

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
April 3, 2017
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioners Aberasturi, Merrick and Hoagland, Clerk Barkell, Assessor Endicott, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Blocksom, Indigent and Charity Director Evans, Sheriff Grant, Bill Pastoor with Westown's Disposal and Sean Chaney with the Owyhee Avalanche.

At 8:44 a.m. Commissioner Merrick made a motion to go into executive session under Idaho Code Idaho Code 74-206(d)(f) records exempt from public disclosure and communicate with legal counsel. Merrick – aye, Hoagland – aye, Aberasturi - aye. Motion was unanimous. No action was taken. The Board resumed open session at approximately 9:05 a.m.

In old business, Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the appraisal from J. Hale Appraisals in the amount of \$400.00 for the appraisal of the Homedale property that the Board is considering selling. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to set the agenda. 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	\$80,225
Road and Bridge	\$6,429
District Court	\$1,035
Probation	\$242
Health District	\$4,565
Indigent and Charity	\$28,538
Solid Waste	\$6,020
Weeds	\$7,051
911	\$1,776
County Vessel	\$5
Waterways	\$156
Off Highway Vehicles	\$603
Taxing Districts	\$2,467
Economic Development	\$518

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 27th and 29th meetings. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a catering permit for Tacos Y Mariscos El Compa, LLC on April 30, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. for the Albert Hernandez Rodeo and Racing. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the Boise District BLM amendment / modification of contract of an increase of \$2,358.25. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve a pay increase for Deputy Mike Rabourn from \$14.25 per hour to \$18.00 per hour. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

The new hires for the Sheriff's Office have been tabled until the April 10, 2017 Board meeting.

At 10: a.m. Bill Pastoor with Westown's Disposal met with the Board for an annual update and discussion. The new transfer station will be up and running within a month or 6 weeks. Once it is operational, he guarantees that Owyhee County waste will be separate from other county waste, so there isn't a question over loads billed. He asked for thoughts on future trailers to haul from the site to the landfill, asked whether the county would want their own trailer or share with Canyon County. The Board said they will discuss further at a later date. Mr. Pastoor asked whether an increase of \$20 to \$25 per load at the Homedale and Opaline Tipping Stations was possible as there has not been an increase in 9 years. Clerk Barkell asked Mr. Pastoor to put together a proposal for the Board.

At 10:15 a.m. Clerk Evans presented Indigent and Charity cases to the Board.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to place a lien on Indigent and Charity case 17-18. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to deny Indigent and Charity case 17-08. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to deny Indigent and Charity case 17-11. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

At 11:00 a.m. Public Defender William Wellman met with the Board for an annual update, this being the 6 month point of the fiscal year, as well as being the first 6 months of the first year of a 2 year contract having the following cases: Appointed 36 Felonies (substituted 4 of those) = 32 cases, 75 misdemeanor – 165 limit, Parole Violations 5 – 20 limit, 19 Juvenile – 30 limit (possible of going over the limit), Post-Conviction – 2 (sent to another attorney). Mr. Wellman has completed 10 hours of CIE training and 12 hours of criminal training. Concerns over the 6th Amendment, felonies vs. misdemeanors and resources were discussed. The Public Defender Defense Funds grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 is due May 1, 2017. Mr. Wellman will participate in a 'time study' for 12 weeks. Each Public Defender in the state has been asked to participate, the study will most likely be complete in early 2018.


At 11:30 a.m. the Board and Clerk Barkell recessed and re-convened at the Owyhee County Museum for a mutual assistance meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:15 p.m.

Dated this 10th day of April, 2017.


Kelly R. Aberasturi, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: 
Brook Russell, Deputy Clerk