

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
 August 16, 2021
 OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MURPHY
 OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Present during the meeting were Commissioner Hoagland, Commissioner Merrick, Commissioner Aberasturi, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk Yoshikane, Chief Deputy Clerk Evans, Treasurer Dygert, Deputy Appraiser Monahan, Natural Resources Director Desmond, and Prosecutor Phillips, Engineer Cook, OC Public Defense Attorney Wellman, and Resident B. Hipwell. Via Zoom – Treasurer Dygert, Planning and Zoning Director Huff, Todd Kleppinger with Owyhee Avalanche, PDC Regional Coordinator Roark, and MHAFB Public Relations B. Schmidt.

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

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve and pay all outstanding bills for the departments listed below. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Department	Amount
Current Expenses	\$51,073
Road and Bridge	\$10,009
District Court	\$1,195
Fair, Grounds & Buildings	\$24,176
Probation	\$1,102
Historical Society & Museum	\$223
Revaluation	\$334
Solid Waste	\$19,072
911	\$2,277
County Vessel	\$5,478
Off Hwy Vehicles	\$1,118

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve the 08-09-2021 minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the tax deed sales for Parcel No. RPB00000346401 and for Parcel No. RPB00000345250 on September 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in Courtroom 2 at the Murphy Courthouse, and with the Chairman’s signature for the Board. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve the Cowboy’s Pastime liquor catering permit for the Bruneau Labor Day Roping on September 4, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m.; for the Bruneau Rodeo on September 18, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. and September 19, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve College of Western Idaho Certificates of Residency 21-01 through 21-10. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the Lien on Indigent & Charity case number 21-14. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Discussion – Engineer Cook gave an update on the status of some the Owyhee County Fair Grounds Projects. Beginning excavation for water and sewer lines; will begin laying pipe in about two weeks; electrical will begin in about six weeks. Pavement will be finished this fall or next spring, depending on other projects. The well placement has been finalized and the submittal to DEQ is being put together. The new septic system is waiting on a survey; hoping to have all approved by DEQ this November or December; then will open up the project for bids; begin work spring 2022. If mud is discovered while digging water lines, will need to fill with pit run if the ground material is not useful. There is grant funding for water and sewer projects; Engineer Cook is looking into the all options. Waiting to hear back from Idaho Power about projects for Fair Grounds. CXT building is also on hold. Fair grounds maintenance will mark power and septic lines before any digging begins. On September 15, the parking lot will be seal coated again, due to provider displeasure.

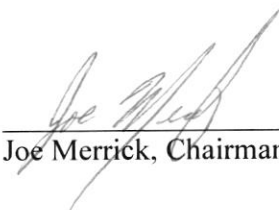
Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-28, corrected to Resolution 2021-17: A resolution to Open 2021 Fiscal Year Budget. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Public Defense Commission – OC Public Defense Attorney Wellman gave a numbers update: the past three years and his own numbers; will share his findings and method with PDC Regional Coordinator Roark. Attorney Wellman is no longer able to receive weekend arrest reports – this is helpful for him to budget his case numbers throughout the year. County Clerk will be sending out contract renewal letters with a notice for available training funds. Coordinator Roark discussed the training opportunities she sends out statewide and the feedback she has received on some of these trainings – all of these trainings are provided free of charge to the defending attorneys and the counties; would like to see a large attendance at the public hearings in September for rulemaking to get the best rules possible for defending attorneys, counties, and indigent defendants.

Discussion – Brecca Hipwell brought her concerns regarding the airspace that MHAFB is trying to secure for pilot trainings in Owyhee County. Mrs. Hipwell’s two initial and main concerns were super-sonic booms at 100 feet above ground level and the potential impact this will have on farm/ranch animals and the houses. The Commissioners and Natural Resources Director Desmond were able to clarify some misinterpreted information from data heavy documents pertaining this this matter that can be found on the Mt. Home AFB website when searching this topic. The Commissioners and Natural Resource Director Desmond let Mrs. Hipwell know of a scoping letter the Board sent to MHAFB on September 15, 2019, stating the Counties position is against super-sonic booms below 10,000 feet. Commissioner Aberasturi encouraged Mrs. Hipwell to send any questions she has to him for when he meets with MHAFB on this matter on September 9, 2021.

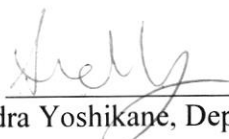
There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 23rd day of August, 2021.



Joe Merrick, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: 

Audra Yoshikane, Deputy Clerk