

**Lincoln County Commissioners
Ambulance District Meeting
Minutes for May 8, 2017**

Present: Chairman Cresley McConnell, Commissioner Rebecca Wood, Commissioner Roy Hubert, Clerk Brenda Farnworth for minutes.

9:34am Chairman McConnell called the meeting to order and led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Claims

Had to put about \$2,600 into one of the vehicles because of some major repairs. Expecting another invoice from Middlekauf not in the current claims.

Discussion on the purchase of fuel always being from Valley Co-op. Have a charge account there and that way they don't have to have credit cards in the vehicles.

Completed the donation of the 1997 Ambulance Van to the Boise School district as well as some old equipment to stock it to the best of their ability to allow the students to have a working vehicle. They were very appreciative and excited to utilize the van.

Have a few extra lockers that the Sheriff would like. He can have if they will come and get them.

Payson has moved his office out and into the DMV building and now they can start construction on the bedrooms.

Had five attendees signed up to start the Advanced EMS class.

Discussion on a complaint letter from Matthew Lezamiz regarding the cost of an ambulance service. Discussion on health insurance companies that do not give ambulance services preferred provider status. Review of the charges billed and the Commissioner approved charges list.

Discussion on getting the amount the insurance company would have approved if the Ambulance District was a preferred provider. As a preferred provider, the insurance check would come to the District first.

Having issues getting setup with Systems Design, the new billing company, because they kept and used the old EIN number for Medicaid and Medicare. Will have to change and use the current EIN. May need to redo the pricing resolution for the new Systems Design payment plans.

Commissioner Wood made a motion to pay the Ambulance Claims for May 8, 2017 for \$5,381.45. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

10:14am Chairman McConnell adjourned the Ambulance District Meeting.

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Office of Emergency Management Update

Discussion on the LEPC Meeting for April.

May 9th there will an applicant briefing for the Federal Disaster Declaration at the Community Center at 1pm. They will go over the application process to apply for FEMA funding and more specifics of the program. State and Federal representatives will be present.

Applied for a \$167,000 grant for the Shoshone Fire Department for new extrication equipment.

Has \$5,000 set aside from grant for the generator for the Care Center. The generator is to be installed this Wednesday. Payson needs an invoice from the County to submit for the grant money.

Moved all equipment to the new office, but have no phones or internet. Commissioners suggested Payson visit with Linda Jones about the services when they vacated the building. Probation still has services. Still need to setup communications with the State IOEM.

Currently watching flooding activity in the Wood River Valley. Seeing some flooding again along the river. National Weather Service has contacted Payson and would like a report.

Need to update the Disaster Resolution for flooding since the 30 days have past since the last one. Will amend the agenda this afternoon and get it taken care of.

10:28am Claims, Minutes and Correspondence

Commissioners received a graduation announcement from the son of Assessor Deputy, Diane Rowe.

Discussion on possibly installing a camera system at the Fair grounds. Can't get the feed from the camera because the passwords have been lost in transition. Discussion on the camera system at the Courthouse. Will get with the Sheriff and review procedures and equipment.

Claims

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the claims for Indigent for \$562.50.
Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the minutes as presented for May 1, 2017. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioners signed the contract for Mark Coppin as Indigent Defense Attorney.

Commissioner Hubert had a call from the local Boys Scouts that would like to come visit with the Commissioners to learn what they do. Requested if the Sheriff would have a Deputy available to give a tour of the basement.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to approve the claims for May 8, 2017 for \$25,628.96. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

10:46am Body Cam Policy

Prosecutor E. Scott and Sheriff Rodriguez have made changes to the policy on the concerns the Commissioners had. Review and discussion.

Discussion on burning discs from the recordings on the Sheriff's body cams and who gets copies.

10:55am

Commissioner Wood suggested that they have an Executive Session on an issue brought to Chairman McConnell attention. Prosecutor Paul agreed.

Commissioner Wood made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 74-206(1)(f) Legal Counsel. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote Commissioner Wood, aye; Commissioner Hubert, aye; Chairman McConnell, aye. Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive Session.

