bennett provided an update about the new Senior Center vehicle. He reported that he is working with the Valley County Sherriff's Department and the University of Idaho extension office to swap vehicles. Curtis advised that the Senior Center is willing to obtain liability insurance for the vehicle that is donated to them.

Chairman Cruickshank advised that he heard from a McCall Senior Center Board Member and they had a question if Valley County would still provide routine service to the vehicles. Curtis advised that he does not recall servicing the Senior Center vehicles for McCall. Chairman Cruickshank advised that he has not seen a letter from the McCall Senior Center Board.

Chairman Cruickshank provided Don Huston with a certificate of appreciation for 10 years of service to Valley County Road Department.

Chairman Cruickshank mentioned Valley County Support for PILT payment. Chairman Cruickshank indicated that NACO is preparing a support letter for Counties regarding PILT payments and NACO would like the support of Valley County. NACO is making sure that Counties across the nation understand how important PILT payments are. It was agreed that the Valley County Commissioners would sign off on the letter.

Chairman Cruickshank presented A&I Distributors Credit Application for the Commissioners to review. Commissioner Willey made a motion to approve the A&I Distributors Credit

Application. Commissioner Hasbrouck seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the A&I Credit Application.

Chairman Cruickshank advised that the Commissioners would be going into closed hearing for Indigent and Charity at 10:36 a.m.

Chairman Cruickshank brought the Commissioners out of Indigent and Charity at 10:46 a.m.

Decision after Indigent and Charity

14-SB050 Request for Approval-Burial

14-NH052 Request for Withdraw of Application

14-RB067-2 Request for Suspension

14-JC076 Denial for County Assistance

14-GM081 Denial for County Assistance

14-CB055 Denial for County Assistance

Stephanie Johnson and Ken Postma with Cabin Creek Enterprises provided an update on the meeting with Idaho Department of Lands. Stephanie reported that there has been some reorganization with Idaho Department of Lands. Craig Glacier is now the Forest Service Region 1 State and Private Forestry Representative. She indicated that there was discussion about the kind of grants that Cabin Creek works on. It was reported that Cabin Creek has a premiere Fire Mitigation plan in the State. Craig Glacier informed Cabin Creek Enterprises that he will be the point of contact regarding grant applications. It was discussed that the Valley County Commissioners would continue to support Cabin Creek Enterprises. Stephanie suggested that the High Valley area be looked at for fire mitigation. Stephanie provided some information regarding grants that they would be applying for and waiting to see what grants will be funded and for what amount. Stephanie discussed the possibility of building a structure in Donnelly, Idaho, which would show material that is fire wise. Stephanie believed that they are changing the culture of how residences in the community are thinking about fire wise programs. Stephanie also reported on a Teleconference that is scheduled for January 22, 2014 and January 23, 2014. The Teleconference would focus on Land Owner outreach programs. It was also reported that the Fire Wise Working Group Legislative Subcommittee is meeting on January 24, 2014.

Commissioners adjourned for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Commissioners reconvened meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Valley County Road & Bridge Superintendent, Curtis Bennett presented a concern about the Daystar Public Parking. He reported that individuals that are going fishing are being talked to by Homeowners in this area who feel that there is no public parking. Curtis advised that there is some cleaning that can be done in area and then install signs on the public right of way informing the public where they could park. Curtis advised that he will tell the Homeowners

that this will be rectified during the spring but for the winter, individuals can park on the right of way.

Curtis presented the Flat Creek Final Survey Invoice for discussion. It was discussed that Valley County should pay half of the invoice and the other half should be submitted to Secesh Engineering.

Curtis discussed the Upper Payette Cooperative Weed Management Area agreement. He would like Chairman Cruickshank to sign the agreement. This would show that the Valley County Commissioners are in support as they are applying for the grant to get the chemicals. Commissioner Hasbrouck made motion to have Chairman Cruickshank sign the Upper Payette Cooperative Weed Management agreement. Commissioner Willey seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to have Chairman Cruickshank sign the Upper Payette Cooperative Weed Management Agreement.

Valley County Solid Waste Supervisor, Ralph McKenzie discussed the water softener that was installed in the Boiler Room. The company that installed the water softener will be conducting the testing of the water three times this winter and three times next winter.

Ralph advised that he is working on lease agreement with Idaho First Bank for the Department of Motor Vehicle Transfer from the McCall Annex. He reported that Valley County Prosecuting Attorney, Jay Kiiha is currently reviewing the agreement.

Ralph advised that the office furniture for the EOC building has been delivered. Ralph asked to raise his debit card credit limit from \$1,500 to \$2,500. Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to increase credit limit to \$2,500. Commissioner Willey seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to increase credit limit for Ralph McKenzie's county debit card to \$2,500.

Commissioners adjourned from the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

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Gordon Cruickshank, Chairman

Attest:

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Douglas A. Miller, Clerk

