

COMMISSIONER MEETING OF February 12, 2018

The Caribou County Commissioners met in regular session on February 12, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance, Commissioner Chairman Phil Christensen and Bryce Somsen Commissioner. Also in attendance were Caribou County Clerk Denise Horsley, Deputy Clerk Jessica Zander, Caribou County Prosecutor Doug Wood, Road and Bridge Supervisor Kim Spencer Leadman Brett Barfuss, Randy Stephens Courthouse Supervisor, Angie Mendenhall Caribou County Treasurer, Jayson Lower Landfill Supervisor, Caribou County Sheriff Kelly Wells, Donna Ledbetter Indigent Director, Public Safety Director Eric Hobson, EMS Supervisor Larry Weaver, Maggie Mann, Carl Toupin, Sheena Toupin, Tim Roth, Dan Cravens, Sheldon, Hassan, Brook Jace, Mike Jenkins, Dillon Liechty, George Kimball, and Jason Atkins.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and prayer.

Kim Spencer, Road and Bridge:

- A fishing derby is being held on the 17th of February at Dike Lake. Craig Davis will get the sowing done.
- Kim asked if he can go forward with the 18-mile project. Commissioner Christensen said he can as long as the other road is open by Jason Hatch's. The culvert will run fence to fence per Kim.
- This summer they are planning on installing three cattle guards. They are in the process of building them.
- Commissioner Christensen commented that North Topance Road and Cow Camp Road need some gravel on them.
- Commissioner Somsen received a complaint that a resident is encroaching on the county road. Kim Spencer suggested that Doug Wood send the resident a letter. Sheriff Wells is aware of the situation as well.

Randy Stephens, Courthouse Maintenance:

- The remodel is close to being complete. The new desks in the Records Office are a few weeks out.
- Randy said Blake is trained on the duties required of the courthouse maintenance supervisor.
- Randy said his last day will be February 20 and he decided to not have any further conversation on his upcoming retirement.

Angie Mendenhall, Treasurer:

- Cereal Byproducts is purchasing Alexander Company. There is an existing lien that Cereal Byproducts is willing to pay.

- Cereal Byproducts is requesting a discount of 10 or 20 percent on the interest. \$2300 is approximately what 20 percent would be as of January 26, 2018. This wouldn't cut into budgets as far as taxes go.
- Alexander Company is currently in tax deed for 2014-2017 taxes in the amount of \$74593.00. The taxes would be paid in full by the end of the month.
- Commissioner Christensen and Commissioner Somsen both agreed to give them the 20 percent discount since they are willing pay them in full.
- Commissioner Somsen motioned to offer Cereal Byproducts a 20 percent discount of the interest for a specific payoff date for acquiring taxes due on Alexander Company. Parcel # 030000158850. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jayson Lower, Landfill:

- They are doing some winter maintenance on equipment.
- The tonnage taken in at the landfill was up in January from the previous January. Jayson believes the good weather is contributing to this increase.
- Jayson will be purchasing backhoe tires soon. He will call around and get some more bids.
- Jayson asked if the commissioners are in approval of his crew building a 3 level steel shop shelf. The cost would be approximately \$1000. The commissioners approved his request.
- Jayson would like to figure out how he is going to handle tires during free garbage week. Last year they received multiple loads of tires from Soda Springs. It was an expense to the county of \$4570 to dispose of the tires.
- They all agreed to see how this year goes and re-visit the issue if it becomes more of a problem.
- Jayson would like to attend the Idaho Waste Association meeting in March. The commissioners agreed that he should attend.
- Jayson said he has spoke with the contractor concerning the Tigert Middle School gym. They are going to start demolishing in March. They are estimating 3200 tons of rock, cement and dirt. This material will be given to Road and Bridge. They are estimating 1870 tons of solid waste. This will put Jayson approximately 2000 tons over for the year. This will require him to arrange to have some loads hauled out of the landfill.
- Commissioner Somsen motioned to convene to executive session at 10:17 a.m. pursuant to I.C. 74-206(c). Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Somsen motioned to reconvene to regular session at 10:33 a.m. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Kelly Wells, Sheriff:

