



February 1, 2005, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on January 25, 2005, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2005, at 8:00 a.m.

Present:	Sharon Pratt	Chairman
	Michele Sherrer	Commissioner
	Lan Smith	Commissioner
	Susan Howard	Clerk

Whereupon the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

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**Pledge of Allegiance was said.**

**FOREST SERVICE CONTRACT:** A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer to sign the 2005 Financial and Operating Plan for Cooperative Law Enforcement between the USDA Forest Service, Boise National Forest and the Gem County Sheriff's Department. It was seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried unanimously.

**JUVENILE PROBATION REPORT:** Janelle Schneider met to give her monthly report, as she will be gone next week when the other department heads report. She had 75 juveniles on her caseload. There were 12 new juvenile petitions and two serving detention time.

Janelle stated there is a push through the legislature to allow juvenile probation officers to retire with PERSI using rule of 80. This would be approximately a \$94 cost per year to the County, per employee.

At her Juvenile Justice Council meeting, Janelle was told about a new grant available for the Department of Juvenile Corrections. It requires new paperwork and training. It is a reimbursement grant. Janelle is not interested in the grant money that has to be spent by the end of March 2005. She would be willing to sign an MOU for grant money to be spent by December 2005 if there is a need.

**PUBLIC WALK-IN AND INPUT:** Kelly Taylor from the Gem County Baseball/Softball League met to discuss several items concerning the baseball field at Gem Island Sports Complex. They would like to see safety nets on the backstops or extend them on top. He had a quote of \$2,850 per backstop to extend them ten feet. Kelly thought that the extension would be better than the nets because of the maintenance on the nets. He thinks there still needs to be discussion before a decision is made. The Optimists have about \$1300 that is dedicated fund raising money for field improvements. Kelly had a quote for dugouts for \$900 per dugout, without a roof or the concrete. They would like to see wider gates into the fields so that an ambulance could get onto the fields. They would like to improve the surface of the infields at

about \$3,000 per field, which will probably be paid for by fundraisers through the League. They would like to see more fields in the open area. They could be used for baseball and softball. He stated that fields with permanent fences would still allow room for soccer fields. The new fields would be a long-term goal.

Maynard Potter, president of the Reed Ditch Company, met concerning a problem with a lateral ditch along Little Rock Road. The culverts under the roads are not big enough to handle the flow and the ditch overflows. There needs to be 42" culverts to replace the 24" culverts in two areas. The Road Department requires a 12 gauge pipe to go under the road. Maynard gave a proposed cost share total of \$8,496.43, with the County's share at \$2,500. The Reed Ditch Company and Water District #65 would have a share of \$2,998.22 each. The County would be responsible for removing old pipe structure and installing the new pipe and repairing the road. The Commissioners will visit with Road & Bridge Supervisor Dennis Pulley.

Tom Blessinger and Pam Garrison from Black Canyon Partners met to inform the Commissioners they have learned there is another piece of property that is going to be developed and probably annexed into the City of Emmett. They are waiting for the public hearing and final approval by the Commissioners to continue their development plans. There is a Jack Nicholas golf course being built in the Eagle area, which is claiming to be the first links golf course in the State. The golf courses that are designed for the Black Canyon Partners development are links golf courses and Black Canyon Partners would like the distinction of the first one in the State to go to Gem County. This could still happen if the public hearing and decision of the Commissioners happen in a timely manor. The Commissioners let them know that because this is the first development of this kind that has come before them, they want to make sure they are making the best decisions for Gem County. The decision was made to hold the public hearing on March 1, 2005.

David Jones and Mary Arnold, with Treasurer Marilyn Knighton, met to discuss their manufactured home. When the home was placed, it was not declared as real property. They are not able to pay the \$72.02 of fees on their manufactured home. If it is turned over to the Sheriff, there would be additional fees added. If the Commissioners certify the Treasurer to add the fees to the real property the home is sitting on, the payment could be delayed. There are extenuating circumstances involved. The other option would be a cancellation of the fees due to hardship. They are currently working on the process to declare the mobile home as real property, but it will not take affect until the 2005 tax year. A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer to certify the 2004 fees to the 2005 real property tax bill. It was seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried unanimously.

**PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MATTERS:** Prosecuting Attorney Timothy Fleming and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney David Hargraves met to discuss legal matters. The County would need to become a public corporation in order to sponsor industrial revenue bonds for the

proposed co-generation plant.

PA Fleming would like to send Deputy Prosecutor Richard Linville to training in San Francisco that would cost approximately \$700.00 plus expenses. The amount has not been budgeted. There may be scholarship money available for part of the cost.

**QWEST CONTRACT SIGNED:** A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer to execute the Qwest Corporation Centrex 21 Rate Stability Service Agreement and the Limited Letter of Agency authorizing David Wood to act as the County's Agent. It was seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried unanimously.

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

**BUREAU OF DISASTER SERVICES FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT SIGNED:** A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer, seconded by Commissioner Smith, and carried unanimously to sign the Idaho Bureau of Disaster Services Financial Status Report.

**IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE CORRECTIONS AGREEMENT:** A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer, seconded by Commissioner Smith, and carried unanimously to approve the Memorandum of Agreement County Incentive Project between the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections and Gem County.

**LHTAC IDENTIFICATION FORM SIGNED FOR DEWEY ROAD EXTENSION**

**PROJECT:** A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer to authorize the Chairman to sign the Local Federal-Aid Incentive Program Project Identification Form from the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) for the Dewey Road Extension Project. It was seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried unanimously.

**MINUTES READ AND APPROVED:** The minutes of January 18 and January 24 & 25, 2004, were reviewed. A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer to approve the minutes of January 18 and January 24 & 25, 2004, as read and corrected. It was seconded by Commissioner Smith and carried unanimously.

**BOISE NATIONAL FOREST TRAVEL PLAN:** A letter was sent to the Boise National Forest Headquarters asking that Gem County be granted cooperating agency status on all future phases of the Boise National Forest Travel Plan.

**The Board recessed at 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. on February 7, 2005.**

**CLAIMS FOR THE FOLLOWING FUNDS WITH WARRANTS WRITTEN January 1 through January 31, 2005:**

CURRENT EXPENSE FUND .....	\$ 207,192.99
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND .....	188,063.52
CIGARETTE TAX/BLOCK GRANT .....	7,695.78
DISTRICT COURT FUND .....	15,120.07
COUNTY FAIR FUND .....	10,830.94

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COUNTY JUSTICE FUND .....	167,007.89
FAIR, GROUNDS & BUILDINGS FUND .....	2,659.08
III HEALTH DISTRICT FUND .....	12,122.66
INDIGENT .....	26,466.63
ENHANCED 911 .....	1,081.28
REVALUATION FUND .....	13,684.38
SOLID WASTE FUND .....	31,428.73
TORT .....	2,874.67
NOXIOUS WEED FUND .....	9,248.27
WATERWAYS .....	19.53
INSURANCE POOL .....	2,662.78
AMBULANCE FUND .....	32,750.23
BOND REDEMPTION .....	<u>52,280.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 783,189.43

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

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