

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
July 1, 2019
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MURPHY
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Present during the meeting were Commissioner Hoagland, Merrick and Aberasturi, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk Russell, Treasurer Dygert, Assessor Gruenwald, Natural Resources Director Desmond, Planning and Zoning Director Huff, Sheriff Grant, Acting Prosecuting Attorney Dickinson, residents Pat Stamler, Rohl Hipwell, Rocky Widner, Bev and Bill White.

Homedale resident Pat Stamler presented to the Board a ceramic sculpture of a soaring eagle, much like the Owyhee County emblem. The eagle will be displayed at the Courthouse.

The Owyhee County Community Center grand opening will be held on Monday July 15, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Hot dogs and drinks will be served for attendees.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to set the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve and pay all outstanding bills from the following funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi and carried.

Current Expense	\$41,919
Road and Bridge	\$21,572
District Court	\$1,758
Fair, Grounds & Buildings	\$15,671
Probation	\$149
Health District	\$4,660
Historical Society & Museum	\$608
Indigent & Charity	\$27,429
Jr. College Tuition	\$150
Revaluation	\$131
Solid Waste	\$5,789
Tort	\$2,000
911	\$7,489
County Vessel	\$3,323
Waterways	\$19
Auditors Trust	\$24,331
PILT	\$18,935
County Vessel Trust	\$50

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the Capital Crimes bills for Indigent and Charity. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 24, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-13: Owyhee County Sheriff's Office Transfer / Exchange Property. Seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

At 9:40 a.m. Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (a) & (f) Personnel Issues and communicate with legal counsel regarding possible litigation. Commissioner Merrick seconded the motion. Merrick – aye, Aberasturi – aye, Hoagland - aye. Motion was unanimous. No action was taken. Open session was resumed at 9:50 a.m.

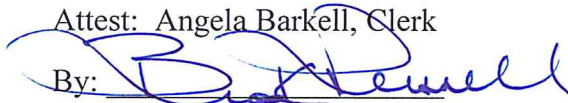
At 10:30 a.m. a discussion regarding Bates Creek Road was held. In attendance were Rocky Widner, Rohl Hipwell, Bev and Bill White. Mr. Widner proposed to the Board to close the Bates Creek Road as a county owned and maintained road, and make it a private road. His concern with trespassers and speeders makes it unsafe. Mr. Widner visited neighbors and only received 1 signature of support. Mr. Widners proposal included the private land owners to maintain the road should the Board make it private and or to lower the speed limit from 25 mph to 20 mph. Rohl Hipwell and Bill White expressed their concerns as both use this road regularly to conduct their ranching businesses. Planning and Zoning Director Huff shared that the county had at one point abandoned this road but in December 1950 reclaimed this as a county road. The Board agreed to place speed limit signs on the road as well as on Oreana Loop Road as well as mow the sides to ensure visibility of the signs.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 8th day of July, 2019.



Jerry Hoagland, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk
By: 

Brook Russell, Deputy Clerk