

COMMISSIONER MEETING OF July 27, 2020

The Caribou County Commissioners met in regular session on July 27, 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, IT/GIS Director Jacob Farnes, P&Z Director JoAnna Ashley, Caribou County Assessor Aaron Cook, Building Department/Inspector Blake Poulsen, Shalayne Bartschi, Neil Garcia, Brian Stutzman, Dean Stutzman, and Brooke Allen.

The meeting opened with Commissioner Phil Christensen giving the pledge of allegiance and prayer.

Kim Spencer, Road and Bridge:

- Kim is planning to send 2 employees to Franklin County on August 6 to observe them using the laying machine.
- The next 3 Fridays, City of Soda Springs will be using our chipper.
- They will be installing a new culvert on Long Valley Road. The current one has a hole in it. They are waiting for line locates to be done before they can complete the project.
- Kim has noticed quite a few thistles on River Road in the right-of-way. He would like to have the summer hires get them taken care of. They will need to borrow some equipment from Dwight.

Eric Hobson, Public Safety:

- Eric was unable to attend the meeting today.

Jacob Farnes, IT/GIS: Brooke Allen, Direct Communications: Bryan and Dean Stutzman, Business Phone Systems:

- Jacob explained that he is allowing the gentlemen present today a couple minutes to review their proposals on the Internet/phone services within the courthouse.
- Brooke said that he feels Direct Communications is offering a very solid proposal. He reminded the Commissioners that Direct Communications plays a big role in community support locally. Brooke also said that Direct Communications made a significant investment to become part of our community.

- Commissioner Somsen said we may need to revisit the accessory building issue because we don't want to render the land useless.
- Commissioner Somsen said we need a plan or a model to follow. JoAnna will continue to do research and report back to the Commissioners.
- Doug Wood suggested that we draft a specific document that fully states what the landowners should expect.

Planning & Zoning Public Hearing:

- Commissioner Mathews motioned to enter into a public hearing for APC Towers request for a conditional use permit. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- JoAnna explained that APC Towers is wanting to place a 135-foot communication tower with a 6-foot lightning rod in the Bancroft area. The tower will serve Verizon cell phone users and could eventually service other providers.
- JoAnna has reviewed the code and their request meets all the requirements. JoAnna explained that the only request concerning their proposal was made by Idaho Fish and Game. They asked that they use limited lighting to avoid attracting birds.
- The Planning and Zoning Board agreed with the lighting recommendation made by Idaho Fish and Game, but otherwise had no issues with the conditional use permit request.
- Neil Garcia representing APC Towers said they have no problem with the lighting request.
- Doug Wood asked Mr. Garcia if this tower is typical of what they normally install. Mr. Garcia stated that this structure is very typical.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to approve a conditional use permit for APC towers to install a communication tower in the Bancroft area as recommended by The Planning and Zoning Board. Commissioner Mathews asked that the lighting request be addressed. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other:

- Commissioner Somsen moved to pay the claims and remittances in the amount of \$1,977,122.44 and payroll claims in the amount of \$201,792.01 and to approve the minutes of July 13, 2020 as presented. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Denise also asked the Commissioners if they want to hold a public hearing about the proposed changes with the Caribou Memorial Hospital. Commissioner Mathews and Doug Wood suggested that if we do hold a public hearing, it should be conducted outside. Denise further suggested that the meeting be held in the evening.
- All three Commissioners are planning to attend the Caribou Memorial Hospital Board meeting this Wednesday. They will consider setting a date for the public hearing after the Wednesday meeting.

ShaLayne Bartschi, Senior Citizens Center:

- Shalayne explained that the meals served have increased quite a bit during the 2nd quarter. They were higher than normal in January and February as well so it's not all COVID-19 related.
- The golf scramble got canceled due to lack of teams. Some of the sponsors are still wanting to make donations even though the scramble got canceled. The total donations last year were approximately \$7,000. She doesn't anticipate they will end up getting that much this year.
- The State of Idaho is also reimbursing them more per meal due to COVID-19 and they also received a \$2,300 stimulus check. These two factors will help with their shortfall in donations.

JoAnna Ashley, Planning & Zoning:

- JoAnna would like to discuss underdeveloped subdivisions and personal shops with no primary residence.
- Her main concerns are with recreational subdivisions. She asked the Commissioners if they want to do something different with recreational subdivisions. She explained that our current ordinance states that you are unable to develop until the road is up to county specifications.
- Kim Spencer and JoAnna took a ride around Pebble Creek. She noticed that parts of the road have a steep grade and are quite narrow.
- People are wanting to purchase land and place simple dwellings such as a yurt or a bully barn. She further explained that our current code doesn't allow accessory buildings without a primary residence. She is concerned that people may start placing dwellings in remote areas that emergency services will not be able to reach in an emergency vehicle.
- Commissioner Somsen asked if we can issue a building permit, but not an occupancy permit. JoAnna explained that she is currently researching how other counties are handling these situations.

