

**COMMISSIONER MEETING OF June 8, 2020**

The Caribou County Commissioners met in regular session on June 8, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance, Commissioner Chairman Phil Christensen, Mark Mathews and Bryce Somsen Commissioners. 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, Weed Supervisor Dwight Lloyd, Landfill Supervisor Jayson Lower, LaNae Carpenter, Kellee Traughber, Sharlene Simons Extension, Lisa Barfuss Extension, Justin Hatch Extension Agent, P&Z Director JoAnna Ashley, Joseph Warren and Gene Warren..

The meeting opened with Commissioner Mark Mathews giving the pledge of allegiance and prayer.

**Kim Spencer, Road and Bridge:**

- Kim reported that they are fighting beaver activity on Cow Camp. Kim has been in contact with Fish and Game and they are working through the issue.
- The crushing will be complete in Chesterfield by Commissioner Christensen's place soon. They will be moving out to Long Valley and Wayan after they finish up at Chesterfield.
- Kim is aware of the slide that is starting on Gentile Valley Road. He will continue to monitor the situation.

**Blake Poulsen, Courthouse/Building Dept:**

- Blake and JoAnna have found out that we can charge a permit fee of \$125 on agricultural buildings. Blake is planning on starting to do this to cover the time and paperwork involved.
- The tree in the courthouse parking lot is continuing to shed large branches. Blake is concerned that a person or a vehicle is going to get struck by one of them eventually. He would like to have the tree removed. Blake checked with Randy Johnson at US Bank when it was discussed previously and he didn't care if it got cut down. The Commissioners requested that Blake look into having someone cut it down. They all agreed if he can find someone to cut it down including the stump for less than \$2,000 to go ahead and get it done.

**Dwight Lloyd, Weed:**

- Dwight has noticed that in the Lago Bench area a lot of Dyer's Woad is showing up. He also has noticed a lot of Whitetop. He is planning on working in that area.
- Chris Shuler organized the Century girl's basketball team to pick Dyer's Woad. They picked 800 bags. Dwight also has the ISU's cheerleaders and wrestling team coming to pick Dyer's Woad.

- They are fighting wind daily when trying to spray weeds. They haven't got a full day of spraying in yet since the wind comes up in the afternoon.
- Dwight is planning on having a work day for Houndstongue in the 24-mile area soon.

**Jayson Lower, Landfill:**

- Jayson said the city crews and the citizens did a great job with the annual spring cleanup. They had an unbelievable record this year. The overall tonnage increased by 21 percent. They also took in over 2300 tires. The tonnage goes up significantly every year.
- Commissioner Somsen motioned to transfer \$7500 in the Caribou County Solid Waste budget to the IDAWY Solid Waste District Budget. This will cover some accounts payable items that fall in line with the purchase agreement. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Jayson explained that all the counties involved in the formation of the IDAWY Solid Waste District will also be paying \$7500.
- Jayson feels that things are progressing well with IDAWY and they are hoping the funding will be setup sometime in July.

**Kelly Wells, Sheriff:**

- Sheriff Wells was unable to attend.

**P&Z Public Hearing:**

- Commissioner Mathews motioned to enter into a public hearing to consider a request for a conditional use permit for Dave and Kelly Traughber. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- JoAnna explained that Kelley and Dave Traughber own the land that the old Lund Store sits on along with several acres surrounding the store. They would like to set up a short-term rental. They will also use the property themselves two weekends a month.
- JoAnna further explained that the Planning and Zoning Commission had only one concern. They wanted the parking situation to be setup so cars are not sitting in the county right of way. They suggested that the parking be moved either to the west or south of the building.
- Doug Wood asked if any neighbors have offered input on the proposal. JoAnna said that she hasn't received any public input of any kind regarding the request.

- Doug Wood asked Kelley if they have addressed fire safety in the building. Kelley explained that they have fire extinguishers, CO detectors and have put in new sliding windows. They also have 4 exit signs displayed.
- Commissioner Somsen asked what the maximum occupancy will be. Kelley said they have enough beds to accommodate 10 people.
- Commissioner Somsen motioned to approve a conditional use permit for Dave and Kelley Traugher for their property located at 1573 Fish Creek Road. He also suggested that the parking conditions be held to the same standard as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Sharlene Simons, Extension and Lisa Barfuss, Extension: Executive Session**

- Commissioner Mathews motioned to convene to executive session at 10:44 A.M. pursuant to I.C. 74-206(b). Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Somsen suggested at 11:36 A.M. to reconvene to regular session.

**Canvass May 19<sup>th</sup> Election:**

- Commissioner Mathews motioned to accept the May 19 primary election results. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**JoAnna Ashley, P&Z:**

- JoAnna explained that one of the trainings that she had planned on attending has been canceled.
- JoAnna has been trying out some different software for tracking permits, land splits, subdivisions, etc... She believes the ARC GIS software better suits her needs over the Computer Arts software.
- JoAnna asked for permission to take the training on the GIS software so she will be able to use it to the full capability. The training cost is \$2100. The training consists of 4 days. Since the training previously mentioned was canceled she has available funds in her budget.
- JoAnna explained that we are facing a new challenge. The trend now is to build a family compound. She believes that Blake Poulsen's guideline is any structure over 800 or 900 feet on a foundation is considered a dwelling. She discussed this with the Planning and Zoning Commission and their main concern is individuals turning the structures into a commercial operation. She has been approached about constructing something like this in Squaw Creek. She will continue to research what the best options are.

- Commissioner Somsen suggested that JoAnna contact Bear Lake County to see how they are handling this.

