

**IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CASCADE, IDAHO
May 7, 2012**

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

Meeting called to order by Chairman Cruickshank at 9:02 a.m. with Clerk Banbury taking minutes.

Commissioner Moore moved to approve the agenda as amended by the addition of an appearance by Coroner Marvin Heikkila at 9:05 a.m., and addition of discussion regarding the Idaho Parks and Recreation Snowmobile sticker program and deletion of the 2:00 p.m. deletion of the decision from the executive session set for 2:00 p.m. and addition of the Nisula Gravel Pit at 1:45 p.m., second by Commissioner Winkle and carried.

Coroner Marvin Heikkila led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country.

Board order claims for Valley Management Co., and McCall Senior Citizens were approved for payment on motion of Commissioner Moore, and second by Commissioner Winkle. Motion carried.

Coroner Marvin Heikkila appeared and delivered his written resignation effective July 1, 2012 and included his recommendation for a successor. He has served as Valley County's Coroner for nearly 34 years. Commissioner Moore moved respectfully to accept his resignation, second by Commissioner Winkle and carried. The board thanked him for his service.

Minutes of the April 23rd meeting were approved upon the motion of Commissioner Moore and second by Commissioner Winkle. Motion carried.

Chairman Cruickshank asked the board if they had any comments concerning his e-mail message on the FY2013 budget for the commissioners. There were none at this time.

The lawn bids were reviewed and discussed. The bids, one each from Lake View and another from Cutting Edge were dissimilar as Lake View provided a single amount for the maintenance whereas the bid from Cutting Edge was specific as to the frequency of service and specific locations. On motion of Commissioner Winkle, second by Commissioner Moore, the board unanimously accepted the Cutting Edge bid.

Rick Ridenour appeared and reported that he forwarded the NPDES permit for weed spraying, that it had been signed by EPA and that it was effective on May 12, 2012. He has a second permit application submitted for spraying the ecologically sensitive areas along the South Fork of the Salmon River. Sprays can be distributed to the public on or after May 12, 2012. Rick will submit copies to the Department of Agriculture for reimbursement of expenses paid by Valley County.

Glenna Young appeared and submitted the Quarterly Report from the Treasurer and Auditor reconciling the cash and fund balances. Commissioner Moore moved to accept the report as filed. Second by Commissioner Winkle and carried.

The Tamarack personal property payment was discussed. Glenna had inquired of legal counsel and been advised that the payment dates for the second half of the personal property tax could not be extended by the board. The board had previously attempted to do so if legally permissible. She will communicate that information to representatives of Tamarack LLC.

Glenna then discussed the disposition of three small parcels of property taken by tax deed in which there had been no previous interest by third parties. First, as to the abandoned road right-of-way in McCall, no one is interested; the tax is uncollectible and should be cancelled.

The second property is a strip is a narrow strip land at the edge of a parcel; a neighbor is interested in the property and has indicated a desire to buy it for the taxes due.

The third and final parcel is located in Cascade and two parties are interested in purchasing the property. Glenna will place it on the agenda for an open auction at a mutually convenient date.

Commissioner Moore moved to accept the payment of the tax as the purchase price for Parcel RP18N03E251817 from Lewis McLin. Commissioner Winkle seconded the motion and it was carried.

The hearing date for the pending issuance of tax deeds was set at August 20th at 11:00 a.m. for this year.

Sheriff Bolen appeared and discussed a Memorandum of Understanding for the use of radio frequencies, mostly VHF and three that are UHF. Commissioner Moore moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding and Commissioner Winkle seconded. The motion carried.

Sheriff Bolen then presented an agreement with Cascade Medical Center for medical services at the jail, sick call. This would avoid the necessity of transporting inmates to the hospital/clinic for treatment which is inconvenient for all concerned. Commissioner Moore moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement, and Commissioner Winkle seconded the motion. The motion carried.

In response to a request by the Sheriff, Commissioner Moore moved to authorize the purchase of a ladder to access materials stored in the evidence room, and a cart to transport such items. Second by Commissioner Winkle and the motion carried.

Commissioner Moore moved to appoint Dr. Jane Young to the Central District Health Board of Directors. Second by Commissioner Winkle and carried.

Commissioner Moore moved to appoint Harry Soulen to the District #2 Animal Damage Control Board and so notify Mr. Boyd of the decision. Second by Commissioner Winkle and carried.