11:05am Chairman McConnell adjourned Executive Session and re-convened the Regular Meeting.

Discussion on the ADA ramp for the front of the Courthouse and some information Commissioner Hubert looked up. Gave to Clerk Farnworth for review as ADA Coordinator.

Discussion on email from Gordon Cruickshank, NACO representative, suggesting Commissioners send a letter to legislators in favor of PILT payments. Commissioner Hubert suggests we send a letter in support. Include how much public land we have, 76.14% and how much the PILT funds are compared to other revenue for our budget. We have no mining, lumber, forestry or recreation to receive replacement revenue on federal lands. We have 768,640 acres of public land in the county. Discussion on the AUM per acre on the public lands and how raising the grazing fees to the needed level would make it unreasonable for ranchers. Requested that Clerk Farnworth draft a letter.

Discussion on Property A and the need for Phase I Hazardous Chemical Audit. Will go ahead with the audit.

Received a statement of Treasurers cash for April. Balance is \$3,936,872.81, including Ambulance balance of \$90,028.62.

11:30am K9 Dog Issue

E. Scott only sent the reply letter on Friday to Andy's attorney. Waiting for a response.

Sheriff reported that his communication with the Mayor of Bellevue is that the K9 Dog is being used with the City Police.

Correspondence

Lewis Chandler has agreed to meet with the Commissioners on May 22nd and he would like to know the questions the Commissioners have on the financials so he can prepare.

P&L Statement differences to the Care Center Financials, just as an explanation. Explanation of the negative UPL Receivable on the balance sheet and the Clearing Due from BRP of \$3.5m and due to/from LCCC of (\$3.1m).

Commissioner Hubert gave an update on the installation of the generator at the Care Center. He will be out of town on Wednesday and asks if Chairman McConnell will be available for questions.

Discussion on the need for a generator at the Community Center since it is our Community Emergency Center. Commissioner Hubert is aware of one that may be for sale.

11:40am Ordinance 90-2

E. Scott is changing the Ordinance to infractions and fees and some definitions that clarify the ordinance. Discussion on what or who the complaint is attached to, the specific sprinkler or the owner.

Discussion on handing out educational materials and a warning the first time.

After final draft is approved by the Commissioners, we will need to hold a public hearing on the new Ordinance.

Discussion on having a County Facebook page, pros and cons.

Discussion on County owned property. The County owns a gravel pit and the local Highway Districts use it for free.

12:01 Chairman McConnell adjourned the meeting for lunch.

1:02 Chairman McConnell re-convened the meeting.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to IC 74-206(1)(d) Indigent. Commissioner Wood seconded. Hubert, aye; Commissioner Wood, aye; Chairman McConnell, aye. Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive Session.

1:07pm Chairman McConnell re-convened the meeting.

1:15pm Courthouse Backdoor Lock

Discussion on the cost of putting a keypad lock or a fob lock system on the back door. Would have to disassemble the panic bar and that would be against fire code. Only other option would be to purchase a new door. Cost is prohibitive and will not change.

1:33pm P&Z Ordinance

Mary Davidson presented the revisions to the P&Z Ordinance

Discussion on the changes and comments from the P&Z Board.

Discussion on the lack of industrial zoning in the County and the process for changing a zoning.

2:33pm Coffman/Smith Scholarship Application

Jade Williams sent in an application.

Discussion on the May 1st deadline for applications and whether or not to accept the application.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the application for Jade Williams for the full scholarship of \$5,500 for the Coffman/Smith Scholarship based on the excellent recommendation letters. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Wood made a motion to amend the agenda to approve Resolution 2017-08, Disaster Declaration. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Good faith reason, we need to get it sent to the State and Federal Office of Emergency Management to not lose the financial aid. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Wood made a motion to accept Resolution 2017-08 and read the resolution into the record. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

2:45pm BOE Training Update

Clerk Farnworth gave the Commissioners a synopsis of the things discussed and learned in the training. Need to make a few changes in the processes.

