

**JEFFERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 26, 2018**

Meeting called to order at 9:00. Those present are Commissioner Hancock, Commissioner Martinez, Chairman Farnsworth, Public Works Dave Walrath, Clerk Colleen Poole; Audrey Moon is clerk of the board. Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Martinez. Prayer offered by Commissioner Hancock.

**PUBLIC WORKS – DAVE WALRATH**

• **WORK PLAN AT CIRCULAR BUTTE LANDFILL WITH ST. ANTHONY WORK CAMP**

[9:00:53 AM](#) Dave said this is an annual thing they do every year. Have the work camp come out and pick up garbage out at Circular Butte Landfill. Have to sign an agreement every year. Chairman Farnsworth asked what they pay. Dave said this is an hourly rate for the inmates and the work camp covers the workman's comp.

[9:02:32 AM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Martinez to approve the work plan with the St. Anthony work camp for Circular Butte Landfill. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

• **METHANE GAS DETECTOR AND CALIBRATION KIT**

[9:03:04 AM](#) Dave said their methane gas detector has gone out this had lasted twenty-two years. This is out at the landfill. Total for this is \$3,777.30. This is a DEQ requirement that they have this.

[9:04:21 AM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Hancock to approve the purchase of the methane gas detector and calibration kit for \$3,777.30. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

**COMMISSIONERS – PUBLIC WORKS – DAVE WALRATH**

• **ROAD TOUR**

[9:05:00 AM](#) Present are Commissioner Hancock, Commissioner Martinez, Chairman Farnsworth, Dave Walrath, Colleen Poole and Audrey Moon. Head out of Rigby through Lewisville, Menan, Roberts heading to the west side. 1000 E is pavement and turns to a dirt road. Take 1800 N which is paved and turn onto 1025 E paved but turns into dirt this has some washboards. Turn onto 2100 N still dirt. 800 E is paved turn onto 2400 N paved does have a patch of area that is breaking up. Dave said they will be fixing this. 600 E is paved but turns to dirt it is rough has ruts may need to be resurfaced. Dave mentioned they have 5,000 ton of base waiting to use. Get onto 500 N this is paved but a few areas are breaking up becomes dirt just before the stop sign and is rough. Get back on 800 E and turn onto 3000 N they overlaid and fog sealed this last year. The overlay is for one mile. This is the County Line between Jefferson and Clark. Turn back around and get back on 800 E. Turn onto Adkins Road this is paved then turns to dirt. Go under a tunnel and get onto the Old Butte Highway. Turn onto 2650 E this is paved. Turn onto 2375 E this is paved. Pass a bridge that has had a lot of debris taken out. 2600 N is paved this takes us into Fremont County it turns into dirt. At some point this turns back into Jefferson County. Turn onto 2300 N that is paved then to 2800 E that is paved. Turn left onto 2200 N this is dirt ends up being a dead end so turn around. Back on 2800 E. Take 2300 N turn right onto the Old Butte Highway go into Hamer. Go to the Road & Bridge yard this has fuel and equipment. Dave said he may be looking at getting a security fence around this area. Drive back on I-15 to Roberts. Go onto 3800 E where they are currently redoing the culverts will be doing an overlay this June. Head over to 3500 E shows the work being done. Dave said the area is higher than the pipe so they have to dig this up and put in concrete. Turn onto Highway 48 turn off on 4100 E Dave said the railroad project will be getting started on this road soon. Chairman Farnsworth asks to go over to 500 N and 4200 E. Road 528 N 4225 E needs fixed. Head back over on 400 N this road is narrow in areas. Head back to the courthouse.

**Open session 1:00**

[1:00:19 PM](#) **Prosecutor Paul Butikofer is in the room**

**PLANNING & ZONING – KEVIN HATHAWAY**

• **PUBLIC HEARING – ADMINISTRATIVE PLAT – GEORGE NEWBY**

[1:00:38 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said that they recessed this public hearing back on January 22, 2018 due to not being ready at the time. Will now reconvene this invites George Newby up to the front.

[1:01:18 PM](#) George Newby 45 N Newby Lane in Ririe. Planning & Zoning Planner Brittany Simmons provides a staff report. This is an administrative plat because it is under ten lots that is recreation, residential and commercial zoned. The only thing unique is the health department is running some test on the land so they have not approved this yet. Can approve this contingent to District 7 approving this. Chairman Farnsworth said that District 7 is still working on this. George said that DEQ got involved.

