

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES  
August 24, 2015  
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioners Merrick, Hoagland and Aberasturi, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk Russell, Assessor Endicott, Treasurer Richards, Sheriff Grant, Prosecuting Attorney Emery, Planning and Zoning Director Huff, Coroner Tines, Natural Resources Director Desmond, Western Alliance Economic Development representative Wilson and Sean Chaney with the Owyhee Avalanche.

Planning and Zoning Director Huff reminded the Board they are required to give Canyon County a 30 day notice shall they choose to dis-continue services with their building inspector.

The Board and Sheriff Grant agreed that Silver City Road is open, and that all trailheads in the vicinity of the Soda Fire shall remain closed.

Tabled from the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting, a right of way grant agreement for Rabbit Creek Road was discussed as more information was obtained. Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the Rabbit Creek Road Right of Way Grant Agreement #IDI-29508. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to amend the agenda to include a new hire for the Sheriff Office. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to set the agenda as amended. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 17, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve an Agreement for Professional Services with Micael McKenzie for website development in the amount of \$1,750.00. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-23; Resolution correction previously adopted as 2015-17. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve 4 Certificates of Residency to the College of Western Idaho for Candie Burtchett, Tyler Cowger, Maria Golrangi and Michelle Brannen. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve 6 Certificates of Residency to the College of Southern Idaho for Melissa Cuevas, Danielle Ike, Michael Prior, Ricardo Araujo, Crystal Mitchell and Samantha Cavin. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the new hire of Brenda Stimpson as a court clerk to begin on August 25, 2015 at a rate of \$14.08 per hour. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve the new hire of Antancio Montes as a patrol deputy for the Sheriff Office to begin on August 26, 2015 at a rate of \$16.26 per hour. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to go into closed session for Indigent and Charity matters. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to go out of closed session. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

The fiscal year 2016 budget hearing was held at 10:00. Present were Commissioners Merrick, Hoagland and Aberasturi, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk Russell, Treasurer Richards, Assessor Endicott, Sheriff Grant, Coroner Tines and Sean Chaney with the Owyhee Avalanche. No interested public was present.

Commissioner Aberasturi made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-24; Resolution fixing the Owyhee County budget for fiscal year 2016, in the amount of \$9,247,328.00. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

Tina Wilson with Western Alliance Economic Development met with the Board. Jerry Miller with Idaho Commerce was not available to present the Gem Grant. Grant will be placed on the September 9, 2015 agenda.

Natural Resources Director Desmond and the Board decided to leave Resolution 2015-19; *Disaster Declaration in response to the Soda Fire, other smaller fires currently burning near Silver City and Grand View and the current extreme fire conditions throughout the county* in place because of the lack of full containment at this time, as well as future weather events that place concern for further fires.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a letter to Tim Murphy, State BLM Director regarding the Post-Fire Rehab Plan. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a letter to Jennifer Arnold, Acting Boise District Manager regarding the Post-Fire Rehab Plan. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a letter to Michelle Ryerson, Owyhee Field Office Manager regarding the Post-Fire Rehab Plan. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a letter to Kieran Donahue, Canyon County Sheriff in appreciation of support during the Soda Fire. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

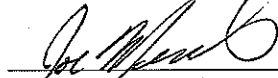
Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a letter to Brigadier General Brad Richy, Director at Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security in appreciation of support during the Soda Fire. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a letter to Principal Matt Holtry, Homedale High School Principal in appreciation of support during the Soda Fire. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.


Commissioner Hoagland made a motion to approve a letter to Ben and Lori Badiola of Badiola Arena in appreciation of support during the Soda Fire. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2015.

  
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Joe Merrick, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

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Brook Russell, Deputy Clerk