

FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES
August 6, 2012

Present for the meeting was: Commissioners Skip Hurt, Lee Miller and Jordon Stoddard.

Also attended by: Clerk Abbie Mace, Deputy Clerk Laura Singleton, and Prosecuting Attorney Joette Lookabaugh

Commissioner Hurt called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Budget

Commissioners reviewed budget requests for FY2013.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to amend the agenda to include two executive sessions. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Hurt made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC 67-2345(1)(b) To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent. This paragraph does not apply to filling a vacancy in an elective office; at 11:35 a.m. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Miller voting "Aye", Commissioner Stoddard voting "Aye", and Commissioner Hurt voting "Aye". Commissioner Hurt declared the meeting open at 12:00 p.m.

Planning and Building Administrator Stephen Loosli RE: Department Report

Mr. Loosli reported that so far this year we have received about \$1100 in donations for Frome Park, a campground located by Henry's Lake.

Mr. Loosli also reported that the Osborn Bridge is almost done. The only thing left to be done is the staining of the deck. Mr. Loosli also stated that we are under budget for this project.

Sawtelle Estates still has some ongoing issues and complaints coming in about the use of Mr. Fullmer's cabin.

Mr. Loosli stated that he has been receiving complaints from neighbors of the Red Barn over noise issues.

The residents of High Top Estates are gathering signatures to move forward with their project of making a new entry to their subdivision. They are willing to help fund the project.

Mr. Loosli reported that the next Planning and Zoning meeting will be held in two weeks and that building permit revenue is holding steady.

Mr. Loosli and Commissioner Miller are preparing a draft to submit regarding the snowmobile permit issues for the meeting in Harriman State Park at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday with Nancy Merrill.

Social Services – Debbie Adams Re: Indigent Claims

Commissioner Hurt made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC 67-2345(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in chapter 3, title 9, Idaho Code at 1:00 p.m. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Jordon Stoddard voting "Aye", Commissioner Lee Miller voting "Aye", and Commissioner Hurt voting "Aye". Commissioner Skip Hurt declared the meeting open at 1:10 p.m.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve case #G2012-79, case #M2012-71, and deny case #G2012-75, #M2012-35 and #M2012-36. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Public Works Director Marla Vik RE: Department Reports

Road and Bridge – Ms. Vik stated that she has received the fully executed State/Local Agreement for the Stone Bridge Replacement. The project should go to bid soon.

Gale Lim Construction is here this week grinding Fish Creek, 2900 E north of 800 N and 2600 E between 400 N and 500 N.

Ms. Vik also reported that someone took out 7 guard posts at the S. Big Springs Bridge. Liz Davy, of the Forest Service, asked if the county could fix it and she is writing up an agreement for the Forest Service to pay back the county for time and materials. Our cost was about \$1200, including labor, equipment and materials. The commissioners suggested that we try to get the person who did it pay for the repairs.

Sewer System – There were no issues at this time.

Landfill – Ms. Vik submitted the first bill from Mr. Gary Player for the commissioners to review and approve for travel costs.

Commissioner Hurt made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC 67-2345(1)(b) To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent. This paragraph does not apply to filling a vacancy in an elective office; at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Miller voting "Aye", Commissioner Stoddard voting "Aye", and Commissioner Hurt voting "Aye". Commissioner Hurt declared the meeting open at 2:00 p.m.

Eastern Idaho Public Health Department Division Directors RE: Program Updates

Veena Sohal, Director for WIC, stated that the WIC numbers are stable at this time. She also stated that they could help more people if they would come in. They have the funding available. She also left more brochures for our office to give out to people.

Kelli Eager reviewed the Environmental Health Report. She introduced the new person that will be taking over Owen McLaughlin's position. Kathleen Price is her name.

Owen McLaughlin reported that he has been busy training Kathleen Price. Ms. Price has worked in Rexburg so she knows the area pretty well. They have been busy monitoring the subdivisions. Mr. McLaughlin stated that he is making sure all his files are up to date for Ms. Price as she moves into his job. The directors also explained how food inspections are taken care of at events such as Summerfest in St. Anthony. They also explained that food items that are for fund raisers are exempt from having an inspection or permits.

Kathleen Price introduced herself and stated that she has a Masters Degree in Geology. She has been training now for a month. Ms. Price stated that she plans to keep basically the same hours as Mr. McLaughlin has done. She will probably stay in Madison County on Mondays and will be in Fremont County on Tuesday and Thursday. Wednesday mornings she will be in Madison County and on Wednesday afternoon she will be wherever she is needed. She is willing to adjust her schedule according to needs of the counties.

Ms. Eager stated that they will be holding a Solid Waste Committee Meeting on Thursday, September 13th at the District Office, 1250 Holly Park Drive, at 11:30 a.m. The Commissioners are invited to attend. They will be talking about recycling and will have several guest speakers.

Tammy Cox, Director for the Division of Health Preparedness stated that she has enjoyed working with Keith Richey, Emergency Management Director for Fremont County. Ms. Cox stated that Mr. Richey attends their meeting and is very active in the community. There have been some activities and drills held throughout the area where we have been able to identify areas that are strong and areas that we need to work on. Deon Staker, Director of Family Services has been working with Fall River Electric on educating people about diabetes. There seems to be a rise in the number of teenagers and young adults getting diabetes. They are working to get kids out and moving instead of playing video games. Ms. Cox stated that she would like to educate children more on nutrition. They also reported that the numbers for the Division of Family Services are stable at this time. They also stated that the summer season tends to have a higher number of Gastro Intestinal Diseases reported. The department is still working hard to get people vaccinated for Whooping Cough.

Weed Department Supervisor Bryce Fowler RE: Department Report

Mr. Fowler requested that we take Dylan Mace off our employee list since he is employed somewhere else now. Mr. Fowler reported that they have finished the first round of spraying weeds along the roads and are now working on the second round. Tuesday, August 7th, is the Harriman Spray Day. Mr. Fowler asked the commissioners if they would furnish the lunch for the workers who are spraying weeds. The commissioner agreed to go ahead and buy lunch for them. The commissioners have asked Mr. Fowler to work on a project on Sheridan Creek. There are a couple projects that Mr. Fowler said his department would also be working on.

Mrs. Gwen Lee called and asked if our weed department would be able to come out and spray some property along the north side of the Henry's Fork (along Fisherman's Drive). It has some Spotted Knapweed that she is concerned about. This is property that the county owns and the commissioners agreed to have Mr. Fowler go ahead and spray the weeds.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to amend the agenda to include an executive session. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with both commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC67-2345(1)(f) to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement; at 2:43 p.m. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Miller voting "Aye" and Commissioner Stoddard voting "Aye". Commissioner Miller declared the meeting open at 3:19 p.m.

Miscellaneous

Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to approve the minutes for July 30, 2012. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with both commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to release Sewer LID liens at Last Chance. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with both commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to approve the claims for August 6, 2012 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with both commissioners voting in favor.

There being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned.

Skip Hurt, Chairman
Fremont County Commission

Attest: _____
Abbie Mace, Clerk