

**Lincoln County Commissioners  
Ambulance District Meeting  
Minutes for July 10, 2017**

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

9:30am Chairman McConnell called the meeting to order.

Larrin and Beth Sant present.

Chairman McConnell led all present in the pledge of allegiance.

Claims

Claims total \$5,732.64. Physio control contract is the largest claim. Discussion on the contract

Received a notice of bankruptcy on a deceased patron. They will be writing off the account.

Issues with the steel door into the Masonic building, won't close without slamming. The problem is the door jam and the mortar. Some new keys were made and they have a list of who has keys and the number, 26 keys in all.

Bank Statement review

Larrin gave the Commissioners a printout of the GL with the bank activity and a copy of the current bank statement. Discussion on the variance.

They have an EFTPS issue of approximately \$4,000 that has not been deducted from the bank. Also, two employee checks that have not been cashed.

Beth Sant reviewed the claims that have been submitted to Systems Design and the process they are working through. She attended a training with Systems Design on how to code the billings and the documentation needed. Discussion on some of the various scenarios.

Beth explained the banking process with Systems Design. Discussion on the request from Systems Design to setup a new bank account that all payments can EFT to.

Discussion on the County expense accounts and the differences to Larrin's spreadsheet.

Discussion on the difficulty of keeping the part-time EMT's with the current rate of pay of \$9.27 per hour. Gooding is currently paying \$13.00 starting. Suggested to raise the starting wage for the part-time to \$10.10 and keep the per hour spread with the current employees and see where that leaves the budget as a guide for now.

Larrin presented a preliminary budget for FY2018 to the Commissioners. Have not changed the salaries yet, was waiting for discussion on a new rate. Most other expenses are budgeted the same with the exception of the new ambulance fund, which was reduced from \$50,000 to \$25,000 to build for a new ambulance in 5 years.

Discussion on the tax revenue collected. Did not use all of the forgone amount last year because it would have put them over the levy rate maximum. Still have forgone available.

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$5,732.64. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

10:41am Chairman McConnell adjourned the Ambulance District Meeting

Respectfully,  
Brenda Farnworth, Clerk

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Cresley McConnell, Chairman

Attest:

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10:41am Disaster Services

Payson Reese

Payson gave an update on the LEPC meeting and activities for the month. Discussed grant application possibilities with different departments; Sheriff, Search and Rescue, Shoshone Fire and Shoshone City Police.

Attended the 2017 Solar Eclipse Workshop to be prepared for the influx of people going on Highway 75 to view the eclipse. Projecting 1m people.

Working on 2017 grants and will be attending a workshop this afternoon. Working on getting a quote for a 12 person shelter in place kit and a dual power generator for the Community Center.

Payson presented the Community Emergency Preparedness brochure that was distributed during Arts in the Park this weekend to County patrons. Will also be handing them out at the Fair.

Submitted the all Hazard Mitigation plan to FEMA for a final review.

Discussion on the amounts that the Highways Districts are going to receive from FEMA for the flooding disaster this year, is going to be a lot less than needed. FEMA is requiring more paperwork and third party quotes to receive some project reimbursement.

Old Business

Chairman McConnell presented a bid from Materials Testing of \$1,500 for a mold test of the basement. Will move forward as soon as possible.

11:00am 4H Potluck

Pam Pantone & Makala Vitale

4H would like to extend an invitation to all the County employees to the Potluck on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 12noon at the fair grounds. Requesting that the Commissioners supply the chicken. Discussion on what was spent in the past.

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to approve up to \$100 to purchase fried chicken from Sawtooth Foodtown for the 4H Potluck on July 21<sup>st</sup>. Commissioner Wood seconded. Discussion. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

Old Business – Ratify Alcohol Beverage Licenses.

Licenses were signed after the last Commissioners meeting for businesses that had not gotten their applications in. Their licenses expired on June 30<sup>th</sup>, so Chairman McConnell signed them.

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to ratify the approval of the retail license applications previously signed by the Chairman for; the Main Street Bar & Grill, the Iron Horse Saloon and La Monarca. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to approve the new license for the Little Wood Saloon in Richfield and have the Chairman sign. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

11:15am 4H Know your Government  
There were no more visitors

Old Business  
Transfer Station Fees

Commissioner Hubert gave an update on the 7 counties that are part of Southern Idaho Solid Waste. Discussion on the fees we have been charging. They adopted a delivery fee schedule for dead animals. Commissioner Hubert would like to not charge this extra fee in Lincoln County because of the increase in the fees that we did last year was to take care of it.

We would need to write a letter to Southern Idaho Solid Waste, requesting to waive the fee for Lincoln County residents. Discussion

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to waive the delivery fee adopted by Southern Idaho Solid Waste for dead animals and abide by the numbers to deliver in the current resolution of Southern Idaho Solid Waste. Commissioner Wood seconded. Discussion on the quantity of dead animals per day and the intent of our fee increase. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

11:30am Legislative Update

Mike Matthews for Senator Rische, Linda Culver for Representative Simpson and Samantha Marshall for Senator Crapo.

This is their yearly outreach to all of the Counties and brought a brochure and business cards for contact information.

