

**JEFFERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 29, 2018**

Meeting called to order at 9:00. Those present are Commissioner Hancock, Commissioner Martinez, Chairman Farnsworth, Clerk Collen Poole, Emergency Manager Rebecca Squires, Extension Office Lorie Dye, Probation Tammy Adkins, Treasurer Kristine Lund, Park & Recreation Mickey Eames, Assessor Cody Taylor, Noxious Weeds & Invasive Species Mitch Whitmill, Public Works Dave Walrath, Sheriff Steve Anderson, Planning & Zoning Kevin Hathaway; Audrey Moon is clerk of the board. Pledge of Allegiance led by Lorie Dye. Prayer offered by Kevin Hathaway.

COMMISSIONERS – ELECTED OFFICIALS – DEPARTMENT HEADS

• **STAFF MEETING**

[9:01:23 AM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said the electricians called him would like to have the electricians let in to dispatch to run some conduit. Sheriff Anderson said they can arrange this.

[9:02:26 AM](#) Commissioner Martinez has talked to the commissioners about reviewing policy. Not now but in the future would like to do this in their gatherings to get everyone on the same page. Talked to Colleen in the past and she does policy reviews in her department.

[9:03:32 AM](#) Clerk Colleen Poole reminds them on the step and grade this information is due to Rebecca on Thursday.

[9:03:47 AM](#) Assessor Cody Taylor they are working on reappraisals. This is keeping everyone busy. Getting applications for homeowner exemption. Does have an opening in her office for an appraiser.

[9:04:11 AM](#) IT Garn Herrick got all monitors in dispatch replaced after four years of being on twenty-four hours. Have a few to add to the patrol and jail offices. Replacing PC's that are seven to eight years old.

[9:04:47 AM](#) Park & Recreation Mickey Eames working on a grant. Got this submitted on Monday. Had emailed some additional info to the committee. Hopes this goes it will be wonderful for their lake. Will not be seeing her as much as she burns off comp time.

[9:05:27 AM](#) Treasurer Kristine Lund does not have anything.

[9:05:31 AM](#) Extension and 4-H Lorie Dye most of the things are in the newsletter. Have the schools going on. If they would like that newsletter can get that to them. Have three new computers. Have been teaching a lot of other classes. Have started classes on the instapot. Have so many things going on this time of year.

[9:06:45 AM](#) Noxious Weeds & Invasive Species Mitch Whitmill working on upgrading the facility and equipment. It is required that the applicators keep up on credits so they are attending trainings for these now. Will be working with Soil Conservation to put together another meeting in May. Will have an agenda for departments looking for recertification credits. This will be held during the week this year. Will only be one day and will be focused on chemical applicators knowledge.

[9:08:39 AM](#) Probation Tammy Adkins does not have anything.

[9:08:48 AM](#) Lorie adds they work with BYU Idaho and have created an extension program. Glad to be part of this. Will have another intern in April. Thrilled the Universities are working together.

[9:09:40 AM](#) Sheriff Steve Anderson mentions the committee that was put together on the step and grade. Will have some validity he feels with these numbers. Appreciates the time being put in but John had good things to say. If they hear any push back asks that they defend the DUI task force that happened in the area on Saturday. The State of Idaho gave them one million to host once a month in a different county deputies that fly under their flag. Had seventeen officers on the road Saturday. Arrested a lot of DUI's and open containers as well as individuals with warrants. Had some good comments but also some negative comments which surprised him because we do not want impaired drivers out on the roads. They only paid for the pizzas. If anyone asks it did not cost them anything extra.

[9:11:32 AM](#) Public Works Dave Walrath said the mild winter is actually more destructive to the roads. Froze last night and will be thirty-five degrees today and forty-seven degrees tomorrow. While they are not plowing they are hauling gravel. Trying to keep the speeds down in their haul trucks. Have seen State Highway 48 really breaking off with the tough freeze and thaws. Solid Waste not much to report. Has been asked to give a speech on Circular Butte in Boise. Believes this in March. Have serious problems with the base on Highway 48.

[9:15:15 AM](#) Planning & Zoning Kevin Hathaway almost made it to floodplain training. They have rescheduled this in May. Have training with the State in Madison County. Had lone, Greg and Jeff go to annual training last week. This is good to update them on codes. Been dealing with mostly compliance issues. Making headway and should have some resolutions. Have a Planning & Zoning meeting on Thursday.

[9:16:45 AM](#) Emergency Manager Rebecca Squires reminds them to get their step and grade information into her. Emergency Management the hydraulic event from last year had five of six project areas approved by FEMA. Gone through smoothly. Waiting for the largest one. Had \$453,300 total damages. Get ninety percent back for a total of \$407,900 back. Have gotten \$9,000 so far will be an ongoing process. Working with the Sheriff Office to provide some training on an active shooter event so they would not be totally blindsided. This will take place in the next six weeks. Do the offices outside of the courthouse want the same training? Thinks they could have them come over. Rebecca said they will offer separate sessions. Working on a mitigation plan. Kind of quiet right now.

