

## **Lincoln County Commissioners Minutes for September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

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

9:59am Chairman McConnell called the meeting to order.  
Baker Insurance- Pat Baker

Discussion on the huge claims that ICRMP experienced this spring due to the heavy snowfall winter and the flood damages. Everything was taken care of and all claims were paid, but ICRMP sustained a loss.

Discussion on the premium increases for the coming years will probably be 7% to bring the County back up equal in premiums to past claims incurred.

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to opt out of the Government proposed terrorism coverage and accept the ICRMP blanket terrorism coverage. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to amend the agenda to move the claims to be approved now because the Deputy Auditor has to leave and would like to get them sent out. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

10:11am Claims

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to pay the claims for September 5<sup>th</sup> for \$22,304.10. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

11:20am Canvas Votes for August Election

Cindi Sievers and Nancy Rodriguez presented the Poll reports and the Ballot Count reports for the Shoshone School Bond Election.

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to accept the canvas of election for the August 29, 2017 election and read the canvas into the record. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to move the 11:30 Public Defense Commission to now. Commissioner Wood seconded. Brianne McCoy arrived early and would allow her to move on to other appointments. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

10:36am Public Defense Regional Coordinator  
Brianne McCoy  
Mark Coppin- Contract Public Defender

Brianne introduced herself to the Board and the purpose of the Public Defense Commission. Brianne explained the ELF funds and that they have to be prospective, anticipated funds for extra-ordinary litigation.

Public Defense standards:

First hearing requirement – County is currently meeting this requirement with the help of the Jerome Jail.

Vertical representation – Currently being met as we are small.

Private meeting space – Not fancy, but does have a place where they can meet until we get a new judicial building.

Workload study in progress with Boise State. Standard will probably be March of 2020 and may be a problem for small counties. Paying our Public Defender by the hour will help with that.

Providing Investigators when witnesses are involved – have an expense line in the current budget.

Capital Defense standards – ensuring qualified representation.

Oversite and enforcement – an area that has not yet been defined.

Hearings on the new standards will be in October and Brianne encourages comments, either directly at the hearing or to her.

#### 11:05am Budget and Salary Grade Approval & Resolution

Discussion on the Salary Step Grade and approving it along with the budget as the salary schedule for the County. Discussion on a possible cap on the years of service and the 3% increase.

Discussion on positive comments that have been received individually by Commissioners and one negative comment on the salary grade.

**Commissioner Wood read Resolution 2017-11 into the record and made a motion to accept the 2017-2018 Budget and approve the Salary Step Grade as attached. Discussion. Commissioner Hubert noted that two days after the budget hearing he attended a gathering of over 200 people and visited with many of those in attendance. All were in agreement with the Commissioners Salary increase. Commissioner Wood noted that she is very proud of the budget and with the obstacles we still only had a 1.72% increase over last year. Discussion on the levy rate being lower and to go lower based on the increase of Operating Property values. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

#### 11:25am Correspondence

Letter requesting contribution for 2017 from Search and Rescue, in the budget.

District IV Administrative Judge Bevan has been appointed to the Idaho Supreme Court and we congratulate him on his appointment.

#### 11:30am Canal Company Property Purchase

Diana Rowe and Cindi Sievers

Discussion on the claim of the Canal Company under Quitclaim deed of the property the County is wanting to purchase.

Review of the new legal description and map provided to Diana. She concurs that the legal description provided is a good legal description of the property the County is wanting to purchase.

We can now move forward to the Title Company to draw up the paperwork for the transfer of property.

#### 11:45am Correspondence/Old Business

Discussion on the increase of solid waste coming through the transfer station. Discussion on the roll off bins coming from the Cities. Are not separating the recycling materials into the separate bins.

Commissioner Wood visited with Susie about the Animal Ordinance. She suggested we have a memorandum of understanding with her for finding the owner or the final disposition. She suggested we need 2 kennels in a place that is protected from the elements.

Commissioner Hubert visited with other Commissioners regarding the animal ordinance and they suggested we don't get involved in impounds and it is a headache to administer.

12:05pm Chairman McConnell adjourned the meeting for lunch.

1:00pm Chairman McConnell called the meeting to order.

There is no business under Indigent so the Commissioners took up old business.

Call was made to Jeff at Materials Testing Inc. regarding the report received on the basement mold and asbestos issue. They listed options for remediation, but they do not do remediation. They do have a list of recommended companies who do remediation. Jeff will send it to Chairman McConnell.

ITD Board Meeting update. The Lincoln County support group is on the agenda to meet with the Board on the 21<sup>st</sup>. tomorrow at 5pm they will meet and review what they will present.

Discussion on the IAC meeting which starts on Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. No Commissioner Meeting.

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to IC 74-201(1)(b) Personnel. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote; Commissioner Wood, aye; Commissioner Hubert, aye; Chairman McConnell, aye. Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive Session.**

1:37pm Chairman McConnell adjourned Executive Session

Discussion on Old Business

1:52pm Executive Session - Litigation

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

2:29pm Chairman McConnell adjourned Executive Session.

2:30pm Minutes

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the Minutes for August 28, 2017 as presented. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to accept the Minutes for Budget Hearing for August 28, 2017 as presented. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the minutes for the Planning and Zoning work session. Commissioner Wood seconded. Discussion was on fees. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

3:00pm School Property Trade  
John Larson

Discussion on the school bond election that did not pass. Discussion on what the school plan is going forward.

The architectural tests of the old school building will condemn the class rooms in the building after 4 more years. The gym is still OK, but not the class rooms. The logistics of holding class in the building is costing the school district more money than operating the new building.

The School Board hasn't met yet since the election to discuss what the plans are now.

3:30pm Commissioner District Re-Zone

Discussion and review of the 4 versions of zones that were drawn from the programmer. After discussion, version 3 looks like we can take it and adjust it some and make it work. Will review and visit again.

4:30pm Chairman McConnell adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully,  
Brenda Farnworth, Clerk

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Cresley McConnell, Chairman

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Brenda Farnworth, Clerk