

FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES
July 10, 2023

Present for the meeting was : Commissioners Scott Kamachi, Blair Dance and Rick Hill

Also attended by: Clerk Abbie Mace, and Civil Attorney Blake Hall

Commissioner Hill led the pledge.
Commissioner Dance offered the prayer.

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

Treasurer Lori Beard RE: Tax Cancellations - action item

Ms. Beard presented the tax cancellations for the month of June 2023 in the amount of \$13,947.33.

Commissioner Hill made a motion to approve the tax cancellations for the month of June 2023 in the amount of \$13,947.33. Commissioner Dance seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Treasurer Lori Beard RE: Tax Deed Sale - action item

Ms. Beard asked the commissioners to set the Tax Deed Sale for August 7, 2023.

Commissioner Dance made a motion to set tax deed sale for August 7, 2023 at 9:40 a.m. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Hill made a motion to amend the tax deed sale to September 4, 2023 at 9:40 a.m. Commissioner Dance seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Prosecuting Attorney Lindsey Blake RE: Executive Session IC 74-206(1)(f) - action item

Commissioner Kamachi made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC 74-206(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 9:22 a.m. Commissioner Dance seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Kamachi voting "Aye" and Commissioner Dance voting "Aye". Commissioner Hill voting "Aye" Commissioner Kamachi declared the meeting open at 9:59 a.m.

Commissioners RE: Odd Lot for Jeff Patlovich - action item

Attorney Blake Hall stated we have run into a problem. The owner of the adjacent property is in Mr. Jeff Patlovich son's name Scott Patlovich. Once we have received an offer from his son we will republish and move forward with the odd lot process.

Catherine Humphries RE: Permission to Plow a County Road - action item

Mrs. Humphries and her husband John Humphries requested permission to plow a county road for access to her home this winter. They would like to be able to access their

home year-round. They are willing to plow at their own costs. They know there are concerns with this being a snowmobile trail also.

Park & Recreation Director Cikaitoga is just learning of this request. We need to know if this is a seasonal request or if it is a year-round basis. To change a snowmobile trail is a large endeavor. She is concerned with people wanting to park on the Humphries plowed road. If this is not just for construction this will create concerns.

Mrs. Humphries stated they are building a private residence. They are concerned that 4700 East is posted as no parking. They don't know where they would park to be able to snowmobile into their residence.

Ms. Cikaitoga stated this trail has been in existence since the 1970's. She is concerned with changing a trail.

Mr. Humphries stated their general contractor requested a short-term access for construction. Their residence is a mile in from the main road. They are just looking for a solution because there is nowhere to park their vehicles.

Road & Bridge Supervisor Blair Jones stated he has been in contact with the Humphries contractor. He stated most people park on 1400 North (Cave Falls Road). There is a parking lot there. The only solutions he sees is if it becomes a dual use road. There is concern with others trying to park in the Humphries drive and blocking them in.

Mrs. Humphries asked if the county could put in a parking lot on a piece of their land for long term parking for winter use.

Commissioner Kamachi asked the Humphries to meet with Road and Bridge Supervisor Blair Jones and Park & Recreation Director Tamra Cikaitoga and then come back with a proposal.

Mr. Jones stated that sections of a jack fence owned by the Humphries need to be moved off the county road.

The Humphries agreed to get that moved.

**Commissioners RE: Board of Equalization - action item; Assessor Carol Blanchard
RE: Homeowners Exemptions - action item**

**Fremont County
Board of Equalization
July 10, 2023**

Commissioner Kamachi gave instructions for today's hearings. Commissioner Kamachi asked that each individual state their name for the record when speaking.

Clerk Mace swore everyone in.

<u>Appellant</u>	<u>RP</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Michael & for Jennifer Tall value	RP0056102633A0	\$714,075	Lowered to \$195,372 the land only. Total of \$666,335.

Assessor Carol Blanchard presented information that they have revisited on this property. They were able to make some adjust to the land value to \$195,372 from \$243,112. The home value will stay the same. The property owner was fine with the proposed adjustment.

Commissioner Dance, sitting as a member of the Fremont County Board of Equalization, move to find the market value for assessment purposes of property number RP0056102633A0 valued at \$195,112 for land only for tax year 2023 and therefore affirm the Assessors recommendation. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

<u>Appellant</u>	<u>RP</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Craig Brewerton Lowered to \$1,347,693	RPI0150000008A		\$1,818,852
	RPI0150000009A	\$160,908	Upheld

Assessor Carol Blanchard reviewed the concerns on the property for the dwelling only. They are recommending a change to \$1,347,693. The property owner was in agreement.

Commissioner Hill, sitting as a member of the Fremont County Board of Equalization, move to find the market value for assessment purposes of property numbers RPI0150000008A to be lowered to \$1,247,693 on the dwelling parcel as recommended by the Assessor, and RPI0150000009A valued \$160,908 for tax year 2023 and therefore affirm the assessment accordingly. Commissioner Dance seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Assessor Carol Blanchard presented a list of those qualifying for the Homeowners Exemption for 2023.

The following parcels have requested homeowners exemption be applied:

RPA0002020003A	Nathan Tavernier
RP08N42E140750	Suzanne Hamilton
RP09N44E351202	Robert R. Willmore

Commissioner Hill made a motion to approve the application of homeowners exemption for the following parcels:

RPA0002020003A	Nathan Tavernier
RP08N42E140750	Suzanne Hamilton
RP09N44E351202	Robert R. Willmore

Commissioner Kamachi seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Kamachi closed the board of equalization at 10:44 a.m.

Parks & Rec Director Tamra Cika itoga RE: Correction for the Agreement for the Sack Cabin - action item

Ms. Cika itoga discussed an error on our agreement with the Forest Service regarding the Sack Cabin. She presented a corrected document for the Commissioners to sign.

Commissioner Kamachi made a motion to sign the corrected Forest Service Agreement for the Sack Cabin.

Commissioner Dance seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Planning and Building Administrator Tom Cluff RE: Dolezal Park Div. No. 1 - 2nd Amended Plat - action item

Mr. Cluff presented application #23-27 by Mike Dolezal for Dolezal Park Div. No. 1 - 2nd Amended Plat along with Findings of Facts, Conclusions of Law and Decision.

Commissioner Hill made a motion to approve application #23-27 by Mike Dolezal for Dolezal Park Div. No. 1 - 2nd Amended Plat along with Findings of Facts, Conclusions of Law and Decision. Commissioner Dance seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Miscellaneous

Commissioner Hill made a motion to approve the claims for July 10, 2023 as amended. Commissioner Dance seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Hill made a motion to approve the minutes from July 3, 2023 as presented, the BOE Minutes from July 5, 2023 as amended, and Work Meeting minutes from July 6, 2023 as presented. Commissioner Dance seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Clerk Mace presented the 2023-2024 Liquor License letter for approval.

Commissioner Hill made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 Liquor License application letter. Commissioner Kamachi seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Clerk Mace presented the 2023 Harris/Computer Arts contract for renewal.

Commissioner Dance made a motion to approve the contract with Harris/Computer Arts for FY2024.

Commissioner Hill seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Dance discussed the bids for tires for the Ashton Meals on Wheels van.

Commissioner Dance presented the information on tires for the Ashton Meals on Wheels van replacement.

Commissioner Hill made a motion to purchase from Point S the Nokian Outpost AT 60,000 mile warranty tires in the amount of \$1,129.39 for the Ashton Senior Citizens Van. Commissioner Dance seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Kamachi made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:52 am.
Commissioner Dance 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.

L. Scott Kamachi, Chairman
Fremont County Commissioner

Attest: _____
Abbie Mace, Clerk