



May 20 & 21, 2002, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on May 14, 2002, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 20th & 21st day of May, 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:

May 20, 2002

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED: The minutes of May 13 & 14, 2002, were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes of May 13 & 14, 2002, as read and corrected. It was seconded and carried.

JUDIE WOODIE - WATER LINE AT FAIRGROUNDS: Judy Woodie, from the Fair Board, said they would like to use the County backhoe to extend an irrigation line to wet down the sand arena to keep the dust down in the arena. It would be about 249 feet of ditch. Their maintenance man could operate the backhoe if they could borrow it from the Road & Bridge Department. No decision was made.

PUBLIC AUCTION - TAX DEED PROPERTIES: An auction was held for four tax deed parcels:

- Parcel RP 00019104, .17 acres in Sec 7 6N 1W
- Parcel RP 00495400, 1.88 acres in Sec 9 7N 3W
- Parcel RP 00193400, 39.09 acres in Sec 15 & 16 6N 1E
- Parcel RP 00394904, 21.67 acres in Sec 28 6N 3W

There were no bids on Parcel RP 00019104. There were no bids on Parcel RP 00495400. There were no bids on Parcel RP 00193400. There were bids from two parties, Bruce Berg and Sam Miller, for Parcel RP 00394904, with the high bid from Sam Miller of \$25,000. After consulting with the Prosecuting Attorney and a local realtor, the bid of \$25,000 was accepted from Sam Miller, through motion.

HIGHWAY 52 PROPERTY LEASE BIDS: Bids for the lease of the County property on Highway 52 were opened. A bid from Jerry Pulley for \$5,830, with a \$300 bid bond, and a bid from Jim and Keith Standley for \$6,135 with a \$306.75 bid bond were received. Through motion, the lease was awarded to Jim and Keith Standley, with the highest bid of \$6,135.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE: Morris Huffman, Economic Development Specialist, met to update the Board on any economic development issues. He discussed a sewer system that was toured last week. Morris was very impressed with the system. Plants for meat rendering or cheese should not use that kind of system because of the fats and oils in the sewage that don't break down very well. There is an individual who may be interested in partnering in a sewage system on property owned by Gem County on Hwy 52. With a rezone, there could be an industrial park planned for the property. There will be a meeting of the Development Corporation and the Board of Directors will be named and officers will be voted on, with their names put on the Articles of Incorporation and sent to the Secretary of State's office. They will then be a legal entity and able to do business. The Commissioners agreed to use the balance of the four-County money to do a study of the project.

May 30 & 31 there will be an equipment demonstration in Idaho City for small wood mills.

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

JAY JENSEN - STANDERFER GRAVEL PIT: Jay Jensen, realtor, met to ask about a gravel pit that used to be owned by Dick Standerfer. Jay Jensen has bought the property. The Commissioners stated that Carol Gossett owns some property adjacent to the pit and there was concern at one time that the undermining of the pit may cause problems with the Gossett property. This would be a private matter between the property owners. Any possible undermining of the County road along the pit has been checked and okayed by the County Road Department.

FLOOD GRANT PROGRAM: Pat Lucas, Stephen Weiser, and Jonathan Perry from the Bureau of Disaster Services met with the Board concerning a mitigation program for flood control. Mitigation is future loss reduction and their programs are to prevent that loss. Gem County is most

susceptible to flooding and next would be fire and then earthquakes. If there is a disaster plan in place, there is grant money available at a 75%(Federal) and 25%(County) match from FEMA for creating these plans. After the plan is in place, then Gem County property owners would be eligible for money to help prevent losses. There is a Flood Program and also an All Hazards Program, that would include flooding. The All Hazards Program is more expensive. Some of the match could come from in-kind, half of which could be volunteered time.

PUBLIC HEARING - MIKE GURNEY REZONE: The public hearing was tape-recorded. A public hearing was had for a request for a rezone by Michael Gurney to rezone approximately five acres located at 1339 W. Central Ave. Mike Williams, P & Z Administrator, stated that the P & Z Commission approved the rezone with the stipulations that a detailed map showing a site plan with the easements staked out be provided and he must follow Emmett Irrigation requirements.

Amber Egbert testified against the rezone because of the easement requirement of a 24 foot driveway, which may cause some of their large trees to be removed.

Because the site plan was not provided and because of questions concerning shared right-of-way and piping of the lateral irrigation ditch, the decision was made to take the decision under advisement until June 10, 2002.

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:

02-048 Application denial was appealed by the hospital.

02-054 Application for pre-approval for surgery needed a statutory lien signed.

02-056 Application for pre-authorization for surgery.

02-057 Application for medical expenses needed a statutory lien signed.

02-058 Application for pre-approval for surgery needed a statutory lien signed.

02-059 Application for medical expenses needed a statutory lien signed.

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

A motion was made to deny 02-054 because no indigence existed, to sign a statutory lien and approve 02-056, to sign a statutory lien for 02-057, to approve 02-058 and sign a statutory lien, and to sign a statutory lien for 02-

059. It was seconded and carried.

The Board recessed at 5:00pm to go to an open forum meeting at Shadow Butte School.

OPEN FORUM - SHADOW BUTTE SCHOOL: Commissioners Mansfield, Skippen, and Pratt and Clerk Howard met at the Shadow Butte School for an open forum for the public. No public attended.

The Board recessed to May 21, 2002, at 8:00am.

May 21, 2002

Commissioner Pratt was not in the meeting.

Commissioner Mansfield was at a meeting of the Southwest District Health until 2:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

CONFERENCE CALL - IDAHO COUNCIL ON CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH: A conference call was held with Commissioner Skippen and the Idaho Council on Children's Mental Health, from 8:30am to 12:00pm.

PUBLIC WALK-IN AND INPUT: No one walked in.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MATTERS: Prosecuting Attorney Dick Linville met to go over several legal matters.

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

Commissioner Mansfield came into the meeting.

TAX COMMISSION - 5-YEAR APPRAISAL PLAN: Greg Cade and Diana Proper from the Idaho State Tax Commission, and Assessor Greg Himes met with the Board to do a follow-up on the appraisal remediation plan. The Tax Commission reported they had been concerned that Gem County had not kept up on the number of properties that are required to be appraised each 5-year period. Gem County is very close to those numbers. Greg Cade applauded the job that the Assessor's office has done the past year, with over 3,000 properties appraised, but they are still a few short in some of the commercial properties. There are about 370

commercial properties due to be appraised. They will be added as an addendum to next year's goal. That will be about 1800 parcels that are required to be appraised by June of 2003. The Tax Commission stated that they feel the Assessor's Office needs to hire another appraiser to meet the goals required. He was told that all that can be done, will be done, with the budget constraints that Gem County is in right now.

The Board recessed at 5:00pm to May 28, 2002, at 8:00am.

Approved: _____

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Chairman

Attest: _____

Clerk