

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
October 26, 2020
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MURPHY
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Present during the meeting were Commissioners Hoagland, Aberasturi and Merrick, Clerk Barkell, Assessor Gruenwald, Treasurer Dygert, Road and Bridge Supervisor Rittenhouse, JC Fuquay, Harry Nelson representing Paragon Consulting, Kirby Cook representing the City of Marsing, Daniel Herman representing Homdale Highway District. Via Zoom – Natural Resources Director Desmond, Planning and Zoning Administrator Huff, 911 Supervisor Kipper and resident Michelle Meyers.

Departmental Issues: Assessor Gruenwald reported that the DMV building in Grand View is coming along and wondered if they should install a flag pole. The Board agreed that since it is a public building it should have a flag pole. Commissioner Aberasturi reported that we are seeing a lot of usage at the tipping stations from out of county individuals, but that some are legitimate because they are landlords disposing items from Owyhee County parcels. They are working on a better way to identify those.

Citizen Michelle Meyers stated that she was interested in any conversation involving the RV Ordinance and just wanted to listen in.

911 Supervisor Kipper presented quotes for new radio towers for possible inclusion in the county COVID relief funds provided by the State. Clerk Barkell stated that project summaries for Courtroom audio/video upgrades had been submitted along with camera/video updates for the P&Z and Prosecutors Office, as well as extra supplies for the Jail in case of a COVID outbreak. Time will be scheduled on the next agenda for further discussion of COVID relief funds.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to set the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 19, 2020 meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve the Idaho Department of Lands Bond Assurance Fund Acknowledgements for mineral leases S00929 and S00911. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to approve the tax exemption request for Parcel RPD0040002001A. The parcel was owned by the Catholic Church and has transferred to another non-profit organization. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve Owyhee County Resolution 2020-29; Destruction of Records from the Owyhee County Treasurers Office. Motion was seconded and carried by Commissioner Merrick. Motion carried.

At 10:10 am Commissioner Aberasturi excused himself to attend the Treasure Valley Partnership Meeting.

At 10:11 the Owyhee County Transportation Advisory Committee met and was led by Harry Nelson from Paragon Consulting. Discussion was held regarding asset management, inventories and annual reports. Also discussed were current road projects and grant funding opportunities. No action was taken by the Board.

At 10:30 a.m. Commissioner Merrick made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (f) possible litigation and Idaho Code 74-206 (a) personnel. Commissioner Hoagland seconded the motion. Merrick – aye and Hoagland - aye. Motion was unanimous. No action was taken. Open session was resumed at 10:48 a.m.

Commissioner Merrick made a motion to deny Indigent and Charity cases 20-24. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2020.


Jerry Hoagland, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: 
Brook Russell, Deputy Clerk