

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES  
February 18, 2020  
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MURPHY  
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Present during the meeting were Commissioners Aberasturi, Merrick and Hoagland, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk Russell, Treasurer Dygert, Prosecuting Attorney Phillips, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Dickinson, Natural Resources Director Desmond, Planning and Zoning Director Huff, Chief Deputy Assessor Hinton, Probation Supervisor Cardenas, Joe Langan representing Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections, David Kangas, Carl Bader, and Todd Kleppinger with the Owyhee Avalanche.

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	\$41,276
Road & Bridge	\$24,252
District Court	\$2,400
Fair, Grounds & Bldgs.	\$163
Probation	\$405
Historical Society & Museum	\$194
Indigent & Charity	\$28,100
Jr. College Tuition	\$7,950
Revaluation	\$510
Solid Waste	\$11,024
Weeds	\$432
911	\$3,596
County Vessel	\$1,223
Taxing District Elections	\$158
PILT	\$7,704

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2020 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

The Modification exercising option year two for the Owyhee Road Maintenance contract for Mountain Home Air Force Base was tabled.

Planning and Zoning Director Huff presented to the Board the findings from the Marsing to Sinker Creek Rezoning public hearing. The Board decided to proceed with changes discussed at the hearing held on February 11, 2020 and will schedule the matter for an upcoming meeting for final consideration and adoption.

At 9:45 a.m. Commissioner Merrick made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (a)(b) personnel matters and (f) possible litigation. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Aberasturi – aye, Hoagland - aye. Motion was unanimous. No action was taken. Open session was resumed at 10:05 a.m.

Daniel Kangas and Carl Bader met with the Board to discuss possible Murphy Townsite water hook-ups for 6 lots Mr. Kangas is interested in purchasing. The property is situated on Block 9, Lots 1 – 6. With the recent decrease in the water table Mr. Kangas has concern there will not be water available if homes were to be developed on the lots. The Board will visit with Dave Shaw with ERO Engineering and be in contact with Mr. Kangas.

At 11:00 a.m. Joe Langan with Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections and Owyhee County Juvenile Probation Supervisor Ivy Cardenas met with the Board to present the 2019 Annual Report. A statewide and national trend has carried over to Owyhee County with a decline in juvenile arrests, petitions, misdemeanors and felony offenses. No action was taken.

At 12:24 p.m. Commissioner Hoagland asked for a motion to amend the agenda due to time issues for an item not currently on the agenda. Commissioner Merrick made a motion to amend the agenda to include appointing a hearing examiner for a hearing to be held on Monday February 24, 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to appoint Jim Desmond as the hearing examiner for the Trinity Rock Subdivision hearing scheduled for Monday February 24, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi and carried.

The Boise District BLM Coordination Meeting was postponed until March 16, 2020.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

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Jerry Hoagland, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Brook Russell, Deputy Clerk