[1:02:39 PM](#) George said they have wells two hundred yards on both side of this property that they have tested and send in reports. DEQ is making them put in monitoring wells to test this before they can proceed with this. Commissioner Hancock asked if these are residential lots. George said this will be an RV park. Will also have a horse operation, RV Park and an office for the person running the horse arena. Brittany said block one will be RV Park and block two will be horse arena. Commissioner Hancock asked how many RV slots they are putting in. George said there are twenty-three slots. Commissioner Hancock asked if they are drilling a separate well. George said they will have two wells one for each.

[1:04:36 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said where this is a public hearing asked if they have any sign-up sheets for people to speak. Kevin does not have sign-up sheets. Chairman Farnsworth asks Steve Ellsworth to come in

[1:05:13 PM](#) Steve Ellsworth with Ellsworth & Associates at 253 1<sup>st</sup> Street in Idaho Falls. Is here in favor of and to answer any questions that George needed help on. Chairman Farnsworth said only concern would be Eastern Idaho Public Health coming back with their findings .They are working with DEQ. George said the only difference will be what type of septic tank he needs to put in. They will have to comply with whatever they dictate. Commissioner Hancock said this will be a difference in size.

[1:07:12 PM](#) George said they three other RV lots have seventy-six spots all together. Chairman Farnsworth asked if this is up past Heise on the right side past the golf course. George said yes then after the barn.

[1:07:43 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth closes public hearing portion. George said the office is off the road a ways. Have been hiding back there for twenty-seven years. Commissioner Martinez said they will be using the existing entrance. George said they will be right there off the entrance so they will be more centrally located. Commissioner Hancock asked if this will affect any traffic. Dave said he has not reviewed this but it looks like they are using the same driveway does not think this will have much impact.

[1:10:12 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Hancock to approve the administrative plat for George Newby and 7 N Ranch Division 1 with the condition that they will revoke this if they do not receive approval from Eastern Idaho Public Health. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

- **MEETING/TRAINING**

[1:11:26 PM](#) Kevin said they would like to attend some training in April in Boise this will probably just be for him.

## **COMMISSIONERS – ELECTED OFFICIALS - DEPARTMENT HEADS**

- **STAFF MEETING**

[1:13:28 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said they will combine this with the step & grade discussion unless anyone has anything they need to report. Does ask for an updated list on county cell phones this needs to include who has the phone and what the phone numbers are.

## **STEP & GRADE COMMITTEE**

- **PROPOSE STEP & GRADE CHART**

[1:15:15 PM](#) Colleen said that she has chaired this committee but will turn the time over to Rebecca to review. Chairman Farnsworth thanks everyone for working on this. Colleen said there have been a lot of hours put into this. Chairman Farnsworth hopes their employees know they are doing this for their benefit.

[1:16:48 PM](#) Rebecca starts a PowerPoint. Have had representation for every department in the county. Couple weeks ago they were presented with the long chart. Would like a motion to replace the previous chart with the long chart as the first step. Would like to begin budget formulations want to put a fifteen percent in as a cap. Chairman Farnsworth said the long chart the part they have changed they could go ahead and make a motion to accept that. Rebecca said this has a minimal effect on the budget because the wages do not transfer straight across so this is a small impact. Chairman Farnsworth said they will listen to the rest of the presentation.

[1:18:49 PM](#) Rebecca goes over the problem is they are losing individuals to neighboring agencies. When they hire it is rare that they come ready for the position. In some departments they have to double up to mentor the other. Half of our employees were hired after May 1, 2015 which was a big revelation. New patrol deputy training and equipping this individual is \$7,700 for this individual. Probation Office \$5,400. Have had four new probation officers. John Wolfe said since 2015 have replaced five patrol deputies, six jail deputies, six dispatchers, six from driver's license and one cook. Rebecca said they come get trained and leave. These problems are not unique to just law enforcement. Some are impacted more than others. Some places where they are turning over employees in less than a year. The committee collected data from surrounding counties. Compared the regional and similar counties separately. Trying to test this at five, ten and fifteen percent increases to find the optimum percentage.

