



February 19, 2002, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on February 12, 2001, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 19th day of February, 2002, at 8:00 a.m.

Present:	Ed Mansfield	Chairman
	Kathy Skippen	Commissioner
	Sharon Pratt	Commissioner
	Susan Howard	Clerk

Whereupon the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

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Pledge of Allegiance was said.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED: The minutes of February 11 & 12, 2002, were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes of February 11 & 12, 2002, as read and corrected. It was seconded and carried.

WEED DEPARTMENT/FOREST SERVICE CONTRACT: A motion was made to sign the 2002 Operating Plan for Cooperative Weed Control Agreement between Gem County and USDA-Forest Service, Boise National Forest. It was seconded and carried.

IDAHO LIQUOR CATERING PERMIT: A motion was made to approve the Idaho Liquor Catering Permit, which had been approved by Sheriff Clint Short, for the Roundup to cater at the Armory for Ducks Unlimited on February 23, 2002. It was seconded and carried.

INDIGENT APPLICATIONS: A motion was made, seconded, and carried to go into executive session under Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(d). Deputy Clerk Sue Spencer presented the following indigent applications:

02-027 Application needed a denial because of Medicaid benefits approval.

02-031 Application for medical assistance.

02-033 Application for rent assistance of \$395 and a statutory lien needed signed.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to come out of executive session.

A motion was made to deny 02-027 because of other resources available, to deny 02-031 because no medical services were

necessary and no emergency existed, to sign a statutory lien for and approve 02-033 for one month only.

PUBLIC INPUT: Bill Blanton met with some VFW matters. He turned in a claim for \$300 for office space for the Veterans Services Officer, which had been budgeted.

ROAD & BRIDGE CONTRACTS: A motion was made to authorize Dennis Pulley, Road & Bridge Supervisor, to accept the piggy back from Ada Canyon Hwy District's 2002 contract with Central Paving for hot mix. It was seconded and carried.

A motion was made to accept a piggy back off of Twin Falls Highway District's 2002 contract with Koch Pavement Solutions for CRS asphalt materials. It was seconded and carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made, seconded, and carried to go into executive session under Idaho Code 67-2345(b) concerning personnel. Those governing bodies present in the meeting were Commissioners Mansfield, Skippen, and Pratt. No final decisions were made. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to come out of executive session.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:00pm and reconvened at 1:00pm.

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY SOUTHWEST BASIN ADVISORY GROUP APPOINTMENT: Commissioner Kathy Skippen was appointed by DEQ to the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality Southwest Basin Advisory Group.

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PUBLIC HEARING - PRIVATE ROAD & SIGN PERMIT FEES: The Public Hearing was tape-recorded. Commissioner Mansfield read the notice for a public hearing to establish a fee for the Gem County private road permit of \$100 and the Gem County sign permit of \$25.00. He then asked for input.

Mike Williams, P & Z Administrator, stated that a public hearing needed to be held because this was an establishment of new fees.

Mike Randall asked if the fee covered the cost of inspections and registration. He was told that they would be covered in the

fee. He was in support of the two fees and appreciated the County regulating private roads.

Commissioner Skippen was told that the P & Z Commission took into consideration how many inspections and how much paperwork is involved in private roads when coming up with the permit fee. The fee is a little lower than the Counties around Gem County.

A motion was made to approve the private road application fee and the sign application fee as presented. It was seconded and carried.

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT HEALTH - COMMUNITY WELLS: Malcom McGregor from Southwest District Health met to let the Commissioners know that the DEQ will now certify a community well shared on two lots. But, because it is a community well, an engineer will need to be involved, which could increase the cost of the well up to \$10,000. Ten or more connections would change the status from community well to public well.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES - PLANNING ISSUES: Mike Williams, Planning & Zoning Administrator, and John Blom from Holladay Engineers met to discuss some zoning issues. Some other surrounding counties work with a County engineer and charge a larger fee for subdivision plats. The developers put a set amount of money, depending on the size of the subdivision, into a County trust fund when they present their application. If there is money left in their fund after the subdivision is done, it is refunded to the developer.

Subdivision roads and rights of way are becoming complicated.

Mike thought it would be good to have a booklet that lets developers know what the requirements for roads are in Gem County. There needs to be a standard set.

Commissioner Skippen left the meeting at 3:10pm.

INDUSTRIAL PARK: A meeting was held with Morris Huffman, Economical Development Specialist, Leslie Toombs and Shawn Charters from Sage Community Services, John Blom from Holladay Engineering, and Bob Ford from the Idaho State Department of Commerce, to discuss the proposed Industrial Park. The City of Emmett, through a letter from Tony Villanueva, President of the Emmett City Council, had decided to not move forward with the project. Discussion was had on looking at developing an industrial park on some County Land and/or private land. A group in Jerome County has a good model to follow in the way they have developed some property. A visit to Jerome County will be scheduled for County and City officials and other interested parties. Maybe all of the light-industrial property owners in the

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County could be brought together and discuss ideas.

The Board recessed at 5:00pm to February 25, 2002, at 8:00am.

Approved: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Clerk