[9:19:58 AM](#) Prosecutor Paul Butikofer on active shooters there is a seminar at the Water Springs Church for shooters in our religious areas. Believes this is from 3:00 to 5:00. This was his one year anniversary from being elected. Wanted to let them know things they were proud of. Eliminated three part-time attorneys and moved to two full-time attorneys and one part-time attorney. Set up a new office while keeping the same staff. All attorneys are new. Got the courthouse to open at 8:00. Separated juvenile from adult cases. Trying to make the experience better. Have background checks. The Family Crisis Center said Jefferson County has the highest percentage of victims that had cases filed with seventy-three percent. Appreciates the effort from the Sheriff's Office. Protecting our youth is a big concern. Thanks to Sheriff's Office, Probation and the Commissioners.

[9:23:35 AM](#) Commissioner Hancock the new building is making good progress. Preparing the floors the walls should be finished by February 7. Will get a proposal for the electrical work needed for the Sheriff's building. Attended the Eastern Idaho State Fair board meeting on Friday with Chairman Farnsworth. If Lorie has anything she needs to take back to the board please let him know. Discuss how many visitors that attended the fair this year. They had 241,000 paying visitors at the fair and their budget is about three million.

[9:26:55 AM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said that they belong to the IAC now Ada County has opted out because they were not getting their money out of this. Also jumped out of the Public Defense Fund and then realized their mistake and plead to jump back in. Commissioner Martinez is surprised Jefferson County was not in this sooner.

[9:27:54 AM](#) Paul said this is similar to an insurance policy. If there is a capital case or a murder that is worth a capital case where they could possibly seek the death penalty. Being part of this fund would protect the county if there is a capital case where the state is seeking the death penalty there is funding available for the defense budget and the Prosecutor help. Includes appeals from District Court for the defense. This is offset for what they were paying the Public Defender. Commissioner Martinez asked a rough cost. Paul said half to one and a half million.

[9:28:53 AM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said previous administrators always warned what would happen with a murder in the county. Paul said they were the only county not involved in this. Let them get into the fund even though they never had been in this. Had a probation period. Hopefully nothing happens but it is a good program. Colleen believes this was \$18,000 with an annual payment of \$10,000. But that fee was waived this year.

[9:31:13 AM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said there are a lot of new things going on in the county. Appreciates everyone's input.

PROBATION – TAMMY ADKINS

• QUARTERLY REPORT

[9:36:37 AM](#) **Paul Butikofer left room**

[9:36:54 AM](#) Tammy not a lot of changes with the quarterly report. **(Exhibit A)** Updated they hired MaCee Cherry to fill the part-time position that was open and it has been working out well. On their performance measures have met all of these for the past quarter. Have started a pre-trial program shows numbers for the whole year on the report. Juvenile numbers were consistent this last quarter. Thinks they will have some increase in the next few months. Adults have been up about twenty percent. Biggest thing is they started a pre-trial release program. Doing the criminal background reports and working with the Prosecutor's office before the individual is arraigned. Given the option with a new program to look at changing legislative laws. Judges will be able to do a no bail order on certain cases if they see fit. Currently nothing in the codes that will allow this. Trying to push this through the legislature. Those numbers in the pre-trial programs have tripled in the last year. Individuals released from custody prior to sentencing that they are overseeing them these numbers are up. Had some bumps while learning the new program. Feels the numbers are where they should be in this program. Chairman Farnsworth said this is nice there is a lot of data. Commissioner Hancock said the big collection is almost \$35,000 for cost of supervision (COS) fees. Tammy said this is their biggest collection. This goes into the general fund. Tammy budgets for this. This all goes into the general fund and then bases her numbers on this for the drug testing. Commissioner Hancock asked if they could move these funds. Tammy said on the COS Burt Butler swears that when they switch to Odyssey there will not be any changes to these fees. Right now they do all the collections on these.

[9:42:22 AM](#) When they switch to Odyssey in October there will be a lot of changes with the payments. These fees will be collected by the Court Clerks because they will have priority of payments. Say if there is someone who has \$1,000 owed on various things there will be a priority payment so when \$100 is paid this will go to a priority before being applied to COS. Payment for COS is now turned in at Probation. Could move this to something that is more of a priority than cost of supervision. They want all of these fees into this system so when a payment is made it will be automatically paid to the first priority. Trying to make sure restitution is paid first for the victim. May see a reduction in collections in the beginning. May do a hearing every month if their fines are not paid if they do not show up they will have a warrant issued. Had a ninety percent collection rate. Colleen said they have the highest collection rate in the area. This may go down because of how this is split up. Burt is always complementing the collection rate.

