

**IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CASCADE, IDAHO
August 17, 2015**

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

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

Commissioner Hasbrouck led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the agenda for August 17, 2015. Chairman Cruickshank seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the Commissioner's agenda for August 17, 2015.

Sheriff, Patti Bolen provided an update of the wildfires and informed the Commissioners about the Sheriff's Office contact with individuals in Warm Lake. She reported that the fire was within ½ mile of Warm Lake Road. She informed the Commissioners that she is in daily contact with the fire teams.

Chairman Cruickshank presented the Commissioner meeting minutes from August 10, 2015. Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the Commissioner meeting minutes for August 10, 2015. Commissioner Willey seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the Commissioner meeting minutes from August 10, 2015.

Human Resource Director, Ken Arment updated the Commissioners on the personnel files that were reviewed for possible destruction and provided the Commissioners with a draft resolution for review. Chairman Cruickshank advised that the resolution would be placed on next Mondays agenda for formal approval.

Planning & Zoning Administrator, Cynda Herrick presented Resolution 15-07 for the Potlatch Easements and Snowbank Road for the Commissioners to review and approve. Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to have the Commissioners sign Resolution 15-07. Commissioner

Wiley seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to have the Commissioners sign the Resolution 15-07.

Chairman Cruickshank presented the resignation letter from Mr. Bill Williams from the Board of Community Gardens. Commissioner Wiley made a motion to accept the resignation of Mr. Bill Williams from the Board of Community Gardens. Commissioner Hasbrouck seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to accept the resignation of Mr. Bill Williams from the Board of Community Gardens.

Court Services Director, Skip Clapp began the discussion related to the Juvenile Detention Officer position that is open. Chairman Cruickshank advised that the Commissioners feel that there needs to be justification to hire for the position. Skip informed the Commissioners about the utilization of the Juvenile Detention Center and advised that within the past week there were six juveniles who were served at the detention center. Skip provided the Commissioners specific reasons for the need to hire an additional Juvenile Detention Officer. A copy of the juvenile detention schedule for August 2015 was provided for the Commissioners to review. Commissioner Wiley provided his opinion related to the juvenile detention office position that was available and believed that the opening should not be filled. Commissioner Hasbrouck concurred with Commissioner Wiley's opinion about the existing opening. Chairman Cruickshank indicated that the Commissioners need to determine what is best for the tax payers of Valley County and at what cost do the Commissioners keep the detention center open. Chairman Cruickshank informed Skip that the Commissioners want him to keep statistics of juveniles from Valley County that are served at the juvenile detention center in McCall. The Commissioners directed Skip not to fill the open juvenile detention officer position.

Cynda Herrick presented on the KC Subdivision Final Plat. Cynda provided the maps for the Commissioners to review. Commissioner Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the final plat for the KC Subdivision. Commissioner Wiley seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the final plat for the KC Subdivision.

Chairman Cruickshank began the discussion related to the SITPA MOU for the Wellington Park Fire Camp. Mr. Steve Harshfield notified the Commissioners that the Forest Service had contacted private citizens to create long term fire camps. He advised that the private land owners would come up with their own agreements. Recreation Director, Larry Laxson informed the Commissioners about his conversation with the fire incident command team. Commissioner Wiley made a motion to approve Land Use Agreement #980-15-020 for the Wellington Park Fire Camp. Commissioner Hasbrouck seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to have the Chairman sign the approve Land Use Agreement #980-15-020 for the Wellington Park as a Fire Camp.

Road Superintendent, Curtis Bennett began the discussion related to Johnson Creek snow removal. Curtis informed the Commissioners that the Road Department was short seven operators. Curtis provided plow routes for the Commissioners to review. Chairman Cruickshank believed that last year with the snow pack Johnson Creek was only plowed twice. Diane asked what the commitment from the Road Department was and how far would the Road Department plow? Chairman Cruickshank expressed that the Commissioners were committed to plowing to Wapiti Ranch but it might not take place the day of the storm. Diane reported that the plowing of the junction was sporadic and they all agree that it should be done on a need basis. She reported that having uncurtaining of the snow removal policy is an issue.

Chairman Cruickshank advised that if there was a severe winter, Valley County would make a decision if it was needed to hire a private contractor. Diane informed that she was grateful to find out that when Johnson Creek would be plowed, the route to Wapiti Ranch would be plowed too.

Curtis informed the Commissioners that Mr. Pete Fields had accepted the mechanic position that was open.

Curtis reported to the Commissioners that the Big Creek Bridge would be purchased this year for installation next year. He provided a description of the bridge. Chairman Cruickshank asked about the installation of the Lehman Bridge? Curtis advised that the Lehman Bridge on East Side Drive would be replaced.

Curtis reported on the positive test for West Nile Virus in the Donnelly area. Curtis advised that Edwards Mosquito Abatement would like Valley County to collect the traps that are set up by Edwards Mosquito Abatement more often. Chairman Cruickshank suggested that Curtis request to get on the Edwards Mosquito Abatement Board Agenda for further discussion.

Planning & Zoning Administrator, Cynda Herrick began the discussion related to Flood Plain Surveying. She informed the Commissioners that every five years there is a CAV (Community Assistance Visit) visit which is conducted by FEMA. She advised that the point is to make sure that Valley County is in compliance. She advised that since there a lot of Zone A that are undetermined. Valley County ordinance do not allow building in the flood plains. Cynda advised that there are 12 properties that needed additional information, including three that are in the McCall Impact Area. Cynda informed the Commissioners that she is going to need to hire a surveyor to determine if the properties are in the flood plain area. Chairman Cruickshank believed that the surveys should be conducted.

A brief budget workshop began at 11:15 and concluded at 11:30 a.m.

Mary Faurot with the Boise National Forest presented to the Commissioners about the Forest Fires that the Boise National Forest is managing. She reported that there is a type two team at the Warm Lake fire. She introduced Mark Rosenthal who is the Incident Commander. Incident Commander, Mark Rosenthal provided Incident Action Plans for the Commissioners to review related to the Cougar Fire. He advised that today would be a test because the winds are expected to get to 20 to 25 mph. He provided an evacuation plan that had been discussed for Warm Lake Highway with the Sheriff, Patti Bolen. He advised that there is not an estimated containment date at this time. He provided that nationally at a planning Level 5. He explained that the Forest Service was tapped out on resources nationally. He advised that the military had been activated to assist if needed and they would be trained by the Vegas Hand Crew. He advised that length of assignment would be between 14 or 21 days. Chairman Cruickshank asked about structure protection? Mark Rosenthal provided an explanation of how structure protection would be analyzed. Chairman Cruickshank commented that he appreciated that there was a member of the local Forest Service who was involved with the fire management because of their familiarity of the area. Mary reported that there would be a community meeting on August 19, 2015 at the North Shore Lodge at 3:00 p.m. Mark advised that there would be daily staffing at 7:00 p.m. at Davis Field in Cascade, Idaho. Commissioner Hasbrouck asked how the military would work on the ground? Mark provided a brief overview of the military involvement. He advised that at this time the military would not be deployed.

Mike Brown with the Forest Service appreciated the involvement that the local departments have had.

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

Commissioners returned from lunch at 1:04 p.m.

Budget Workshop began at 1:05 p.m.

Members of the Selway Bitterroot Frank Church Wilderness volunteers provided an overview of the work that had been conducted over the summer of 2015. They explained the program and how it benefited them as well as the community.

Commissioners adjourned the meeting 3:07 p.m.

Chairman Gordon Cruickshank

Attest:

Douglas A. Miller, Clerk