- Commissioner Somsen motioned to convene to executive session at 10:43 a.m. pursuant to I.C 74-206(f). Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Somsen motioned to reconvene to regular session at 11:20 a.m. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Maggie Mann, SE Idaho Public Health:

- Maggie wanted to know if the commissioners have had a chance to review the proposal on the building remodel and what questions and concerns they have.
- Commissioner Somsen explained that he has some concerns with the restroom setup and the request for trade on space might be a problem as well.
- Maggie explained that they are still open to any ideas or suggestions that we have. She asked if we have an architect on staff that they could consult with. The commissioners explained that we do not have one on staff.
- Commissioner Somsen also explained that without Commissioner Mathews being present, they would not be able to make any final decisions today.
- Maggie asked if the county has any other buildings that the staff could be relocated to during the remodel. Denise will check on the SEICAA building.
- It was decided to have Maggie come back for the next commissioner meeting in two weeks when all three commissioners will be in attendance.

Carl Toupin: Parks and Recreation:

- Last year brought up a few issues for concern. Carl wanted to meet today and make sure the commissioners don't need him to change his responsibilities.
- Carl said he can make modifications on the vaulted restrooms if the commissioners would like him to. He has never handled the pumping of them in his prior contracts.
- Normally his service season runs from the first part of May until the end of September, depending on the weather. He will get things opened earlier if the weather allows him to.
- Commissioner Somsen asked Carl if he is interested in handling all the maintenance on the vaulted restrooms. Carl explained that he doesn't really have the equipment to handle it properly. He is able to pump them out, but it is very time consuming.

- He realizes that he is local and he is more available to keep things the way they should be kept.
- He said if he decides that he is able to maintain the vaulted restrooms, he may not be able to gear up for it in one year. He also will have to look into the cost to the county. He is concerned that it may not save the county any money.
- Commissioner Christensen asked Carl if he can check on garbage monthly at the Chesterfield Reservoir during the winter. He has seen several individuals ice fishing there. Carl said he will do that going forward.
- Carl is planning on making the rounds in the next couple of weeks to check on winter damage.
- Commissioner Somsen asked how the contract between him and the county is looking. Carl said he won't change the contract unless he is able to start fully maintaining the vaulted restrooms.
- Carl will start working on getting some cost estimates together to present to the commissioners and together they can decide how cost effective it would be to have Carl start fully maintaining the vaulted restrooms.
- Carl introduced his daughter Sheena. She works in his office and is available to answer any questions or concerns that come along.

Eric Hobson, EMS/Fire:

- Last year Eric discussed with the commissioners that he will be coming due for a new truck.
- Eric has been looking around and would like to keep his current truck as a backup since dealers are not willing to give him much on trade. He was quoted \$2500 on trade for it.
- He has received bids on Ford and Dodge. Chevy hasn't never responded back to him.
- He has determined that Dodge is willing to give him the best deal. A new ¾ ton Dodge will be approximately \$1000 less even after adding all the extras like a bed liner and U-connect.
- Dodge also has multi displacements that are said to promote better fuel mileage. Eric sees no reason to get a diesel.
- Dodge is also offering him \$3000 of incentives. He has been working with the Montpelier Dodge dealer. The truck won't be here for a couple of months.

- Commissioner Somsen motioned to approve the purchase of a 2018 Dodge Ram for EMS for the purchase price of \$34,513.00 from Jensen Wood in Montpelier. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Eric said he only has 4 people from the county staff signed up for the upcoming meeting on the 26th. They will be discussing the role individuals will play in a major emergency situation. The class will be held from 4-7 pm. Denise has added it to the agenda that day for herself and the commissioners to attend.

Donna Ledbetter, Indigent:

- Donna has received information on a new case. She asked the commissioners to sign the standards liens on Case # 2018-06.