[1:25:28 PM](#) Sheriff Anderson said they are not losing people to Jerome these are just the similar sized counties. Rebecca said those that leave are not going to move their entire family. Commissioner Hancock said they go to closer counties. Chairman Farnsworth said they go to the counties that they can drive to. Rebecca said this is by department have the difference between the hourly wages. There were a couple of outliers in the data for the Treasurer and Assessor that skew the numbers. Can still see where they line up. Mitch asked if they had any wages with longevity for someone that had been there longer. Tammy said this was all based off of starting wages. Rebecca said this is if they were to hire a new position this would be the amount. Rebecca said on average are \$2.99 below regional agencies and \$1.60 below like counties. Wage gap is a major contributor to the turnover rates. Sheriff, Probation and Planning & Zoning have seen a lot of this turnover. Reasons for these gaps is the county has not been consistent with a cost of living adjustment making them fall further behind those counties that do these every year. Step & Grade is a good program. This helps them have a base line for future budgets. The completion of the annex and the extra revenues will provide some flexibility with the budget. Have every department represented and so this is not just a few people deciding everyone's fate.

[1:30:26 PM](#) Our goal is they are going to pay each position at a rate comparable with the wage comparison chart. Every decision has to be backed up by the numbers. Have talked about adopting the long chart. For FY19 want to look at cap rate of fifteen percent. That is the overall average so they will make adjustments in the departments. Will have ongoing work meeting with the committee on how they are thinking of budgeting.

[1:31:35 PM](#) Looking for a motion to approve the step & grade schedule at zero percent so they have a new chart for the salary administration policy. Want to take the zero number and add the fifteen percent to see if they can make the budget work.

[1:32:04 PM](#) Sheriff Anderson said this took some time to wrap his head on the fifteen percent this is not all across the board. Tammy said the whole step & grade chart itself needs to come up fifteen percent but then each department head needs to review this because some employees have increased their employees already and that threw these off. Each department will have to work on this to regrade positions as lower or higher so they are not all scheduled to get a fifteen percent increase. There are some that are close to where they need to be.

[1:34:03 PM](#) Mitch said this is a chart to put their people in they will have to adjust where the ones are now. Commissioner Hancock asked the gross payroll is now. Colleen said this is over half of the budget. Commissioner Hancock said they take out the new building out of the budget this will roll this back to \$17 million. Chairman Farnsworth thinks it may be more than that. Commissioner Hancock said look at \$19 million. Colleen said the sheet she has presented is a hit to the budgets for the percentages. This will not include the PERSI or benefits. This is fifteen percent across the board. Commissioner Hancock said this does not include benefits. Would be looking at \$1.4 million.

[1:37:05 PM](#) Colleen said they will not give approval that this is written in stone but want to be able to look at a fifteen percent cap to formulate their budgets. Commissioner Hancock said they need to make sure they adjust the charts then all of the steps have to be adjusted. Then they need to implement this into the new budget to see the total cost is.

[1:38:35 PM](#) Tammy said they have agreed on the fifteen percent to move forward as departments. Have all agreed on cutting other areas in the budget to give our employees what they need. They are all dedicated to look at this fifteen percent but need to have the department heads look over these. Commissioner Martinez believes they need to start somewhere. Commissioner Hancock said they may have to roll this back to ten percent will have to look at all revenue sources. Can try this at the fifteen and put it on an excel spreadsheet so it can be easily changed. Then will have to come back to see what can be adopted.

[1:42:31 PM](#) Sheriff Anderson asked about the budget being brought down. Commissioner Hancock said this was moved into this budget from a capital fund for the building. Some of the budget in 2019 will also be used. Sheriff is just wondering why they would lower the budget. Does not believe they will need any additional to cover this. Paul said if they approve this at fifteen and then in the budget they do not have enough then they would have to readjust the employees. Commissioner Hancock said they could cut this down. Paul said that they could move them to a lower grade. Colleen said it would be easier to decrease this. Paul said if they decrease this they are still making the same. Commissioner Hancock said people may not want to go back on the step & grade chart.

[1:43:35 PM](#) Kristine mentions that this was a lot of work by a lot of people. This will help ease the burden off of the Clerk at a later time. Commissioner Hancock said then they could change this to ten percent. Then maybe they can look at the next year give them additional amount the next year. Colleen said they have been very committed to this.

[1:45:31 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Martinez to approve the new proposed step & grade chart at zero percent. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

[1:47:27 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Hancock to authorize our wage committee for Fiscal Year 2019 to formulate this schedule of a fifteen percent cap on the wages. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Chairman Farnsworth said that this does not give a fifteen percent raise to everyone they will see where the position is at and raise it up to fifteen percent. Commissioner Martinez thinks this should have been done in the first place likes how they have all come together. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

[1:49:07 PM](#) Commissioner Hancock knows they spend a lot of time with training employees and having them leave the county. Still need to caution the departments to make sure they have the money to cover this.

