

FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES
August 19, 2013

Present for the meeting was: Commissioners Lee Miller, Jordon Stoddard and Bill Baxter.

Also attended by: Clerk Abbie Mace, Deputy Clerk Laura Singleton, Assessor Kathy Thompson, and Treasurer J'Lene Cherry

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

Treasurer J'Lene Cherry & Assessor Kathy Thompson

Ms. Cherry and Ms. Thompson discussed with the commissioners several parcels of ground that need to be either deeded to the county or possibly deeded to property owners who border these pieces of ground in order to get these back on the tax rolls.

Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC 67-2345(1)(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student; at 10:06 a.m. Commissioner Baxter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Stoddard voting "Aye" and Commissioner Baxter voting "Aye". Commissioner Miller was absent from the vote. Commissioner Stoddard declared the meeting open at 10:36 a.m.

Commissioner Baxter made a motion to discuss shelving for the county records. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with both commissioners voting in favor. Commissioner Miller was absent from the vote.

Commissioner Stoddard directed Clerk Abbie Mace to contact the company that they would like to purchase the shelving from and see how much the shipping would cost.

EMS Director Bob Foster RE: Department Report

Mr. Foster reported that Sam Wynn should be installing carpet the first week of September at the Ashton EMS Building. He also updated the commissioners on the status of St. Anthony Ambulance 1, stating that the repairs have been made and it is up and running now. Another EMT has been added to the Ashton ambulance crew and Mr. Foster reported the response times of the Ashton ambulance have been really good. He also updated the commissioners on the classes that are being offered. There is a fee charged for attending those classes. There will be a public hearing on September 3rd for the new patient billing schedule.

Mr. Foster also reported that there were two bear incidents in Island Park that they responded to last week.

Planning and Building Administrator Tom Cluff RE: Department Report

Mr. Cluff would like to update the day use ordinance for the county. Tamra Cikaitoga has drafted that ordinance for the commissioners to look over. We will then have to hold a public hearing for that.

The areas that will be affected by the day use ordinance are Ora Fishing Access, Vernon Fishing Access, Stone Bridge Fishing Access, Fun Farm Fishing Access, Jump Off Canyon, Marysville

Fishing Access, and the Fremont County Boat Docks. This means no fires, overnight camping, or overnight parking is permitted.

Mr. Cluff also stated that the Island Park Reservoir, Mill Creek, and McCrea's Bridge are not usable due to low water levels. In Island Park, the boat dock near Ponds Lodge is usable but with limited access. Frome Park is also usable with limited access. Jim's Boat Dock is the only boat dock with full useable access right now.

Mr. Cluff asked for the commissioner's thoughts and feelings on the possible monument issue. He will be meeting with others who are part of the grant to get their feelings also. The commissioners all agreed that they want to make sure that all access will still be available in the area if they do decide to make this a national monument area. Commissioner Baxter still feels we need to be involved in this issue from the beginning.

Public Works Director Brandon Harris RE: Department Report

Stonebridge - Mr. Harris will be attending a meeting regarding Stonebridge today where they will discuss the pouring of cement at this location. He also stated that he would like to move the bid opening for the St. Anthony Transfer Station to Monday, August 26th. The bids will be opened in the Commissioners Room at 10:20 a.m. Bids will need to be received by 10:00 a.m. that day. The job will be awarded to the lowest bidder during the commissioners meeting on Tuesday, September 3rd.

Mr. Harris talked with the state regarding the Ora Bridge last week and discussed some issues with that. The bridge will not be built until at least 2018. They are still looking for funding to help the county pay for this project.

Road and Bridge - They are finishing up the last bit of fog coating on the roads now and should be striping the roads in the next couple of weeks.

Sewer - The Forest Service has been getting phone calls regarding the expansion of the spray field. There have been a lot of rumors circulating and they end up calling the Forest Service to complain. Liz Davey would like better communication from the County so there are not so many questions that they have to answer. Mr. Harris stated that he would be willing to visit with people who have questions and show them the plans of project. Jon Brown has also been talking with people who have had questions, explaining the details of the project and showing them the plans.

Landfill - Mr. Harris stated we will lease a loader for two years at the Island Park Landfill. We will go off the contract that Madison County has used before.

The Idaho Falls Bomb Squad has requested permission to use one of our gravel pits to burn some materials that they have stored in the Ashton area. Commissioner Stoddard directed Mr. Harris to get some more information before we give permission for them to do anything.

Social Services – Debbie Adams Re: Indigent Claims

Commissioner Stoddard 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 1:09 p.m. Commissioner Baxter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Stoddard voting "Aye", Commissioner Miller voting "Aye", and Commissioner Baxter voting "Aye". Commissioner Stoddard declared the meeting open at 1:21 p.m.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve case #M2013-48, deny case #M2013-39B, and approve case #M2013-39A. Commissioner Baxter seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioners signed two new liens.

5C Administrator Nicky Chavez RE: Contracts to sign

Mr. Chavez presented two contracts for the commissioners to sign.

Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to sign the agreement between Five County Detention and Youth Rehabilitation Center and Badger Medical. Commissioner Baxter seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Baxter made a motion to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between Five County Detention and Youth Rehabilitation Center and Family Crisis Center. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Jan Neish RE: 2013 Legislative Tour Booklet Information

Ms. Neish is helping to put together an informational booklet for the 2013 Legislative Tour. She asked for any ideas the commissioners have for pages that should be included in this. She would like to highlight key issues that we have that are unique in Fremont County. Commissioner Miller would like to highlight winter recreation. Ms. Neish stated she would also like to mention invasive species in the booklet. They also stated they would like a history page that includes the links that bring up the virtual tours of specific areas in the county. Lack of funding to provide services in our area is also a big challenge that they would like to see mentioned in the booklet.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC 67-2345(1)(c) to conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency; at 2:00 p.m. Commissioner Baxter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Miller voting "Aye", Commissioner Baxter voting "Aye", and Commissioner Stoddard voting "Aye". Commissioner Miller declared the meeting open at 2:50 p.m.

Miscellaneous

Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve the claims for August 19, 2013 as presented. Commissioner Baxter seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Baxter made a motion to approve the minutes from August 5, 2013 and August 12, 2013. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with both commissioners voting in favor. Commissioner Miller was absent from the vote.

Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to donate \$1500 to the Shop with a Cop program to be taken from the 2014 budget out of the Indigent Fund. Commissioner Baxter seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with both commissioners voting in favor. Commissioner Miller was absent from the vote.

Commissioner Baxter made a motion to approve the junior college application for Kristopher Manley to North Idaho College. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Baxter made a motion to approve the junior college applications for Megan Davis, Nicole Davis, Zackary Black, Skyler Wilson, and Rachel Loomis to College of Southern Idaho. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to approve Retail Alcohol License #39 for the year 2013 to Henry's Lake Lodge and approve Retail Alcohol License #1 to Maverik Inc., license #2 to Fong's Café, and License #3 to Jackson's for the year 2014. Commissioner Baxter seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor. Commissioner Miller was absent from the vote.

Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to approve Liquor Catering Permit #1019 to Island Park Lodge to be used on August 24, 2013. Commissioner Baxter seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with both commissioners voting in favor. Commissioner Miller was absent from the vote.

Commissioner Baxter made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-17, increasing the landfill fee by 4.99 percent. Commissioner Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-18, increasing the sewer rate by 4.99 percent. Commissioner Baxter seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

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

LeRoy Miller, Chairman
Fremont County Commission

Attest: _____
Abbie Mace, Clerk