Tim Roth, ISU HAUS:

- They are here today representing Bengal Solutions from Idaho State University. They are a group of individuals that consult communities on economic development.
- They are currently working on a project that deals with economic impact and emergency management planning.
- Tim explained that USGS is predicting that our county will experience a 6.0 magnitude earthquake sometime in the next 50 years. A fifty percent chance that it could be as big as a 6.7 magnitude. This magnitude of earthquake would be 10 to 20 times worse than the 5.3 magnitude that we had last September.
- They are concerned that a big earthquake could jeopardize our county economically. We have a lot of structures that they believe are not structurally sound enough to handle a 6.7 magnitude earthquake.
- They said that FEMA has determined that Caribou County could experience catastrophic economical loss. The estimated cost of damages could reach the \$81 million dollar range.
- Denise Horsley asked about their thoughts on bridges being damaged. They said the data shows that at least 2 bridges would be damaged.
- They are willing to perform a study free of charge of 10-12 structures in our county. They would perform the study over the next couple of months to determine what could be done to make the structures more earthquake ready.

- They asked the commissioners to get a list of structures that they think are priorities. Dan Cravens said they may want to consider one of the grocery stores since there is only two and road damage could prevent the community from venturing out.
- Dan also pointed out that Monsanto and Itafos should be a major concern since they are the two largest employers.
- Eric Hobson pointed out that an earthquake could impact Simplot's Don Plant in Pocatello as the pump station is located in our county.
- They will provide all the study data once it is complete. This information can be used as supporting documentation if we decide to apply for a federal grant.

Jason Atkins, Air Idaho Rescue:

- Air Idaho currently has 4 bases in this region. They are closing their base in Pocatello at the end of March.
- They are looking at having an aircraft at Caribou Memorial full time. They have had several conversations with the CEO at Caribou Memorial.
- They have determined that approximately 70 percent of their calls come from remote areas. They feel that Soda Springs would be a great central hub.
- Jason did a presentation at Caribou Memorial Hospital and the administration at CMH asked him to also do a presentation for the Caribou County Commissioners. The hospital is in favor of their proposal.
- Jason explained that their staff is required to keep up on training. The required ongoing training will be at no expense to the hospital.
- They also like to be involved with community events. They have delivered the homecoming royalty to the game for example.
- February 28 is a soft date at this point. They would be located at the Soda Springs airport until the hospital is ready for them to be there full time. The helipad would be located near the new ER entrance.
- He explained that other helicopters can use the helipad, they are simply a preferred provider. It is stated that they are the preferred provider in the provider agreement.

- George Kimball asked the commissioners for something in writing stating whether they are in favor or opposed to this proposal.
- Commissioner Somsen and Commissioner Christensen said they are both in favor of this proposal. Denise will get something in writing to George Kimball stating the commissioners are supportive of this proposal.

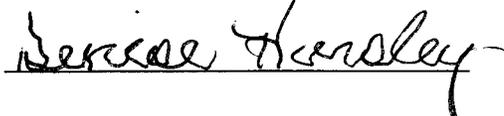
Other:

- Commissioner Somsen moved to pay the claims and remittances in the amount of \$3,013,713.95 and payroll claims in the amount of \$319,934.28, and to approve the minutes of January 22, 2018 as amended. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Certificate of Residency/Affidavit were presented to the Commissioners for Approval. The following students are taking course through Idaho Jr. Colleges. Juniors: Tyler Williams, Sophomores: Jessica Corder, and Post-Secondary: Amara Rodriguez. Commissioner Somsen made the motion to approve the Certificate of Residency/Affidavit. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Somsen motioned to donate \$200 out of the Indigent fund for Chris Davis to attend the Susan G. Komen walk in Dallas Texas. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Christensen signed the mineral productivity royalty report.
- Commissioner Christensen and Commissioner Somsen approved the change order of \$2300 for cabinets in Denise's office.
- The meeting adjourned at 03:25 p.m. The Caribou County Board of Commissioners will meet February 26, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. for regular meeting.