3:00pm S. Central Public Health

Attendance from SCPH;

Linda Montgomery, Board Chair; Jeremy St. Clair, Fiscal Officer; Cheryle Becker, Family Health Administrator; Susie Beam, Community Health Director; Josh Jensen, Public Health Programs; Yvonne Humphries, Coordinator.

Each team member updated the Commissioners on the activities during the past year. Discussion on epidemiology, free vaccine clinics, WIC serving about 100 clients, Head Start with dental education and more.

New program funded for Prescription Drug overdose prevention. The main concern being the opioid prescriptions.

Working with Payson in Lincoln County for public preparedness. Worked with Chairman McConnell and Payson during the flooding incident in Lincoln County. DEQ has done their last round of sampling in the area. Conducted 5 different rounds of sampling. All locations have now been cleared of Ecoli. Need now to present the final results to the residents. DEQ suggested having an informational town hall meeting to update the residents and educate them on the ground water. Learned a lot of lessons from the event.

Had a workshop focused on an outbreak of Ebola.

Food safety has been very good in Lincoln County and not very many complaints.

Question from Commissioner Hubert on the Zeka virus. The type of mosquito that carries the Zeka virus is not native to our area, but more in the southern areas of the country. West Nile is more prevalent with the type of mosquito in our area.

Budget, asking for a 3% increase, coincides with the 3% State mandated increase in salaries. The formula for County contribution is based on statute. Asking for \$28,589 for next fiscal year.

Discussed the County rankings, Lincoln County is ranked at 24% residents as poverty.

Chairman McConnell thanked the SCPH for their help and co-operation during the flooding and well crises.

Budget Hearing will be held May 24th at 1pm. Need to know if the Chairman will be attending the hearing or appoint a proxy.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to allow Charlie Ritter to vote for the Board as a Proxy on budget hearing meeting on May 24th, 2017. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

3:30p.m. WRSWCD Intent to Donate Letter

Commissioners met with the WRSWCD last month but didn't approve the donation request. They need it for their budgeting.

Commissioner Wood made a motion to sign and send the letter of intent to the WRSWCD for a donation of \$6,000 for the fiscal 2018 year. Commissioner Wood read the letter into the record. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

3:45pm Rendering plant possible location/IGC lines

Commissioner Wood was contacted by the persons looking to put in a rendering plant in the City to discuss possible locations in the County that would be suitable. They require natural gas for their operations.

Discussion on possible locations with several public residents that were interested in the rendering plant. We only have two small sections that are zoned industrial in the entire County. Both are north of the City of Shoshone with the furthest section close to the Mammoth Caves. The gas line does go near to that area.

4:00pm A local Boy Scout Troup joined the County Commissioners.
Chairman McConnell asked for introductions from the group.

Ratify the AMS Contract for Ankle Monitors

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to ratify the decision on the AMS Contract Agency Products and Services Agreement with Lincoln County Probation. Commissioner Wood seconded. Discussion on the cost. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

The Boys Scouts asked 3 questions of the Commissioners;

1. Do they get paid for what they do?
2. How did they get their job?
3. How long have they had their job?

Discussion on other things the Commissioners do.

4:30pm Help for Clerks Office

Clerk Farnworth presented some facts for consideration for adding another person to the Auditors office. Sarah Thomas, who was hired part time for the Recorder position last fall is now working full time in the Court due to the requirements of moving to the Odyssey system and the extra time it has taken. Have been working short one person in the Auditors office since then. Now, since the Commissioners have added another day to their schedule, it has put more work on the Clerk as well.

Discussion on the cost to the budget for this fiscal year, should only be over by about \$700. Discussion on the job, the new person will be the Elections Deputy and Cindi Sievers will take over as Clerk of the Board. Clerk Farnworth will still handle all major projects for the Commissioners and stay involved.

Commissioner Wood made a motion to allow the County Clerk to hire another full time person. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Discussion. Starting salary according to the salary grade scale. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

4:55pm Chairman McConnell adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully,
Brenda Farnworth, Clerk

Cresley McConnell, Chairman

Attest:

Brenda Farnworth, Clerk