

Jefferson County Commissioner Meeting Minutes December 8, 2014

Meeting called to order at 9:00 am. Those present are Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Hegsted and Chairman Raymond. Edidt Ramirez and Chris Boulter are clerking the board. Tammy Adkins leads in the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner Farnsworth offered the prayer.

Probation-Tammy Adkins

- **9:05:07 AM Electronic Monitoring**

Tammy presents some documents to the commissioners in regards to electronic monitoring; commissioners will ask legal counsel to review and then will sign the document.

Commissioners

- **9:07:39 AM Approve Minutes**

[9:08:02 AM](#) Commissioners review the minutes (off recording)

[9:16:52 AM](#) Recess at 9:16 a.m.

[9:18:01 AM](#) Chairman speaks about a letter received from health department for an inspection of circular butte.

Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to approve the minutes dated November 24, 2014; motion is seconded by Chairman Raymond. All in favor motion passes

Treasurer-Kristine Lund

- **9:20:24 AM Tax Cancellation-David Stamper**

[9:21:56 AM](#) Present on this subject are Cody Taylor, Marilyn, and Kristine Lund. They speak about a tax cancellation for David Stamper. Commissioners ask questions on this property.

[9:23:59 AM](#) **Motion is made by Commissioner Hegsted to cancel taxes in the amount of \$350.38 for said property owned by David Stamper RP04N37E050080; motion is seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes**

[9:25:10 AM](#) 5 minute recess

Assessor-Cody Taylor Treasurer-Kristine Lund, Marilyn Willis

- **9:26:21 AM School Solid Waste Fees**

[9:31:32 AM](#) Cody Taylor speaks about this subject and the Kristine Lund speaks as well. Commissioners give input and make some clarifications. Kristine Lund answers to some to their questions. Christine Boulter asks a question for clarification. Commissioners ask some questions to which Marilyn answers to. Commissioners decide to leave the schools fees and later fees will be sorted out in accordance to use.

Kristine asks for direction on empty lion's hall in Ririe. Commissioner Hegsted speaks about what he is in favor of as for this building. They will ask the City of Ririe to hold off so commissioners can decide on a proper rate for solid waste fees.

[9:57:24 AM](#) Decision on this matter is tabled until rates are brought to commissioners in a future meeting.

Assessor Cody Taylor

- **9:58:22 AM BOE- AG Exemptions**

[9:58:55 AM](#) Cody, Matt Virgil (Idaho state tax commission) gives explanation as for the process that will take place with the AG exemption. Chairman Raymond speaks about the process they have decided will take place in regards to ag. exemptions. It is determined that there is no need to go into a BOE today. Kathy speaks about the AG Exemptions that were mailed out. Commissioners review the letters.

[10:07:39 AM](#) **Motion is made by Commissioner Farnsworth to remove ag. Exemption on the property of Michael Overton; motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes**

[10:08:28 AM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to remove age exemption on the property of Christopher D. Freeman; motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes.**

Scott Hancock asks a question and staff responds to this concern.

Scarr farms declare as ag exemption Matt Virgil speaks about the code for this on having criteria for ag. Exempt. Chairman Raymond recommends that the Scarr request be approved.

[10:20:02 AM](#) There are many letters that have declarations of Ag. Exempt but no verifications.

Kara smith has provided verifications that are required to be declared as ag. Exemption.

[10:32:47 AM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to approve ag. Exemption for Kara Smith; motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted Roll call taken.**

Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes

[10:37:51 AM](#) Commissioner Hegsted asks a question on a piece of property about one of the letters received. Matt from the Idaho state tax commissioner reviews more of the statutes to clear up some of the commissioner's confusion.

[10:41:44 AM](#) Chairman Raymond speaks of Greg Vanstieken property. (horse boarding facility)

[10:42:45 AM](#) **Motion made by Chairman Raymond to deny Greg Vanstieken as an ag. exemption; motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted. Roll call taken Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes.**

[10:44:31 AM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to deny Scott Burnside for ag. exemption; motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes**

[10:45:20 AM](#) Carpenter Farms is reviewed and Kathy gives some input on this application.

[10:46:36 AM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to approve Scott Carpenter for ag. exemption; motion seconded by Commissioner Hegsted Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond- aye.**

[10:52:26 AM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to deny ag. exemption on Gunderson Enterprises; motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes.**

[10:53:13 AM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to deny Timothy B. Jones for ag. Exemption; motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes.**

[10:53:34 AM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Hegsted to deny AB & DJ Partners; motion is seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye.**

[10:54:12 AM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to deny ag. exemption on Dolores Scarr seconded by Commissioner Hegsted roll call taken**

[10:55:04 AM](#) **Motion to deny by Commissioner Hegsted on Bagley and Marshall Trust ; motion is seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes.**

[10:55:41 AM](#) Motion made by Commissioner Hegsted to approve the denial of ag. exemption for Blue Lakes; motion seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth. Roll call taken. Motion passes.

