

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
MARCH 18, 2013
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioner's Joe Merrick, Jerry Hoagland, and Kelly Aberasturi, Clerk Charlotte Sherburn, Treasurer Brenda Richards, Assessor Brett Endicott, Sheriff Perry Grant, and Deputy Clerk Kristal Clausen.

Commissioner Merrick called the meeting to order.

Discussion was held on the hiring of two additional Detention Officers for the Owyhee County Jail. Sheriff Grant reported that Jail Commander Menendez inquired as to whether the State had inmates that could be held in the county jail, and reported back there were approximately 300 inmates being held out of State. Sheriff Grant thought with the additional officers being hired the ICRMP Standards would be met, and the county could make a profit on holding additional inmates. No action was taken.

Dispatch Supervisor Christine Ballard reported that some of the tiles in the dispatch center at the Owyhee County Jail needed to be replaced as they were sagging. An estimate from Nampa Flooring was presented for review. No action was taken.

Jeannie Wilkerson, Bob Wilkerson, and Rhonda Peterson gave public comment on a potential planning and zoning violation in regards to trailers being moved into property on Jump Creek Road. Commissioner Merrick stated the matter would be looked into.

Nick Ihli, Barbara Jayo, and Tim Nettleton appeared to give public comment on an article recently printed in the Owyhee Avalanche that stated the budget line in the Sheriff's budget for purchase of vehicles increased from \$55,000 to \$82,983. They were present with questions as to the legality of moving money into a budget without a budget hearing. Prosecutor Emery stated the money received from the wrecked 2008 Dodge Charger was put into the budget to replace the vehicle pursuant to Idaho Code 31-829 by a motion of the Board.

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

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the Board Minutes for the March 11th meeting, with a second by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion was unanimous.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve payment of all outstanding bills from the following funds. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Current Expense	\$95,655
Road & Bridge	81,023
District Court	4,322
County Museum	175
Indigent & Charity	22,205
Junior College	8,100

Revaluation	1,639
Solid Waste	16,340
Weed	1,948
911	2,072
Vessel	13

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to adopt Resolution 13-08 Reappointing two year term members to the Owyhee County Emergency Communications Committee which include Donna Bennett, Wes Anderson, Scott Salutregui, and Sherry Colyer. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hoagland to send a letter to the BLM Boise District Office, Attn: John Sullivan Wilderness Project Lead, with Request for Extension of Comment Period on the “Owyhee Canyonlands Wilderness and Wild & Scenic Rivers Draft Management Plan and Environmental Assessment. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(a)(b) for a personnel issue and possible litigation. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous. Hoagland-aye, Aberasturi-aye, Merrick-aye.

Owyhee Soil Conservation District Representatives Gina Millward, Tim Volk, Rick Smith and Chuck Kiester met with the Board to discuss projects they are currently working on. Their request for funding from the county for next year was also discussed in the amount of \$3,000. No action was taken.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi to go into closed session for Indigent and Charity matters. Motion was unanimous.

An Indigent and Charity Hearing was held on Case #12-31. Mr. Nichols and Savannah Lewis both representing St. Al’s Hospital were present. Jim Desmond was the acting Hearing Officer, and Deputy Welfare Director Belle Evans was present to give testimony. After consideration of all exhibits and testimony Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve payment of all medical bills. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

Other pending Indigent matters included:

Case # 12-56 denied, with a motion by Commissioner Hoagland and second by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Case #13-02 denied, with a motion by Commissioner Hoagland and a second by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Case #13-06 denied pursuant to IC 31-3505(4)(b) Incomplete application. A motion was made by Commissioner Hoagland, and seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion was unanimous.

Case #13-09 denied pursuant to IC 31-3505(4)(b) Incomplete application, with a motion by Commissioner Hoagland and a second by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Case #13-13 denied pursuant to IC 31-3502(18)(a) not medically necessary. A motion was made by Commissioner Hoagland, and seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

After moving out of closed session the Board met with Fair Board Chairman Lath Callaway to discuss the power project needed at the Fair Grounds in Homedale. Mr. Callaway had questions as to the funding in the budget to pay for the project after the sale of a generator they had purchased two years ago.

A Coordination meeting was held with the Boise District Bureau of Land Management.

There being no further business the Board moved to adjourn.

Dated this 25th day of March 2013.

Joe Merrick, Chairman

Attest: _____
Charlotte Sherburn