#### **Joseph Warren:**

- Joseph is wanting to do a scout project at the city park in Freedom.
- He would like to put in a concrete drinking fountain. The total cost will be approximately \$3300 for the fountain, piping and accessories.
- Commissioner Christensen asked if Joseph has recruited help for the labor portion of the project. Joseph explained that he has approximately 10 individuals that have offered to help him.
- Commissioner Mathews asked if Jacob has been offered any financial donations already. Jacob said that he hasn't been given any solid donations yet.
- Commissioner Mathews asked if the pavilion where the fountain will sit is covered. Jacob said the pavilion is covered and the fountain will be easy to access from the baseball diamond.
- Commissioner Somsen motioned to donate \$1600 towards the construction of a drinking fountain at the Freedom City Park. This donation will be disbursed after the other part of the cost is secured. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **Caribou County Fair Discussion:**

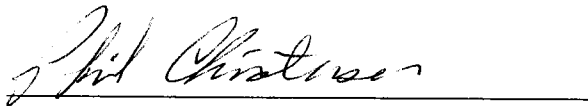
- Commissioner Mathews explained that the board met last Monday. Shelley Reeves contacted ICRMP. They will cover us if we can follow CDC guidelines. The general consensus of the board is the fair should be canceled this year. They fear the loss of funds.
- The board would like to use the available funds to do some much needed improvements at the fairgrounds.
- The board asked for the Commissioners to be the final deciding factor.
- Doug Wood said if we don't have the backing of our insurance company, he would advise that the fair be canceled. His concern is the CDC guidelines still designate the 6 foot distance between people. We have to protect the county.
- Commissioner Somsen thought it might be a good idea to contact some of the other counties that are planning to have their fair. Commissioner Somsen would like to have a fair this year.

- Commissioner Mathews agreed with Doug Wood that we have to keep the interest of the county in mind and we should use this year to do the needed upgrades. Commissioner Christensen agreed with Commissioner Mathews and Doug Wood.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to cancel the Caribou County fair this year. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion, but disagreed with the cancellation. Motion carried. The 4-H and market animal will still take place, but be handled much differently. More information will be given as soon as possible.

**Other:**

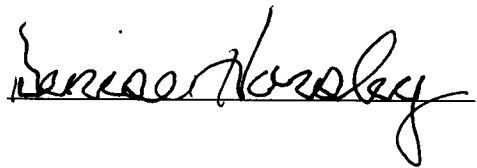
- Commissioner Somsen moved to pay the claims and remittances in the amount of \$316,714.41 and payroll claims in the amount of \$324,177.00 and to approve the minutes of May 26, 2020 as amended. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to add the Caribou County Fair Board to the agenda. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to utilize Stephanie Bonney as our bond counsel for the refinance on the jail bond. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m. The Caribou County Board of Commissioners will meet June 22, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. for regular meeting.

Signed: Phil Christensen, Commissioner Chairman



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Attested: Denise Horsley



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Approved Payment of Bills

6/8/2020	Claims	Payroll
Current Expense	\$ 62,273.69	
Indigent	\$ 1,149.06	
Road & Bridge	\$ 44,198.21	
Special Highway	\$ 3,010.70	
Justice	\$ 16,993.40	
Consolidated Elections	\$ 168.00	
Weed Control	\$ 3,940.13	
Solid Waste	\$ 10,382.98	
Reappraisal	\$ 348.90	
Health	\$ 1,081.43	
Hospital M&O		
Ambulance	\$ 1,514.16	
Parks & Recreation		
Tort		
County Fair		
County Court Facility		
District Court	\$ 399.74	
Court Services		
Juvenile Justice	\$ 1,369.10	
Veteran's Memorial		
Mineral Leasing		
PILT	\$ 163,010.21	
Waterways	\$ 86.30	
City of Bancroft		
City of Grace		
Bancroft Cemetery		
Central Cemetery		
Fairview Cemetery		
Freedom Cemetery		
Grace Cemetery		
Lago Cemetery		
Lava Cemetery		
Lund Cemetery		
Thatcher Cemetery		
Turner Cemetery		
School District #148		
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School District #21		
Grace Free Library		
TV Translator		
Landfill		
Bailey Creek Fire District		
Freedom Fire District		
Auditor's Trust	\$ 80.00	
Adult Probation Fee		
Diversion Education Trust		
Juvenile Housing Trust		
Range Improvement Trust		
Court Trust		
Farmer's Land & Irrigation LID		
College Trust		
Treasurer's Trust		
ID Trust		
Odyssey Court Payments	\$ 3,495.26	
Concealed Weapon's Trust	\$ 200.00	
Motor Vehicle Trust		
911 Trust	\$ 2,778.98	
Public Safety Trust	\$ 234.16	
Weed Control Trust		
Drug Court Trust		
Youth Court Trust		
Vessel Account		
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 316,714.41</b>	<b>\$ 324,177.00</b>

## CARIBOU COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S AGENDA

Date: 6/8/2020

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 / Building Department
9:45 AM	Dwight Lloyd	Weed Control
10:00 AM	Jayson Lower	Landfill
10:15 AM	Kelly Wells	Sheriff
10:30 AM	P & Z Public Hearing	Conditional Use Traughber Short Term Rental
10:45 AM	Sharlene Simons	Executive session 74-206b
11:00 AM	Lisa Barfuss	Executive session 74-206b
11:15 AM	Canvass May 19th Election	
11:30 AM	P & Z JoAnna Ashley	Training Request / P & Z questions
11:45 AM	Joseph & Gene Warren	Eagle Scout Project donation - Freedom Park
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OTHER BUSINESS: Executive Session I.C. (74-206)

B.O.E.

Law Firm for Jail Bond

Ask about supplemental insurance company visiting

Indigent release for signature

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