



December 1 & 2, 2003, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on November 25, 2003, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 1st & 2nd day of December, 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:

December 1, 2003:

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

DEPARTMENT HEADS: Dennis Pulley, Road & Bridge Supervisor, reported they are working on bridges, putting gravel on roads, cleaning culverts, and doing other general maintenance. They are plowing a little snow in High Valley.

Debra Lish, Planning & Zoning Administrator, has been working with the Fire Mitigation group. The draft plan should be done next week. There are no public hearings this month, but there will be a workshop for a CAFO ordinance. The Joint Comp Plan Steering Committee will meet twice this month. Debra has been working on rural addressing.

Gary Miller, Building Official, reported they issued 22 building permits, 3 zoning permits for manufactured homes, and 4 other permits, with a total of \$14,217.15 fees collected, which is up from last year.

Janelle Schnieder, Juvenile Probation Officer, reported 90 juveniles on probation. They received six new juvenile petitions. Currently, there were no juveniles serving detention, but three served during the month. Janelle has had help from Canyon County Juvenile Probation Department in her office because of being short staffed and some personal emergencies. They will continue with the help through the month of December.

Martin Joyce, Landfill Supervisor, reported that they will have their yearly inspection on December 18 by the Health Department. During the inspection, they should determine anything we will need to change, if any, to be in

compliance with the new DEQ regulations. There is an average of 94 people a day coming to the landfill. They took in 478 ton of waste and transported 167 ton to Clay Peak.

Mark Rekow, Ambulance Director, reported ambulance service collections of \$14,179.04 for the month. They had 56 calls with 18 transports, including two from the jail. The YTD transports are 725, compared to 589 last year. The remodel of the Ambulance building is coming along well. Mark has applied for grant money for tuition and a new mannequin for an intermediate EMS class. He is working on having an extrication class for training on their new extrication vehicle. The fire departments and Sheriff's and police officers will be invited.

Jake Wyant, Weed Supervisor, reported they will be busy doing the paperwork and having meetings for the CWMAs. Last month they attended a weed-free hay meeting and went to a CWMA training and other training meetings. They are working with others on a legislative change to increase the fines for noxious weed offenses.

Morris Huffman, Economic Development Specialist, asked for input for the EDGE agenda for the Department of Commerce visit. Commissioner Pratt will make the presentation from Gem County and will need to put her remarks into letter form for the Department of Commerce. On this Friday, there will be a social gathering of business people, community leaders, and some of the companies planning on buying land in the Shadow Butte Industrial Park.

Chuck Shambaugh, Maintenance Supervisor, started employment today. He was introduced to everyone.

Commissioner Pratt left to attend a funeral, to return at 11:00 a.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS: Greg Himes, Assessor, reported that another of his employees is now a certified appraiser. He has one more to certify, which should happen in about ten months.

Clint Short, Sheriff, reported 53 inmates at one point over the weekend and 49 at the present time. They had three search & rescues the past month, with everyone found safely. The Sheriff's Posse did a good job. There are three Boise County inmates and seven State inmates currently in the jail. They received \$8,440 from State inmates and \$2,360 from Boise County inmates. They received \$909.86 commission from the phone system. There

were \$250 incarceration fees collected. Clint said that the SILD crew would be available to wash County vehicles—they just need to know the first thing in the mornings. Clint has signed a contract for tires, which will be a monetary savings and they will be better tires. They are the same tires that ISP uses on their vehicles.

Marilyn Knighton, Treasurer, will report tomorrow.

Commissioners Pratt and Sherrer left at 11:00 a.m. to attend the Treasure Valley Partnership luncheon and meeting at the Nampa Civic Center, to return at 2:00 p.m.

The Board recessed at 12:00 noon for lunch and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

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

03-059 Application for medical expenses needed an appeal withdrawal signed.

04-004 Application for nursing home care.

04-021 Application for medical assistance needed a statutory lien signed.

04-022 Application for medical assistance needed a statutory lien signed.

04-023 Application for rent assistance of \$425.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Sherrer, and carried unanimously to come out of executive session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer to sign the appeal withdrawal and to uphold the decision of denial on 03-059, to deny 04-004 because of other resources, to sign a statutory lien for 04-021 and 04-022, and to approve and sign a statutory lien on 04-023. It was seconded by Commissioner Pratt and carried unanimously.

FINDINGS OF FACT APPROVED: A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer to approve the findings of facts and Conclusions of law for the rezone requests from Ava Pasley and from Bryce Walker and the special use permit from David Siple. It was seconded by Commissioner Pratt and carried unanimously.

Payroll Claims Approval: The Payroll Claims Approval reports for August and September were reviewed and signed.

