

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
January 16, 2018
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MURPHY
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Present during the meeting were Commissioners Aberasturi, Merrick and Hoagland, Clerk Barkell, Assessor Gruenwald, Treasurer Dygert, Prosecuting Attorney Emery, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Blocksom via telephone, Natural Resource Director / Emergency Operations Coordinator Desmond, Grand View Ambulance and Bruneau QRU representatives, Boise District BLM representatives, and Todd Kloppeinger with the Owyhee Avalanche.

The Attorney legal staffing portion of the meeting began at 8:35 a.m., Commissioner Merrick made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (1)(d), records exempt from public disclosure. Commissioner Hoagland seconded the motion. Merrick – aye, Aberasturi – aye, Hoagland - aye. Motion was unanimous. No action was taken.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to set the agenda as presented. 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 carried.

Current Expense	\$57,182
Road and Bridge	\$11,212
District Court	\$6,316
Probation	\$360
Health District	\$4,557
Historical Society & Museum	\$200
Indigent & Charity	\$26,922
Jr. College Tuition	\$1,350
Revaluation	\$282
Solid Waste	\$8,937
Weeds	\$425
911	\$9,898
Waterways	\$156
Off Highway Vehicles	\$800
Economic Development	\$1,558
Indigent & Charity Legal	\$58,521.32

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the tax cancellation for parcel RP03N05W243104A in the amount of \$943.34, and authorization for Chairman Aberasturi to sign on the Boards behalf. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Prosecuting Emery discussed with the Board the need to hire 2 additional attorneys to handle the upcoming murder trials. Item was tabled.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve 2 Certificates of Residency to the College of Western Idaho for students #2018-5 and #2018-6, with authorization for Chairman Aberasturi to sign on the Boards behalf. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

At 11:00 a.m. a discussion regarding dispatch procedures was held with the following in attendance: Grand View Ambulance representatives Ed Collett, Tammy Wilson, Chris Collett, George and Donna Bennett, and Bruneau QRU representatives Tiffany Bachman and Mary Tindall, Owyhee County Sheriffs' Office employees Sheriff Grant and Jessica Ferdinand and Owyhee County Emergency Op's Coordinator Desmond. Gran View Ambulance and Bruneau QRU are currently dispatched by State Comm. Both entities are concerned that the radio coverage in their respective areas is not sufficient to be dispatched by Owyhee County. Other concerns voiced were too much traffic on the radios that is not related to emergency response, backup coverage in the event of repeater failure and communication issues with Elmore County in the Grand View area. Jessica Ferdinand voiced concerns about the delay with contacting State Com to page our both entities when 911 calls come into our dispatch center. She feels that switching the dispatch agency to Owyhee County, for both entities would speed the process and get help on the way faster. Both sides agreed to do some research on questions that were raised and to meet again to discuss a trial period at a future date.

At 1:30 p.m. the Boise District BLM Coordination Meeting was held.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 22nd day of January, 2018.

Kelly Aberasturi, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: _____
Brook Russell, Deputy Clerk