

**OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF BLAINE COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING OF THE JANUARY 2016 SESSION**

Third Day

Tuesday, January 19, 2016

Pursuant to Statutory Provisions, the Board of Blaine County Commissioners (BCC) met this day at 9:00 a.m. Present were Chairman Jacob Greenberg, Vice-Chair Angenie McCleary; County Administrator Derek Voss; County Clerk JoLynn Drage; Human Resources Generalist Henry Brown; and Recording Secretary Sunny Grant.

Commissioner Schoen was absent from today's meeting.

Chairman Greenberg called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

COUNTY DEPARTMENT REPORTS, Discussion and Consideration

Treasurer's Report - John David Davidson

Also present: Blaine County Assessor Valdi Pace; and Chief Deputy Assessor Martha Heuston.

- The Treasurer's office processed a large volume of transactions, including property tax payments, in December, without having to hire a part-time staffer. The Treasurer will use the money saved for continuing education opportunities later in the year.
- E-notice program has 162 new sign-ups. 482 people viewed their notices since early November.
- Sent out first and second sub-rolls last week.

County Administrator - Derek Voss

Also present: Blaine County Administrative Specialist Andrea Walton; and Public Information Officer Bronwyn Nickel.

- Administrative Services Manager Henry Brown and Blaine County Administrator Derek Voss will review all team member job descriptions.

TAX CANCELLATION REQUEST

This item has been resolved and is removed from the agenda.

BLAINE COUNTY TAX DEED PROPERTY, COMMON AREA, Discussion and Consideration

Also present: Blaine County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Graves; County Assessor Valdi Pace; Chief Deputy Assessor Martha Heuston; and County Treasurer John David Davidson.

Property taxes were not paid on some little parcels in Elkhorn, so the County took tax deeds of the parcels. The Assessor and Land Use staff subsequently researched the parcels and discovered there were errors in mapping and the properties should not have been taxed.

A map of shows clearly that open space parcels belong to Elkhorn Property Owners, and the driveways belong to neighboring landowners. Assessor Valdi Pace said the County should deed the properties as identified—Parcels A through F—to the Elkhorn Property Owners Association. County maps will be corrected to identify the roads as part of their respective parcels. County Attorney Tim Graves explained that the legal descriptions in the quitclaim may not be accurate for the actual parcels, but must match the legal description of the properties taken in the tax deed by the County. Ten of the 18 warranty deeds show ownership of the private driveways; eight of the warranty deeds do not show ownership. Pace said the roads have no value and will not affect the landowners' property taxes.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to Quitclaim Deed to Elkhorn Property Owners Association, PO Box 2708, Sun Valley, Idaho 83353, all rights, title and interest it has in the real property in the State of Idaho, Sun Valley, Blaine County, Idaho, described as Elkhorn Village Subdivision #1, Parcels A, B, C, D, E, and F. This transfer is being accomplished pursuant to Idaho Code 31-808 (6), which allows the County to transfer property, on whatever terms the County deems necessary after an unsuccessful auction. Motion carried 2/0.

..... Quitclaim Deed Record #632480

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Idaho Code 74-206 1(c) and 1(f) to discuss Adams Gulch Bridge Construction Easement; and Idaho Code 74-206 1(f) Wright Brothers claim

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to go into to Executive Session, pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 1(c), to conduct deliberations to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency and 1(f), to discuss with legal counsel the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending or potential litigation relating to the Adams Gulch Bridge; and, pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 1(f), to discuss with legal counsel the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending or potential litigation relating to the Wright Brothers claim. Roll call: McCleary (aye); and Greenberg (aye). Motion carried 2/0.

BLAINE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY (BCHA) REAPPOINTMENTS and VACANCY, Discussion and Consideration

The BCC will reappoint two BCHA members' whose terms have expired.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to reappoint Gordon Barclay as Sun Valley's representative and Rick Davis as Hailey's representative to the Blaine County Housing Authority for the next term. Motion carried 2/0.

The BCC discussed a replacement for the BCHA's Blaine County representative, who has resigned. Greenberg will check to see if the Blaine County representative should be from the business community.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- **Resolution 2016-02 Adopt Blaine County Commissioners' Districts Boundaries** Record #632488
- **Resolution 2016-03 Adopt Blaine County Election Precinct Boundaries** Record #632489
- **Junior College Residency form:** College of Southern Idaho Fall 2015-16: Jesse B Cole.
College of Southern Idaho Spring 2016: Claudia M Hatstrup, Collin T Whitby, and Joslyn S Tayler.
College of Southern Idaho Spring 2016 and Spring 2017: Kendrick D Villavicencio.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve the Consent Calendar of January 19, 2016. Motion carried Motion carried 2/0.