[1:51:06 PM](#) Recess until 2:00

[1:55:09 PM](#) **Prosecutor Paul Butikofer left room**

**Open session 2:00**

#### **SOCIAL SERVICES – JACKIE MAUPIN**

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

[2:00:52 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Martinez to go into executive session 31-874 & 74-206 (D) – Records exempt from disclosure. Second by Chairman Farnsworth. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

**Open session 2:35**

[2:35:26 PM](#) **Deputy Prosecutor Weston Davis is in the room**

#### **TETON BOARD SPORTS – GARY STURK**

- **PADDLEBOARD RENTAL AT JEFFERSON LAKE**

[2:35:26 PM](#) Gary Sturk 83 N 4142 E Rigby. For the last five years have had a contract with the county to be out at Rigby Lake. Somehow missed the window and someone from Blackfoot came in and got the contract. Had purchased more boards and kayaks. Had come in to fill out the normal contract and this was no longer in the file. Was under the understanding they were the sole provider for Rigby Lake. New contract stated they will entertain anyone to rent paddleboards. Have twelve paddleboards and nine kayaks. If there is going to be someone else out there he would also like to be out there. Have acquired more boards are now at nineteen paddleboards because he thought they were still going to have this contract. Have all of the protective equipment that is needed available.

[2:38:26 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said they have missed the window and not sure they want to double up having multiple vendors. Mickey has one out there now. Gary would like to enter into an agreement. Have paid heavily to market their mobile area at the lake. They sponsor the fourth of July. In the last eight years they have supported the area. Feels that Teton Board Sports and his family has shown support and they deserve support from the county. Feels a simple phone call letting him know they had someone from Blackfoot who is not even part of the county coming to take over his contract.

[2:40:46 PM](#) Weston asked if there was an enforceable contract with Teton Board Sports. Gary said no this is annually. Weston said they do not have a contract but would like to have had an opportunity. Gary said they had been the sole contractor and last year it was brought to the attention that they would not be the sole contractor. Weston asked if he had not been aware of the proposal. Gary said in the previous years he had been given a phone call. Chairman Farnsworth asked if they will have enough with the new contractor. Mickey said this company came to her. There was never a conversation that there would be multiple. Did not agree on things and the season did not end on a happy note so she was not going to deal with them again. Chairman Farnsworth said it looks like they have a contractor for this year. Would need to get this turned in earlier for the next season.

## **PARK & RECREATION – MICKEY EAMES – PLANNING & ZONING – KEVIN HATHAWAY**

### **• ORDINANCES**

[2:44:35 PM](#) Kevin provides the updated ordinance. Commissioners review the updated ordinance. Mickey said that Weston wanted these rules to apply to all entities. Weston said before them is not a proposed ordinance to approve today. This will need to be published and have a public hearing. The statutes allow a summary published of the ordinance. So that the public can be aware and where they can find a copy of the full ordinance. This is basically to look through and see if they had any major issues before this was issued to the public.

[2:47:41 PM](#) Commissioner Hancock said this states this is for all of the facilities including Mike Walker Boat Dock and others. This states they need pets on leash in those areas as well. Knows that at the Mike Walker Boat Dock individuals have dogs there for duck hunting. Weston said the ordinance was written up for restrictions on the lake and made reference to the Mike Walker Boat Dock and Annis Buttes. Took some provisions from the lake for them to look and to see if this would make sense. Commissioner Martinez said on the Buttes they have horses and dogs. Commissioner Hancock said that number six should be removed. Weston said that 3-2-3 subsection six regarding animals needs removed.

Commissioner Hancock said that seven may not make sense because he is not condoning them drinking but they may have alcohol from the boat in the transport. See these being a problem to enforce but they should be enforced at the lake. Mickey said they would need a host to enforce this.

[2:51:10 PM](#) Kevin goes over changes to the boat docks. Chairman Farnsworth said this does not change the summary. Colleen asked if they wanted to notice the public hearing and publish it at the same time. Weston said that they would want to do this at the same time. Sent an email on how many times this has to be published.

[2:55:17 PM](#) Kevin goes over some subdivision changes may have to amend this. Commissioner Hancock said as long as this is the same as the state codes. Chairman Farnsworth said they can be more restrictive than the state but not less. Kevin does not think this will be a regular occurrence but could make this easier and less expensive. Will start working on these changes.

