



December 4 & 5, 2006, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on November 28, 2006, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 4th & 5th day of December, 2006, 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.

ELECTED OFFICIALS: A meeting was held with the Elected Officials. Those in attendance were Commissioners Pratt, Sherrer, and Smith, Clerk Howard, Assessor Greg Himes, Treasurer Connie Goins, Sheriff Clint Short, and Clerk-Elect Shelly Atkinson (Gannon.) Topics of discussion were: road easements, 29 inmates in the jail currently, getting the car off of the roof and the signs down from the County property at 303 E. Main St., a Sheriff's vehicle needs a new motor if the County is going to keep it as an extra vehicle, Boise County dispatch, County Christmas party, FMLA, excess property auction, the jail modular, RV Park residents, Butte Road bridge is finished, Gem Island Sports Complex south bridge piling is going in, all utilities are in at Shadow Butte Industrial Park, and the IAC Newly Elected Officials Meeting was discussed.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: Kim Reed, Road & Bridge Supervisor, reported they have been working on drainage issues on a couple of roads. He has been working on the 20-year capital improvement program. They have worked on the pads at the south entrance to Gem Island Sports Complex. They are beginning the road work at Shadow Butte Industrial Park. Kim has gotten together with the Landfill concerning the brush chipper. There have been 16 beavers trapped that have built dams and have plugged up ditches. He is working on the equipment leases.

Morris Huffman, Economic Development Specialist, stated he is still doing three business classes a month. There is not a lot of activity from businesses wanting to locate in the County.

Jake Wyant, Noxious Weed Supervisor, reported that he is working on CWMA year-end reports and plans for 2007. He gave a report on the meetings he has attended. He talked about some new noxious weeds that he will have to work with. He is working on getting a new ATV.

Martin Joyce, Landfill Supervisor, reported there were 2,327 vehicles across the scales. They took in \$5,146 in fees and paid \$4,302 to Clay Peak for transfer. An inspection was done by

Southwest District Health, which went well. There will be inspections done in Montour and Ola.

Janelle Schnieder, Juvenile Probation Officer, reported she had 14 new petitions. There were no probation violations. There are four in detention. She attended several meetings. She was told that the RFQ for architecture services for the remodel of the County building at 303 E. Main St. is being prepared.

Mark Rekow, Ambulance Director, reported there was \$16,542.70 in collections last month. They had 63 transports and 23 non-transports, with 656 year-to-date. He hired a new employee who will start January 1, 2007. The intermediate EMT class will start in January. He is looking at possible off-site ambulance facilities in the Letha area and the Sweet area. He has been getting the Command Trailer set up.

Chuck Shambaugh, Maintenance Supervisor, reported the boiler is working well with new updated parts on it. The State inspection on the elevator went well. The sump pump in the pit will be removed. Drawings are being done for the emergency stairs for the west side of the Courthouse. He will be sending out a job description for a full-time Island/Courthouse Maintenance person.

INDIGENT APPLICATIONS: At 11:00 a.m., a motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Sherrer, and carried unanimously to go into executive session under Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(d) with a roll call vote as follows: Commissioner Pratt, aye; Commissioner Sherrer, aye, Commissioner Smith, aye. Deputy Clerk Tiffani Sulgrove presented the following indigent applications:

06-094 Application needed a Notice of Lien signed.

06-095 Application needed a Notice of Lien signed.

06-096 Application needed a Notice of Lien signed.

06-086 Application for medical expenses.

After reconvening in regular session at 11:07 a.m., a motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer to sign Notices of Lien for 06-094, 06-095, and 06-096 and to deny 06-086 because of divestment of assets, the County is not the last resource, and the applicant does not appear to be indigent. 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.

CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the consent agenda, which included: A. Qwest contract for 911 services; E. Certificate for a student to receive financial aid to attend the Spring, 2007, term at College of Southern Idaho; the Treasurer/Auditor Joint Quarterly Report. Items B. Xerox Contract, C. Charter Cable Franchise Contract, and D. Forest Service Agreement with Sheriff were removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion and/or information. It was seconded by Commissioner Sherrer and carried unanimously.

The Board recessed at 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. on December 5, 2006.

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Commissioner Smith was not in the meeting.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED: The minutes of November 27 & 28, 2006, were reviewed. A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrer to approve the minutes of November 27 & 28, 2006, as read and corrected. It was seconded by Commissioner Pratt and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Smith came into the meeting.

PUBLIC WALK-IN AND INPUT: Richard Penrod met with the Commissioners concerning the passing of a Nuisance Ordinance in 2002. He stated there were no public hearings before the passage and the Ordinance is not being enforced equally in the County. He was told that the only ordinances that require a public hearing are ones under the land use laws. The Nuisance Ordinance was published on an agenda and was discussed and passed in a public meeting. Discussion was had on the enforcement of and possible changes to the Nuisance Ordinance.

LeMar DeSpain, John Girling, and Dan Jensen met to discuss their interest in buying a piece of property in Gem County to put in a business, EGA International from China. They would like to have it zoned as light industrial. They were told that if a rezone or special use permit were required, they would need to go through the Planning and Zoning process. They shared information that there may be government funding to help with upgrading the railroad service in Gem County. Discussion was had.

Messenger Index reporter Janet Monti introduced the new Editor, Joe Sova. They would like the Commissioners to help keep the community informed by providing information for an article in the Messenger Index each week.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MATTERS: Prosecuting Attorney David Hargraves met with the Commissioners concerning legal matters. Topics of discussion were records requests, the extrication contract, additional information received and read concerning an appealed decision for a special use permit, and the codification of Cable Television Franchise Ordinance 98-03.

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CLAIMS FOR THE FOLLOWING FUNDS WITH WARRANTS WRITTEN November 1 through November 30, 2006:

CURRENT EXPENSE FUND \$ 802,967.41

Commissioner Minutes 12-04,05-06

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	69,366.84
CIGARETTE TAX/BLOCK GRANT	5,188.55
DISTRICT COURT FUND	14,014.71
COUNTY JUSTICE FUND	240,534.57
FAIR, GROUNDS & BUILDINGS FUND	5,332.79
INDIGENT	115.74
ENHANCED 911	2,848.67
REVALUATION FUND	13,975.87
SOLID WASTE FUND	29,941.73
NOXIOUS WEED FUND	9,223.76
WATERWAYS	164.39
INSURANCE POOL	4,753.26
AMBULANCE FUND	<u>17,165.16</u>
TOTAL	\$ 1,215,593.45

Approved: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Clerk