

APPROVED

COMMISSIONER MEETING OF November 28, 2016

The Caribou County Commissioners met in regular session on November 28, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance for the first hour were Earl Somsen, Commission Chair, and Phil Christensen. Also in attendance were Caribou County Clerk Denise Horsley, Caribou County Attorney Doug Wood, Road & Bridge Supervisor Kim Spencer Leadman Brett Barfuss, Public Safety Director Eric Hobson, EMS Director Larry Weaver, Landfill Supervisor Jayson Lower, Caribou County Sheriff Michael Haderlie, Stacie Watkins, and Joel Murray.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and prayer.

Kim Spencer, Brett Barfuss, Road and Bridge:

- Kim is still getting positive feedback on the gravel retriever that Bonneville County has. He presented some pictures to show how well they seem to be working.
- Commissioner Somsen asked about two invoices pertaining to filters. Kim explained this bill is for the new exhaust systems on the trucks. This has to be done every 50,000 miles. This wasn't explained to Kim when they purchased the new trucks. Kim explained this does help with the emissions. The new trucks do not give off any emissions.
- Kim asked for permission to purchase a retriever. The cost is approximately \$19,000. The Commissioners both agreed that would be okay to purchase.
- Kim asked who is doing the snow removal for the Courthouse and EMS building this winter. Commissioner Somsen asked Kim if he has the equipment and time to do the places in town. Kim said he can make the time and has the equipment. The Commissioners both agreed that Kim should do it. Kim said the only problem may be during the day, he may not have time to come over in the afternoon, but he can for sure do the morning removal before 9am. Mr. Woods parking lot is on a yearly rotation with the City of Soda Springs. Kim will check with the City and find out whose turn it is.
- Kim asked if they have decided anything on the new shop. Commissioner Christensen explained that they have not discussed it enough to have made a decision. Commissioner Somsen asked Kim if they did proceed what direction the shop would run. Kim said he would prefer to have it run east to west. He would like to avoid having doors on the north. They will discuss further and go look at the proposed building site and come to a decision later.
- Kim has been asked by an employee if they would be able to plow her driveway and she would pay the County. He would like to go measure her driveway and make an agreement on payment. Both Commissioners said that would be fine.

Stacie Watkins, Senior Citizens Center:

- Stacie went over her quarterly report. She thinks finances are looking good. She also thanked the Commissioners for the donation that they made.

- She will find out at the end of the March on the grant for the roof. She has been in contact with the individual working on the grants. There isn't a lot of competition so the odds are looking to be in our favor.
- She said donations have been down this year, but the thrift store has helped them break even.
- Commissioner Christensen asked what taxes they are required to pay. She said they do have to pay income taxes for the employees and sales tax for items sold in the thrift store. They do not have to pay any taxes for meals on wheels.
- Stacie mentioned that they do have an individual that can help seniors with Medicare open enrollment questions at the Senior Center. Her name is Joanne Rhodes. She is quite knowledgeable and can help people pick the best plan based on their individual situation. This is a free service. She is there on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Eric Hobson/ Larry Weaver, Public Safety & EMS

- Larry asked for permission to give the EMS and Fire Department personnel life flight membership and \$25 gift certificates. This is the same as what was approved last year. Commissioner Christensen motioned to go forward with this request. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Eric was contacted by Department of Homeland Security. They explained to him that they had extra money and we over matched on the EMPG (Emergency Management Program). They offered Eric approximately \$26,000 to go back into the fund that pays Eric and Linda's salary and office upkeep.
- Over the weekend a water line at the Fire Department broke. They made a temporary fix, still waiting to hear the final costs for the permanent repairs. He will wait to hear the final cost before he files an insurance claim. There was some drywall damage.

Jayson Lower Landfill Supervisor:

- Jayson got two tire quotes, one from Soda Springs Tire Factory and one from Ron Keller. Keller's is substantially lower. Commissioner Somsen suggested that Jayson go back to Soda Springs Tire Factory and see if they are willing to match. If they are not willing, then purchase from Ron Keller.
- Jayson asked for permission to close the landfill on Christmas Eve and work on Monday which is the actually scheduled holiday. He will publish this in the paper if they will approve. Garbage will be collected on Monday so he feels this would be the best option.
- This would be okay as far as payroll goes as well.
- Jayson is also having a Christmas party on December 22 if the Commissioners are available to attend.
- The Commissioners said closing on Christmas Eve should be fine if they employees are in favor of it. Jayson said his crew would prefer this over being closed on Monday, December 26.

- City of Soda Springs is given 50 tons a year free of charge. He wants to make sure that the Commissioners are aware of that. The City of Soda Springs also have 10 addresses that pay no landfill fees for. He really tries to keep a good working relationship with the surrounding cities.
- Commissioner Christensen asked how our recycling is going. Jayson explained that they recycle cardboard, pallets, plastic, and metal. He feels like they are recycling a lot of material and at least breaking even. HDP plastic is easy to get recycled, but not milk jugs. To recycle glass and milk jugs is more of an expense so they don't recycle them at this point. He is hoping to get a new source for the wood that comes in. They lost the last source.
- Commissioner Somsen explained to Jayson that the report from the DEQ was exceptional and he commended him for doing such a good job.

Michael Haderlie, Caribou County Sheriff:

- Commissioner Somsen was asked by a Caribou County citizen if we have a non-profit charity fund if an officer is hurt or killed in the line of duty. They were wanting to donate to this fund. Sheriff Haderlie explained that we do not have a local fund for that. He believes some other counties have funds for this and he can do some research on how they got theirs set up. Commissioner Somsen believes the individuals were wanting to make a donation before the end of the year. Sheriff Haderlie will try to find out all the details and find out how long it may take to get it going.

