

**COMMISSIONER MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 2014**

The Caribou County Commissioners met in regular session on October 14, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance were Earl Somsen, Commissioner Chairman, Phil Christensen and Mark Mathews, Commissioners. Also in attendance were Caribou County Clerk Veda Mascarenas, Road and Bridge Supervisor Kim Spencer, Indigent Director Denise Horsley, Landfill Supervisor Jason Lower, and Caribou County Sheriff Rick Anderson, Ellis Call, Cody Barfuss, Brett Barfuss, Greg Gibson, County Building Maintenance Randy Stephens, Caribou County Sheriff Rick Anderson, and Gary Spackman.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and prayer.

**Kim Spencer and Lead Men, Road and Bridge:**

- Kim will send out bids for the crusher with or without a generator.
- Hauling gravel from NuCore was discussed.
- Kim reported that the switch back on the TV Tower Rd has been smoothed out.
- The increased money for the extra salt will increase the loads to 16.
- The board of commissioners agreed to add a wing to a truck to help decrease the number of passes that are made when removing snow. The wing will cost approximately \$9500.00.
- The Hinkley Road was discussed. Mrs. Hinkley has requested, by letter, road maintenance on Hinkley Road. This is a private public access road. The county has not been plowing or graveling the road and the funding is such that the county will not be able to maintain the road. It was suggested that Mrs. Hinkley contact the subdivision president about this matter.

**Randy Stephens, Building Maintenance:**

- Randy presented an agreement between Caribou County and Myers and Anderson for signature. The board of commissioners signed said agreement. This is for the Caribou County Courthouse Exterior Upgrade:
  - ✓ For cleaning the brick and painting of exterior elements
  - ✓ For replacing the stair at the main entrance and constructing a new entrance canopy
  - ✓ For replacement of existing exterior windows on west elevations
- The flag pole is fixed.
- The fire extinguishers were checked and three were replaced.
- The toilet in the north bathroom has been replaced.
- Randy reported that the generator for the courthouse doesn't work and requires a new board that will cost approximately \$3000.00 installed. The board of commissioners stated that it may be replaced by a generator from Road and Bridge if a new crusher is purchased.
- The front door will be open around 8:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Randy requested two days of comp time off. The board of commissioners approved said request.

**Scott Shuler, Weed Supervisor:**

- Scott reported that the cloud seeding fuel is good.
- Scott attended an auction to get a new sprayer. The sprayer went to another county.

- Funding was received from the Union Pacific Railroad for the cost of chemical and labor to spray their weeds. Scott will be attending a meeting in Idaho Falls to discuss the new rules with the railroad.
- Scott will attend the Highlands meeting November 16, 2014, at Montpelier.
- Scott requested to take vacation the last week of October. The board of commissioners granted said request.
- Scott is looking for a grant for the Blackfoot drainage.

**Denise Horsley, Indigent Director:**

- Commissioner Mathews moved to deny application 2014-19 because the applicant is not indigent and Caribou County is not the last resource.

**Jason Lower, Landfill Supervisor:**

- Jason reported that the volume is up 6% equal to 450 ton/week.
- There is an error on his budget line item for fuel of \$6000.00 short. He will work around it.
- Jason said he felt that the bathroom expansion at the landfill would come under the I.C. 67-2806(1) that requires 3 bids but does not require the publication.

**Aaron Cook, Caribou County Assessor:**

- Aaron requested approval for the maintenance bill for the mapping program of \$4200.00. The board of commissioners granted said request.

**Rick Anderson, Caribou County Sheriff (via telephone conference):**

- Rick requested funding for 2 vehicles. His vehicle maintenance expenses for last year were approximately \$89,000.00. Caribou County Clerk, Veda explained a potential shortfall of approximately \$275,314.00 for the Justice Fund. This was determined with the 2014 beginning fund balance of \$596,845.00 and the ending balance of \$321,531.00. The Justice fund is at maximum levy. She did not believe that there would be enough funding to take the Justice Fund to the end of year. Most of the shortage comes from the State mandate to hire two jailers to keep the jail certified. The other is the hiring of one full time dispatcher, though not mandated but required to run a 24-7 dispatch center. The board of commissioners granted the purchase of two vehicles one from the 2014 budget and the other after January 2015 and took note of the possible short fall.

**Gary Spackman – Idaho Department of Water Resources:**

- Gary Spackman explained the process for the Bear River Adjudication. He will be scheduling a public hearing in Soda Springs in the near future.

**Other:**

- Commissioner Christensen moved to pay the claims in the amount of \$417,307.50 and payroll claims in the amount of \$298,301.00, and to approve the minutes of September 22, 2014, as amended. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. The vote was Somsen-yes, Christensen-yes and Mathews-yes.