[9:45:16 AM](#) Commissioner Hancock said they may lose track of these funds with this change. Tammy said they can still run reports but this will be dispersed by priority. Do have a ninety percent collection rate so they should be fine. Tammy said there will be comp time with this change coming.

[9:49:22 AM](#) Recess

Open session 10:00

APPRAISER – JESSICA ROACH

• AG - UNDER FIVE ACRES

[9:49:28 AM](#) Jessica is here to present the applications for ag land that is five acres and under. Provides the Commissioner a refresher on what qualifies. The top part of the form along with \$1,000 income. Have not received a lot of these back yet. Have until April 15 before these would be a BOE. Provides four of these today has the maps attached on the back. As long as they are producing a crop or grazing this for profit then they qualify. Chairman Farnsworth appreciates when they provide all the correct documents.

[10:03:20 AM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Hancock for Bryce and Tenill Harris parcels #RP04N39E290145 and #RP04N39E290250 will approve the agricultural credit for land under five acres. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

[10:04:09 AM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Martinez to approve ag credit for Travis Neville parcel #RP07N37E024000 for under five acres. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

[10:05:23 AM](#) Motion by Commissioner Hancock to approve ag credit for Alex and Sabrina Owens for parcel #RP006540010030 they have the completed application and income. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

[10:05:52 AM](#) Motion by Commissioner Martinez to approve ag credit for under five acres for Scott and Barbara Carpenter for parcel # RP07N33E133180 since they have shown the \$1,000 income. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

NOXIOUS WEEDS & INVASIVE SPECIES – MITCH WHITMILL

• PURCHASE GIS EQUIPMENT

[10:07:23 AM](#) Mitch provides the Commissioners an updated noxious weed book. Been updating spray equipment with GIS. Have requested funds in their capital funds line. Wanting these for three more of their ATV's. Had put in for four but are only purchasing three. The cost is a little more than initial because of something they needed to add. This will fit on the ATV's. While doing the spray applications this will collect the data to know what has been treated.

[10:10:05 AM](#) Biggest thing they like is having data showing what days the equipment operates. Shows where this sprays and where they do not. Does not calculate acreage. The GIS equipment is expensive. The blue lines show the road trucks. Can zoom into these areas very closely. So they have this in case they have questions on spraying something that should not have been sprayed. Spent a lot of years and this equipment is the most effective tool they have ever had. This data is collected on the unit. The travel drive is on the data base and would show on the file.

[10:14:22 AM](#) Want to get the county background owners on their maps. Try to get this added right into the system. Mitch provides the budget he budgeted \$10,000 for this so they have the funds available.

[10:15:14 AM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said they will get three for \$6,435. Mitch said they are buying three but they budgeted for four. Until they update the other piece of equipment this will not be needed.

[10:16:13 AM](#) Motion by Commissioner Martinez to authorize the weed department to purchase GIS equipment for \$6,435. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – REBECCA SQUIRES

• PREPAREDNESS FAIR AGREEMENT

[10:21:21 AM](#) Rebecca said after the staff meeting gave them an update on the federal applications that have been approved. On the Preparedness Fair this is scheduled for September 15. Want to start this now because they get so busy in the fall. Have the location agreement for Rigby High School and an agreement with Madison Memorial. Weston has reviewed these. To engage the school and students have worked out a \$300 payment to have students there to help set-up. Chairman Farnsworth said this has already gone through Weston.

[10:23:27 AM](#) Motion by Commissioner Hancock to approve the agreement with Jefferson County for the Emergency Preparedness Fair and Rigby High School for \$300 for use of the building and help setting up. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

[10:24:21 AM](#) Rebecca provides the marketing agreement with Madison Memorial Hospital. This is \$3,000 have this money budgeted from the grant. Weston has seen and approved this as well. Commissioner Martinez asked about any support from Madison County. Rebecca said that Madison County supports Madison Memorial Hospital so in a roundabout way they are supporting this. Their Emergency Manager is not tied in with the commissioners and the budget. Have come up with this year it is Jefferson County will have the majority of the work. Then next year when it is Madison's turn they will have the opportunity to see what they come up with. Next year may not be as involved because it is hard to spend Jefferson County grant funds in Madison County. Commissioner Hancock said our residents do support Madison Memorial Hospital.

[10:28:09 AM](#) Rebecca mentions it would be hard to do this fair without the hospital.

