

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
FEBRUARY 9, 2009
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioner's Jerry Hoagland, Richard Freund, and George Hyer, Clerk Charlotte Sherburn, Assessor Brett Endicott, Treasurer Brenda Richards, Sheriff Daryl Crandall, Prosecuting Attorney Douglas Emery, Planning & Zoning Coordinator Mary Huff, Jim Desmond, Don Reed, and Reed Smith.

Public Comment was taken from Don Reed of the OCCAG. His comments were regarding productivity after 8 hours of work, if the county were to change hours of operation. Mr. Reed also stated that if the county were interested in buying used vehicles they should know the history of the vehicle.

Reed Smith provided public comment regarding Oreana Loop Road. He suggested the county look into reopening a section of old Pioneer Road, as the route would be much safer for the school bus picking up children.

Amendments to the agenda included the following: Letter of recommendation to the Resource Advisory Council, purchase of vehicle for the Sheriff's Department, CMAQ grant application from LHTAC, and the JABG grant for the Probation Department.

Commissioner Freund made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Hyer seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

Commissioner Hyer made a motion to approve the Board Minutes from the February 2nd meeting as presented. Commissioner Hoagland seconded the motion.

Commissioner Freund pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 (f)(b), moved to go into executive session for personnel and possible litigation. Freund-aye, Hoagland-aye, Hyer-aye. The Board moved out of executive session at 11:50 a.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Freund made a motion to adopt Resolution 09-03 approving a sign in sheet for those appearing before the Board of Commissioners to provide public comment. Commissioner Hyer seconded the motion for adoption. Motion was unanimous.

Commissioner Freund made a motion to approve the proposal submitted by Dennis Dillon Truck Group for a 2009 Dodge Charger for the Sheriff's Department. The total purchase price is \$21,395. Commissioner Hyer seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

Commissioner Freund made a motion for approval of the JABG grant application for the Probation Department. The grant is in the amount of \$4,000, and will be used for salaries. Commissioner Hyer seconded the motion for approval. Motion was unanimous.

Commissioner Hyer made a motion to send a letter to the Boise District Resource Advisory Council referencing support to appoint Commissioner Richard Freund to serve on the Resource

Advisory Council (RAC). The letter asks for the appointment of Commissioner Freund to serve out the remainder of former Sheriff Aman's term. Commissioner Hoagland seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

Jared Zwygart presented the 2008 Owyhee County audit. Mr. Zwygart explained the audit report and answered questions. The Board will review the audit and discuss it further at the next meeting.

Roy Eiguren, and Chad Hyslop representing U. S. Ecology presented proposed legislation for consideration by the Board. The proposed legislation asks that Owyhee County give 35% of the 5% received from the State to a highway district created in an adjoining county to maintain a road that connects with a state highway. The 35% fee would end after July 1, 2011. No action was taken and discussion will resume at 10:30 a.m. on February 17th.

Sheriff Crandall presented to the Board pay authorization requests for two new employees and a change in duties for a jailer. The Board took the following action:

Commissioner Freund made a motion to authorize the change in pay request made on behalf of Steve Menendez to be moved to a sergeant's pay of \$18.15 per hour. Commissioner Hyer seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

Commissioner Freund made a motion to approve the starting salary for newly hired dispatcher Melissa Renteria at \$13.34 on the pay scale. Commissioner Hyer seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

Commissioner Freund made a motion to approve the starting salary for newly hired sheriff's deputy Farrel Ramsey at \$15.56 on the pay scale. Commissioner Hyer seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

Deputy Belle Evans presented Indigent and Charity case #08-41. Commissioner Freund made a motion to affirm the denial decision on December 7th pursuant to Idaho Code 31-3502(17). Commissioner Hyer moved to second the motion. Motion was unanimous.

Commissioner Freund made a motion to approve the grant application prepared by Paragon Engineers for the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) for purchase of a dump truck with a 3,500 gallon tank slide in unit, two 18,000 gallon Storage Facilities and 2,300 tons of MgCl chemical to control dust emissions during the summer and fall for the two road districts. The grant amount is \$650,000. Commissioner Hyer seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

There being no further business the Board moved to adjourn.

Dated this 17th day of February 2009.

Jerry Hoagland, Chairman

Attest: _____
Charlotte Sherburn