

**OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF BLAINE COUNTY  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE FEBRUARY 2014 SESSION**

**First Day**

**Tuesday, February 11, 2014**

Pursuant to Statutory Provisions, the Board of Blaine County Commissioners (BCC) met this day at 9:00 a.m. Present were Chairman Lawrence Schoen, Vice-Chairman Jacob Greenberg, Commissioner Angenie McCleary; County Administrator Derek Voss; County Clerk JoLynn Drage; Operations Director Char Nelson; Deputy Auditor Schar Boyd; and *Idaho Mountain Express* reporter Greg Moore.

Chairman Schoen called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE**

**ROAD MATERIAL BID OPENING**

Also present: Blaine County Operations Director Char Nelson, Road and Bridge Manager Tom Duffy, Walker Sand & Gravel representative Brad Walker; Road Solutions representatives Hobie Higgs and Kevin Simmons.

The BCC opened bids for CSR2R emulsion to chip seal Blaine County roads.  
Western States Asphalt 375 tons at \$545 per ton  
Idaho Asphalt Supply \$554.50 ton

Rock Chips bids- both from Walker Sand & Gravel:  
1/2 " chips 3000 tons \$5.90/ ton \$17,500  
3/4" chips 5000 tons \$8/ ton \$40,000

Magnesium Chloride bid from Road Solutions LLC which included a cashier's check for bid bond.  
\$85.81/ ton delivered to Blaine County Road and Bridge includes freight and fuel surcharge

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – §67-2345 1(d) INDIGENT** - Consideration of records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in Chapter 3, Title 9, Idaho Code  
Present were: Blaine County Welfare Director Brooke Roberson and Welfare Assistant Amy Rivkin.

**McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to convene in Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 1(d) to consider indigent medical applications. Greenberg (aye), and McCleary (aye); and Schoen (aye). Motion carried unanimously.**

**OPEN SESSION RESUMED**

**McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to deny Medical Indigent Application for Assistance Cases #2013-104 and 2014-05, based on staff recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.**

**COUNTY DEPARTMENT REPORTS, DISCUSSION and CONSIDERATION**

**Claims** – Deputy Auditor Schar Boyd; Blaine County Recorder Jayne Bailey  
• Recorder Jayne Bailey presented the claims.

**McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve claims dated February 05, 2014 with additional claims presented by staff: Atkinson's for Court \$67.34; Atkinson's for Recorder - \$2.75; Jodi Brown \$409.00; Greg Greenfield \$1020.00; Narda Pitkethly \$480.00; and Eric Thomas \$205.00. Motion carried unanimously.**

ajv012014	Jan-2014		
<b>FUND 01</b>	<b>AGAINST GENERAL FUND</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 251,402.43	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 253,672.16	
Total January FICA		\$ 36,276.34	
Total January Benefits		\$ 150,456.81	
Total January Bills		\$ 381,513.37	
Combined Total January Expense			\$1,073,321.11
<b>FUND 02</b>	<b>AGAINST ROAD &amp; BRIDGE</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 27,487.01	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 27,540.85	
Total January FICA		\$ 3,927.66	
Total January Benefits		\$ 17,459.49	
Total January Bills		\$ 78,104.89	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 154,519.90

