



April 22 & 23, 2002, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on April 16, 2001, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 22nd & 23rd day of April, 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 April 15 & 16, 2002, were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes of April 15 & 16, 2002, as read and corrected. It was seconded and carried.

JAKE WYANT - WEED DEPARTMENT ALARM SYSTEM: Jake Wyant, acting Weed Supervisor, met to present a proposal for an alarm system for the Weed Department building from ADT Security Systems for a cost of \$149 with a \$30/mo contract for maintenance/lease. After three years, all of the equipment would belong to Gem County. Jake will investigate the company a little more and will get estimates from a couple more companies.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made, seconded, and carried to go into executive session under Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(d) concerning an indigent lien. 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.

JOHN EVANS - INDIGENT LIEN: John Evans met with the County concerning a lien on a mobile home for Indigent Case No. 01-014. A motion was made to accept a partial release of lien to release the mobile home in the amount of \$2000, less the amount of personal property tax owed, for Indigent

Case No. 01-014. It was seconded and carried.

FINDINGS OF FACTS: A motion was made to approve the Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law in the appeal of the decision of the Planning & Zoning Commission to approve Special Use Permit No. 398 for a cell tower to be placed on the Roma Troutt property, in which the Board of Commissioners upheld the decision of the P & Z Board, with several stipulations. It was seconded and carried.

BARBARA PULTZ - GEM COUNTY GUARDIANS: Barbara Pultz, with the Gem County Guardians, reported they had the required four quarterly meetings in 2001. There were five board members as December 31, 2001. They now have seven, which is a minimum number on the Board. They had two wards as of December 31, 2001, one of which has since passed away and the other has moved out of the County, but they are still working with him.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST UPDATE: Morris Huffman met to update the Commissioners on economic development in the County. There was a productive Development Corporation meeting last Tuesday. There will be a meeting on Wednesday, April 24 at 3:30pm to 5:00pm. They need to start the 501-(C)-3 status process and they need a charter from the City of Emmett. Their Articles of Incorporation are in draft form.

Morris has had some interest in the small wood industry.

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:

02-034 Application for medical expenses.

02-048 Application needed a statutory lien signed.

02-049 Application needed a statutory lien signed.

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

A motion was made to approve 02-034 and to sign a statutory lien for 02-048 and 02-049. 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.

STONE CREEK ESTATE SUBDIVISION - BOND: Malcohm McGregor, Southwest District Health Department, Terri Barrus, and Mike Williams, Planning & Zoning Administrator, met with some concerns on a lot that the Barrus family is building on in the Stone Creek Estate Subdivision. The developer is supposed to supply community water to the five lots in the subdivision. They haven't done that yet and they are wondering if the subdivision bond could be initiated by the County to get the improvements done. In looking at the plat map, there is some questions about whether there is a requirement for a community well. Research will need to be done.

BRENTON SEMPREVIVA - AREA AGENCY ON AGING: Brenton Sempreviva, the director of Southwest Idaho Area Agency on Aging, met with a report. He reported that they have 29 senior centers in the Southwest District. Gem County is the only Adult Daycare in the District. They would like to at least have one in Boise. They are considering a mobile daycare for rural areas with some Family Care Giver funds from the Federal Government.

He went over the services in his department, which also includes Adult Protection, Case Management, Chore, Dental, Health Promotion, Homemaker, Idaho Senior Games, Information & Assistance, Legal Aid, Nutrition Programs, Outreach, Ombudsman, Respite Care, and Transportation.

He also talked about the PALS Program. The program will assist them with their case managers. Volunteers help with the care of the seniors. There is training, graduation, and the person is then assigned to visit their "pal" once a month and make a phone call once a week.

PUBLIC AUCTION - MARY ALICE SHAFFER HOME: A public auction was held for a home owned by Mary Alice Shaffer located at 824 E. Locust Ave., Emmett, with proceeds to go to Walter Knox Memorial Hospital. No one presented a bid for the property, so it will be listed with a realtor.

LOCAL RURAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM EXCHANGE PROGRAM: A motion was made to sign the State/Local Agreement for the Local Rural Surface Transportation

Program (STRP) Exchange Program - FY2002. It was seconded and carried.

BOGUS BASIN HILL CLIMB ASSOCIATION: Carl Somerton and Doug Miller from the Bogus Basin Hill Climb Association met with the Commissioners to discuss the Freezeout Hill Climb. They asked for permission to use the Old Freezeout Road for the Climb this year. They provide EMS (hired from Gem County) and other support workers. It is the oldest hill climb in the Western part of the United States. It is the 5th oldest hill climb in the United States. It is the oldest continuous hill climb in the United States and England. They have an average of 42 drivers from several states. The race is June 22 and 23, 2002. They provide an insurance binder. They asked that the Road Department sweep the road. A motion was made to approve the Freezeout Hill Climb. It was seconded and carried.

The Board recessed to 7:00 for an open forum at the Courthouse.

EMMETT OPEN FORUM: Eight members of the public attended.

The locked-down elevator for evening meetings was discussed. The Commissioners commented that they would talk to the Sheriff about opening it. It is the responsibility of the person in charge of the meeting to have the Sheriff's Office open the elevator.

Discussion was had on the closed jail and extra expenses. The reasons as to why the jail was closed was discussed. Letters from the Fire Marshal and ICRMP were discussed. Other alternatives such as video conferencing for inmate hearings, remodeling the old jail, and bringing in more modules, were discussed. The Commissioners stated that those alternatives had all been looked at and the decision had been made to run a jail bond.

Mosquito abatement was discussed. The problems with not spraying the Robinson Dairy farm for any other single property in an area of the community were discussed. The Mosquito Abatement Board has sent a letter to the Commissioners stating their plan for mosquito abatement in the County. The Commissioners will attend a meeting tomorrow in Boise on mosquito control, sponsored by a chemical company.

Commissioner minutes and expenses were discussed. The minutes taken by the current clerk are an abbreviated minute, but have the things that Idaho Code requires. The Commissioners charge mileage for all miles except the

8:00am-5:00pm regular Commissioner meetings. Several of the public object to that.

Discussion was had on the proposed new jail. The Commissioners stated that the members of the Citizen's Jail Committee have made most of the decisions concerning the plan, the location, and the date of the bond election, with the Commissioner's approval.

The Board recessed to April 23, 2002, at 8:00am.

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Commissioners Mansfield and Skippen attended a mosquito training meeting sponsored by Clark Mosquito Control, returning at 2:00pm.

Commissioner Pratt attended a Southwest District Health meeting, returning at 2:00pm.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MATTERS: Prosecuting Attorney Dick Linville and legal extern Ron Shepherd met with the Board to discuss several legal matters.

A policy needs to be set for those requesting no mosquito abatement. The Commissioners are in support of the Mosquito Abatement Boards' proposal of February 22, 2000, to not spray the Robinson Dairy property. A written response will be forthcoming to the Mosquito Abatement Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made, seconded, and carried to go into executive session under Idaho Code 67-2345(f) concerning possible litigation. 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.

CLAIMS: The claims presented were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the claims presented. 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:

02-050 Application asking for \$235 to prevent power being turned off.

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

A motion was made to sign a statutory lien and approve 02-050. It was seconded and carried.

RESOLUTION 2002-12 - PERSONNEL POLICY AMENDMENT: A motion was made to adopt Resolution No. 2002-12 amending the Drug Testing Policy in the Gem County Personnel Policy, subsection 2 of Subsection B of Section X. It was seconded and carried.

The Board recessed at 5:00pm to May 6, 2002, at 8:00am.

Approved: _____

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Chairman

Attest: _____

Clerk