



October 7 & 8, 2002, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on October 1, 2002, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 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.**

**JAIL UPDATE:** Russ Campbell met to discuss jail matters. He stated that he and the Citizen's Jail Bond Committee are not happy about some of the claims being paid out of the Jail Fund. They consulted with an attorney and they feel that some of the claims paid for the moving and setting up of the EMT trailer is in the gray area of what the bond money should be paid for. No decisions were made.

**MINUTES READ AND APPROVED:** The minutes of October 1, 2002, were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes October 1, 2002, as read and corrected. It was seconded and carried.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:** Dennis Pulley, Road & Bridge Supervisor, reported that the State repainted the crosswalks they had covered while redoing the State highway. He asked for a decision on the size of chips that the Commissioners want him to use on the roads. (The decision was later made to use ½ inch chips.)

Debra Lish, Planning & Zoning Administrator, reported on a conference she went to. She stated that there is a public hearing on October 15 for a subdivision ordinance. They will be sending letters out to property owners on the Highway 16 corridor asking that they keep the weeds down.

Newton Hawley, Building Official, reported there were 16 building permits, four zoning permits, and two applications for miscellaneous permits, with a total of \$11,674 collected in fees for the month.

Janelle Schnieder, Juvenile Probation Officer,

reported they received seven new juvenile petitions, with a total caseload of 96 juveniles. They are in the process of developing a one-hour Drug and Alcohol Prevention Class for low risk juveniles and they have two juveniles enrolled for inpatient drug treatment. They had a very good 15<sup>th</sup> Annual ICA/IJJA Joint Congress conference.

Martin Joyce, Landfill Supervisor, reported that they have the tires cleaned up, for today anyway. Their computer is down so he didn't have any numbers to report.

Mark Rekow, Ambulance Director, reported collecting \$8503.17 in ambulance fees. They transported 48 parties and received 12 more calls that were not transported. The year-to-date transports were 497, compared to 498 last year. They will be starting a Basic EMT class with grant money. The grant to update the Circle K building as an ambulance building is being worked on. Mark is anxious to get the temporary doors on the building so the ambulances can be parked inside.

Jake Wyant, acting Noxious Weed Supervisor, reported he had a meeting in Horseshoe Bend to learn about the Eurasian Milfoil treatment. They looked in Montour, where there is a lot of Eurasian Milfoil. There is none in the Black Canyon Reservoir, but the Airport pond is filled with it, along with Sawyer's ponds. Ed's Pond on the Island doesn't seem to have any in it yet. All of the control treatments are expensive and labor intensive. There are groups brainstorming on some solutions. He will be working with ranchers with Scotch Thistle. There is a Lower Payette Weed Cooperative meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October.

Will Cook, Extension Agent, reported a letter has been written to an orchard property owner concerning pest control. The 4-H had a recognition night, and new 4-H leader training is already being held.

Dave Evans, Maintenance Supervisor, reported that the benches in the front of the Courthouse are being refinished by SILD workers. Dave is using 3-4 SILD workers a week. There are some wiring problems he took care of in the basement. He is beginning to prepare the buildings for winter. The Motor Vehicle building needs some major work. The roof of the Courthouse needs to be re-coated.

Morris Huffman, Economic Development Specialist, reported that Shadow Butte will be giving a presentation on October 17 to the Department of Commerce for the grant for the BMC West building. There will be an EDGE meeting in Horseshoe Bend on Thursday. Later in the month he will be at meetings in Sun Valley. He is working on the application for the proposed industrial park.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS**: Greg Himes, Assessor, reported that there will be four Board of Tax Appeals Hearings this week. With additional information he received, he settled the Meadowbrook Apartments, with \$2500 of cancelled taxes. Boise Cascade sold the Co-Generation plant for \$10.00. Greg needs to visit with the Commissioners to come up with some bottom dollars to negotiate with Boise Cascade. One of his appraisers is quitting and he hired a new employee in Motor Vehicles.

Marilyn Frasier, Treasurer, reported \$31,515.11 in property tax collections. This month they are getting ready for the tax drive. She has a public administrator case, which could be a very difficult one. Boise Cascade needs to know that the 2002 property taxes need to be collected before any of the equipment is moved for the co-generation plant. She has a conference on Wednesday. On October 23 she has a legislative meeting. District III meeting is in Cascade on October 25, 2002. Marilyn asked if the County employees will have the Friday after Thanksgiving off. It was discussed.

Clint Short, Sheriff, reported meeting with Bill Lynn from the Sheriff's Association at which time they toured the building of the jail. There was \$31,560 in out-of-County jail expenses for the month of September, with currently 21 inmates in custody. The SILD office is now in the modular trailer at the Fairgrounds. He would like to at least paint the doors on the trailer, if not the whole building.

Susan Howard, Clerk, went over the decisions of the joint City/County luncheon as far as the who, what, why, when, and where of the continued meetings.

Commissioners updated the other Elected Officials on the Circle K building. They also updated them on the Sander's decision. There has been \$9,345 revenue from the RV Park. A fire prevention grant contract has been received. The County will receive the money for a person to do the study in Gem County. Some 319 grant money for water quality has been applied for and a storm water pre-application grant has been made.

**COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO GET FRIDAY AFTER THANKSGIVING OFF**: A motion was made to approve the Friday after Thanksgiving off for all County employees. It was seconded and carried.

**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.

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

**CLAIMS**: The claims presented were reviewed. Motions were made to approve the FY2002 claims and the FY2003 claims presented. They were seconded and carried.

**PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MATTERS**: Prosecuting Attorney Dick Linville met to go over legal matters. He will help find a lawyer that would be willing to offer the County legal advice concerning mosquito issues.

**MARK REKOW - AMBULANCE BUILDING**: Mark Rekow met with the proposals for overhead doors for the new ambulance building. A motion was made to accept the proposal from Overhead Doors for \$2,995. It was seconded and carried.

Mark also had a proposal for the work needed on the building to get it ready for the doors. The Commissioners asked Mark to try to get a couple more proposals for the work.

**Commissioner Pratt left the meeting for a Grievance Committee Meeting from 3:30pm to 4:30pm.**

**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:

02-059 Application for medical assistance that was denied and then was appealed by the hospital. The decision was tabled pending more information.

02-077 Application was denied because of no cooperation and St. Alphonsus Hospital has appealed.

02-089 Application for deposit and rent for one month.

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

A motion was made to approve 02-059, to sign the notice of hearing for 02-077, and to approve on a one time only one month's rent and deposit for a total of \$805 for 02-089. It was seconded and carried.

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE TRANSFER:** A motion was made to approve the transfer of an alcoholic beverage license from Jordan's Cherry Bowl to Cherry Bowl, Inc. It was seconded and carried.

**Commissioner Pratt came back into the meeting.**

**WILDFIRE RISK STUDY AGREEMENT SIGNED:** A motion was made to sign the Assistance Agreement with the Bureau of Land Management for the wildfire risk study. It was seconded and carried.

**The Board recessed at 5:00pm to October 15, 2002, at 8:00am.**

**October 8, 2002**

**The Commissioners and Clerk spent the day in Boise at the Governor's Digital Government Bootcamp.**

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk