

**IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CASCADE, IDAHO
May 29, 2012**

**PRESENT: GORDON L. CRUICKSHANK (CHAIRMAN)
GERALD “JERRY” WINKLE (COMMISSIONER)
RAY MOORE, (COMMISSIONER)
ARCHIE BANBURY, CLERK**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Cruickshank at 9:00 a.m. with Clerk Banbury taking minutes.

Commissioner Moore moved to add a letter of support for McCall EMS under Commissioner Discussion to the agenda and to add a decision from the executive session at 3:30. Additionally, add another HR interview to the workshop. Second by Commissioner Winkle and carried to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion to approve the claims as presented of \$118,717.55 by Commissioner Moore, second by Commissioner Winkle and carried.

The pledge of allegiance to our flag was led by Paula Fodrea.

Douglas Miller reported that he has six juveniles in custody, five from Valley County and one from Canyon County being held in the detention center. He invited the Commissioners to visit the Bike Rodeo in McCall on June 6th.

Vim Braak, Extension Office advised that the Valley County Fair process has begun with Allyson working on the Fair Book. Valley County Development Committee is coming together. Vim needs to have personnel working on the committee formally assigned by their parent organizations. He will be following up to determine who is being assigned to the Development Council.

He has volunteered to serve on the U of I's Presidential Symposium. This is an effort of the University of Idaho with a focus on sustainability for small communities.

He would like communities assigned to the symposium. They will meet in three different spots in Idaho during March, final dates not yet available.

David Crawford reported working on the video units in the patrol cars and will be finishing today and tomorrow.

He is also adding telephone lines, one in the cartographer's office and one in the jail.

He believes he has found the systemic problem in the annex system that has been elusive for many months and affected a repair.

Cynda Herrick is working on the lease to provide for the use of roads and trails to and through Potlatch properties across Valley County that are used to access the National Forest groomed snowmobile trail system. She has found an apparent solution with the Forest Service maps and GIS system.

She is working on extending the CUP for the Soulen Gravel Pit.

She is still working with Dwight Jividen on the program for signage and will be presenting recommendations to the cities, chambers of commerce and other entities.

She attended the IPA conference in Boise which was focused on the effect of new legislation on planning and ethics. She mentioned questions concerning McCall's impact area where they have two (civil) code enforcers, which are positions that Valley County does not have. The Sheriff's Office may somehow be involved in this code enforcement when it occurs in the McCall Impact Area, outside the city limits of McCall. These matters require resolution with McCall's Planning and Zoning staff.

Finally, she has the final documents on Heartland Hunger prepared and signed and they have been recorded.

Rick Ridenour appeared. He just returned from vacation and trying to get caught up. The grooming program maintenance on the groomers is fairly well completed. Chairman Cruickshank has observed that the tiller for the Donnelly area should be attended to and properly stored as soon as the final drive is installed in the cat.

He needs to complete a contract continuing the weed spray agreement with the Boise National Forest. He will bring it in on June 4th at 9:30. The purpose of the continuation is to permit funding carryover from last fiscal year.

He also mentioned that while he was on vacation the gates to the grooming areas have been closed and locked with one exception where the snow is too deep for closure. He has photos of the closed gates.

Paula Fodrea appeared and thanked Commissioner Moore for his assistance in the Poverty presentation at the school.

She reported on the simulation for the poor as being quite an experience for all concerned.

She is getting her yard sale items together. The proceeds from the sale will be used in a "rainy day" fund as needed to support welfare.

Clerk Banbury reported that the focus has been on budget workshops.

Sheriff Bolen reported and asked if armored vests could be funded for patrol via a grant. She would also like it for the detention staff. A request has been made for a \$6,950 grant for a ½ match (\$3,475). This will be discussed at the budget meeting for the Sheriff's budgets tomorrow.

She reported on an aggravated battery which involved a firearm that was discharged. There was no injury from the gun shot.

Glenna Young reported on tax collections and reported that approximately 62 percent of the 2011 taxes have been received. She also reported that the Treasurer's office has collected the taxes and settled the two parcels sold at tax deed and asked that the Chairman stop by her office to sign the deeds, as previously approved.

A discussion of commissioner's correspondence began at 10:15. Commissioner Moore moved for approval of the meeting minutes of May 14th and May 21. Second by Commissioner Winkle and carried.

Chairman Cruickshank reported that he had received a request for the McCall City Attorney to meet with and discuss with the Valley County legal counsel issues surrounding the McCall Impact Area pathways plan.

Commissioner Moore suggested such a meeting may be premature because the client has not yet been consulted. Commissioner Winkle concurs. Further, we have not heard from all concerned on the issues. Chairman Cruickshank will reply for the Board.

Commissioner Moore moved to authorize the Chairman to sign a support letter for a Donnelly EMS grant as requested, and he also moved to provide a letter of support for McCall EMS for an ambulance grant. Second by Commissioner Winkle and carried to authorize the Chairman to sign such letter.

Closed Session for Indigent and Charity at 10:33 a.m.

12-JW050	Denied for County Medical Assistance
11-AV073	Final Denial for County Medical Assistance
12-TR059	Approved for County Medical Assistance
11-AV073	Final Denial/Release of Medical Lien
12-MM068	Final Denial/Release of Medical Lien
11-MM068	Final Denial/Release of Medical Lien
12-NP076	Final Denial/Release of Medical Lien
12-KB093	Request to Suspend Application
3	Request's for signature for CAT Assignments

Resume regular session at 10:40.

Rhonda Komula, Indigent Clerk, reported collection services for indigent accounts can be handled by CBI in the same manner as court fines and other collection matters. Rhonda will set up an account for Indigent collections.

Cascade Ranger Bill Rice appeared with Keith Dimmett to discuss the grooming process, including avalanche control in the plan and the three miles of trail excluded from the original 243 miles reported and other matters.

The cost share agreement between Valley County, the Boise National Forest and Idaho Parks and Recreation District was discussed, in particular the exclusion of 3 miles of groomed trails which seemingly cannot be explained in terms of the number of miles reported by the Forest Service, because the methodology of measurement for the 2012 agreement has changed, and the outcome changes with it.

Instead of trying the differences in terms of mileage, Commissioner Moore suggested replicating the trails in the prior agreement, and let mileage be what is determined with today's measurement system.

Mr. Dimmett stated that he does not want to dictate which trails should be added, but would rather prefer to meet the snowmobile community's desires as to what trails to groom. Discussion continued as to the mileage, which cannot be measured in a comparative manner because the system used is no longer available and seemingly cannot be replicated. Mr. Dimmett also provided a proposed timeline for the process to be completed before fall.

Chairman Cruickshank asked what tools were used to measure the miles in 2001 and what was used now. Mr. Dimmett said the Forest Service used the best technology that was available. Commissioner Moore asked if the routes not groomed today, however were groomed in 2001 were measured with the recent calculations. Ranger Rice said the number was established by the trails. Chairman Cruickshank commented we are getting to hung up on mileage and are not remembering who were are trying to serve. Commissioner Moore commented that we need to have something to work from and mileage seems to work. Mr. Dimmett said they want to provide for the snowmobiles.

Commissioner Moore commented that we have worked with an extension of the program last year and we need to be certain to do it right even if we need to extend the permit again. Additionally the Forest Service is only one partner here and we need to engage all partners. With Idaho Parks and Recreation as a partner we need them involved here as well as this is a three party agreement.

At this time with what is happening, Valley County should appeal what is being proposed as Valley County has not been involved to the degree it should be and Idaho Parks and Recreation are not here at all. Chairman Cruickshank recommended that Commissioner Moore, Ranger Rice, Mr. Dimmett, Todd Wernex with IDPR and Sandra Mitchell all find a time to sit down and get this worked out. All seemed to agree.

Discussion continued, centering on how to resolve differences prior the mid-August beginning of the period of appeals.

Commissioner Winkle commented that for as long as he has been in Valley County there always seems to be a constant battle with the Forest Service on the use of our public lands and what can be done on them. He just doesn't understand why the public lands cannot be utilized for all uses without a fight.

June Fullmer appeared for the purpose of discussing the 2012 values report. She asked for a postponement as she has new information which may change the result. She has rescheduled her appearance for June 4th.

Sheriff Bolen appeared and discussed the costs and revenues of dispatch. Commissioner Moore has been involved in these determinations and has prepared a formula for the sharing of the net costs of dispatch.

Estimates of costs presently, the City of McCall pays \$23,000, Cascade pays \$9,600 and the three fire/ems agencies pay an aggregate of \$5,000 for a total of \$37,600.

This amount is dramatically less than the costs of providing their share of the services used, (excepting the fire/ems fees which are adequate.)

After discussion of the 20 year old formula used the Commissioners decided to have a letter prepared by Commissioner Moore for discussion at the June 11, 2012 Board of County Commissioners meeting. Sheriff Bolen will provide information from Blaine and Canyon Counties concerning this issue which went to (non-binding) arbitration with the State of Idaho.

Sheriff Bolen reported on the MOU regarding the frequency allocation. This MOU is acceptable to all agencies with the exception of McCall Police Department.

Adjourn for lunch at 12:06.

Reconvened at 1:08, Chief Deputy Clerk Katie Durfee taking minutes.

Commissioner Moore moved to convene executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345(1) (a). Second by Commissioner Winkle and carried. Roll Call Vote, Commissioner Winkle "aye", Commissioner Moore "aye", and Chairman Cruickshank, "aye".

Convened executive session at 1:10 p.m. to interview applicants for the open Human Resource position.

Reconvene regular session at 3:10 p.m.

Jerry Robinson appeared and presented bids for Logan Creek Bridge, by Big Creek, from True North in the amount of \$70,143 and from Big R in the amount of \$54,100.

Commissioner Moore moved to accept bid for the Logan Creek Bridge from Big R at \$54,100, Commissioner Winkle seconded and motion carried.

As concerns the Heinrich Lane right of way, he did not have anything further to add as he is still waiting for a reply from landowners.

Commissioner Moore moved to convene Executive Session as provided by IC 67-2345 (1)(b) and (f) at 3:20 p.m., Commissioner Winkle seconded and the motion carried. Commissioner Moore “aye”, Commissioner Winkle “aye”, Chairman Cruickshank “aye”.

Reconvened regular session at 3:58 p.m., Commissioner Moore moved to retain Jay Kiiha as civil counsel, Commissioner Winkle seconded and the motion carried.

Adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Gordon L. Cruickshank, Chairman

Archie N. Banbury, Clerk

Katie Durfee, Chief Deputy Clerk

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