[10:57:11 AM](#) Motion made by Commissioner Hegsted to deny ag. exemption for Allen E. Grant; motion is seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes.

[10:57:38 AM](#) Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to deny ag. exemption for David Dalling; motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes

[10:58:58 AM](#) Commissioner Farnsworth makes a statement as well as Scott Hancock in regards to the subject taking place.

[11:00:25 AM](#) Kathy and Emily are given direction as to the letters that will be mailed out to the applicants for ag. exemptions.

Extension Office-Lorie Dye

- [11:01:54 AM](#) **Budget Concerns**

[11:02:25 AM](#) Lorie Dye and Ruth Hale are present on this subject. Lorie Dye leads in the subject and states her concern in regards to the purchase of the copier. She states she doesn't believe it wasn't paid for as intended. Commissioner Hegsted agrees to what Lorie has stated. Chairman Raymond speaks about what his understanding was on the purchase. Clerk Boulter speaks in regards to the subject as well. Chairman Raymond speaks about how he understood the purchase was going to be made. `Commissioners will review this next budget year.

Mary Ann Elliot-Court Reporter

- [11:25:37 AM](#) **Request for speaker**

[11:26:04 AM](#) Mary Ann Elliot gave updates to commissioners. She is requesting reimbursement from the county on some items. Chairman Raymond asks about the position and makes clarifications. Clerk Boulter adds some comments as to why expenses are not in the budget. Commissioner Hegsted and Commissioner Farnsworth ask some questions. Mary Ann speaks to try to clarify this. Chairman Raymond states the commissioners will speak to Burt Butler on this issue. Mary Ann also expresses her need for a speaker in courtrooms 3 &4 with a headphone jack to be able to hear clearly.

Social Services-Edidt Ramirez

- [11:45:06 AM](#) **executive session 67-2345(D)**

[11:45:33 AM](#) Motion made by Commissioner Hegsted to go into executive session 67-2345(D) at 11:45 a.m.; motion is seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth. Roll

call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes.

Open session at 11:56

11:57:28 AM Motion by Commissioner Hegsted to deny indigent case number 2015-23 for lack of cooperation, approve indigent case number 2015-1, 2015-22 deny to lack of cooperation and possible other resources ; motion is seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes

11:58:01 AM Adjourn for lunch at 11:15 a.m.

David Alvarez-ITD

- **1:00:55 PM Transportation planning**

1:01:26 PM David is presenting on this subject as well as some members of the public and a member from the city council and the superintendent from school district 251. David explains what they will be reviewing today and begins to review the slides explaining them to those present.

1:15:27 PM Chairman Raymond makes a comment about the study performed at the intersection being discussed.

Planning & Zoning-Naysha Foster

- **2:15:28 PM Sign Building Permit Contract- City of Menan**

2:16:09 PM Jeff Geisler is present on this subject and presents the contract to the commissioners. Jeff has emailed a copy to legal counsel but has not received a response. Legal counsel will need to review before signatures are placed.

2:18:47 PM Motion made by Chairman Raymond to accept contract after legal counsel has reviewed; motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted. All in favor motion passes.

Weed Department-Mitch Whitmill

- **2:20:29 PM Purchase new equipment-Plow spray truck-V-plow**

2:21:12 PM Mitch present the bids from 3 of the vendors he has talked to which are Salmon River Motors, Smith Ford, and Goody Motor for the purchase of the plow spray truck v-plow. Commissioners ask some questions and Mitch answers to them.

[2:32:27 PM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to approve purchase of the truck from goody motor ford in the amount of \$42,344.00 and plow from 1st street welding \$6,718.82.00 ;motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted. Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes.**

Commissioners

- [2:35:21 PM](#) **Sign Certificates of Residency**

[2:35:36 PM](#) Chris explains that the county has not paid on the fall certificates and explains why. Commissioners review the Certificates of residency.

- [2:39:35 PM](#) **Rigby City Sludge**

[2:39:46 PM](#) A representative from the City of Rigby is present here today in regards to the Rigby City Sludge and he presents an MOU to the commissioners that has been in place since 2010. Roxanne is also present today and hands some paper work to the commissioners from the landfill.

- [2:47:05 PM](#) **Discuss titles for equipment & vehicles**

[2:47:25 PM](#) Roxanne gives some background to the commissioners and speaks in regards to the titles. Roxanne is asking for direction as to how to title the vehicles. Cody Taylor explains that there will be a cost associated with the change of title. Chairman Raymond request that the title be held until legal counsel gives recommendation.

[2:56:50 PM](#) Tad Hegsted (public works interim director) speaks about some of the equipment sold at the auction. Asking for guidance of how to proceed with the pieces of equipment and the options they have available.

