

COMMISSIONER MEETING OF March 11, 2019

The Caribou County Commissioners met in regular session on March 11, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance, Commissioner Chairman Phil Christensen, Commissioner Mark Mathews, and Commissioner Bryce Somsen via telephone. Also in attendance were Caribou County Clerk Denise Horsley, Deputy Clerk Jessica Zander, Caribou County Prosecutor Doug Wood, Road and Bridge Supervisor Kim Spencer, Caribou County Sheriff Kelly Wells, Maintenance Supervisor/Building Inspector Blake Poulsen, Landfill Supervisor Jayson Lower, Caribou County Assessor Aaron Cook, Indigent Director Donna Ledbetter, Kevin Franck, Steve Allred, George Kimball, Chad Hansen, Chris Thomas, F. Duayne Sims, Dana Izatt, Stephanie Izatt, and Jason Maughan.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and prayer.

Kim Spencer, Road and Bridge:

- Kim is planning on hiring 4 summer employees this year. He would consider bringing back the four that worked last summer.
- The backhoe has burned up 4 relays since last October. He would like to trade in a grader, backhoe and an all-wheel drive snowplow. If anything is left in the budget he would also like to get a steel roller.
- Kim signed the paperwork for a new truck last Monday. The truck should be here in May. The new crusher will be here next week.
- Commissioner Christensen and Commissioner Mathews asked Kim to make sure he lets his staff know that he appreciates all their hard work this winter.

Blake Poulsen, Building Inspector:

- Blake spoke with the electricians about installing LED lighting inside and outside at the courthouse. Some of the lights have already been changed out. The total cost would be approximately \$12,000 to complete the entire building, but we would get a \$4,000 incentive from the City of Soda Springs. The Commissioners said to proceed with the change over.
- Employees are requesting that a fan be installed in the downstairs bathroom. There is currently no ventilation in that room. Commissioner Mathews said if the cost is less than \$2500 to get it done. If it's over \$2500 bring some bids to the Commissioners to review.

Brian Carver, Bear River National Heritage Area:

- No call, no show.

Donna Ledbetter, Indigent:

- Donna has received 2 new cases this week. She requested that the Commissioners sign the standard liens. The case numbers are 2019-13 and 2019-14.

Kelly Wells, Sheriff:

- Sheriff Wells had paperwork for Commissioner Christensen to sign on the annual Forest Service and Department of Parks and Recreation grants. Doug Wood has already reviewed them.

Jayson Lower, Landfill:

- The DEQ sent a letter regarding the variance that Jayson spoke about in the previous meeting. The DEQ did not accept our variance.
- Jayson explained that they took in 434 tons for January at the landfill. This figure is slightly lower than last year. He was surprised it was this high given the weather conditions.
- The IDAWY Board will need to have a one-hour work meeting with our Commissioners in the near future to discuss equipment use at the regional landfill. Jayson would like to utilize some of the existing equipment rather than purchasing new equipment. Doug Wood asked as an example, if Caribou County puts in one million dollars worth of equipment and other counties put in less, how does that million dollars get accounted for. Jayson said the million dollars would be calculated into the equation and it would lower Caribou County's cost per ton.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to go into executive session at 10:08 A.M. pursuant to I.C. 74-206(c). Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Mathews motioned to reconvene to regular session at 10:12 A.M. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried. No decisions were made at this time.

Aaron Cook, Assessor:

- Neil Larsen with Larsen Appraisal has retired.
- Aaron brought Kevin Franck to introduce him. Aaron is proposing that Kevin start helping out with the appraisals.
- Kevin explained that he has been doing tax appraisals for 12 years. He currently has a contract with Lemhi County. He performs residential, agricultural and commercial appraisals.
- Aaron says he will continue doing all the agricultural appraisals.

- Aaron explained that contracting this out is a huge cost savings to the county.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to enter into a one-year contract with Kevin Franck with Appraisal Department LLC from Ucon, Idaho. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Caribou Memorial Hospital/Zions Bank:

- They are going to begin auditing the FY2017 tomorrow. Their attorney will be sitting in on the audit.
- They are going to pull \$557,000 back from the reporting so that will reduce their liability to approximately \$1.8 million. They have a \$750,000 line of credit at Zions Bank that will come due at the end of September. They are hoping to be able to fully fund the payback without having to involve the county.
- They still need to come up with a long-term debt strategy to keep their cash position where they need it to be explained Chris Thomas.
- Commissioner Mathews asked if 2017 is the only cost report being looked at or is 2018 being looked at as well. 2018 will be done with their restated financials explained Chris. They probably won't get much money back so it shouldn't draw much attention.
- Commissioner Mathews explained that all the commissioners would like to attend all the upcoming meetings.

Dana Izatt, Searle and Hart:

- Dana went over the FY2018 financial audit. He has determined that Caribou County has a clean audit report.
- Dana still encourages us to eliminate trust funds.
- Commissioner Somsen asked why it is important to eliminate trust funds. Dana explained that the governmental principles discourage trust funds being utilized.

Jason Maughan, Bayer

- CERCLA is the act that created the superfund program explained Jason.
- They have a team that includes individuals with the EPA, DEQ, Bayer and various contractors. Several individuals will be providing oversight to the water treatment project that they are currently working on.

- Every 5 years the EPA looks at their facility to ensure that proper measures are being taken to satisfy their concerns. The EPA has determined that the steps that were taken in the 1990's were not protective on the most recent 5- year reviews.
- In 2018, they received their third five-year review. This review identified some findings and requests from the EPA.
- In 2018, Bayer installed an additional 10 monitor wells and 5 engineering wells.
- They routinely sample 11 springs mostly associated with Soda Creek.
- In 2014, they installed 3 plume capture wells to the south of the fence line of the plant. This main goal was to determine how much volume they needed to stop the plume from migrating to the south.
- In June 2017, they were pumping 200 gallons of groundwater per minute. They are satisfied with the dramatic results. They are expecting this spring they will be pumping 400 gallons per minute then it should drop significantly in the summer.
- They have been working on a couple of different ideas for the selenium issue. They have selected to use the Suez Abmet Pilot System, which will have 400 gallons per minute capability. It will be a 5-reactor system.

