

LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

May 13, 2019

Present: Rebecca Wood, Chairman; Roy Hubert, Commissioner; Rick Ellis, Commissioner; Cindi Sievers, Clerk for Minutes.

9:30am Chairman Wood opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Claims and Minutes

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the EMS CHEMS Grant Program May 13, 2019 accounts payable for \$34,482.26. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Chairman Wood stated for the record that Commissioner Ellis is not present at this time but will be here later this morning.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the May 13, 2019 Indigent accounts payable for \$3,887.59. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the May 13, 2019 accounts payable for \$29,161.27. Chairman Wood seconded. The sheriff's fuel expense was questioned. Clerk Farnworth will look into the expense. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Clerk Farnworth discussed the Request for Qualification (RFQ) process for construction moving forward to do a bond for the County. She is contacting other County Clerks who have gone through the process for bonding to renovate their courthouse.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the minutes for May 6, 2019 as corrected. Chairman Wood seconded. The correction; to clarify the motion on the bond counsel. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Clerk Farnworth discussed the terms of the contract for Idaho Materials and the type of materials stored on the site. Clerk Farnworth stated the concerns from E. Scott. Chairman Wood said she has talked to the Mayor of Shoshone and he does not have any concerns. Commissioner Hubert specifically asked if there were going to be hazardous materials on the site when speaking to the representative from Idaho Materials and the answer was no.

10:00am Emergency Management – Payson Reese

Payson distributed his report to the Commissioners. Discussion on flooding in Lincoln County. There are no concerns at this time. However, it is contingent on the weather.

Discussion on the meetings Payson has attended and the ones he will be attending in the future.

Discussion on trainings he attended and ones that are coming up.

He reported there were no call outs for emergency services.

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Projects / Planning discussion; generator for the Community Center, update of the EOP for the County, start working on 2019 SHSP Projects.

Chairman Wood asked about grants that could help the Coroner with equipment. Discussion.

Discussion on upcoming events. Commissioner Hubert commended Payson Reese with the Chamber of Commerce on the work being done at the small park south end of town for visitors and residents.

10:10am Commissioner Ellis joined the meeting.

Old business/ correspondence

Neher Park discussion for the change in meeting. May 30th at the Community Center at 6:00pm.

Care Center discussion for expanding the center with 6 new beds.

Discussion on the contract for the leased vehicles for the Sheriff's office mileage use.

Letters from Baker Insurance for ICRMP regarding an increase in the insurance policy for both the County and Ambulance District.

10:23am Lincoln County Sheriff – Sheriff King and Undersheriff Nunnally

Sheriff King is going through the inventory and found that there is equipment missing. He is looking into this. He discussed the mileage for one of the trucks being leased. He feels the mileage is going to be an issue moving forward.

Sheriff King went to the schools to talk about having an SRO at the schools. This is something he wants to implement.

Discussion on the Sheriff's Policy Manual. This is not to conflict with the County Policy Manual. This is on the Sheriff's list to be done.

Discussion on the seizure for 50 plus cases of beer, and sited the person for selling the beer without a County Permit. Discussion on the case.

Discussion on deputies who live in other counties.

Discussion on the City of Richfield and City of Dietrich citations and the concerns the cities have with the contracts for Deputy Services.

10:45am Sheriff Department Salaries

Sheriff King wants to make changes to Stephen Philips salary. Clerk Farnworth distributed the policy that reflects this issue and read it into the record. Discussion on the way the salaries are affected within the Sheriff's department. Sheriff wants to put Phillips at the Sergeant's wage. Discussion on the vacation and sick time benefits not accrued while Phillips was on salaried wage and how it will move forward and what would be put back into his accrual.

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Sheriff King discussed the wages for Undersheriff Jocelyne Nunnally. Her years of experience was discussed. Discussion on the grade for her starting wage.

Sheriff King discussed his pay grade for the Sheriff position. He requested to be paid what the leaving Sheriff was paid. He will be paid at Step 1 on grade for an elected official.