[2:59:54 PM](#) **Motion made by Chairman Raymond to go ahead and grant the bid to the backup bidder for the scrapper in the amount of \$7,000.00; motion is seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth Roll call taken (commissioner Hegsted abstains because he is serving as interim public works administrator) Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes**

- [3:00:58 PM](#) **Public Works Auction Equipment**

give him direction as for another piece of equipment that wasn't paid for or picked up to send it to a video auction. Commissioners are in favor of this. Tad Hegsted speaks about the proceeds collected from the auction and what the options are to be able to do the pay offs on other pieces of equipment.

- [3:06:47 PM](#) **Public works Proceeds from Auction**

Commissioner Hegsted states there is demand for more office space since the building add on was built in 1990. He asks commissioners to consider this when deciding what to do with the proceeds from the auction. Commissioner Hegsted reviews some options that may be available to extend office space. Chairman Raymond asks clerk a question as for

being able to take a step with building new space. Clerk responds to the questions. Commissioner Hegsted provides paperwork to chairman.

3:20:27 PM Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to use \$297,236.28 of the proceeds from the auction to pay off rented lease equipment; motion is seconded by Chairman Raymond, tagging the balance temporarily to go with the building upgrade monies and see where that leads. (Commissioner Hegsted abstains) Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes

- **3:22:24 PM Bio-solid waste MOU- City of Rexburg**

3:23:02 PM MOU has been signed.

- **3:25:42 PM Probation building rent/lease**

3:25:56 PM Commissioner Farnsworth speaks about the probation building saying he met with the realtor and what the results of that were. He speaks about the finding of the building and the property. \$500,059.00 is the asking deal

3:27:43 PM Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to enter into negotiations to purchase the probation building; suggesting that probation be in top part of the building and prosecution in the bottom of the building. Chairman speaks about not being opposed to this but he wants to assure that it will meet the needs of both offices. Clerk asks if there has been legality figured on this. Chairman brings up other things that need to be addressed. Commissioner Hegsted adds to the conversation expressing the needs of the offices.

Commissioner Farnsworth withdraws his motion. Commissioners will seek further information.

- **3:37:22 PM Idaho State Code Books**

3:37:51 PM Clerk speaks on this subject. Talks about saving Idaho state code books. The assessor and clerk talked about this they are asking to destroy the old code books.

3:41:09 PM Motion by Chairman Raymond to dispose of books; motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted. All in favor. Motion passes

3:41:46 PM Clerk will do a resolution to dispose of these books.

- **3:41:56 PM Discussion on West Side Roads**

3:42:14 PM Commissioner Farnsworth speaks about this subject about cinders on a road in Terreton. Commissioner Hegsted speaks about the road being under construction. Clerk suggest for interim public works administrator to make a phone call to the constituent as well as address any another questions.

- **3:45:10 PM Liquor License update**

[3:45:24 PM](#) Clerk speaks about the Liquor licenses and states how the liquor licenses have to be renewed yearly and she speaks about how other counties handle the renewal via a list.

- [3:50:33 PM](#) **Approve Claims**

[3:50:44 PM](#) There is a question from Commissioner Farnsworth on finance charges and FEMA charges. Commissioners review these claims from the Sheriff's office.

[3:54:39 PM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Hegsted to approve the claims dated \$116,948.91 11-24-14 through 12-05-14; motion is seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth Roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes**

- [3:53:40 PM](#) **Standard Operating procedures**

[3:54:24 PM](#) discussion tabled for next agenda.

Discussed if it is clear where the funds will be coming out of for the purchase of the plow (chris and commissioners)

Attorney-Robin Dunn (not present being replaced with a executive session with Blake Hall)

- [3:58:13 PM](#) **Executive session 67-2345(F)**

[3:58:59 PM](#) Recess at 3:58 p.m.

- [4:08 PM](#) **Motion made by Commissioner Hegsted to go into executive session 67-2345(F); motion is seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth. roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond-aye. Motion passes**

Attorney Blake Hall is present on subject

- [4:19:10 PM](#) open session at 4:18PM discussed legal issues no decision made

[4:19:43 PM](#) **Motion to go into Executive Session 67-2345(B)(F) by Commissioner Farnsworth motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond. Motion passes**

Casey Bingham is present on this subject (proceedings are being recorded on hand held device).

[5:26:20 PM](#) open session conducted a name clearing hearing held discussion on pending legal action.

Motion to go into Executive Session 67-2345(B)(F) by Commissioner Farnsworth motion is seconded by Commissioner Hegsted roll call taken. Commissioner Farnsworth-aye, Commissioner Hegsted-aye, Chairman Raymond. Motion passes

Open session at 6:01 p.m.

Conducted interview no decisions made, no action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Chairman of the Board

Clerk of the Board

County Clerk