[10:28:25 AM](#) Motion by Commissioner Hancock to approve the Marketing and Advertising agreement between Jefferson County and Madison Memorial Hospital for \$3,000. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

[10:30:34 AM](#) Motion by Commissioner Hancock to amend the agenda to move the Indigent executive session to 10:30. Will move this up because the public is not required to be in attendance and they are able to move forward. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

SOCIAL SERVICES – JACKIE MAUPIN

• EXECUTIVE SESSION 31-874 & 74-206(D) – RECORDS EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE

[10:31:11 AM](#) Motion by Commissioner Hancock to go into executive session 31-874 & 74-206 (D) – Records exempt from disclosure. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

Open session 10:38

[10:38:40 AM](#) Motion by Commissioner Hancock to deny case #2018-13 for lack of cooperation and possible non-resident. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

[10:39:05 AM](#) Recess until 1:00

Open session 1:00

[12:56:52 AM](#) Prosecutor Paul Butikofer is present

RYAN NEWMAN & COREY LOVELAND

- BUREAU OF RECLAMATION**

[1:00:45 PM](#) Corey said that Brian was planning on being here. Brian is the Water Operations Manager for the Upper Snake field office. Has a presentation on Palisades Dam Operations for 2018. **(Exhibit B)**

[1:02:28 PM](#) Brief outline to talk about the Upper Snake reservoir status, 2017 Palisades recap, 2018 forecast runoff, flooding threats below Heise, potential scenarios in 2018 with high and average, current snow and forecast and USBR communication.

[1:03:26 PM](#) Goes over the teacup diagram this is essentially all of the reservoirs they manage on the Snake River system. American Falls and Jackson are bigger reservoirs that store a lot of water. The solid teacup is how full these reservoirs are. Jackson is at seventy-eight percent full and releasing 671cfs. Palisades is at ninety-six percent full which is high for this time of the year and are releasing 3,489cfs. Ririe is at sixty percent full and are currently storing water there. Did a winter release back in November in Ririe.

[1:04:55 PM](#) Recap from 2017 at palisades dam and the storage content. Goes over diagram from last year which was a big water year.

[1:07:37 PM](#) Segway into 2018 January forecast runoff. At the end of the month so doing snow surveys right now. These numbers are a month old. The number they use is the Heise stream gauge. That is the forecast they use to operate Palisades reservoir. Was at 108% average with a volume of 4.1 million acre feet (MAF). This is forecasting from January 1 through July 31. This is how much snow pack is above Heise. They coordinate with US Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) and US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) on the Heise gauge. They run their numbers and they come up with this forecast. This assumes normal conditions.

[1:09:30 PM](#) Stream gauge near Heise. This is the National Weather Service hydrograph. Shows this to show the flood stages. Official flood stage is at eight feet or 24,600cfs. High point at Palisades Dam but they do not want to get to this stage. Looking at internal threshold of 20,000cfs. There is no flooding at that point in time. Could operate up to this threshold if needed.

[1:11:09 PM](#) Aerial view of Palisades Dam to confluence with Henry's Fork. Have to look at the Henry's Fork is doing. This comes off at different timings. This can bring a significant volume of water.

[1:12:10 PM](#) Upper levees along Snake River. Knows there are concerns on the levee systems with the high flows last year. This goes back to the high threshold on keeping this under the 20,000cfs. Are ramifications with high flows. With these releases have levee impact and additional strain on these. Hopefully it will not be in that situation this year.

[1:13:42 PM](#) The first scenario would be like what they had last year. Full is 1,200,000 AF. Shows storage projection. Last year had a lot of inflow. Peaked at 36,000cfs. This shows the outflows. Not saying this is going to happen this was a wet scenario.

[1:14:44 PM](#) If discharges were the same with a high snow pack scenario. Could see 16,000cfs to 22,000cfs. If worried about the levees thinks this is unlikely to be in the same situation as last year.

[1:15:34 PM](#) Have January forecast have this sorted from 1981 to 2017. Shows where they are sitting. Similar years were 2008, 2006, 1995, 2014, 2009, 1998 and 1983.

[1:16:44 PM](#) Lewis Lake divide is a high mountain snowpack station. This is a station they use to have a general health indication on snow pack. Looked at similar years of 1998, 2008, 2009, 1995, 1983 and 2018. With these similar years they could see similar conditions.

[1:18:14 PM](#) Average runoff scenario looking at 2018 as an analogue year. 1995 is a better scenario for time of the releases. Palisades storage this is the projection looking more on timing than releases. They want to fill on the recession limb. Do not want to fill early because this puts them behind then would have to flood people downstream. Wants to be near full in late June early July. Generally the snowpack melts off late June so that is when the peak flows come in. Do not want to be full at this time. This gives them more flexibility on the timing. Want to start increasing the releases now or mid-February to reduce flooding scenarios. Palisades storage is where they sat in 1995. This was a late filling. Palisades inflow in 1995 are similar to conditions this year. Peak flow is early July. 1995 they topped out at 18,000cfs. Best guess would be peaking at 16,000 to 18,000cfs. This is a forecast from what they did in 1995. Well under the flooding threshold and no additional strain on the levee.