## **KEITH NELSON**

### **• INTERNET BACKBONE THROUGH JEFFERSON COUNTY**

[2:57:21 PM](#) Keith Nelson 644 N 3565 E in Menan. Is on the school board for Jefferson County. This is an information meeting to see who he should be speaking with. Ammon has recently launched internet as a public utility so this is much like sewer and water. Outside entities use this to deliver internet through the structure. Then individuals can choose to opt in. Trying to compete with Idaho Falls. Trying to attract more businesses. This is something they see in the school district. Was on the Council for City of Mean and there is not any high speed internet available. Looking at what it would take to get internet here. There is nothing past Menan so they would have to tie into other backbones.

[3:00:54 PM](#) Keith asked if they are open to this as a public run utility that works to provide backbone services to all entities involved. Commissioner Hancock said not sure they have looked at the expense but this was pretty pricey. Have fiber optics in City of Rigby, Lorenzo and Roberts. Would have to tie into those locations. Still have to put fiber in other areas. Commissioner Martinez said is in support of this. Keith said have looked at the cost of running cable from the High school to Roberts would be around \$400,000. Every four or so years the school has to cycle about \$15,000 worth of radios. If they can replace that with the backbone can limit some of these costs. Have looked at this not as far out of reach as some may think. Talked with the City of Ammon they will have cost of installation, cost to keep it running and cost of providing the service. If there is no other infrastructure around this is cheaper to install. Looking at kind of growth that could happen the cost now would be pennies on the dollar to what it would be in the future. Trying to be proactive. Thinks there are opportunities if they start to investigate this now. Other concern was they have the backbone and there would be costs for each entity. The cell towers need that high speed connection would get some rent back from these services. If they had an entity that ran the backbone then each townships would have to get their pieces ran to connect in. Knows there are a ton of potential road blocks. Interested in looking further into this. Ammon is willing to provide the use of their technical people once it is in the ground. This is already up and running for Ammon so they have the knowledge to help in the process.

[3:07:02 PM](#) Some of these costs could get pushed off by not having to build an IT team that has already done this. Could find a road block they would never overcome. Chairman Farnsworth likes the thought of getting a higher speed available. If they can find a way to modernize he is all for that. Keith said there test they have one gig per second and 100 gig per second with options in-between. Chairman Farnsworth asked if this is fast. Keith said that it is. Keith said this is 100 up and 100 down. Have three costs have a taxing district to pay for installation for \$3,000 to hook the fiber to the. Second is the cost to run is around \$17 a month and then the third cost is \$10 for the service provider. At around \$45 for the service and after the \$3,000 is paid off that monthly charge falls off. Keith said the annual assessment on the taxes so most never see this.

[3:10:31 PM](#) Keith wants to know if they are interested in exploring this. Commissioner Hancock asked what the school is looking at. Keith said his conversation is their IT person is on board with this. Sees cost saving over the years. Did a quick assessment they do not have anything available with this kind of bandwidth now. Potentially using a private company could cut monthly cost by half.

[3:13:43 PM](#) Keith said the network department for the City of Ammon is actually making money. The schools pay money annually for the fiber. Keith said this took them eight years from the concept until they started digging. Knew this would be viable before they started putting fiber into

the ground. Commissioner Martinez thinks if they had someone that was interested in exploring this it would be beneficial. Garn said they could tie all emergency services into this.

[3:16:21 PM](#) Weston does not see any codes for local improvement districts. Aware that Bonneville, Bingham worked with City of Shelley and City of Idaho Falls for a joint powers agreement for a sewer line they ran. Where they have a number of cities that could not sure how they would look at this. Could be its own separate board. May be looking at a local improvement district. Keith believes there is a county backbone that is different than the cities and the direct integration. This may be that the county has two versions of this. Weston believes Scott Hall an attorney at his firm was the attorney for the City of Ammon. Might be worth a phone call to him to see if they may be setting up another board. Would be a pretty big undertaking. Keith is not planning on taking this on by himself. Weston is not sure if this would present a conflict with the representation of the county where they work at the same firm if they pay money into this. Talk to him in general to decide what the viable options are.

[3:21:46 PM](#) Commissioner Martinez thinks if they have someone willing to do the footwork. Commissioner Hancock knows there will be a lot of work involved in this. Weston said they may have a level of engineering depending where they run the line. Have spoken with a few others and will move his way through cities. Keith will move the exploration toward speaking with attorneys and how the funding will come in and what the steps are.