CONTRACTS, GRANTS AND AGREEMENTS, Discussion and Consideration

- **Local Highway Safety Improvement Program (LHSIP) Grant**

Also present: Blaine County Grants Manager Michele Johnson; and County Administrative Specialist Andrea Walton.

Blaine County has been advised that the Idaho Transportation Department LHSIP grant could not be used for a dynamic messaging sign and additional fixed signs for Gannett Road. The County decided to instead submit one grant application for \$38,280 for fixed signs for Gannett Road, and a second grant application for \$30,800 for striping Gannett Road. The County is likely to receive both grants, but does not have to accept grant funds if it cannot afford the grant match.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to submit a 24-35 ITD Local Highway Safety Improvement Program (LHSIP) grant application for federal funds for Gannett road sign upgrades in the amount of \$38,280; and also a 24-35 ITD Local Highway Safety Improvement Program (LHSIP) grant application for federal funds for striping upgrade on Gannett Road in the amount of \$30,800; and authorize chairman to sign grant applications. Motion carried 2/0.

BOARD of COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, Discussion and Consideration

Bicycle/Pedestrian Subcommittee Meeting – McCleary

- The Subcommittee discussed their one-year project review, which will be presented to the Blaine County Regional Transportation Committee (which includes all three County Commissioners); and then to each of Blaine County's different jurisdictions.
- Blaine County is currently a League of American Bicyclists Silver Standard. The County hopes to get a Gold Standard now that the Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan is in place.
- The Blaine County Recreation District will coordinate with cities regarding placement of wayfinding signs on the bike path.

Sun Valley City Council Meeting Update - Right-of-Way Ordinance – McCleary

The Council held a first reading of a proposed Right-of-Way ordinance. The Council will hold two more public meetings and readings of the ordinance. Blaine County and local jurisdictions are all working on similar right-of-way issues.

South Central Behavioral Health Board Meeting – McCleary

The Region 5 Health Board, which includes Blaine County, now calls itself the South Central Behavioral Health Board (SCBHB).

SCBHB is considering if it should apply for a local Health and Welfare crisis center to be located in Twin Falls and sponsored by the SCBHB. The BCC supports a crisis center in Twin Falls, but wouldn't support future funding.

Sawtooth Fire Collaborative Meeting – McCleary

The Sawtooth Fire Collaborative, which includes Blaine County, is an official Forest Service (FS) entity that enables the FS to receive funds. The Collaborative is prioritizing five different fire mitigation proposals in its six zones, to determine what projects it will support.

Local Emergency Planning Committee – Greenberg

The LEPC Training and Exercise Committee continues to discuss what projects to fund with available grant money. The regular LEPC meeting discussed setting up an emergency operations command center in the Elkhorn Fire Station.

Sun Valley Economic Development – Greenberg

The SVED Executive Committee discussed action plans going forward. Workforce housing continues to be a main topic.

Local Elk Deaths – McCleary

McCleary and the press have received emails from concerned citizens about recent elk deaths from eating yew plants on private property. Educating local nurseries and the public about yew plants is the first step. McCleary supports an ordinance banning the plants in Blaine County.

Snow Storage – McCleary

The City of Ketchum is looking for snow storage. Ketchum Mayor Jonas asked if the County and other local jurisdictions would consider partnership opportunities to purchase land.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – §74-206 1(d) INDIGENT - Consideration of records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in Chapter 3, Title 9, Idaho Code

Present were: Blaine County Indigent Services Director Brooke Baird.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to convene in Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 1(d) to consider indigent medical applications. McCleary (aye); and Greenberg (aye). Motion carried 2/0.

OPEN SESSION RESUMED

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve Case #2015-63 Medical Indigent Application for Assistance, based on staff recommendation with a \$25 monthly reimbursement, to be reevaluated when the applicant is employed. Motion carried 2/0.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to accept cancellation of hearing and final determination of approval in Application for Assistance #2015-63. Motion carried 2/0.

APPROVAL OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

- **January 12, 2016 Regular Meeting**

McCleary moved, seconded by Schoen, to approve the Board of County Commissioner minutes of January 12, 2016. Motion carried 2/0.

BREAK

LAND USE and BUILDING SERVICES, Discussion and Consideration

- **Minor Plat Amendment - 105 Southern Comfort Road, Lot 1, Cold Springs Subdivision #2, Lewis and Stanley, Draft Administrative Findings & Decision.**

Also present: Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; and Zoning Specialist Nancy Cooley. This property is in Cold Springs Subdivision. The Recreation District quitclaimed unneeded property next to the bike path to adjacent property owners. The property owner would like to eliminate the lot line and maintain a 50ft setback from the rear property line. No comment was received from surrounding landowners, who were noticed about the application and given 15 days for comment. The Land Use Administrator approved the Minor Plat Amendment.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision regarding an application of Joel Lewis and Kathleen Stanley for a minor plat amendment to remove the lot line between Cold Springs Sub #2 and Tax Lot 6758 to create Lot 1A. Motion carried 2/0.