Joel Murray:

- Mr. Murray is needing a variance to use a road that is steeper than the allowed 7% grade for easier access to his ground.
- This road would only be used for his personal use only. He is hoping to eventually build a cabin on this property. The road would be seldom used as he doesn't live there full time.
- He has 2 roads that could be used including the road in question, but his property borders Indian ground and the Indians have requested the he use the shorter steeper road. They are wanting him to avoid disrupting the land as much as possible. However, they are still reviewing his proposals.
- He has met with Planning and Zoning already and they approved his variance. However, the grade is steeper than what was approved by Planning and Zoning. The map showed 14 or 15 percent grade and it is actually closer to 17 percent grade. He has since corrected the map.
- He is still reviewing things with the State on easements. If they will allow him to shave off some ground from the top, he could easily meet the 7% grade on the other road.
- Doug Wood asked Mr. Murray if he expecting the County to maintain the road he is wanting the variance on. He said he doesn't foresee anyone having to maintain the road but him. He stated he is the main user of the road.
- Commissioner Somsen said he sees no problems using the road as it is now. Commissioner Christensen agreed with him.

- Doug Wood confirmed we will not be liable for any accidents or maintenance on this private road and Mr. Murray agreed with this. This is the road from the reservoir to the top of ridge. The map will indicate which road has been approved.
- Commissioner Christensen motioned that the variance be approved for Mr. Murray. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion under the terms that have been stated. Motion carried.
- Mr. Murray asked about the other road if the Indians don't approve him to shave off the ground. Commissioner Somsen said this would have to be re-visited after the Indians have made their decision. He would also have to go thru Planning and Zoning just as he did this time.

Josh Adams:

- Josh Adams was a no show for the meeting.


Other:

- Commissioner Christensen moved to pay the claims in the amount of \$200,657.31, remittance to the Taxing Districts \$66,111.40 and payroll claims in the amount of \$161,342.99, and to approve the minutes of November 14, 2016 as amended, Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried
- Commissioner Christensen made the motion to issue a beverage license to Dave Patterson for his store in Bancroft after all the details are passed by Planning and Zoning. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The Commissioners accompanied Landfill Supervisor Jayson Lower on a tour of the Cache Valley Landfill. Commissioner Mathews did not attend the meeting or the tour today.
- The Commissioners discussed Christmas bonuses. \$200 for full time employees, \$100 for part time employees, and \$50 for the 4 individuals that worked for Road and Bridge this summer. Commissioner Christensen motioned for payroll to proceed with the bonuses this week. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Christensen motioned to amend Ordinance #2017-01 and #2017-02 to correct the legal description as provided by the City of Soda Springs. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried. The City has made the corrections already.
- Commissioner Christensen motioned to approve the Summary of Ordinance #2017-02 for publication. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried. This is the summary that Clyde Nelson provided to Doug Wood. This allows publishing a summary of the entire ordinance in the local paper for the public.

- Doug Wood and Commissioner Somsen reviewed Mr. Smith's proposal on the cases that will display his artifact collection. Doug said there are a couple very minor changes to make. Commissioner Somsen said this will be placed in the display.
- The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The Caribou County Board of Commissioners will meet December 12, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. for regular meeting.

Signed: Earl Somsen, Commissioner Chairman

Attested: Denise Horsley





Approved Payment of Bills			
	28-Nov-16	Claims	Payroll
Current Expense		\$ 18,931.71	
Indigent		\$ 5,986.57	
Road & Bridge		\$ 29,122.55	
Special Highway		\$ 1,605.07	
Justice		\$ 10,336.49	
Consolidated Election		\$ 1,516.80	
Weed Control		\$ 16,378.69	
Solid Waste		\$ 2,954.29	
Reappraisal		\$ 18.85	
Health		\$ 882.69	
Hospital M&O			
Ambulance		\$ 4,767.38	
Parks & Recreation			
Tort			
County Fair		\$ 35,000.00	
County Court Facility			
District Court		\$ 12,393.77	
Court Services			
Juvenile Justice		\$ 675.49	
Veteran's Memorial		\$ 6,000.00	
Mineral Leasing			
PILT		\$ 10,338.97	
Idaho State Treasurer		\$ 15.00	
School District #148		\$ 992.90	
Central Cemetery		\$ 323.93	
Fairview Cemetery		\$ 2,866.88	
Freedom Cemetery		\$ 61.66	
Grace Cemetery		\$ 1,204.19	
Lago Cemetery		\$ 256.54	
Lund Cemetery		\$ 249.78	
Thatcher Cemetery		\$ 168.55	
Turner Cemetery		\$ 175.44	
School District #149		\$ 1,555.26	
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City of Soda Springs		\$ 33,511.66	
City of Bancroft		\$ 6,929.74	
City of Grace		\$ 11,682.49	
Bancroft Cemetery		\$ 519.52	
Lava Cemetery		\$ 3.97	
Grace Free Library		\$ 3,170.44	
TV Translator		\$ 267.63	
Caribou County Solid Waste		\$ 1,422.07	
Bailey Creek Fire District		\$ 80.72	
Freedom Fire District		\$ 132.58	
Waterways			
Tax Deed Excess Funds			
Farmers Land & Irrigation LID			
Bailey Creek Fire District			
Freedom Fire District			
Auditor's Trust			
Adult Probation Fee		\$ 54.00	
Diversion Education Trust			
Juvenile Housing Trust			
Water District			
Court Trust		\$ 1,893.50	
Centennial Trust			
College Trust			
Treasurer's Trust			
ID Trust			
Concealed Weapon's Trust			
Motor Vehicle Trust		\$ 41,800.49	
911 Trust			
Public Safety Trust			
Weed Control Trust			
Drug Court Trust			
Youth Court Trust			
Vessel Account			
Grand Total		\$ 266,768.71	\$ 161,342.99