<b>FUND 03</b>	<b>AGAINST ELECTION CONSOLIDATION</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 1,268.40	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 1,268.40	
Total January FICA		\$ 191.34	
Total January Benefits		\$ 886.14	
Total January Bills		\$ 1,364.68	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 4,978.96
<b>FUND 04</b>	<b>AGAINST AMBULANCE</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ 177,198.11	\$ 177,198.11
<b>FUND 06</b>	<b>AGAINST DISTRICT COURT</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 1,970.26	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 1,970.26	
Total January FICA		\$ 301.46	
Total January Benefits		\$ 1,045.04	
Total January Bills		\$ 8,263.63	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 13,550.65
<b>FUND 07</b>	<b>AGAINST COUNTY FAIR</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ -	\$ -
<b>FUND 11</b>	<b>AGAINST PUBLIC HEALTH</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ 19,816.17	\$ 19,816.17
<b>FUND 12</b>	<b>AGAINST HISTORICAL SOC. &amp; MUSEUM</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ -	\$ -
<b>FUND 16</b>	<b>AGAINST CHARITY &amp; INDIGENT</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 1,844.00	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 1,844.00	
Total January FICA		\$ 225.78	
Total January Benefits		\$ 1,246.85	
Total January Bills		\$ 38,863.84	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 44,024.47
<b>FUND 17</b>	<b>AGAINST JR. COLLEGE TUITION</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ 24,150.00	\$ 24,150.00
<b>FUND 19</b>	<b>AGAINST CONSOLIDATED EMERG. COMM.</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 22,360.42	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 18,655.09	
Total January FICA		\$ 3,092.90	
Total January Benefits		\$ 10,540.57	
Total January Bills		\$ 9,815.87	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 64,464.85
<b>FUND 20</b>	<b>AGAINST REVALUATION</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 10,373.91	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 10,435.63	
Total January FICA		\$ 1,360.77	
Total January Benefits		\$ 9,496.32	
Total January Bills		\$ 2,790.65	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 34,457.28
<b>FUND 22</b>	<b>AGAINST RECYCLE CENTER</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 4,058.41	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 3,914.80	
Total January FICA		\$ 607.01	
Total January Benefits		\$ 2,100.53	
Total January Bills		\$ 4,430.57	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 15,111.32
<b>FUND 23</b>	<b>AGAINST SOLID WASTE</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ 1,921.43	\$ 1,921.43
<b>FUND 27</b>	<b>AGAINST NOXIOUS WEEDS</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 3,675.67	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 3,600.67	
Total January FICA		\$ 487.98	
Total January Benefits		\$ 2,773.22	
Total January Bills		\$ 626.78	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 11,164.32

<b>FUND 30</b>	<b>AGAINST CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ 18,505.47	\$ 18,505.47
<b>FUND 31</b>	<b>AGAINST PSF BOND REDEMPTION</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ 166,128.75	\$ 166,128.75
<b>FUND 35</b>	<b>AGAINST NURSING HOME</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 1,923.20	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 1,923.20	
Total January FICA		\$ 294.26	
Total January Benefits		\$ 1,034.40	
Total January Bills		\$ 987.15	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 6,162.21
<b>FUND 37</b>	<b>AGAINST SNOWMOBILE</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ 364.04	\$ 364.04
<b>FUND 38</b>	<b>AGAINST WATERWAYS</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ -	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ -	
Total January FICA		\$ -	
Total January Benefits		\$ -	
Total January Bills		\$ 4.06	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 4.06
<b>FUND 46</b>	<b>AGAINST E-911 EMERGENCY COMM.</b>		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 9	\$ 4,641.50	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries January 23	\$ 4,641.50	
Total January FICA		\$ 645.48	
Total January Benefits		\$ 2,943.78	
Total January Bills		\$ 11,755.81	
Combined Total January Expense			\$ 24,628.07
<b>FUND 51</b>	<b>AGAINST LAND WATER &amp; WILDLIFE LEVY</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ 13,443.38	\$ 13,443.38
<b>FUND 81</b>	<b>AGAINST LIABILITY INSURANCE</b>		
Total January Bills		\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS</b>			<b>\$1,867,914.55</b>

### **COUNTY DEPARTMENT REPORTS, Discussion and Consideration**

#### **Clerk's Report - JoLynn Drage**

Received request for forgiveness of ambulance bill. Send form letter denying request. Person can make payment arrangements with billing company. BCC supports sending letter to person.

#### **Operations Director - Char Nelson**

- Nelson will attend an Idaho Solid Waste Association conference in March.
- Nelson and Schoen received calls concerning Colorado Gulch and Right of Way issue. Homeowners are questioning tree removal and actual width of the right of way. She conducted a site visit with Tom Duffy. Trees were removed due to safety concerns.
- McCleary was contacted by one resident who was extremely concerned about snow removal out Warm Springs.
- The county has an avalanche policy that road crews will not plow during high avalanche warning/danger due to safety concerns for personnel and the fact that use of heavy equipment may trigger avalanche activity.

#### **County Administrator - Derek Voss**

- Met with Comprehensive Plan Steering committee to explain goals and outcomes of community planning.
- FirstCall Emergency Notification System is being implemented.
- Working on ways to streamline and improve FY 2015 outcome based budgeting

### **CONTRACTS, GRANTS AND AGREEMENTS, Discussion and Consideration**

#### **Smiley Creek Transfer Station Permit, Sawtooth National Recreation Area ..... Record #617191**

The 20 year permit is based on a revised site plan. 2014 annual permit cost will no doubt increase in the future. Blaine County and Forest Service will share the cost of landscaping and site improvements.

**Greenberg moved, seconded by McCleary, to approve the Smiley Creek Transfer Station Permit, Sawtooth National Recreation Area. Motion carried unanimously.**

**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION - I.C. 63-105A (7)**

**Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to convene as the Board of equalization. Motion carried 2/0.**

No items to discuss.

**Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to reconvene as the Board of Blaine County Commissioners. Motion carried 2/0.**

**REQUESTS for CANCELLATION OF TAXES, Discussion and Consideration**

Also present: Blaine County Treasurer Vicki Heuett and Blaine County Assessor Valdi Pace.

The assessor identified four additional personal property parcels that should have been exempt due to the fact that they were all valued under \$100,000.

**Greenberg moved, seconded by McCleary, to cancel taxes on the following parcels: PPIP00000S2030 \$105.60; PPIP00000C5670 \$.85; PPIP00000B1990 \$70.03; PPIP00000B0990 \$182.77. Motion carried unanimously.**

**ROAD MASTER AWARDS**

Present: Blaine County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Graves; County Human Resources Generalist Susan Potucek, County Operations Director Char Nelson; County Road and Bridge Manager Tom Duffy; Road and Bridge Crew Alex Alberdi, Barry Pond, Bill Kyes, Dennis Baird, Doug Swaner, Greg Peterson, Jeff Harshbarger, Kelly Whitworth, Matt Dilworth, and Steve Thompson; and Idaho Technology Transfer Center T2 Manager Laila Kral.

Idaho Technology Transfer Center T2 Manager Laila Kral presented Road Scholar Awards to Dennis Baird and Jeff Harshbarger.

Kral presented Road Master awards to: Barry Pond, Doug Swaner, Jeff Harshbarger, Greg Peterson, Kelly Whitworth, Steve Thompson, Alex Alberdi, Bill Kyes and Dennis Baird.

**ROAD and BRIDGE CREW COMMENTS:**

Doug Swaner and Greg Peterson said they learned a lot in class and benefitted from interaction with crews from other counties. Schoen commented that recent south county snow removal performed by R&B crews was done to perfection.

**BOARD REPORTS, Discussion and Consideration**

**Idaho Association of Counties (IAC) Mid-Winter Conference - Commissioners**

Topics of Commissioners and County Clerk included:

- "Ballot On Demand";
- Gas Tax to fund R&B;
- Public Defender issues;
- Possible Power Grid disruption consequences and ramifications;
- Mental health issues;
- BLM lawsuits;
- Health and Human Services and medical;
- Catastrophic Healthcare Fund (CAT) Indigent issues;
- Classification of misdemeanors vs. infractions.

**Road and Bridge Levy Proposal – Greenberg and McCleary**

- McCleary, Nelson and Greenberg attended Sun Valley City Council meeting.
- Sun Valley is frustrated with high taxes from many taxing districts and residents feel they pay proportionately more taxes because of high property values. Sun Valley probably would not support the levy.
- Road & Bridge currently receives no money from property taxes.
- Several meetings have been held on this issue with very little public in attendance. It is important to educate the public before putting on the ballot.

**Boulder-White Clouds National Monument Designation - Schoen**

Also Present: Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; Blaine County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Graves; *Mountain Express* Reporter Greg Moore; and Sun Valley resident John Kelly.

Schoen submitted a draft resolution that would support designation of the Boulder-White Clouds as a National Monument. The proposed area would encompass 570,000 acres. He will travel to Washington DC for the National Association of Counties (NACO) conference in March and would like to have a final draft ready to present in person at that time. There is a possibility he could present the draft resolution to President Obama and also Secretaries of Agriculture and the Interior.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

John Kelley, Sun Valley resident, would like to look at the resolution before commenting but likes the idea.

**Groundwater Modeling Technical Advisory Committee – Schoen**  
Flow models throughout the Wood River Basin continue to be refined.

**BOARD REPORTS, Discussion and Consideration**

**Blaine Manor Potential Property Acquisition Discussion**

BCC discussed the pros and cons of selling, leasing, renting or auctioning the Blaine Manor Building. They all agreed that maximizing the financial return/benefit to Blaine County is the top priority.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Greenberg moved, seconded by McCleary, to approve Resolution 2014-08, Destruction of Records of Election 2013 unused ballots. Motion carried unanimously. .... Record #616768**

**APPROVAL of BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**

- **January 8, 2014 Road and Bridge Funding Special Meeting**
- **January 14 and January 28, 2014 Regular Meetings**

**McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve Board of Blaine County Commissioners Meetings: January 8, 2014 Road and Bridge Funding Special Meeting; January 14 and January 28, 2014 Regular Meetings as amended. Motion carried unanimously.**

**LAND USE AND BUILDING SERVICES HEARINGS**

- **Woodward Plat Amendment:**

Also present Blaine County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Graves, Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin, Blaine County Senior Planner Kathy Grotto, Applicant David Woodward and Applicant's representatives Deborah Vignes, and architect Janet Jarvis.

