

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
July 20, 2021
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MURPHY
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Present during the meeting were Commissioner Hoagland, Commissioner Merrick, Commissioner Aberasturi, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk Yoshikane, Grounds & Maintenance Specialist Springer, Engineer Cook, Inspector Rogers, and Residents: R. & L. Schaffer, G. & T. Aman, P. & C. Ver Hagen, T. Lewis, A. & D. Combs, B. King, J. Mowbray, R. Rozell, L. Graham, C. Graham, J. McDaniel, T. Nettleton, S. Zaragoza, K. Gulley, and T. Woodbury.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve The Pour House catering permit for the Owyhee County Cattlemen's Association for Saturday, July 24, 2021. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Public Hearing Meeting Re: The Murphy Water System. – Inspector Rogers explained about the 'back-flow / cross-connection' and how they prevent potentially contaminated water from getting into the main water supply and pipes; he explained that only the properties with automatic sprinkler systems will require the cross-connection piece between the main line the sprinkler system line – this piece requires an annual inspection; he explained that any outside water hook-up will require a 'double check valve' that is attached to the water source before the hose is attached; he said that any spicket with anti-freeze properties have an anti-syphon device, which counts as the double check valve. Residents questioned the necessity of these back-flow valves as they have never been required before. Engineer Cook stated that DEQ lays out the requirements and that a contamination had to have happened somewhere for this to be enforced. Residents wanted to know a timeline for being in compliance, Inspector Rogers suggested 6 months for the double-check valves. Inspector Rogers offered to look at each resident's outdoor water system to help them know which pieces they will need to install.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 26th day of July, 2021.



Joe Merrick, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: 

Audra Yoshikane, Deputy Clerk