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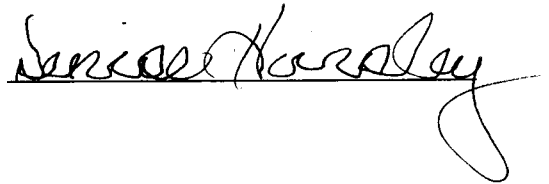
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- The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m. The Caribou County Board of Commissioners will meet August 10, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. for regular meeting.
- Aaron Cook asked the Commissioners to sign an MLS contract that allows the county to follow the homes sales. The cost is approximately \$1,000 per year per Aaron Cook.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to sign the contract with Multiple Listing Services. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Signed: Phil Christensen, Commissioner Chairman

Attested: Denise Horsley





Approved Payment of Bills

	27-Jul-20	Claims	Payroll
Current Expense		\$ 17,500.97	
Indigent		\$ 14,819.13	
Road & Bridge		\$ 180,687.17	
Special Highway		\$ 22,044.75	
Justice		\$ 24,505.17	
Consolidated Election		\$ 359.90	
Weed Control		\$ 256.23	
Solid Waste		\$ 2,888.86	
Reappraisal		\$ 19,475.00	
Health		\$ 17,458.87	
Hospital M&O			
Ambulance		\$ 2,519.84	
Parks & Recreation		\$ 9,023.68	
Tort			
County Fair			
County Court Facility			
District Court		\$ 553.97	
Court Services			
Odyssey Court Payments		\$ 70.00	
Juvenile Justice		\$ 796.88	
Veteran's Memorial			
Waterways			
PILT		\$ 545.00	
Idaho State Treasurer		\$ 105.00	
City of Soda Springs		\$ 327,848.26	
City of Bancroft		\$ 66,230.50	
City of Grace		\$ 84,363.21	
Bancroft Cemetery		\$ 3,543.02	
Central Cemetery		\$ 3,222.94	
Fairview Cemetery		\$ 23,498.85	
Freedom Cemetery		\$ 331.73	
Grace Cemetery		\$ 10,224.66	
Lago Cemetery		\$ 877.36	
Lava Cemetery		\$ 0.89	
Lund Cemetery		\$ 1,524.36	
Thatcher Cemetery		\$ 1,141.68	
Turner Cemetery		\$ 1,616.49	
School District #148		\$ 216,872.18	
School District #149		\$ 141,909.25	
School District #150		\$ 554,089.18	
School District #21		\$ 17.03	
Grace Free Library		\$ 26,812.27	
TV Translator		\$ 22,059.82	
Landfill		\$ 110,243.79	
Bailey Creek Fire District		\$ 441.55	
Freedom Fire District		\$ 798.57	
Auditor's Trust		\$ 80.00	
Adult Probation Fee			
Diversion Education Trust			
Juvenile Housing Trust			
Range Improvement Trust			
Court Trust			
Centennial Trust			
College Trust			
Treasurer's Trust			
ID Trust			
Concealed Weapon's Trust			
Motor Vehicle Trust		\$ 60,614.30	
911 Trust		\$ 5,150.13	
Public Safety Trust			
Weed Control Trust			
Drug Court Trust			
Youth Court Trust			
Vessel Account			
Grand Total		\$ 1,977,122.44	\$ 201,792.01

CARIBOU COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S AGENDA

Date: 7/27/2020

ACTION ITEMS / BUSINESS

Time	Name of Person/Party	Concerning
9:00 AM	Bills & Minutes	
9:15 AM	Kim Spencer	Road & Bridge
9:30 AM	Eric Hobson / Larry Weaver	EMS / Ambulance
9:45 AM	Jacob Farnes	IT / GIS - Phone Systems
10:00 AM	Kelly Wells	Sheriff
10:15 AM		
10:30 AM	Caribou Memorial Hospital / Budget	
10:45 AM		
11:00 AM	ShaLayne Bartschi	CC Senior Citizen - quarterly report
11:15 AM	Planning & Zoning	Underdeveloped Subdivisions - personal shops - other
11:30 AM	Planning & Zoning Public Hearing	APC Towers Communication Tower Conditional Use - Bancroft
11:45 AM		
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OTHER BUSINESS: Executive Session I.C. 74-206

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sign Paragon Contract

sign Cleaning Contracts

sign Environmental Review Record

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