- **Minor Plat Amendment - 122 & 126 Quarter Horse Dr., Lots 2 and 3, Block 4, Bellevue Farms, Barer and Wilson, Draft Administrative Findings & Decision**

Also present: Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; and Zoning Specialist Nancy Cooley. **McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision regarding an application of Shirley Barer and Steven and Kathleen Wilson for a minor plat amendment to shift the lot line between Lots 2 and 3, Block 4, Bellevue Farms Subdivision. Motion carried 2/0.**

- **Reappointment of Mark Pynn to the Planning and Zoning Commission**

Also present: Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; and Zoning Specialist Nancy Cooley. Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin and Land Use staff recommend Mark Pynn for reappointment for three years.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to reappoint Mark Pynn to the Blaine County Planning and Zoning Commission for a three-year term to begin February 1, 2016 and expire in 2019. Motion carried 2/0.

- **North Griffin Loop Right of Way Transfer:** A public hearing on a proposal to transfer to the City of Carey, by deed, the dedicated 30' of Griffin Loop north of Lots 1 & 2, Redhawk Subdivision, Blaine County. Running East up to approx. 1/2 mile from Hwy. 26/93, this 30' wide section of Griffin Loop abuts the southeast edge of the incorporated City of Carey.

Also present: Blaine County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Graves; and County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; Carey Mayor Randy Patterson; Carey Public Works Director Bob Simpson; Carey P&Z Administrator Brandi Hennefer; adjacent landowner Robb Peck; and landowner Shawn Bennion.

Idaho Code 31-808 (9) and (1) require notice.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, that notice was adequate. Motion carried 2/0.

Redhawk Subdivision Lots 1 and 3 have applied to the City of Carey for annexation, but the lots are not currently contiguous with the City of Carey.

State Highway 20 intersects State Highway 26/93 running north/south. A section of North Griffin Loop road runs east/west from Highway 26/93 to the intersection corner. North of the section line in the road is owned by the City of Carey; south of the section line in the road was dedicated to Blaine County as part of the Redhawk Subdivision application. The BCC previously discussed vacating or transferring its part of Griffin Loop road adjacent to Lot 1 Redhawk Subdivision, or adjacent to both Lots 1 and 2 Redhawk Subdivision, to the City of Carey so the entire road is owned by one jurisdiction.

If the BCC wants to transfer the road to the City of Carey, it must determine that it is in the public interest. County Attorney Tim Graves didn't see any reason why transferring the road would not be in the public interest.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Staff did not receive any written comments.
- Carey Public Works Director Bob Simpson said the section line in the middle of the road starts at Highway 26 and ends on the north edge of the road on the east corner. Part of Lava Lane going north is all County road, and part is half County/half Carey.
- Carey Mayor Randy Patterson said Carey has to decide what's in its best public interest. The County gets road funding based on miles; whereas cities receive road funding based on population, so owning the road would make no difference in funding to the City of Carey.
- Simpson said the narrow bridge on Griffin Loop needs to be widened for farm trucks, which will be expensive. He questioned whether the City of Carey would want to assume ownership of the road and its future improvements.
- Robb Peck, Lot 1 annexation applicant, didn't have any need to annex beyond the property line.
- Shawn Bennion neighboring landowner, doesn't think annexation needs to go beyond the request for annexation.

County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin said the original application did not include road transfer or annexation, but the Area of City Impact Agreement requires land be contiguous in order to be annexed. The Carey City Council will discuss the annexation at an upcoming meeting, but will probably only want to transfer about 1,000ft of the road that is required for annexation. The County shares snowplowing of Carey roads with the City of Carey so that each entity does certain whole roads. The BCC said it is important that the County have a clear agreement with Carey about who snowplows and maintains each of Carey's roads.

LAND, WATER AND WILDLIFE LEVY PROGRAM, Discussion and Consideration

- **Report on Land, Water and Wildlife Levy Program Review**

Also present: Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; and Blaine County Land, Water and Wildlife (LWW) Levy Advisory Board (LAB) Coordinator Clare Swanger.

LAB Coordinator Clare Swanger presented the revised LWW Program. The BCC made a few minor revisions and approved the process review. Land Use will notify non-profits organizations of the new process.

ADJOURN

At the hour of 2:45 p.m., with no more business before them, the County Commissioners adjourned.

Attest: _____ Approved _____
 JoLynn Drage County Clerk Jacob Greenberg Chairman