

Lincoln County Commissioners

Minutes for October 10, 2017

Present: Chairman Cresley McConnell, Commissioner Rebecca Wood, Commissioner Roy Hubert, Cindi Sievers, Chief Deputy Clerk, for minutes.

10:30am Emergency Management update
Payson Reese

Payson presented documents with the meetings, and trainings, he attended. He discussed upcoming trainings and exercises he will be attending.

Discussion on grants, projects, and plans he is working on.

Discussion on the grant for the generator at the Care Center.

The Commissioners asked for a time log for the time Payson spends on the meetings and trainings he is going to, to consider his salary scale.

Commissioner Hubert move to amend the agenda to add claims and minutes. Commissioner Wood seconded. Reasoning the clerk did not include it in the agenda. Vote unanimous in favor. Motion carries.

Clerk Farnworth said the system is up and running live today. Everything is going well. Discussion on the Odyssey system in the courts.

Chairman McConnell asked to see if the 2017-2018 budget has a line for the coroner's travel and mileage. The Clerk confirmed there is a line and the amount is around \$1,000. Discussion on the expenses for the coroner's training.

Discussion on the claims.

Commissioner Wood made a motion to pay the claims for October 10, 2017 for \$40,574.93. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the Minutes for October 2, 2017 with correction of legal counseling statement. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on ITD moving out of Lincoln County. Commissioner Wood gave an update. The next meeting is in Boise.

11:06am
Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Dogs and PILT Money
Mayor Dan Pierson

Mayor Pierson handed out a document regarding the MOU for the vehicle with a dog cage. The Commissioners will have E. Scott look at the document presented. It will be put on the agenda for October 16th for discussion and possible motion to accept.

PILT discussion. Mayor Pierson asked why doesn't the County share part of the PILT with the City. About 10-12 years ago, a portion was paid to the City of Shoshone. Discussion on when the last time PILT was paid to

Shoshone. He would like to see a portion of PILT start going to the City of Shoshone. Discussion on contacting other counties to see if and how they are doing this. Clerk Farnworth will reach out to other county clerks to see if it is done.

Discussion on joining Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization (SIEDO) and the cost. Commissioner Wood will look into the services they would provide for the County. Discussion on businesses that could come to Lincoln County and bring in more commerce.

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

11:55am Chairman McConnell adjourned Executive Session.

Commissioner Hubert visited with Tug Worst and asked for an estimate of cost. Estimated 6-8 hours and requested that he not do anything until Commissioners made a decision. Discussion on what we expect from the investigation and counsel. Will go ahead with legal counsel.

12:02pm Chairman McConnell adjourned for lunch and went with CTR to look at the basement mold and asbestos issue.

1:00pm Chairman McConnell reconvened the Regular Meeting.

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

Commissioner Wood made a motion on case #2018007, to approve. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Wood made a motion on case #2018009, to approve, \$1,520.00. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

1:44pm

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to go into Executive Session 74-206(1)(b) Personnel. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote; Commissioner Wood, aye; Commissioner Hubert, aye; Chairman McConnell, aye; Motion carries. Meeting adjourned to Executive Session.

Discussion for Deputies and Officers in the Sheriff's Department. Wages for deputies' ranks were discussed. Discussion for wages in the Sheriff's Department A Budget. Sheriff Rodriguez hired a new Sargent and did not follow protocol.

2:08pm Open Budget Hearing

Discussion on details for opening the B Budget to move to the A Budget. Discussion on details for moving budgeted lines. Discussion on fund balances in FY2017. The \$90,000 was not in the budget for the Bigwood Canal land purchase, but there were funds to move for the purchase.

