

**Jefferson County Commissioner Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm. Those present are Chairman Karren, Commissioner Hegsted, Commissioner Raymond, Edidt Ramirez, and Christine Boulter. Emily Kramer is clerk of the board. Edidt Ramirez gave the Pledge of Allegiance and Chairman Karren gave the prayer.

Motion by Commissioner Raymond to amend the agenda to add Social Services at 1:00 pm because it was inadvertently left off the agenda. Second by Commissioner Hegsted. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hegsted – aye. Commissioner Raymond – aye. Chairman Karren – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Social Services – Edidt Ramirez

• **Executive Session 67-2345(D)**

Motion by Commissioner Hegsted to go into executive session at 1:02 pm pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345(D). Second by Commissioner Raymond. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hegsted – aye. Commissioner Raymond – aye. Chairman Karren – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved back into open session at 1:17 pm.

Motion by Commissioner Raymond to deny #2012-29 for lack of information, to table #2012-31 until February 13th, and to deny #2012-32 for nonresidency. Second by Commissioner Hegsted. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hegsted – aye. Commissioner Raymond – aye. Chairman Karren – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk – Christine Boulter

• **Quarterly Report**

The Clerk distributes the cash liabilities, revenue budget summary, and expenditure activity summary quarterly reports. Discussion is held on the reports.

• **Certificates of Residency**

The Commissioners sign the certificates of residency for the fall semester.

Sheriff – Blair Olsen

• **Executive Session 67-2345(B)**

Motion by Commissioner Hegsted to go into executive session at 2:07 pm pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345(B). Second by Commissioner Raymond. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hegsted – aye. Commissioner Raymond – aye. Chairman Karren – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved back into open session at 2:29 pm.

Discussion on official payroll records was held. The Commissioners request the Sheriff to provide copies of timecards from October 2011 forward to the payroll office. The Commissioners ask the Clerk to provide copy paper in order for him to comply.

Executive Assistant – Emily Kramer

- **Lake Fees**

Discussion held on lake fees and construction.

Motion by Commissioner Raymond to offer an inconvenience discount for 2012 on annual passes because of construction for 33% off in county and 20% off out of county. Second by Commissioner Hegsted. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hegsted – aye. Commissioner Raymond – aye. Chairman Karren – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Safe Haven**

Emily distributes a Safe Haven and BHC comparison. The Commissioners ask Emily to put Safe Haven on the next agenda and to invite the Sheriff. They also ask Emily to contact BHC to see who they defer to if they are full.

Commissioners sign the grant award for the System Improvement: Ensuring Implementation with Fidelity the 16 Strategies, 09BJAG16, in the amount of \$62,083.

Rocky Mountain Environmental – Bryce Contor

- **Water Supply at Jefferson Lake**

Bryce Contor with Rocky Mountain Environmental and Stanley Clark with Upper Snake Mitigation Solutions are present. Stanley explains that they have been working on recharge solutions. Bryce Contor distributes a handout that discusses options for lake irrigation and recharge opportunities. Bryce mentions that the county could work with the North Rigby canal company and get a water rights transfer to request change in the service area. Discussion on how much water is needed is held. Bryce mentions that he and Roger talked with Jerald. In that discussion, they mentioned that rental water is the way to go, but in a dry year it may not be adequate. Bryce discusses that we could buy a water right or apply for a water right and do a mitigation plan. Bryce explains that recharge in our lake would be an option to generate revenue. Stanley explains that in the spring when the lake is empty we could divert water early to fill the lake. We could then claim credit for recharge after it got to the level of the dry bed stream. Stanley mentions that it may be ruled that it is part of the conveyance system. Bryce says that part of the issue is when the lake loses water. Bryce mentions the water would be mitigation credit for ground water or it could be a small revenue stream. Jerald asks if there is a stipulation for a certain well depth with recharge. Bryce says no. Chris asks what the recharge revenue is. Bryce says he does not know the value since they are still in the marketing stages. Bryce explains that the Water Resource Board used to pay \$3 to convey, but the actual value of recharge water at this time has yet to be determined. Stanley says if we have a carrying right from time to time there is storage water to be bought at \$500 - \$1000 dollars an acre foot. Jerald asks what kind of hurdles they are facing. Bryce says everyone has been supportive and the Department of Water Resources has allowed them to present. Bryce is going to meet with top executives next Tuesday to discuss their plan. Bryce expects the power company to be in opposition.

