

LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

Regular Meeting

June 4th, 2018

Rebecca Wood, Chairman; Roy Hubert, Commissioner; Brenda Farnworth, Clerk for Minutes.

9:32am Chairman Wood called the meeting to order.

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

9:42am Chairman Wood adjourned the Executive Session and re-convened the Regular Meeting.

Swear in Governor Appointee for Commissioner District 1

Clerk Farnworth swore in Terry Zech as the Governor appointee to Lincoln County Commissioner for District 1. Terry gave an introductory speech and prefers to be called Dr. Zech in public.

9:50am Board Assignments

Discussion on the external Board duties and assignments.

New Board Assignments

Commissioners Committees- 2018

Chairman Wood

SIRCOMM

SEIDO

Magistrate Commission (always Chairman)

EELU-State

South Central Community Action

Region IV Development

S. ID Rural Development

Juvenile Joint Powers Board

Marsy's Law Contact

Good Samaritan Clinic

Commissioner Hubert

WRRC&D

S. Id Solid Waste

Lincoln County Transfer Station

Middle Snake Water Resource- Exec. Board

SC Public Health

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Good Samaritan Clinic

Commissioner Zech

Search & Rescue- 2nd Thursday evening if needed

LEPC

Good Samaritan Clinic

Fair Board

Saddle Up

Id Power Comp Plan- Monthly-July

Tri-County Weed- Lincoln, Jerome, Gooding- Quarterly

Cresley McConnell

Deputy Coroner

Mary Davidson- P & Z

Middle Snake Water Resource

Brenda Farnworth-Clerk

Fair Housing Administration

Industrial Litigation – None

Chairman Wood requested that Commissioner Zech attend the Region IV meeting this week for her while we are at IACC in Moscow. He will try to attend the Board meeting after work that day.

Correspondence

Received a copy of the letter the Assessor is sending out with assessment notices this month. Assessment values went up this year for land and the State has demanded that agricultural values go up. The Assessor will raise agricultural land values by 30%.

Received the final budget for Southern Idaho Solid Waste. Discussion on activities at SISW and the power generator, bringing Commissioner Zech up to date.

ITD Board tour on June 21st at Twin Falls City Hall.

10:30am Correct Minutes from February 26th.

Discussion on the minutes regarding the ITD right of way from February 26th and how the record should read.

There are currently 6 gates from Neher Park east to Marley Road. Marley to Richfield there are several private parties that have purchased the right of way. From the trolley east of Richfield to Blaine County is mostly open.

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Update on the Wood River Land Trust and the Neher park area for Commissioner Zech.

Chairman Wood made a motion to amend the minutes from February 26, 2018 to state that there was only one section that had fence from Shoshone to Neher Park. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on the May 7, 2018 Special Meeting minutes. District 3 representatives were not included in the minutes and need to be added.

Chairman Wood made a motion to include the District 3 representatives for the new Courthouse site committee who were left off the minutes for May 7, 2018, Carol Boudreau and Cindy Heiken. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Chairman Wood requested that Commissioner Zech get the New Courthouse Site Committee to meet and move forward. Discussion on the properties that have already been looked at and discussed. Commissioner Hubert gave an update to Commissioner Zech on the properties.

10:45am New Website Development – Hire Help

Discussion on using Diana for approximately 10 hours to help with the pages that link everything together that Chairman Wood hasn't been able to get to. The different departments are still responsible for their own pages.

Discussion

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to allow Diana to work up to 15 hours maximum at the rate of \$25 per hour to get the website development complete so it can go on line. Commissioner Zech seconded. Discussion; may need her later for some updates, but that will be separate. It will be charged to Commissioners computer maintenance. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

10:50am Old Business

Commissioner Hubert does not feel we should go back and look again at renovating the old courthouse. He feels this will only slow the process and costs will continue to go up.

Commissioners agreed to give Colby Ricks the go ahead with the new courthouse plans. Have on agenda next meeting

11:00am New Starting Wage

Clerk Farnworth presented an analysis of what it would cost for the remainder of the fiscal year to move the starting wage for sheriff's deputies to \$17.55/hr and move the rest on the scale as discussed. The overall effect would be approximately \$42k. Since the Sheriff did find \$50k in grant revenue that had not been received in 2016, that extra revenue will cover the increase. This would allow the County to be at an equal level with the City, at least for now.

Discussion

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Clerk Farnworth presented the proposed salary increase for the FY2019 budget with the new rate and scale for the Sheriff's office included.

Additional position added for Commissioner's Clerk; moved Dave Davidson from contract to employee and added a Code Enforcer position. Increased the insurance premiums by 5%, which is typical and increased the workmen's comp by \$4k, an estimated amount at this time..

Overall increase is \$172,319, 10.39%.

Discussion on other possibilities. Removing the Commissioner's clerk position and dividing duties; dog licensing to driver's license; P&Z to Code Enforcer and Clerk absorbing the Commissioner's clerk position within her department.

Discussion on the variance from last years increase of \$199,770, 13.70%.

11:40am VFW Funding

Little Wood River VFW Post and Auxiliary 3001 members present; Eric Bolich, Commander; Amanda Bolich; VFW Auxiliary President; Lloyd Young, Post Service Officer; Louie Bay, Honor Guard; Danny Larson, Past Commander; Ken Brott, Sr. Post Commander; Philip Vaught, Vice Jr. Commander; Gib Belesquez, Quarter Master; Diana Belasquez, 6th District Auxiliary President; Darla Brott, 6th District Treasurer.

Commander Bolich presented a letter of the activities of the post and reviewed with the Commissioners. The post would like to request a contribution from the County for the FY 2018-2019 of \$750.

Commander Bolich informed the Commissioners of the Northside Military Museum in Jerome. Only dedicated museum in the State east of Boise. On the 16th of June there will be a flag retirement ceremony from 10-3, a battlefield cross ceremony and some fund raisers. Invited the Commissioners to attend.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to give a letter of intent to the VFW Post and Auxiliary 3001 for the 2018-2019 budget for \$750. Commissioner Zech seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carried.

12:06pm Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting for lunch.

1:03am Chairman Wood re-convened the Regular Meeting

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

1:17pm Chairman Wood adjourned Executive Session and re-convened the Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Hubert motion for case #2018045, to deny for lack of interview. Commissioner Zech seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

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1:30pm Wood River Soil & Water Conservation District

Letter of intent for the FY2019 budget year. This has already been approved but the District needed a specific letter signed by the Chairman for some funding.

1:45pm Claims, Minutes

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to approve the claims for \$26,074.22. Commissioner Zech seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Continued discussion on the starting wage increase for the Sheriff Office.

Commissioner Zech made a motion to increase the starting wage for Sheriff Patrol Deputy to \$17.55 and the appropriate scale to take effect immediately. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Discussion. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

2:03pm Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting to Planning & Zoning.

3:00pm Chairman Wood re-convened the Regular Meeting.

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

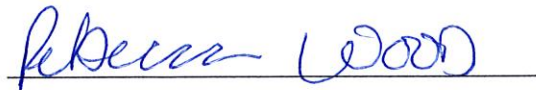
3:12pm Chairman Wood adjourned Executive Session and re-convened the Regular Meeting.

Discussion on leaving for IACC at Moscow.

3:20pm Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully,

Brenda Farnworth, Clerk



Rebecca Wood, Chairman

Attest:



Brenda Farnworth, Clerk