Commissioner Hubert moved to approve the Resolution for Budget Changes 2017-12 read into record the details for the changes. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

2:30pm Southern Idaho Tourism

Melissa Barry

Commissioner Wood has worked with Melissa on the ITD presentation to keep them from moving out of Lincoln County. Melissa presented a proposal for branding and promoting Lincoln County. Discussion on things Southern Idaho Tourism could bring to the County for the cost of \$1,000 from the County. The City of Shoshone has contributed \$1000 and Southern Idaho Tourism contributed \$3,000 in grant funds, which is more than matching funds. She is currently working with Twin Falls. Commissioner Hubert asked about advertising. Discussion on web presence. Commissioner Wood asked about the connection with Southern Idaho Tourism and SIEDO. The overlap is the tourism bringing in people who could possibly add to Southern Idaho's workforce. Discussion on the target group to move to Southern Idaho.

2:55pm

Commissioner Wood moved to give a \$1,000 to Southern Idaho Tourism to join forces with the City of Shoshone and to include bringing in Roger Brooks to speak. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on ideas for marketing the benefits Lincoln County has to offer.

3:00pm

Southern Idaho Economic Development (SIEDO) Discussion

Linda Jones discussed web design for minimal cost. Commissioner Wood would like to set up a meeting with Linda's source for web building. Commissioner Wood has contacted our current web services and discussed the benefits Bold Grid has to offer for web design. The drawback would be that we would have to do the work with the design. Linda discussed the benefits her contact has to offer. Commissioner Wood discussed how the link between SIEDO and Southern Idaho Tourism's links on their web sites would work for linking to our county web site.

Commissioner Wood discussed the conversation she had with City of Shoshone and their commitment with SIEDO and would like to work with the City by matching a portion of the County's funds toward the cost to work with SIEDO. Discussion of the cost per County memberships. Seems that the smaller Counties are paying more per capita than the larger counties.

3:26pm

Courthouse Generator

Commissioner Hubert was here with Magic Valley Electric and discussed the repairs needed to get the generator operating correctly.

3:27pm

Discussion on BRP financial statement showing P & L. Commissioner Hubert spoke to the CEO, Jim Everton, regarding the P & L. Because it is a contract agreement, any further discussion regarding this topic has to be in Executive Session.

3:29pm Ext. Office Budget

Carmen Wilmore

Carmen presented the County Extension Office Budget for Chairman McConnell to sign the FY2017-2018 approved budget.

Carmen is working with Ace Hardware for purchasing items. Discussion; she will be using her checkbook for future purchases or go elsewhere.

Commissioners re-visited the Sheriff's Office personnel issue, budget and promotion. Discussion on the budget hearing and the time the promotion was given to TK. Clerk Farnworth has a concern for their spending habits. She discussed the line for comp time payout. The Commissioners want to have Sheriff Rodriguez in for a meeting regarding budget lines. Discussion on the overtime and comp time payout.

3:40pm Canal Company Property

Discussion on what to call the property. Decision; Lincoln County Maintenance Yard.

4:05pm

Commissioner Wood made a motion to keep Paul Christiansen on the ballot for Representative for District IV on the ballot for the ICRMP Board. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioners signed the Salary Rate Approvals for Fiscal Year 2018.

4:20pm

Commissioner Wood made a motion to accept the designation of Polling Places for the November 7, 2017 Election and read the precincts and polling places into the record. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

4:22pm Animal Ordinance

Commissioner Wood did research regarding State laws about dog kennels. There is no statute, but the Humane Society would like to see a humane covered holding with consideration for comfort, cleaning and care for the dog.

She also was given some good contacts and advice. It was suggested that we just remodel the current City kennels to make them more acceptable. There are possibly grants available from local banks.

She also found out that we have to keep the dogs for 5 days before sent out for adoption.

Chairman McConnell visited with Gooding about using their dog runs for holding. They are willing to work out an agreement. The City Council would have to approve.

Discussion on SIEDO and whether to join.

Commissioner Wood made a motion to go in with the City to become Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization, up to \$3,300. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Discussion on suggesting cities of Richfield and Dietrich joining with us as well. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on where to advertise for the Ambulance Director position. Discussion on job description. Need to get the job posted as soon as possible.

5:13pm Chairman McConnell adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully,
Cindi Sievers, Chief Deputy

Cresley McConnell, Chairman

Attest:

Brenda Farnworth, Clerk