[1:22:23 PM](#) Go into snow and current conditions. Have a little bit of snow in the past few days. Have some forecasted above Palisades. Discuss the SNOTEL sites if they take all of these sites is at about 115% average. Wyoming side this is 117% average.

[1:23:02 PM](#) Have a seven day perception forecast is one to two inches. Not very wet with not much precipitation forecasted. Have a six to ten day forecast. Is above normal with a thirty-three to forty percent precipitation. Look at temperatures as well it has been fairly warmer. Have one month perception forecast showing forty percent. Then shows a three month total of February, March and April showing about forty percent wet. The forecast still shows wetter than normal. Look at the precipitation for the normal water year. Lots of yellow and browns. In Eastern Idaho still fairly dry with near average conditions. Not very wet.

[1:25:59 PM](#) Put out a weekly email update that goes over current conditions of the eight dams they operate. Shows where they are at as far as in and out flows. Have a few stakeholder meetings. Try to be forthright in their operations.

[1:27:06 PM](#) Goes over their contact information. He is Corey Loveland who is the Water Operations Manager. Have his boss Ryan Newman here he is the Assistant Area Manager.

[1:28:11 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth thinks this was very informative. Last year they had a lot of water flow. Palisade seemed full all year they had some issues with levee last year. Contacted the Corps and was told they do not help until this fails. Spending Road & Bridge money fixing the levee because the flood district was out fast. Look at the reservoir and how full this is now even before the melt can see some concern.

[1:30:04 PM](#) Ryan points out as far as precipitation February is where this really took off last year. This is why Brian is not here has to do the tests to see if what they think is on the ground really is. On years like this when they are on an average year they run this every month. On a high year they are running this constantly. When they get this for February then they will really know. It really depends what February does. Some big

years have transpired in May and June. The years it will not quit raining are the times they move a lot of water. Get criticized a lot on what they should have done. The water is owned by someone and these reside on the storage contracts. Really sensitive to filling the buckets so farmers have what they need. If they shift into a flood scenario they go into flood control. Chairman Farnsworth said this is a fine line.

[1:33:36 PM](#) Corey said they try and position themselves where it predicts wet or if this stays we should be positioned well enough to fill the reservoirs and prevent flooding. From now till the end of May will watch the snowpack heavily.

[1:35:25 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said it is nice to have this insight. Nice to see how this is predicted while they see how full Palisades is.

[1:35:33 PM](#) Ryan said they have had individuals comment that the reservoir is highest it's ever been. There have been several years where it has been this high or higher. Chairman Farnsworth mentions driving in Palisades a lot of the snow is gone. Ryan said the high elevation snowpack is the significant area for this water. Are looking at mid-elevation sites as well.

PUBLIC WORKS – DAVE WALRATH

- **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – BONNEVILLE COUNTY FOR SHARING MAINTENANCE COUNTY LINE ROAD**

[1:37:55 PM](#) Dave was contacted by Bonneville County Road & Bridge supervisor about redoing the MOU for maintenance on county line road. This will be on other county roads as well. What they want to do originally had put the bridges on Jefferson County side from 39 to I-15 these were historically maintained by Bonneville County. Then a couple on our side that we maintained. Wants to say in the MOU the county that maintains the road segment will also maintain the bridges that are in this road segment. Not sure how this evolved. This sounds fair the only problem is the Snake River Bridge is a costly structure to maintain. It's sufficiency rating is 52.1. When looking at federal aid it is hard to replace a bridge with the county's own funds. Will not let you apply for federal aid until this is under 50. The estimated cost would be \$6.2 million. Had discussions with Commissioner Hancock and he suggested to have a separate MOU for the River Bridge. Commissioner Hancock thinks this would not be fair to put this on one county. Dave thinks they could share this until they could apply for federal funds on this repair.

[1:42:43 PM](#) Dave said he made some notes they would like to reverse the Bonneville and Jefferson bridge list. Thinks Snake River needs to be separated the other canal bridges he does not have a problem with. Want each county to do their own striping on their segment on County Line. If the sign is north of the road it is Jefferson and south of the road it is Bonneville. The first page at the bottom have been historically plowing the Heise road because they are usually the first ones that get there. Do have two subdivisions now between 4000 E and 3900 E have Homestead Estates and Auburn Hills so they have been plowing this. Thinks that should be added in here they are already there. Chairman Farnsworth said they plow from Highway 20 west on County Line. Dave said from 3900 they have the plows down anyway. Got the bridge inspection reports that he will email them. There is a lot of information in these if they have any questions.