[3:24:14 PM](#) Weston said going back to the discussion on the ordinance. The summary on the ordinance needs to identify what the penalties are. Despite the summary whenever any publication is made and includes penalties concerning real property this should be published in full and not summarized. This includes penalties so this needs to include all of the violations for parking and all monetary fines. This has to be published verbatim. Need to clarify this. Also says a signed statement that the summary is true and completed must be signed by the Clerk. If they want to make a motion that the Clerk signs a statement that he puts together then they should be fully set under the statute.

[3:28:08 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Hancock to amend the prior approval on the ordinance at the lake under subsection three where they publish the fines and violations per the Idaho Code also approve our Clerk to sign this summary for the proposed ordinance. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

#### **COMMISSIONERS**

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION 74-206 (B) – PERSONNEL – DEPARTMENT HEAD EVALUATIONS**

- **\* PROBATION**

- **\* PARK & RECREATION**

[3:30:22 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Martinez to go into executive session 74-206 (B) – Personnel – Evaluations. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

**Open session 4:40**

- **ROAD & BRIDGE HOURS**

[4:40:08 PM](#) Commissioner Hancock said they were going to table this until Dave can be back. Chairman Farnsworth said they need to have two mechanics on Friday. Also want to have the office staff on Fridays. Weston brings up that Rebecca had mentioned they needed to change the policy if they change the hours. Chairman Farnsworth said they will table this and put it on the next agenda.

- **SIGN CERTIFICATES OF RESIDENCY**

[4:42:32 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Hancock to approve the certificates of residency for the College of Southern Idaho for Londyn Been, Taylor Evans, Brennan Green, Yuleidy Hernandez-Algeria, Jocelyn Hill, Cierra Larson, Adam McElligott, Payton Prophet, Tyson Thacker and Taylor Trimble. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed**

- **NEW BUILDING UPDATE**

[4:43:20 PM](#) Commissioner Hancock said after they denied the \$20,000 addition to do the power to the building have now lowered this to \$10,000. Chairman Farnsworth thinks they should keep with the same plan and stub this out for power in the future. Commissioner Hancock said they are ahead of schedule and he did turn in the change orders.

- **APPROVE COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES**

[4:48:49 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Hancock to approve commissioner meeting minutes from March 5, 2018 and March 12, 2018 with noted changes. Second by Commissioner Martinez. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed**

- **APPROVE CLAIMS**

[4:49:21 PM](#) Commissioners recess to review claims.

**Open session 5:14**

[5:14:38 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth said one is he would like to see all fuel charges from October 1 to current. Does not agree with the \$3.07 fuel or adding taxing and receiving reimbursement. Company knows who they are bringing fuel to. Commissioner Hancock said that Wex takes the tax off on the card purchases. Chairman Farnsworth would like to see all of the charges brought in. Commissioner Hancock said this was Valley that was charging the tax. They have Ikes, Barry Oil and one other that does not charge the tax. Chairman Farnsworth said they have another charge for \$4,960 to Honnen Equipment for rental of an excavator. Commissioner Hancock said he had talked about this. Chairman Farnsworth said they own an excavator. Thinks they have earned the use of the excavator from the landfill where they have used Road & Bridge dump truck and front end loader. Commissioner Hancock thinks they could have done these culverts with a backhoe. Chairman Farnsworth said maybe the six footer may

have needed a bigger machine but the rest of them could have been. Could have been done without the expense. These are the thing he wants to see them do. If they use each other's equipment then it should benefit them. Commissioner Martinez thinks this breaks policy. Chairman Farnsworth said even if it is not a policy violation. Weston said policy is if they buy or lease an asset. Reviews policy states any department head that purchased or leased an asset at more than \$1,000 must request three bids. Does say anything detailing about if department head leasing an asset must have three bids because they are not purchasing. Commissioner Hancock thinks they may need to clarify this. Thinks they should have used the other equipment that they have.

[5:24:44 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Martinez to approve claims from 3/12/2018 to 3/23/2018 for \$428,612.26. Second by Commissioner Hancock. Roll call taken. Commissioner Hancock – aye, Commissioner Martinez – aye, Chairman Farnsworth – aye. Motion passed.**

[5:24:54 PM](#) Chairman Farnsworth is very displeased to spend \$4,960 on renting a piece of equipment that they already own.

**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**

[5:25:07 PM](#) Commissioners do not have anything for Weston. Weston does not have anything to report.

[5:25:37 PM](#) **Motion by Commissioner Hancock to adjourn at 5:25. Second by Commissioner Martinez. All in favor - aye. Motion passed.**

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*Chairman of the Board*

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*County Clerk*

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