Discussion on uniforms and badges. E. Scott spoke about the visual distinction from the last administration to the new administration. E. Scott recommended the Commissioners should consider the budget overage to expense funds to change the looks of the deputies' uniforms. Sheriff King feels changing colors on the shirts only should be considered. Chairman Wood would like to see what the cost would be to make the change to uniforms.

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

Chairman Wood adjourned the executive meeting.

11:30am Chairman Wood opened the Board of Equalization

Pat Voloshen stated her need to ask for a hardship exemption because she was ill during the application time allotted for the Circuit Breaker. The Assessor's office was unable to assist by going into the field to aid the residents of Lincoln County because of the change in personnel in her office at the time.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to grant Pat Voloshen the hardship exemption for the time requested. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Discussion that the applicant had applied for the Circuit Breaker in the past and the illness prevented her from applying during the timeframe. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Assessor, Linda Jones, looked at the information the applicant brought to the meeting. The applicant would have qualified for the Circuit Breaker if she had applied. Linda stated to the Commissioners what would have been credited from the Circuit Breaker.

Chairman Wood made a motion to exempt all of the property taxes for RPD100066007AA and RPD1100066001AA. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Ellis made a motion to exempt the landfill fee for Pat Voloshen of \$95. 00. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

11:49am Chairman Wood adjourned the BOE and reconvened the regular meeting.

Chairman Wood read into the record the letter from the City of Shoshone regarding the moving of the modular trailer to the maintenance yard. It was said that the EMS quarters will be allowed until the new fire station is built. At that time, the EMS will move to the new building.

Discussion on the agreement with the Fire District and the land given for the building, that the

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EMS housing will be included into the new building. Discussion on the improvements needed to the modular for EMS use. An application to waive fees for city hookups will need to be done.

Chairman Wood tabled the bid to move the modular trailer.

12:00pm Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting for lunch.

1:05pm Chairman Wood reconvened the meeting.

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1:30pm Chairman Wood adjourned the Executive Session and regular meeting to go to the Sheriff's Vehicle Auction.

2:05pm Chairman Wood reconvened the regular meeting.

Old business discussion.

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

2:30pm Chairman Wood adjourned the Executive Session and reconvened the regular meeting.

Approve Property Tax Exemptions

Ann Youts, Treasurer, said the church that is paying rent to another church is only for the cost of the insurance. Both churches are tax exempt.

Chairman Wood made a motion to allow the tax exemption on the churches and 501(C)(3) entities on the list as presented. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Old business discussion on the property increases for this tax year on agricultural property values of 65%. Linda Jones discussed the conversation she had with the state on the increase. The discussion included current/past values, how the values are calculated, and how it will affect the taxes paid by county residents.

3:00pm Middle Snake River Regional Water Resource Commission (MSRRWRC) Ballot and Budget Request.

Chairman Wood read and reviewed the letter from MSRRWRC with the budget request.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the proposed budget for 2020 for the Middle Snake River Reg. Water Resource in the amount of \$1578.00. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

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Dave Davidson joined the meeting to give a brief report of the vehicle auction. Dave had to purchase a battery, battery charger, and some tools to get the vehicles ready for the auction.

3:00pm Chairman Wood adjourned the regular meeting to go into Ambulance District.

3:42pm Chairman Wood reconvened the regular meeting.

Discussion on the bid to move the modular trailer.

Chairman Wood read the bid into the record. Discussion on the cost increase from the original bid of \$7,500 to \$9,000. Discussion on the deadline extension for moving the trailer and getting a new bid. Discussion on the cost to remove the ramp and deck on the trailer before it can be moved. Commissioner Ellis will ask why the bid went up.

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

4:00pm Chairman Wood adjourned the Executive Session and the regular meeting.

Respectfully,

Cindi Sievers, Clerk for Minutes



Rebecca Wood, Chairman

Attest:



Cindi Sievers, Deputy Clerk