Duane Sims, Distinguished Young Womens:

- Mr. Sims asked the Commissioners if they would be willing to donate to the Distinguished Young Womens Program again this year. He explained that the donated funds go towards scholarships
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to donate \$500 out of PILT to the Distinguished Young Women's Program. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.


Other:

- Commissioner Mathews moved to pay the claims in the amount of \$172,385.23 and payroll claims in the amount of \$308,676.76, and to approve the minutes of February 25, 2019 as amended. Commissioner Somsen 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. Post-Secondary: Efrain D. Velazquez. Commissioner Mathews made the motion to approve the Certificate of Residency/Affidavit. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

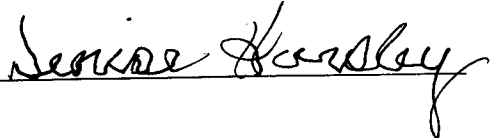
- The commissioners scheduled to canvass votes from the March 11 election on March 21 at 3 P.M.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to go into executive session at 9:38 A.M. pursuant to I.C. 74-206(a). Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Mathews motioned to reconvene to regular session at 9:51 A.M. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to appoint Curtis Thomas to the Caribou Memorial Hospital Board effective immediately. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Christensen swore Curtis in for a 3-year term.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to approve the change order for Construction Services in the amount of \$24,681.00 on the courthouse remodel. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The meeting adjourned at 01:50 p.m. The Caribou County Board of Commissioners will meet March 25, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. for regular meeting.

Signed: Phil Christensen, Commissioner Chairman

Attested: Denise Horsley



Phil Christensen



Denise Horsley

Approved Payment of Bills		
11-Mar-19	Claims	Payroll
Current Expense	\$ 59,047.78	
Indigent	\$ 8,437.49	
Road & Bridge	\$ 32,180.43	
Special Highway		
Justice	\$ 13,139.18	
Consolidated Election	\$ 722.50	
Weed Control	\$ 520.95	
Solid Waste	\$ 4,967.92	
Reappraisal	\$ 1,053.68	
Health	\$ 1,145.72	
Hospital M&O		
Ambulance	\$ 2,976.43	
Parks & Recreation		
Tort	\$ 1,000.00	
County Fair		
County Court Facility		
District Court	\$ 1,823.31	
Court Services		
Juvenile Justice	\$ 437.28	
Veteran's Memorial		
Mineral Leasing		
PILT	\$ 5,242.50	
Idaho State Treasurer		
School District #148		
Central Cemetery		
Fairview Cemetery		
Freedom Cemetery		
Grace Cemetery		
Lago Cemetery		
Lund Cemetery		
Thatcher Cemetery		
Turner Cemetery		
School District #149		
School District #150		
School District #21		
City of Soda Springs		
City of Bancroft		
City of Grace		
Bancroft Cemetery		
Lava Cemetery		
Grace Free Library		
TV Translator		
Caribou County Solid Waste		
Bailey Creek Fire District		
Freedom Fire District		
Waterways	\$ 420.83	
Tax Deed Excess Funds	\$ 35,174.05	
Farmers Land & Irrigation LID		
Bailey Creek Fire District		
Freedom Fire District		
Auditor's Trust		
Road & Bridge Trust		
Odyssey Court Payments	\$ 1,262.06	
Adult Probation Fee		
Diversion Education Trust		
Juvenile Housing Trust		
Water District		
Court Trust		
Centennial Trust		
College Trust		
Treasurer's Trust	\$ 216.66	
ID Trust		
Concealed Weapon's Trust		
Motor Vehicle Trust		
911 Trust	\$ 2,340.00	
Public Safety Trust	\$ 276.46	
Weed Control Trust		
Drug Court Trust		
Youth Court Trust		
Sheriff's Sale Excess Funds		
Vessel Account		
Grand Total	\$ 172,385.23	\$ 308,676.76

CARIBOU COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S AGENDA

Date: 3/11/2019

ACTION ITEMS / BUSINESS

Time	Name of Person/Party	Concerning
9:00 AM	Bills & Minutes	
9:15 AM	Kim Spencer	Road & Bridge
9:30 AM	Blake Poulsen	Courthouse Maintenance /bathroom fan downstairs
9:45 AM	Brian Carver	Bear River National Heritage Area
10:00 AM	Jayson Lower	Landfill
10:15 AM	Aaron Cook - Assesor	Appraisal Contract
10:30 AM	Kelly Wells	Sheriff
10:45 AM	Zions Bank / Caribou Memorial Hospital	Hospital Loan - Executive Session I.C. 74-206
11:00 AM	Caribou Memorial Hospital / Zions Bank	Hospital Loan
11:15 AM		
11:30 AM	Dana Izatt	Audit
11:45 AM		
12:00 PM	LUNCH	
1:00 AM		
1:15 PM	Bayer / Jason Maughan	Bayer Environmental Update (CERCLA)
1:30 PM		
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2:45 PM	Donna Ledbetter	Indigent
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5:00 PM		

OTHER BUSINESS: Executive Session I.C. 74-206,

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Sign contracts with Construction Services, Inc. - Change Orders

set meeting to canvass votes for March 12 Election

Sign Challenge Cost Share Agreement with Forest Service

Certificate of Residency Approval

Anyone needing special assistance to attend the above noticed meeting should contact the Clerk's Office at (208)547-4324.