[1:45:17 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth would like to renew this. Dave said they want to be cooperative with other counties.

[1:45:50 PM](#) Commissioner Martinez asked if they have said anything about widening County Line. Commissioner Hancock said he has suggested this to Roger Christensen. Chairman Farnsworth likes the notes on here. Dave thinks they should share the responsibility of the River Bridge. Will draft something up. Have one MOU for the River Bridge and one for everything else. Will run this past Weston before he brings this back.

JILL CAMERON

- **DARE PROGRAM**

[1:47:42 PM](#) Jill is here to talk about the DARE program. Not just locally and probably something nationwide. As parents we are children advocates. Send them to school, sports and church activities. Always danger lurking around the corner. Any program that involves children should have safety measures and precautions. Feels the DARE program has missed the mark on the safety measure. The BSA has started the two deep leadership to protect youth as well as their leaders. This needs to be implemented in the DARE program as well. Understanding the two deep leadership. Why do they need this? To protect their youth and leaders. Do not allow one on one contact between youth and leaders. Need to have two registered adult leaders, a parent or an individual 21 years or older must be available on all trips or outings. Boy Scouts of America is trying to protect children from sexual abuse along with their leaders. Statistically child sexual abuse is the most prevalent health problem they face with serious consequences. One in ten children will be sexually abused before their eighteen birthday. Nearly seventy percent of assaults are on children seventeen and under. Cannot always be with their children. Need to make where they are and who the leaders the as safe as possible.

[1:51:32 PM](#) The fact is those who molest children look like everyone else. Most know their abusers. Most are abused by people the families trust. Not sure they have ever heard of grooming. This is a process where they draw potential victims into a sexual relationship gradually. Grooming behaviors can include filling needs, treating child as if they are older and gradually crossing physical boundaries in the relationship. These things happen at vulnerable times. How many children are not in broken homes, or have some kind of trauma in the family. Age is also a significant factor and there is a risk at all ages. The list for sexual abuse has tripled for those whose parents are not in the workforce. Children in rural areas are two times more likely to have sexual abuse.

[1:54:07 PM](#) Suggestions would be to have a second DARE officer. Other suggestion would look at a female DARE officer. Girls need to have a mentor too. If there is something going on they would prefer going to a female. Wondered if there would be a grant to cover two officers. Chairman Farnsworth thinks they used to have grants but believes the schools pay for the DARE officer. Jill said that Sheriff Anderson has done a phenomenal job with his own budget and deserves the money to have another deputy in the schools.

[1:55:55 PM](#) Jill said that her daughter is a teacher. Feels there could be some things they can implement. No meeting with minors alone, no meetings at an officer's home or teacher's home, no text messaging without a parent included in text, parental permission to participate. This has to be voluntary and is not required. Knows when her daughter sends out texts they must be group texts to protect them and the students.

[1:57:01 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said the budget is set for this year. Will be starting this process again for next year. Thinks this is something they can get with the Sheriff's office to protect the officer. Want to protect the kids but need to protect the officers as well. Likes the idea of one female and male. This is something they can look at the hardest part is funding. Brought some good ideas in but can look into this.

[1:58:37 PM](#) Chad Martin is the Director of Secondary Education for School District. Would always welcome more people in the district. At the same time they can accomplish this with personnel and policies they have. Especially with any outings they have. Agrees with what has been said but believes they can meet the needs with trust in teachers and officers. Agree with this and they have systems in place for texting children. Jill asked if the officers comply with this. Chairman Farnsworth said like texting and being alone with minors. Sheriff Anderson said it depends on the situation but there is not a policy in place for this.

[2:01:17 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth likes the idea of male and female because team teaching seems to work out well. Jill said if this can be done within the district that would be the best if a teacher can step into this role. Chairman Farnsworth appreciates her coming in.

[2:01:17 PM](#) **Prosecutor Paul Butikofer left room**

RIRIE HIGH SCHOOL – CHAD WILLIAMS

- **MISSING CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY**

[2:02:20 PM](#) Chad said he had come back in from September and is here to ask for approval for another certificate of residency for 2016-2017 school year. Did not find out about this until the student tried to sign up for a class this last trimester a few weeks ago. Chairman Farnsworth said that this came in past deadline. Chad said this had been emailed to Ikinghorn on January 23, 2017. Could find an email stream of when this was sent. Realized these had fell through the crack. This mother had filled out the paperwork over the summer. They had omitted her from the list in September because they thought this was taken care of. Chad said if they have a student that does not take a class until third trimester until March. Colleen said they do fall and spring. If they are doing fall semester they need to have in December 1 and Spring in May 1. If this is done in the fall this can cover the entire semester. Chad feels originally he met this deadline and this did not get completed. Colleen said they have done corrective measures to help with these issues. Chad said he would have brought this in September had he realized it was not paid.