Signed: Phil Christensen, Commissioner Chairman

Attested: Denise Horsley





Approved Payment of Bills

	12-Feb-18	Claims	Payroll
Current Expense		\$ 33,866.94	
Indigent		\$ 17,611.17	
Road & Bridge		\$ 122,267.26	
Special Highway			
Justice		\$ 83,834.22	
Consolidated Election		\$ 98.00	
Weed Control		\$ 379.96	
Solid Waste		\$ 5,747.37	
Reappraisal			
Health		\$ 1,339.49	
Hospital M&O			
Ambulance		\$ 7,708.70	
Parks & Recreation		\$ 210.29	
Tort		\$ 97,218.00	
County Fair			
County Court Facility			
District Court		\$ 2,461.40	
Court Services			
Juvenile Justice		\$ 558.86	
Veteran's Memorial			
Mineral Leasing			
PILT		\$ 35.00	
Idaho State Treasurer		\$ 15.00	
City of Soda Springs		\$ 411,335.65	
City of Bancroft		\$ 88,213.45	
City of Grace		\$ 103,441.83	
Bancroft Cemetery		\$ 5,406.04	
Central Cemetery		\$ 4,119.87	
Fairview Cemetery		\$ 49,893.35	
Freedom Cemetery		\$ 1,252.68	
Grace Cemetery		\$ 12,469.10	
Lago Cemetery		\$ 1,883.29	
Lava Cemetery		\$ 4.72	
Lund Cemetery		\$ 1,877.54	
Thatcher Cemetery		\$ 2,605.11	
Turner Cemetery		\$ 2,354.91	
School District #148		\$ 300,752.34	
School District #149		\$ 271,964.50	
School District #150		\$ 1,063,339.91	
School District #21		\$ 44.37	
Grace Free Library		\$ 36,027.43	
Waterways		\$ 34.97	
TV Translator		\$ 32,776.85	
Solid Waste		\$ 169,164.68	
Bailey Creek Fire District		\$ 599.22	
Freedom Fire District		\$ 3,277.37	
Auditor's Trust		\$ 40.00	
Adult Probation Fee		\$ 90.00	
Diversion Education Trust			
Juvenile Housing Trust			
Range Improvement Trust			
Court Trust		\$ 2,166.50	
Centennial Trust			
College Trust		\$ 11,150.00	
Treasurer's Trust		\$ 3,750.00	
ID Trust			
Concealed Weapon's Trust		\$ 528.00	
Motor Vehicle Trust		\$ 48,631.24	
911 Trust		\$ 10,941.25	
Public Safety Trust		\$ 226.12	
Weed Control Trust			
Drug Court Trust			
Youth Court Trust			
Vessel Account			
Grand Total		\$ 3,013,713.95	\$ 319,934.28

CARIBOU COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S AGENDA

Date: 2/12/2018

Time	Name of Person/Party	Concerning
9:00 AM	Bills & Minutes	
9:15 AM	Kim Spencer	Road & Bridge
9:30 AM	Randy Stephens	Courthouse Maintenance and Discuss Retirement
9:45 AM	Angie Mendenhall	Alexander Company
10:00 AM		
10:15 AM	Jayson Lower	Landfill
10:30 AM	Kelly Wells	Sheriff
10:45 AM	Donna Ledbetter	Indigent
11:00 AM	Maggie Mann	SE Idaho Public Health - Building Remodel
11:15 AM	Carl Toupin	Parks and Recreation
11:30 AM	Eric Hobson	EMS/Public Safety
11:45 AM	Stace Gearhart	Juvenile Annual Report
NOON	LUNCH	Republican Meeting
1:00 PM	"	"
1:15 PM	Dwight Lloyd	Weed Department - Cloud Seeding
1:30 PM		
1:45 PM		
2:00 PM		
2:15 PM	Idaho State University - HAZUS - Tim Roth	Earthquake preparedness - follow-up
2:30 PM	Jason Atkins	Air Idaho Rescue - Helipad at CMH full time
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OTHER BUSINESS: Executive Session I.C. (74-206),

sick leave donation

certificates of residency

The board of commissioners may go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code. Anyone needing special assistance to attend the above noticed meeting should contact the Clerk's Office at (208)547-4324.