Grotto read posted notice.

**McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, that notice was adequate. Motion carried unanimously.**

Public hearing on and consideration of a Plat Amendment application by David and Sarah Woodward to amend Lot 5A, Huffman-Bender-Cox Subdivision by modifying the platted building envelope. The applicants are seeking to reconfigure the building envelope to allow for a remodel of the residence; the overall size of the envelope will not change as a result of this application. The property is zoned R-1 with areas of floodplain and riparian overlay and is located within Sections 31 & 32, T4N, R18E, BM, Blaine County.

A plat map showing dimensions of the proposed amendment and also an aerial photo of the same area was presented.

**McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve this application by David and Sarah Woodward for a plat amendment to Lot 5A, Huffman- Bender-Cox Subdivision, finding the proposed building envelope amendment complies with the applicable criteria set forth under Title 10, Chapters 4 and 5 , Subdivision regulations and applicable regulations of Title 9, subject to conditions 1 through 8 in staff report . Motion carried unanimously..**

- **ARCH Community Housing Trust Pre-Determination**

Also present: Blaine County Senior Planner Kathy; Grotto, Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; Applicant ARCH Executive Director Michelle Griffith, Applicant's representatives architect Mark Sanders, landscape architect Rob King and engineer Brian Yeager; Blaine County Housing Director David Patrie; Fritz Haemmerle representing Michael Engl; Dennis Hanggi; Earl Engelmann; Dennis Kavanaugh.

DISCLOSURES: Schoen had a conversation with ARCH Executive Director Michelle Griffith about the application prior to its being submitted for this pre-determination hearing, and referred her to Land Use staff. Schoen was on the Planning & Zoning Commission when the original Quail Creek application was heard.

Grotto read posted notice.

**McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, that notice was adequate. Motion carried unanimously.**

Detail of the benefits of the proposed 26 unit housing area was presented by Michelle Griffith. Opposition to the plan was submitted by Fritz Haemmerle.

**McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve the request by ARCH Community Housing Trust for modification to the 100-foot Highway 75 setback, finding that the benefits derived from the development justify a departure from this standard, as set forth under Title 9, Chapter 35, Community Housing Overlay District, subject to the following conditions: 1) a**

maintenance plan for the landscaping within the setback area shall be submitted by the applicant. The applicant agrees to continue to maintain the landscaping in accordance with the approved plan. 2) The landscaping shall comply with the Scenic Highway Overlay District regulations. Motion carried unanimously.

**LAND USE AND BUILDING SERVICES, Discussion and Consideration**

• **Appointment of Lacie Hernandez to Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee.**  
McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve appointment of Lacie Hernandez to Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Rock Creek Memorandum of Understanding Update**

Also Present Jim Phillips.

MOU from Fish and Game has not been received.

Four roads were considered for exclusion: East Fork Road, Hatty Gulch Road, Gravel Pit Road were approved for exclusion. Smith Creek Road not approved.

**BuildSmart Amendments – Job Site Construction Waste**

Also present: Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin and County Building Official Bill Dyer.

Discussion pertaining to construction materials diversion, lack of provision for recycling drywall, possibility of a county wide standard for contractors. Commissioners agree they would like more information and discussion as to feasibility of crafting a requirement.

**Comprehensive Plan Update**

Grotto presented key principles. Meeting schedule is once a month.

**Norris Water Rights Letter**

Bergin has letter ready to send approved by the BCC.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION for Idaho Code 67-2345 1(c) acquisition of Carey Gravel Pit; and 67-2345 1(c) Property Acquisition and 67-2345 1(f) Potential Litigation concerning Croy Canyon Ranch Foundation Service Agreement.**

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to go into Executive Session, pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 1(c) for property acquisition, to conduct deliberations to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency regarding the Carey Gravel Pit; and 67-2345 1(c) Property Acquisition (c), to conduct deliberations to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency, and 67-2345 1(f) Potential Litigation, to discuss with legal counsel the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, concerning Croy Canyon Ranch Foundation Service Agreement. Greenberg (aye), Schoen (aye), and McCleary (aye). Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN**

At the hour of 4:30 p.m., the BCC finding no more business before them adjourned.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
JoLynn Drage  
County Clerk  
Lawrence Schoen  
Chairman