

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

June 6, 2016

OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE

MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioners Aberasturi, Hoagland and Merrick, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk Russell, Prosecuting Attorney Emery, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Saari, Treasurer Richards, Assessor Endicott, Chief Deputy Treasurer Dygert, Sheriff Grant, Sheriff Deputy Hoagland, Natural Resources Director Desmond, Murphy Resident Barbara Jayo and Sean Chaney with the Owyhee Avalanche.

In old business, Treasurer Richards reported that the owner of a tax exempt parcel that is behind in solid waste fee can still not be located. The Board suggested that the Assessor and Treasurer continue to investigate further. Treasurer Richards also reported that she has received 2 bids for a leased postage machine, waiting on a 3<sup>rd</sup> before deciding.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to amend the agenda to include a resolution naming Dave Barkell as a volunteer for the Black Sands Project, an agreement between Marsing Ambulance Service and Marsing Ambulance District and to include the minutes from the May 31, 2016 special meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to set the agenda as amended. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 23, 2016 Board meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 31, 2016 Special Board meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to pay all outstanding bills from the following funds, motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoagland and passed.

Current Expense	\$116,984
Road and Bridge	\$4,521
District Court	\$5,159
Fair, Grounds and Building	\$272
Probation	\$483
Historical Society and Museum	\$391
Indigent and Charity	\$31,955
Junior College	\$150
Revaluation	\$217
Solid Waste	\$15,581

Weeds	\$4,987
911	\$28,591
County Vessel	\$16
Waterways	\$7
Economic Development	\$2,398

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the pay increase for Extension Office employee Janelle Thompson as temporary 4H Coordinator from \$10 per hour to \$12 per hour. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the Black Sands Boat Dock Bid Package. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve 2017 Idaho Retail Alcoholic Beverage License #25 for Alejandra's #2 LLC. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-18; naming Dave Barkell as a volunteer assigned to the Black Sands Public Works Construction Project. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a Certificate of Residency to the College of Western Idaho for Brenda Vega. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a Certificate of Residency to the College of Southern Idaho for Darcia Shaver. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the easement modification agreement with the City of Grand View. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve an agreement between Marsing Ambulance Service and Marsing Ambulance District. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

At 10:00 a.m. a tax deed sale took place for parcel RPA00100950040A, Lot 4 Block 95 City of Homedale, minimum bid \$4,206.84. Commissioner Aberasturi opened the bidding to the public, 2 interested parties were in attendance. After 3 calls for final bid, the parcel sold to John Starr in the amount of \$5,600.00.

At 10:30 am a discussion was held regarding the SODA Fire fuel breaks. Sheriff Grant expressed concern with the improvements to the roads / fuel breaks, the increased number of recreationalists, therefore resulting in an increased number of law enforcement / rescue calls. Although he also stated that no matter what, even without improved, larger, fuel breaks the recreationalists will continue to come to the area from out of county and Owyhee County will still be the responsible party for these calls. Commissioner Hoagland stated that the roads / fuel breaks that are being considered for improvement are the roads that are already mainly used, and that the improvement consists of 1 grader width knocking down the center (fuel) of the roads. No action was taken.

At 11:00 am Murphy resident Barbara Jayo met with the Board to discuss her concern with the increased amount of traffic on Rabbit Creek Road, as well as the lack of speed limit signs on that road. The Board, going back to the previous discussion regarding recreationalists, stated that there isn't anything they can do regarding the increase of traffic, but they did assure her that speed limit signs will be posted. Sheriff Grant stated that they will be patrolling in that area more and as of now, not being posted it is considered a 55 mph road.

At 11:19 a.m. Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206(1)(d) records exempt from public disclosure. Commissioner Merrick seconded the motion. Merrick – aye, Hoagland – aye, Aberasturi - aye. Motion was unanimous. No action was taken. At 11:34 a.m. the Board resumed open session.

At 11:35 a.m. Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206(1)(a)(b) personnel matters. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Merrick – aye, Hoagland – aye, Aberasturi - aye. Motion was unanimous. No action was taken. At 12:09 p.m. the Board resumed open session.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve Owyhee County's response to the March 2016 DRAFT Supplemental Environmental Statement for Segments 8 and 9 of the Gateway West Transmission Line Project to be sent to BLM State Director Murphy. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to send Owyhee County's response to the Draft SODA Fire Fuel Breaks Environmental Assessment to Owyhee Field Office Manager Ryerson. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12: 35 pm.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

  
Kelly R. Aberasturi, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By:   
Brook Russell, Deputy Clerk