DELTA DENTAL CONTRACT RENEWED: A motion was made by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Sherrer, and carried unanimously to sign a renewal contract with Delta Dental for employee dental coverage.

MARK REKOW - AMBULANCE MATTERS: Mark Rekow, EMS Director, met with some figures for starting a paramedic (ALS) service in Gem County. The cost would be somewhere between \$450,000-\$500,000/year. He went over the expenses incurred by surrounding counties.

The Board recessed at 5:00 p.m. to reconvene at 8:00 a.m. on December 2, 2003.

December 2, 2003

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Sherrer, and carried unanimously, 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 by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Sherrer, and carried unanimously, to come out of executive session. No decisions were made.

INDIGENT HEARING: The Indigent Hearing for Case #03-072 was held in executive session. Those in attendance were Commissioners Mansfield, Pratt, and Sherrer, Clerk Howard, and Deputy Clerk Sue Spencer. No one appeared to represent the applicant. After coming out of executive session, Commissioner Sherrer made a motion to uphold the previous decision of denial for 03-072. It was seconded by Commissioner Pratt and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WALK-IN AND INPUT: Cheryl Conrad from Shadow Butte Development Corporation met with the Board. She thanked the Commissioners for the opportunity to go to the Idaho Rural Partnerships meeting in Coeur d'Alene. She said that Gem County and Emmett are in good shape for the Connect Idaho Project for broadband internet service. The gathering for business people and community leaders to celebrate the funding of Shadow Butte Development Corporation will be Friday, December 5, at 7:00 p.m. Cheryl presented the proposed plat layouts for Shadow Butte Industrial Park.

Bill Conger from the Assessor's Office met with

questions concerning the employee medical coverage. He had questions concerning the additional \$1,000 deductible, which resulted in an additional \$1,000 in stop-loss. It was explained to him that the County would be picking up \$800 of that \$1,000 and would increase the out-of-pocket amount of the stop-loss by \$200. The savings in premium costs more than make up the difference.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MATTERS: Prosecuting Attorney Richard Linville met with the Board concerning legal matters.

The Board recessed at 12:00 p.m. for lunch to reconvene at 1:00 p.m.

ALL HAZARD MITIGATION RFP BID OPENING: Russ Manwaring from RC&D met to open the bids for the RFP for the All Hazard Mitigation Plan for the West Central Highlands of Idaho. Only one proposal was submitted and it was from Northwest Management, Inc., for the amount of \$76,950 to \$225,000. The proposal will be discussed tomorrow at an RC&D meeting with all of the Counties included, which are Adams, Boise, Gem, Payette, Valley, & Washington.

Don Dittmer reported on the Gem County Fire Mitigation Plan. There should be a draft copy available this Friday, December 5, 2003. Don will go over it and condense it, if possible, and send copies out no later than Monday, December 8, 2003. There should be a draft copy out for the public to look at by December 15, 2003.

TREASURER REPORT: Marilyn Knighton, Treasurer, reported her office collected \$707,073.19 in property taxes during the month of November. She is working on several public administrator cases.

TRUGREEN CHEMLAWN CONTRACT SIGNED: A motion was made, seconded, and carried unanimously to sign a contract with TruGreen ChemLawn for lawn service and insect control around the Courthouse.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Sherrer, and carried unanimously, to go into executive session under Idaho Code (1)(f) concerning probable litigation. Those governing bodies present in the meeting were Commissioners Mansfield, Pratt, and Sherrer. A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer, seconded by Commissioner Pratt, and carried unanimously, to come out of executive session. No decisions were made.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED: The minutes of December 1 & 2, 2003, were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes of December 1 & 2, 2003, as read and corrected. It was seconded and carried.

The Board recessed at 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. on December 8, 2003.

CLAIMS FOR THE FOLLOWING FUNDS WITH WARRANTS WRITTEN
November 1, 2003, to November 30, 2003:

CURRENT EXPENSE FUND	\$109,230.81
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	81,281.56
CIGARETTE TAX/BLOCK GRANT	3,062.91
DISTRICT COURT FUND	11,209.39
COUNTY FAIR FUND	2,297.00
COUNTY JUSTICE FUND	212,078.29
FAIR, GROUNDS & BUILDINGS FUND	3,581.69
III HEALTH DISTRICT FUND	11,844.34
INDIGENT	32,175.61
JUNIOR COLLEGE TUITION FUND	150.00
ENHANCED 911	1,132.12
REVALUATION FUND	12,921.76
SOLID WASTE FUND	25,563.59
TORT	1,880.21
NOXIOUS WEED FUND	12,163.37
WATERWAYS	775.00
INSURANCE POOL	2,031.69
AMBULANCE FUND	<u>28,689.16</u>
TOTAL	\$552,068.50

Approved: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Clerk