- Doug Wood, Prosecuting Attorney will create a resolution adopting the county map of the county roads.
- Commissioner Mathews moved to convene to executive session pursuant to I.C. 67-2345(b) at 11:14 a.m. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. The vote was Somsen-yes, Christensen-yes and Mathews-yes. Commissioner Christensen move to reconvene to regular session at 11:30. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. The vote was Somsen-yes, Christensen-yes and Mathews-yes. No decision was made.
- Commissioner Mathews moved to convene to executive session at 11:45 a.m. pursuant to I.C. 67-2345(b). Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. The vote was Somsen-yes, Christensen-yes and Mathews-yes. Commissioner Christensen move to reconvene to regular session at 12:00 noon.. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. The vote was Somsen-yes, Christensen-yes and Mathews-yes. No decision was made.
- Clerk Veda Mascarenas also advised the board of commissioners of a potential shortfall with the Current Expense Fund. This is also based on the ending balance of \$654,931.00 and a beginning balance of \$853,428.00. The shortfall is estimated at \$198,497.00. The board of commissioners took note of the possible shortfall.
- The board of commissioners cast their ballot for the member at large on the Capital Crimes committee.
- The Blackfoot River Park repair was discussed. The board of commissioners felt that the bid received was too high and suggested to talk to the Lions Club about repairing the building and the county would supply the material. Doug Wood will report back to the board of commissioners.
- A meeting with the elected officials (excluding the board of commissioners) and the supervisors will be held Monday, October 20, 2014, at 2:00 p.m. in the commissioner's office to discuss the upcoming Affordable Care Act rules that will be implemented in 2016 concerning part-time employment.
- Commissioner Christensen moved to convene to executive session at 2:10 p.m. pursuant of I.C. 67-2345(b). Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. The vote was Somsen-yes, Christensen-yes and Mathews-yes. Commissioner Mathews moved to reconvene to regular session at 2:30 p.m.. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. The vote was Somsen-yes, Christensen-yes and Mathews-yes.
  - ✓ The decision is to try to hire a grant writer. An employee was discussed and will be asked if that is something he/she would be interested in.
- Commissioner Christensen moved to publish the public hearing on the matter of re-opening the budget. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. The vote was Somsen-yes, Christensen-yes and Mathews-yes.
- The board of commissioners agreed to the cost of the survey of property in Grace in exchange for gravel.

- Commissioner Mathews moved to approve the current 2016 Beverage Licenses. Any new licenses will have to follow the process for a new liquor license. Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion. The vote was Somsen-yes, Christensen-yes and Mathews-yes.
- Commissioner Christensen moved to approve Resolution 2014-07 "destruction of records for the Assessor's Office". Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. The vote was Somsen-yes, Christensen-yes and Mathews-yes.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m. The Caribou County Board of Commissioners will meet October 27, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. for regular meeting.

Signed: Earl Somsen, Commissioner Chairman

Attested: Veda Mascarenas

Earl Somsen

Veda Mascarenas

Approved Payment of Bills

| Commissioner October 14, 2014 | Claims        | Payroll       |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Current Expense               | \$ 22,143.11  |               |
| Indigent                      | \$ 422.80     |               |
| Road & Bridge                 | \$ 36,308.14  |               |
| Special Highway               | \$ 9,540.12   |               |
| Justice                       | \$ 71,052.59  |               |
| Consolidated Election         |               |               |
| Weed Control                  | \$ 1,263.79   |               |
| Solid Waste                   | \$ 101,909.12 |               |
| Reappraisal                   | \$ 14,594.69  |               |
| Health                        | \$ 380.80     |               |
| Hospital M&O                  |               |               |
| Ambulance                     | \$ 17,222.43  |               |
| Parks & Recreation            | \$ 273.43     |               |
| County Fair                   | \$ 23,152.98  |               |
| Tort Fund                     | \$ 64,034.00  |               |
| District Court                | \$ 12,163.67  |               |
| Court Services                |               |               |
| Juvenile Justice              | \$ 1,896.33   |               |
| Veteran's Memorial            |               |               |
| Mineral Leasing               | \$ 3,297.40   |               |
| PILT                          | \$ 11,963.41  |               |
| City of Soda Springs          |               |               |
| 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          |               |               |
| School District #149          |               |               |
| School District #150          |               |               |
| School District #21           |               |               |
| Grace Free Library            |               |               |
| Waterways                     | \$ 232.59     |               |
| County Judgement Trust        |               |               |
| Landfill                      |               |               |
| Bailey Creek Fire District    |               |               |
| Freedom Fire District         |               |               |
| Auditor's Trust               | \$ 160.00     |               |
| Adult Probation Fee           |               |               |
| Diversion Education Trust     |               |               |
| Juvenile Housing Trust        |               |               |
| Range Improvement Trust       |               |               |
| Court Trust                   | \$ 335.00     |               |
| Centennial Trust              |               |               |
| College Trust                 |               |               |
| Treasurer's Trust             | \$ 505.45     |               |
| ID Trust                      |               |               |
| Concealed Weapon's Trust      | \$ 326.00     |               |
| Motor Vehicle Trust           | \$ 20,394.44  |               |
| 911 Trust                     | \$ 3,397.79   |               |
| Public Safety Trust           | \$ 337.42     |               |
| Weed Control Trust            |               |               |
| Drug Court Trust              |               |               |
| Farmers Land & Irrigation LID |               |               |
| Vessel Account                |               |               |
| <b>Grand Total</b>            | \$ 417,307.50 | \$ 298,301.80 |