Commissioner Winkle, as concerns his support of McPaws, he serves on their executive board. He will be going to the cities of Cascade and Donnelly to ask for their support. He noted that Cascade has not financially supported McPaws, and that Valley County had reduced their support by 15% as a result of the tax cut last year. He wants to invite interested persons to discuss this issue at our budget session. He noted that veterinarians donate their services to spay and neuter animals at McPaws, and McPaws charges for those services.

Commissioner Moore discussed a draft letter submitted for the board's approval by Ronn Julian concerning the Idaho Parks and Recreation (IDPR) vendor program for Snowmobile licensing. IDPR wants to proceed with an online program, suspending the vendor sales. Snowmobilers are concerned that such action will discourage local sales, and cause a decline in purchasers properly designating the snowmobile area to receive the benefits of the licensing.

He noted that the Ashley Inn in Cascade sells the registration stickers. Commissioner Moore then moved to authorize the chairman to sign a letter to IDPR, second by Commissioner Winkle and carried to transmit the letter expressing our concern to IDPR.

June Fullmer appeared and explained the site exemption calculation recently enacted by the legislature. This exemption results in a tax shift from the developers to the balance of the taxpayers in the County. This amounts to approximately \$6.5 million in current value. Commissioner Moore disclosed that he is an actively licensed realtor and could possibly be involved in the sale of such properties, although he has no specific knowledge of any properties that could be involved. He moved to accept the site exemption as recommended by Assessor Fullmer. Commissioner Winkle seconded the motion and it was carried.

Ralph McKenzie appeared and discussed the need for continuing with the part-time gatekeeper position. His present alignment of personnel is resulting in an excessive accrual of vacation and comp time while one employee covers for another who is taking a vacation. Ralph does fill in at the gate from time-to-time. After discussion the commissioners are comfortable with the way things are and do not see a need for any immediate changes.

Elfriede Gabbert appeared with Cynda Herrick concerning the Heartland Hunger lease agreement. She proposed a change to the language of Page 6, Line 4 of the draft lease agreement to include successive 5-year periods without a need for renewal. Chairman Cruickshank pointed out that that the lease could not approve for more than a single five year period as to do so would extend it into perpetuity. This change would make fund-raising easier. It would require, however, an additional review of the document by our counsel.

Commissioner Moore agreed with Chairman Cruickshank's analysis. He then moved to approve the lease and authorize the Chairman to sign it, with the provision that the survey be included in the description of the property expressed in metes and bounds and the easement for access to the property be included. Commissioner Winkle seconded the motion and it was carried.

Elfriede and the Heartland Hunger contingent accompanying her expressed their appreciation to the Board, who in turn thanked them for their efforts in the development of this food bank

Adjourn for lunch at 11:50 a.m.

Reconvene at 1:00 p.m.

Jerry Robinson appeared and discussed road projects and business. The Valdez Gravel Pit has transferred the Conditional Use Permit to Valley County Road Department and is in need of a transfer of the reclamation plan. Commissioner Moore moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the documents when ready to transfer the documents from Valdez to Valley County, second by Commissioner Winkle and carried.

There is a water meter for the fairgrounds which should be down sized to save the monthly fee. He will have the size reduced to the minimum. He thinks there are other areas where Road and Bridge is inappropriately paying for services used by others.

He has cleaned up the slides on the East Fork of the South Fork Salmon River Road.

There are 8 applicants for the vacancy caused by a recent retirement. He is just getting to some back country areas as the snow diminishes. He has put out bids to for a bridge to use the last of his Forest Service funding, leaving a few bridges left needing replacement. Title III funds were discussed and the time table for use. Finally, there is another slide on Profile summit road in the same area as last year's slide.

Commissioner Moore moved to convene executive session to discuss a legal issue with counsel as provided by IC 67-2345(1) (f) at approximately 1:40 p.m. Commissioner Winkle seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote, Commissioner Moore, "Aye," Commissioner Winkle, "Aye," and Chairman Cruickshank, "Aye."

Convened executive session at 1:40 p.m.

Reconvened regular session at 2:10 p.m.

After discussion of the wording, Commissioner Moore moved that the Memorandum of Settlement in Robert Hunt V. Valley County, Case #2012-155C be adopted as of a supplement to the Conditions of Approval for CUP 11-07 and the CUP be revised accordingly. Second by Chairman Cruickshank and passed by vote of Commissioner Moore and Chairman Cruickshank, with Commissioner Winkle abstaining from the vote.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Gordon L. Cruickshank, Chairman

Attest:

Archie N. Banbury, Clerk

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