Stanley explains that they are able to measure and account for the water with an instrument. He mentions that they are presently measuring at a few sites. Stanley discusses that they could put an instrument in at the lake where the water comes in and then when the water starts to run out

they could tally what we have and claim credit. Stanley mentions that Mitigation Ink dumps water out of Ririe to make room for flood control and that water can be bought very reasonably. Bryce explains that Rocky Mountain Environmental would be glad to offer their support for any of the options they have mentioned. Jerald asks Stanley if putting water in the lake raises the sub water. Stanley says the biggest liability they see is water quality and they have looked into insurance for water quality. Stanley says he can see a solution to the sub problem in Rigby and he mentions a pipe a crossed to a gravel pit.

Building Dept. – Jim Lynch & Jeff Geisler

- **Review HVAC Inspection Options**

Jim Lynch distributes a HVAC Inspection report and discusses adding HVAC inspections to the services offered by the county. Jim explains that right now the state inspects homes, but the previous inspector was laid off and they combined the plumbing and HVAC inspections. Jim is apprehensive of the quality of service that we will receive. Jim would like to contract with Ron Larsen to assist in designing an energy code, to train with him, and to become certified. Another option is to hire him as a private contractor to do the HVAC inspections. Jim explains that right now the state collects the fees and does the inspections. Jim distributes the MOU he's proposing to Clark County to complete their inspections. Jim mentions that he is suggesting a yearlong contract to become trained. Jim distributes a State HVAC pricing sheet. Tad asks about costs to become certified.

The Commissioners mention that they would like to discuss this matter with ICRMP to see what the liability would be to hire a private contractor or for the county to do HVAC inspections. They ask Chris to call ICRMP. Tad asks the Board if we would be covered would they want to move ahead or no in hopes of creating an additional revenue stream for the department. Chris asks if there is another county that already does HVAC inspections or has a private contractor. Jim thinks on the other side of the state there is, but not around here. Chairman Karren would like to think on this. Chairman Karren asks how long it would take to adopt an energy code. Jim says a month and then it would have to go to a public hearing. Chairman Karren says that they will think on it and gather some more information. They ask Jim to get on the agenda next month.

Extension Office - Lorie Dye

- **Purchase for Extension Office**

Lorie would like to install a range stove on the back porch for 4-H day camp. Lorie explains that they have small cooking projects during day camp and that they have been bringing in hot plates, but that they would really like a range stove. Lorie asked Scott and he had an electrician come in and take a look. The electrician estimates that they can rewire and put in a separate breaker for \$400. Lorie mentions after the rewiring they will look for a cost efficient range stove. Lorie requests permission to spend money from the miscellaneous for the wiring and would like to pay for the range stove out of the capital. She would like to conserve the capital for a possible vehicle in the future. Lorie discusses that they have been conserving money in the vehicle and gas line because of no ag. agent. The Commissioners give Lorie permission to purchase out of a budget line that she selects.

Motion by Commissioner Hegsted to allow the extension office to rewire the back porch for \$400 and to purchase a cost efficient range stove. Second by Commissioner Raymond. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hegsted – aye. Commissioner Raymond – aye. Chairman Karren – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioners

Commissioners ask Emily to draft a letter of support for a grant to construct a bike/pedestrian path for the City of Mud Lake.

- **Claims**

Motion by Commissioner Raymond to approve the claims dated January 10 through January 19, 2012 to total \$215,079.40. Second by Commissioner Hegsted. Roll call taken. Commissioner Raymond – aye. Commissioner Hegsted – aye. Chairman Karren – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Commissioner Meeting Minutes**

Motion by Commissioner Hegsted to approve the minutes of January 9, 2012. Second by Commissioner Raymond. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hegsted – aye. Commissioner Raymond – aye. Chairman Karren – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Raymond to amend the agenda to add an executive session 67-2345 (B)(F) at 4:39 pm because an issue was just brought to light this morning. Second by Commissioner Hegsted. Roll call taken. Commissioner Raymond – aye. Commissioner Hegsted – aye. Chairman Karren – aye. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Executive Session 67-2345(B)(F)**

Motion by Commissioner Raymond to go into executive session at 4:40 pm pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345(B)(F). Second by Commissioner Hegsted. Roll call taken. Chairman Karren – aye. Commissioner Raymond – aye. Commissioner Hegsted – aye.

Moved back into open session at 4:50 pm.
Discussion held on a personnel issue.

Attorney – Robin Dunn

- **Executive Session 67-2345(F)**

Not needed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:51 pm.

Chairman of the Board

Clerk of the Board

County Clerk