[2:10:12 PM](#) Commissioner Hancock thinks they would need to see the proof that the email was sent in January. Chairman Farnsworth thinks they need to stress the deadlines and speak up and make sure dates are correct. The state issues these deadlines. If he can bring in this proof as evidence there may be something they can do. Chad said he can but part of the problem is Maddie needs to start a class tomorrow. If they don't pay this fee she cannot take this class. If he pays this fee and can show this was sent could they reimburse them. Colleen said this has never been done. Chairman Farnsworth said the county cannot be reimbursed.

[2:11:56 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth thinks if they can pay this and then if they provide the information the county can reimburse. Audrey asked for the certificate that was initially filled out. Chad has the original certificate from January 23 and Chad will email Colleen the information he finds.

INSURANCE – CARLOS APONTE

- **2017 ANNUAL REPORTS**

[2:13:19 PM](#) Carlos said he has a bunch of stuff to sign. This is the excess loss contract. Sent this to Colleen and to Weston. This is a document that was looked at about a month ago. Have the final draft then they send this back to Blue Cross. Have the summary of benefits will give a copy to Colleen. Have a data share and non-disclosure agreement. Pay a service that comes out of the agency that does data analytics. This goes further than the reports he puts together. This shows that data will be shared. Has an authorization to release this information. Commissioner Hancock said they will need to have Weston review this. Carlos said he can look at this and just get this back to him. Will start benchmarking certain benefits. Have topics of discussions. Would be interesting to look from a different perspective.

[2:18:02 PM](#) Carlos has the year-end reports for 2017. Wants to get the other report going because they can look at data from two years ago. Do not have the Teladoc report they are still preparing this. Commissioner Hancock thinks there has been more use on this. Carlos said a lot more said they were going to use this.

[2:18:56 PM](#) 2017 was an okay year. Was higher than the year before but still under 100%. Positive is that those incurring the largest claims are no longer on the insurance. Carlos said on the second page overall access did dip up a little bit. This was flatter the last couple of years. Need to look at some better education on the Rx. On the large claim report the top two are no longer on the plan. Do have some coming up have heart failure which is a disease. The last was in December. Some of these go back to April.

[2:21:16 PM](#) Carlos said looking at the charged amount. Commissioner Hancock said there were only two claims they had to step in on for the stop loss. Carlos said one was \$35,000. Did the renewal early in July and August so they already had the stop loss ratios locked in. Normally would caution on the next renewal. Good thing that the individuals are off the plan even though they lost money. Commissioner Hancock is not sure they lost money with the premium. Carlos would have to do the math but this is something to watch out for. Chairman Farnsworth asked what runs up the cost of the drugs. Carlos said they get to this.

[2:23:41 PM](#) Carlos said the prior plan year to date that they are up. Next page breaks down demographics. Have an average male of forty-six and female of fifty. Goes through what was charged and duplicate claims. Average per member per month in the right are averaging \$74.25 per member per month. This includes spouses and children. Higher than last year but still lower than the benchmark which is \$82.46.

[2:25:37 PM](#) Goes over outpatient. Benchmark was at \$101 and we came in at \$98. Had more individuals going to Mountain View Hospital which is good. Professional services are the doctors both general and specialty are at \$60.44 last year with a benchmark of \$87. In Blue Cross pool with all the demographic are still below the benchmark both years. Breakdown on the graph shows how much was being used with outpatient. This means employees when they can are going to outpatient facilities.

[2:27:40 PM](#) The next part is the drugs. A lot of this had to do with some of these are not available in generic. Sometimes there is not a generic equivalent. On the next page they still have a lot of people fill generics over brand name. Had 362 brand name prescription and 3,001

generic prescriptions. Actually had less brand name prescriptions than previous years. With Obama Care it used to be when a pharmaceutical company had a new brand name they were in a hurry to get these into a generic. A lot of medical plans the co-pays are different now. Before if individual hits their deductible with medical expenses they would still have to pay for their prescriptions. Now if they hit the max out of pocket then this has trickled down to the pharmaceutical companies because the prescriptions are covered and the plan pays. Now these are going through the roof on these costs. Companies have been piloting Rx from Mexico and other areas. They pick out high maintenance drug. Go over flying employees to get medication in Cayman Islands. Still reviewing this and not ready to present anything yet. If he can figure out the liability in all this.

