



June 9, 2003, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on June 3, 2003, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 9th of June, 2003, at 8:00 a.m.

Present:	Ed Mansfield	Chairman
	Sharon Pratt	Commissioner
	Michele Sherrer	Commissioner
	Susan Howard	Clerk

Whereupon the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

June 9, 2003:

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made, seconded, and carried to go into executive session under Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(b) concerning personnel. Those governing bodies present in the meeting were Commissioners Mansfield, Pratt, and Sherrer. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to come out of executive session. No decisions were made.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made, seconded, and carried to go into executive session under Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(e) concerning matters of trade. Those governing bodies present in the meeting were Commissioners Mansfield, Pratt, and Sherrer. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to come out of executive session. No decisions were made.

MARILYN KNIGHTON, TREASURER: Gem County Treasurer Marilyn Knighton met with the Commissioners to let them know that the Idaho Code states that the largest amount that can be charged for returned checks is \$20.

Marilyn also stated that Idaho Code requires that the Commissioners give approval before any delinquent fees from taxing districts are added to tax assessments.

RETURN CHECK POLICY: A motion was made to rescind a motion made on 06/02/03 to change the charge for returned checks from \$10 to \$25, and to move to change the charge for

returned checks from \$10 to \$20. It was seconded and carried.

LYNSEY JUEL - FUNDING FOR AMERICORP VOLUNTEERS: Lynsey Juel met to ask for help with funding for two Americorp Vista volunteers. Gem County is specifically being asked for \$3,750 for one position. If the funding is committed by September 1, 2003, the amount would be \$3,650. The Recreation District has helped fund the program and Roseanne Daily, Recreation District Director, testified concerning the value of the program to them. Three youth interns were in the meeting and attested to the value of the program.

GEM COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES PROJECT ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CONTRACT: A motion was made to sign the Administrative Services Contract with Sage Community Resources for the administration of the Idaho Community Development Block Grant for the new Gem County Emergency Services facility. It was seconded and carried.

STPR EXCHANGE PROGRAM CONTRACT: A motion was made to sign the Local Rural Surface Transportation Program (STPR) Exchange Program for the amount of \$52,848, to be received by Gem County from the Idaho Transportation Department. It was seconded and carried.

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SERVICES CONTRACT: A motion was made to sign the Employee Assistance Program Services Contract between Gem County and Business Psychology Associates, Inc., to provide and arrange for the delivery and administration of employee assistance programs and services. It was seconded and carried.

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:

03-040 Application needed a release of lien because final appeal date had passed.

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

A motion was made to sign a release of lien for 03-

040. It was seconded and carried.

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PUBLIC HEARING - RURAL COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT: The hearing was tape-recorded. Chairman Mansfield read the notice of public hearing for an application for Rural Community Block Grant (RCBG) funding in the amount of \$500,000. These funds are proposed to build infrastructure improvements to create a light-industrial park. Infrastructure improvements proposed include water, wastewater, street and highway improvements, multi-phase power, natural gas, high-speed telecommunications, landscaping and signage.

Morris Huffman, EDGE, spoke in favor of the grant to be put with the \$2,000,000 from EDA to put together an industrial park, which would be a benefit for Gem County.

Steve Salskov, President of Shadow Butte Development Corporation, spoke in favor of the grant to help with the development of jobs to replace the jobs lost when Boise Cascade closed.

Cheryl Conrad thanked everyone for their cooperation so far in helping to get businesses to come to the community. She was grateful to be able to be a part of it.

Leslie Toombs, Sage Community Resources, reported that she had a draft application available for review.

Darel Harris, Emmett City Council, spoke neither for nor against the project. He feels that the draft application for the sewer agreement between the City of Emmett and Gem County should not be presented with the application because it is not yet approved. Leslie Toombs stated final sewer proposals are not needed for the grant application. Darel Harris then read from a copy of the unapproved minutes, which stated that "a copy of a draft sewer treatment agreement and the City Ordinance is needed for the grant application."

Kathleen Hunt stated that she didn't know why the property was even being considered for a grant when a sewage system has been turned down three times before on the same property. Commissioner Mansfield stated that if the grant is received, then the matters of sewage treatment would be further addressed.

Leslie Toombs stated that an engineering evaluation

was done on the site and two wastewater treatment proposals were approved.

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SAGE BOARD: A motion was made to nominate Ed Mansfield to service as Gem County's representative on the Sage Community Resources Board of Directors. It was seconded and carried.

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MINUTES READ AND APPROVED: The minutes of June 9, 2003, were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes of June 9, 2003, as read and corrected. It was seconded and carried.

The Board recessed at 2:00 p.m. to reconvene at 8:00 a.m. on June 16, 2003.

The Commissioners left to travel to Burley, Idaho, to attend the annual IACC convention on June 10 through June 12, 2003.

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Approved: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Clerk