

**IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CASCADE, IDAHO  
July 7, 2014**

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

Meeting called to order by Chairman Cruickshank at 9:02 a.m.

Mayor of McCall, Jackie Aymon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Willey made a motion to approve the agenda for July 7, 2014 as presented. Commissioner Hasbrouck seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the Commissioner's agenda for July 7, 2014, as presented.

Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the Commissioner meeting minutes from June 30, 2014. Commissioner Willey seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the Commissioner meeting minutes from June 30, 2014.

Chairman Cruickshank presented the request from Idaho Department of Transportation to access private property. The property that ITD is requesting to access would be Valley County's property at Wellington Snow Park. Chairman Cruickshank asked who the point of contact would be after the request is signed? It was explained that Recreation Director, Larry Laxson and Road Superintendent, Curtis Bennett would be the point of contact for Valley County. Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to have the Chairman sign the request from Idaho Department of Transportation to access private property. Commissioner Willey seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to have the Chairman sign the request from Idaho Department of Transportation to access private property. Chairman Cruickshank provided the request to Road Superintendent, Curtis Bennett.

Chairman Cruickshank presented the Simplot Gold Dust Lease renewal. Chairman Cruickshank suggested that the County should review this lease to determine if it is still beneficial for Valley County. Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to have the Chairman sign the Simplot Gold Dust Lease renewal. Commissioner Willey seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to have the Chairman sign the Simplot Gold Dust Lease renewal agreement.

City of McCall Mayor, Jackie Aymon presented to the Valley County Commissioners regarding activities that have been taking place in the City of McCall. She explained that the City of McCall did have a raft entered into the Payette Lakes River Games. She advised that they had their CIP committee who presented to the City Council regarding capital improvement projects. She believed that the CIP Committee was a good way to have community involvement. The purpose of the CIP committee was to bring in members of the community to have open discussion regarding their concerns. Department Heads from the City of McCall made presentations to the CIP committee. The CIP committee came up with a consensus of the top concerns. It was recommended that a 1% tax increase should be proposed to assist in financing of the recommended improvements. She advised that 60% of the voters would need to approve the 1% tax increase. Mayor Aymon reported that the City of McCall is pursuing a TIGER grant which would be a six million dollar grant. The City of McCall's goal was to involve the community. She reported that the City of McCall is still dealing with sewer and water issues. They are trying to determine what the problems are and how to fix the issues. Chairman Cruickshank asked where the issues were? Mayor Aymon advised that part of the problems are issues underneath the streets and there are sludge issues at the sewer ponds. She explained that they first need to identify the problems and then determine how to repair the issues. She advised that public works will be providing a presentation to the McCall City Council. She reported on the donation that was received from Midas Gold for \$55,000. It was reported that Midas Gold would like to have a contest for naming the park. She advised that the donations would help build restrooms and concession stands as well as improve the park. She stated that the improvements would start in September of 2014. Mayor Aymon reported on the proposed go-cart track and miniature golf course. She felt that this was going to be a spectacular project for the City of McCall. She reported that the funding was not approved. Mayor Aymon advised that the City of McCall is currently working on their 2015 Fiscal Budget. She advised that the City of McCall would be working on priority based budget in the near future. She stated that this process might be adopted in the future by the City of McCall. She reported that the Department Heads filled out the initial requests and submitted to the City Council. She advised that she liked the concept and the process of the priority based budgeting. She stated that the information would be available for the general public to review. Mayor Aymon reported that she attended the Idaho Association of Cities Conference. She reported that City Manager, Gene Drabiniski, is working on combining the City of McCall with the Payette Sewer & Water District. She further reported that the City of McCall is also working on affordable housing issues within the City of McCall. She explained that there are limited rental houses available. Chairman Cruickshank reported that the Commissioners have requested that Planning & Zoning Administrator, Cynda Herrick talk with the Springs Apartment Complex to find out if they will be expanding the apartment complex. Chairman Cruickshank talked about the outdoor Idaho Science School and wanted to know if Mayor Aymon had heard about the change in the phases? Mayor Aymon reported that she had not heard anything about the changes in phases. Chairman Cruickshank asked if the Lardo Bridge

construction is a concern to the City of McCall? Mayor Aymon advised that they are pleased that the project would not start until September of 2014 and she is personally thrilled with the project. Mayor Aymon informed the Commissioners that there currently is a fire wise committee that has been created. The goal is to have the City of McCall a fire wise community by December of 2015. This concluded the presentation by City of McCall Mayor, Jackie Aymon.

Mr. Al Wonenberg discussed the Idaho Parks and Recreation Agreement for the Dock & Ramp improvements of Lake Cascade-Van Wyck Dock. Mr. Wonenberg advised that there would be \$20,000 oversight/engineering cost. He advised that it would need to reflect that there is \$173,600 revenue coming in with \$235,000 being expended. It was explained that the Idaho Parks and Recreation wanted upfront funds to start the project. Mr. Wonenberg explained that the he would contact Ms. Kathy Muir with the Idaho Parks and Recreation to discuss in further detail.

Mr. Ronn Julian representing West Mountain Snowmobile Club presented to the Commissioners. He wanted to discuss the donation that was to be provided to the West Mountain Snowmobile Club by Valley County in order for the West Mountain Snowmobile Club to attend the snowmobile exposition that is held in Spokane, Washington. Mr. Julian asked if there were some conditions with the funds that were contributed by Valley County? Mr. Julian discussed why there is not collaboration with the McCall snowmobile club. Mr. Julian explained that the Chamber of Commerce for Cascade has applied for a tourism grant but he reported that this grant has not been approved. Mr. Julian provided an overview of snowmobile registrations that have been received by each snowmobile club. He reported that there has been a decline in snowmobile registrations for the Valley County area which would include the West Mountain Snowmobile Club, Warm Lake area, Smiths Ferry area and McCall. Mr. Julian stated that they would not need Recreation Director, Larry Laxson to attend the conference with the West Mountain Snowmobile Club. Mr. Julian asked that if the contribution was made by Valley County, there would not be a requirement how the funds are expended. Commissioner Hasbrouck asked who would be attending the Snowmobile Exposition in Puyallup, Washington? Mr. Julian provided who would be attending. Chairman Cruickshank indicated that there might be a misunderstanding related to Valley County's contribution. He stated that Valley County did agree to fund an additional \$1,500 but there was intent by the Commissioners to have Recreation Director, Larry Laxson, attend to help offset the cost of the snowmobile club. Chairman Cruickshank explained that the County would be reducing the contribution to the West Mountain Snowmobile Club. Recreation Director, Larry Laxson indicated that he is excited that there is participation at the snowmobile exposition and he liked the idea of promoting the entire Valley County snowmobile programs. He believed that it would be beneficial for him to attend the Spokane Snowmobile Exposition. Chairman Cruickshank advised that Valley County should not just make a contribution to one club and should be contributing to all of the snowmobile clubs. Larry advised that the long range goal has always been promoting the entire County and he does not see the clubs working in that direction. Commissioner Hasbrouck stated that there needs to be a discussion with the McCall Snowmobile Club to find out if they are attending the exposition. Commissioner Hasbrouck wants to look at this as a County-wide initiative to market the entire County. Commissioner Willey agreed with the comment from Commissioner Hasbrouck. Chairman Cruickshank explained that he would suggest to Mr. Julian to communicate with the Chamber Commerce of Cascade to find out the status of the grant that is being applied for. The Commissioners agreed

that the \$1,500 that was voted on will still be provided to the West Mountain Snowmobile Club with no requirements on how the funds are expended. The Commissioners agreed that in the future there should be one booth representing Valley County snowmobile recreation.

Road Superintendent, Curtis Bennett presented on the West Mountain Road improvement options. Curtis provided a proposed project cost that will be appended the Commissioners minutes. He advised that the project length is 1360 feet. He advised that due to budget restraints, the Road Department would be requesting that the West Mountain Homeowners contribute to the cost of the proposed project. Mrs. Cindy Rich advised that there is not a homeowners association but she discussed with neighbors that are affected. She provided three offers that the homeowners came up with. \$3,785.60 was offered to help offset the cost of paving. The second offer is \$6,217 which is based on five years of dust abatement. The third option is \$6,560 to help pay for the oil to pave the road. She advised that growth of the community has created the damage to the road. Chairman Cruickshank asked why mag chloride was being added to the cost? Curtis provided an explanation that because the proposed project would not take place until August of 2014. Commissioner Hasbrouck asked how many neighbors are on the stretch of road? Ms. Rich advised that there are seven individuals that are willing to contribute. Chairman Cruickshank asked what project would be put on hold if the project was completed? Curtis advised that Heinrich Lane would not be completed. Chairman Cruickshank suggested that a community meeting take place to find out if there are more homeowners who would be willing to contribute. Chairman Cruickshank would like the homeowners to contribute 50% to 60% of the cost of the oil. Commissioner Hasbrouck believed that the homeowners should contribute 100% of the cost of the oil. Curtis advised that the Road Department would blade the road and would maintain close contact with the homeowners.

Commissioners adjourned the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

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Gordon Cruickshank, Chairman

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Douglas A. Miller, Clerk