

LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

December 2, 2019

Present: Rebecca Wood, Chairman; Roy Hubert, Commissioner; Cindi Sievers, Clerk for Minutes. Commissioner Ellis not present.

9:30am Chairman Wood called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Claims & Minutes

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the December 2, 2019 accounts payable for \$6,477.48. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the CHEMS accounts payable for \$683.37. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Chairman Wood stated that there is an event in Dietrich on December 21, 2019 in the park. Santa will be there for pictures, hot, chocolate, and crafts for the kids from 2-5pm.

Chairman Wood made a motion to accept the minutes for November 25, 2019 as corrected. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Correspondence

Letter from Susan Westendorf regarding the courthouse in support for keeping the courthouse and build an annex. Chairman Wood read the letter into the record.

Letter from Southern Idaho Solid Waste regarding the fee reduction to be done annually. Chairman Wood read the letter into the record. This has been put on the agenda next week as an action item.

Letter from the Office of Emergency Management regarding the final closeout for the State Homeland Security Grant. Chairman Wood read the letter into the record.

10:05am Action Items

Appointment for Ron Holland to the Lincoln County Housing Authority.

Chairman Wood read the appointment letter into the record.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the appointment for Ron Holland to the Lincoln County Housing Authority. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Neher Park Fence Letter – County Attorney (CA) Roats

CA Roats has drafted the letter and will bring it to the meeting later. He stated the fence is the County's personal property and the letter to ICRMP will state his findings.

Courthouse Survey – CA Roats

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Chairman Wood read the survey questions into the record and opened discussion to all present. The survey will be mailed to the 2156 registered voters. Chairman Wood called Commissioner Ellis for the discussion.

Commissioner Hubert wants to see the costs added to the survey for renovate/annex and new construction/new site. Commissioner Ellis spoke about the cost of the courthouse site. Clerk Farnworth suggests not putting any costs on the survey. She suggests to leave out the question regarding costs. Commissioner Ellis and Chairman Wood agree, Commissioner Hubert disagrees. Commissioner Ellis stated the survey is to see the voters view to move forward with a plan to go to bond not the amount to bond. Discussion that cost are only an estimate at this point.

Chairman Wood made a motion to accept the draft proof of the survey written by CA Roats. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Commissioner Ellis aye, Chairman Wood aye, Commissioner Hubert nay, motion carries.

Discussion when the survey will be sent. Clerk Farnworth will get it started and may be mailed as early as December 4th. She says there should be a deadline for return. Discussion; deadline should be December 20, 2019. Discussion to tally the survey answers on December 30th. The Commissioners decided to have a meeting on the 5th Monday, December 30th just for the survey.

Combine Precincts letter – Clerk Farnworth

Chairman Wood read the letter into the record. The proposal is to combine the Kimama mail-ballot only precinct with the Dietrich Precincts. The residents of Kimama are in favor of this change.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to combine precinct #6 Kimama with precinct #5 Dietrich. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on using a codifier company to host the ordinances online. Chairman Wood discussed this is something other counties are using. Cindi had a proposal from a codifier company and presented the fees. Discussion to contact another business and get another bid.

Code Enforcer discussion. Chairman Wood stated there were more online applications and would like the full app mailed to them. Discussion that the applications should be emailed to Shoshone Highway District and Richfield Highway District and see if they will be present for the interviews. Chairman Wood would like to interview applicants December 16, 2019.

10:45am Courthouse Discussion

Clerk Farnworth stated she looked into the fees for architects was approximately \$30,000 to \$35,000. If the survey responds with a majority for a new courthouse, the bond will have to be done in the November election. There is not enough time to get everything done for a May election. She suggests if the survey responds to renovate and annex, we should talk to Colby, Laughlin Ricks Architecture, and Michael, Starr Corp., to get new plans and numbers for costs. Even if the choice is to build new, the County should begin talking to them sooner than later. Discussion on timelines and process for moving forward. The Commissioners agree this should

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be done differently and wait to be on the November election for bond. This will allow all options to be discussed. CA Roats agrees to wait for the November election. Commissioner Hubert has another property he would like to discuss for a possible new site for a new courthouse. An executive session will be made for discussion on any property location.

Discussion on the County Christmas party December 14th at the Community Center and on the same day is the Care Center party for the residents.

Discussion on the EMS Awareness Breakfast and Fundraiser on December 21st from 8 till noon.

Chairman Wood read the letter into the record to ICRMP for the Neher Park fence as personal property of the County on BLM lands for repairs. Chairman Wood talked to Wood River Land Trust who stated the fence was built by the Neher family and was there before the Trust took the property.

Chairman Wood made a motion to approve and sign the Neher Park fence letter by CA Roats to ICRMP. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

CA Roats will mail the letter to ICRMP.

Sheriff King discussed the two older vehicles are starting to cost the County in repairs. He would like to trade two vehicles for one new truck. He will install the additional equipment for the new vehicle by the Sheriff's department.

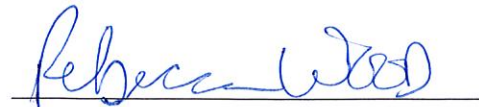
Chairman Wood made a motion to allow the Sheriff to trade in the two vehicles and purchase one new vehicle. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Discussion; the additional equipment is to be installed by the Sheriff's Department correctly. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Sheriff discussed he has 6 new radios and they work very well and has good reception. Chairman Wood stated there are build outs planned for towers and there will be a need to get old channels and new channels for programming for SIRCOMM from the Sheriff.

11:33am Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting.

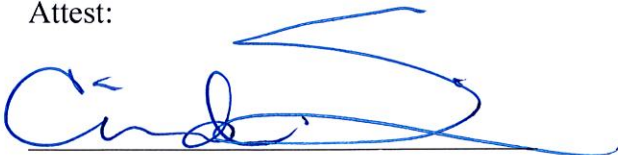
Respectfully,

Cindi Sievers, Clerk for Minutes



Rebecca Wood, Chairman

Attest:



Cindi Sievers, Deputy Clerk