

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
February 27, 2017
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioners Aberasturi, Merrick and Hoagland, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk Russell, Assessor Endicott, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Blocksom, Indigent and Charity Director Evans, Sheriff Grant, Natural Resources Director Desmond, Diane French and Ryan Montoya with Idaho Department of Lands, and Sean Chaney with the Owyhee Avalanche.

At 8:30 a.m. The legal staffing portion of the meeting was held. No action was taken.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to amend the agenda to include rescinding a resolution that had closed county roads due to weather damage. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a letter of support for a Homedale Library grant application. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to authorize Chairman Aberasturi to sign the above mentioned document. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the Solid Waste hire of Robert Schaefer to begin February 25, 2017 at a rate of \$11.35. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to authorize Chairman Aberasturi to sign the above mentioned document. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve 1 Certificate of Residency to the College of Southern Idaho for student #17-47. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve 39 Certificates of Residency to the College of Western Idaho for students #17-48 through #17-87. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

At 9:50 a.m. Indigent and Charity Clerk Evans presented to the Board.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to place a lien on Indigent and Charity cases 17-07 and 17-08. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the amended approval of Indigent and Charity case 16-22. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to rescind Resolution 2017-08 (Resolution to close certain roads in Owyhee County to heavy vehicle traffic – a portion of Rabbit Creek Road, A & A Road, a portion of River Road). Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

At 10:15 a.m. Chairman Aberasturi left the meeting to attend the Treasure Valley Partnership meeting.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the Notice of Service to the following individuals for the Gateway West Record of Decision Appeal approved on February 21, 2017. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoagland and carried.

Kristin Bail, Acting Director
Bureau of Land Management

Associate Solicitor
Division of Mineral Resources

Rod Fisher
PacifiCorp d/b/a/ Rocky
Mtn. Power

Laura Brown, Associate Solicitor
Division of Land Resources

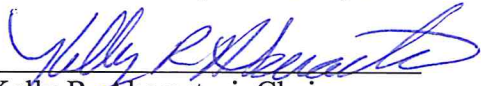
Regional Solicitor, Rocky Mtn. Region
US Dept. of Interior

Mark Stokes
Idaho Power Co.


At 11:00 a.m. Diane French and Ryan Montoya with Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) met with the Board to present an update on the Owyhee Land Exchange. Work was done throughout the year performing the appraisal of the lands, which ended up not being of equal value. (the exchange is done on land value not acre to acre) IDL and BLM worked together to create a scope of work to come to an agreement on a way to come up with equal valuations. The Board requested the next update be prior to IDL going to the Land Board and any major decisions. Natural Resources Director Desmond mentioned that there could possibly be a conflict with the Owyhee Land Exchange fact sheet that was handed out and the involvement of the Owyhee Initiative (OI) as mentioned several times on the front page. Ms. French said they will make revisions and visit with OI members to ensure there is no misleading information.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:37 a.m.

Dated this 6th day of March, 2017.


Kelly R. Aberasturi, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: 
Brook Russell, Deputy Clerk