Discussion on what they can provide to the Counties; they sell US Flags and can have them flown over the capital for a small fee. Range from \$14.00 for 3x5 to \$24.00, they also have a US Service Academy scholarship which is up to \$4,000 with a commitment to serve in an armed forces branch after school; their offices can do a tour at Washington D.C. for individuals, just need a lot of advance notice and they do research and help patrons with issues at the Federal level.

Discussion on the issues with FEMA for reimbursement for the flood disaster damages. Linda will contact their representative on the FEMA commission and get some more information about why we aren't getting more monies.

Commissioner Hubert thanked the representatives for the PILT funding for this year. He requested that the legislature make a permanent funding place for it. Linda commented that it is a priority for the legislators as well but has been a struggle as many of the eastern states don't understand the need.

Commissioner Hubert brought up more concerns about the health insurance bill, the DEQ and the national debt. Samantha commented that the national debt is probably about \$20 trillion.

Commissioner Wood mentioned her disappointment that the initiative to make the Craters of the Moon a National Park didn't make it to the legislature. Discussion on the issues presented.

Discussion on the eclipse and any concerns about the flux of people coming through the County. Linda stated that we should expect bumper to bumper traffic on Hwy 93/75 days before and after.

12:02pm Chairman McConnell adjourned the meeting for lunch.

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

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

1:15pm Chairman McConnell adjourned Executive Session and re-convened the regular meeting.

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion for case #2017036 to deny for lack of interview. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

Discussion again on the Materials Testing quote. The quote needs the Chairman's signature to move forward, need a motion to do so.

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to allow Materials Testing and Inspection to do a post inspection of the basement as quoted for \$1,568.20 and allow the Chairman to sign the proposal. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

1:16pm P&Z Ordinance  
E. Scott Paul and Mary Davidson

Discussion on the process of what needs to be done to put the ordinance into effect. Needs to be published twice within 15 days and hold a public hearing.

Discussion on P&Z Meeting on this Thursday. If they do not have a quorum at that meeting, the Prosecutor will allow the Commissioners to make the decision on the two items that are before the P&Z Commission.

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to accept the Lincoln County Ordinance 2017-02 amending Lincoln County Ordinance number 1212-10-2 and the summary of the Ordinance was read into the record. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

Public meeting is set for August 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.

Discussion on when the Commissioners want to hold P&Z Meetings. P&Z meetings will be the 3rd Monday from 3:00-5:00pm.

1:50pm Animal Control Ordinance

Discussion on fees to be charged for licenses and who would issue the licenses. \$10 for a dog that has been spade or neutered, \$20 for a dog not spade or neutered and \$100 for a kennel license.

Discussion on who would be best to issue the licenses and the need for a picture of the dog.  
Commissioner Wood will contact the vet to see if they would be interested in issuing the County Dog licenses.

Brandy from the BLM joined the meeting and requested the Commissioners address an immediate concern with the fire south of Shoshone.

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to amend the agenda to discuss with the BLM an agreement for an emergency command post. Good faith reason, there is an immediate fire danger close to the City. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

Brandy from the BLM needs a rental agreement to setup a command center at the soccer field for the fire crews. Chairman McConnell signed the agreement for rental fee of \$1 per day.

2:37pm Prosecutor Salary

Discussion on the request from the Prosecutor for a \$6,000 raise and his reasons. He has waived increases in past years for various reasons. This year he lost the contract with the City and would like to be compensated more for his County work to replace some of that income. He is ok with the proposed salary in the draft budget, increase of \$2,780.

2:52pm Claims, Minutes

**Commissioner Wood made motion to approve the Commissioners Minutes for June 26, 2017 as presented. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the Indigent claims in the amount of \$1,403.16. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay claims in the amount of \$158,021.58. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

Discussion on the grasshopper issue in Richfield and if the County is going to move forward with a plan to spray.

3:00pm Budget work session with Clerk.

First draft budgeted expenses were reviewed in detail. Total expenses are \$3,617,819. Discussion on various items.

4:15pm Employee handbook review was tabled to the next meeting so budget review could continue.

First draft of budgeted revenues were reviewed, total revenue projection is \$1,377,761 from other sources, \$1,245,518 from property tax and using the same amount of PILT of \$794,540, totals \$3,417,819. This is (\$200,000) short of expenses.

Discussion on how to move forward. Clerk Farnworth suggested that the Commissioners contact each elected official and notify them of the shortfall and request they review their budgets for areas where they can trim. Suggested that they all get together on the July 24<sup>th</sup> meeting and review together. Clerk Farnworth will send out a memo.

5:15pm Old Business

Prosecutor wrote a letter to the BLM informing them that the Tri-County Weed will address the issue of weed growth in the flood overflow area on the BLM lands.

**Commissioner Wood motion to allow the chairman to sign the Letter of Intent on purchase of Property A to the Canal Company. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

Received a letter from Intermountain Gas announcing a public meeting on growth plans.

Discussion on the need for some new tables and chairs at the Community Center. All agreed there was a need and Commissioner Wood will contact them. Also to suggest that each table have the County name and a number on it so returns can be tracked better. Also, the chairs should have the County name on them. When others request to use outside, they should first use the old ones.

5:26pm Chairman McConnell adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully,  
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