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The non-formularies are the higher end drugs. There are brand names that are very expensive. Been doing research and if the public knew how the back stage of drugs work they would be outraged. They have socialized medicine so they use the United States as the profit center. It would be fine if the congress did not make it illegal to transfer the drugs. They do medical tourism and get the care and come back. If our representatives want to see if they can tackle the PMB pharmaceutical companies. They spend more than oil and education combined. Commissioner Hancock said there is a report that talks about the increase on pharmaceutical drugs and how much they have raised these.

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Carlos said if they can keep advertising the Teladoc. Chairman Farnsworth thinks this looks great. Commissioner Hancock said all they do is hear stories from their sister counties. Carlos needs to get with Farrell the IBNR. Will schedule the next appointment in a few weeks.

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COMMISSIONERS

- **FEBRUARY 5 MEETING – MID-WINTER CONFERENCE**

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Colleen said this is the mid-winter conference. She is going over in the morning has a meeting at noon. Thinks they can make this meeting as short as possible. Colleen said if she can find another ride she will have talked with Bonneville County. If not she will be taking the county car over. If not it is free to them and she will probably ride back.

- **MAY 14 – COMMISSIONER ROOM FOR ELECTION**

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Colleen said they use this room for trainings and wanted to make sure that was okay to move the commissioner meeting to a courtroom. Will have to make sure a courtroom is free. Commissioners do not see a problem as long as there is a room available.

- **NEW BUILDING UPDATE**

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Chairman Farnsworth said they are pouring the walls today. Commissioner Hancock gave the projected costs to Kristine. This will be around \$575,000. Chairman Farnsworth said they are pouring the walls and the floor this week. Will start having steel delivered. Commissioner Hancock said they will be getting materials brought in. Chairman Farnsworth thinks they are ahead of schedule.

- **APPROVE CLAIMS**

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Colleen said this is high had the 5C and the Eastern Idaho Public Health. Also had special Road & Bridge in here for the crushing. Chairman Farnsworth wants to know what the tires are being removed on and where these go. If they still have some life left they need to be kept for other equipment. Commissioners review claims.

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Motion by Commissioner Hancock to approve claims from 1/8/2018 to 1/26/2018 for \$524,563.76. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Second by Commissioner. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

- **SIGN CERTIFICATES OF RESIDENCY**

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Motion by Commissioner Martinez to approve certificate of residency from the College of Western Idaho for Roger Kunzler. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

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Motion by Commissioner Hancock to approve certificates of residency from the College of Southern Idaho for Tracina Fyfe, Alivia Johnson, Kohl Marion, Kaylee Raymond and Indee Williams. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

- **APPROVE COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES**

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Motion by Commissioner Hancock to approve commissioner meeting minutes from January 22, 2018. Second by Commissioner. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.

DEPUTY PROSECUTOR – WESTON DAVIS

- **LEGAL COUNSEL: EXECUTIVE SESSION IC 74-206 FOR PERSONNEL, HIRING CONSIDERATION, EMPLOYEE EVALUATION AND COMPLAINTS (1)(A) & (B), PENDING LITIGATION (1)(F), OR DELIBERATIONS ON LABOR NEGOTIATIONS OR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY (1)(C) – (AS NEEDED)**

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Weston said on the data non-disclosure agreement. This is something they can opt into this. Commissioner Hancock said this would give them metric data with companies that are not Blue Cross. Show what their costs are. Weston said his concern that people's health insurance is not public record. The person's health records cannot be released without the employee's information. Weston said data may include patient and provider on a client specific basis. Weston reviews agreement.

[4:06:21 PM](#) Weston said from this agreement they are Jefferson County know what Intermountain is providing and knows they partner with Blue Cross. These people have our information. This contract is saying they are allowing Blue Cross to send personal information to Zywave. Is thinking this is to compile products for Intermountain as far as reports. Trying to say this mutually benefits the county to help get better analytics. Not comfortable with disclosure of health insurance information if that include names and social security numbers. These should not be given out without employee consent. Sounds like they are sending all information up to Zywave. Would like to call Carlos because what he is seeing they are giving authorization to give information that they do not have authority of. Believes that Zywave drafted this. Chairman Farnsworth said if this provides names it could be HIPAA violation. Weston is not sure this applies back to the employer usually this is the provider themselves. Where we are self-insured it could come back on the county. Feels he needs to talk with Carlos on this before they sign anything. If they are not sharing this and only analyzing it. Says that vendor client and broker each as indemnified they are agreeing they will not hold any of them harmless if there are any HIPAA violations. May improve Zywave analytics but they can put something together without this information.

[4:12:23 PM](#) **Motion by Chairman Farnsworth to go into executive session 74-206(B) – Personnel. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye. Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

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[5:09:45 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Hancock to adjourn at 5:09. Second by Commissioner Martinez. All in favor – aye. Motion passed.**

Chairman of the Board

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