

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

First Day

Tuesday, January 7, 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 Angenie McCleary, Commissioner Jacob Greenberg, County Administrator Derek Voss; County Clerk JoLynn Drage; Operations Director Char Nelson; and Recording Secretary Sunny Grant.

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

The Blaine County Commissioners extended their sympathy to a local family on the death of their 18-year-old son. Blaine County desperately needs mental health services that are readily accessible within the county for all citizens.

PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Idaho Code 67-2345 1(d) Indigent
There were no indigent claims presented.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION – Idaho Code 63-105A (7)

There is no business for the Board of Equalization to discuss today.

COUNTY DEPARTMENT REPORTS, Discussion and Consideration

Operations Director – Char Nelson

The County will receive a bill for about \$11,000 to replace parts on the loader at the Recycle Center.

South County Projects Update

- Blaine County Road and Bridge Manager Tom Duffy and Carey foreman Greg Peterson presented a PowerPoint of projects on Little Wood River Road and High Five Bridge. Older road base construction techniques and heavy traffic have led to overall deterioration of the road. At rebuild completion, Little Wood Road was dust guarded and rolled. With this treatment every year or two, the road should last a long time.
- The High Five Bridge's rotting deck was removed and rebuilt with several levels constructed perpendicularly to each other, with gaps between the boards to provide ventilation and drainage. The road crew was very careful to not let construction debris fall into the river.
- Blaine County Road and Bridge's website page updates residents on upcoming road projects and shows photo essays of completed projects.

County Administrator – Derek Voss

Voss updated the BCC on their County Projects priorities:

- Senior Care: Will close Blaine Manor's financial records prior to the end of January and draft a resolution to dissolve the Blaine Manor Board. Safe Haven has secured financing and construction on Bell Mountain facility in Bellevue is in process. Blaine Manor's census dropped to 13, but there are now new residents and more who have expressed interest.
- Designated Examiner Process – St. Luke's Wood River Hospital is working with the County to improve the DE process.
- Social Media – Public Information Officer Bronwyn Nickel is currently pushing information to Facebook and Twitter and looking for ways to use social media to attract input as well.
- Blaine County Team Members: County employees are currently completing video courses on workplace harassment and winter driving. The latest update of the Personnel Handbook is ready for adoption.
- Mountain Rides – Blaine County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Graves is drafting a land transfer of County property to Mountain Rides Transportation Authority. Transfer will be a simple quitclaim deed.
- Fuel depot – Sheriff's office is discussing potential for a joint public entity fuel depot at the new Mountain Rides South County facility.
- County offices space management – Operations is discussing best use of Prosecutor's office area in the Annex.
- Transportation – The Blaine County Regional Transportation Committee's Wildlife Crossing Subcommittee will evaluate the lowered speed limit on Highway 75 north of Hailey in a year to see what affect it's had on wildlife-vehicle collisions.
- Blaine County Rights-of-Way Management – Should this be an active project while the county looks at Road and Bridge funding, or postponed temporarily?
- South Gateway – Evaluating whether the mid-valley wastewater treatment plant is being valued.

Clerk's Report – JoLynn Drage

- New chairs are needed for the meeting room, but funds were not budgeted. Suggest use of contingency money through Buildings and Grounds budget.

- Have explored newly-offered Computer Arts programs for employees, and am implementing an employee portal that would allow employees to review leave balances at any time. Requesting \$3,000 to implement Web-Time, a web-based time sheet that would streamline payroll and make supervisors more accountable.
- Requesting \$2,000 contingency money to complete the Pioneer Title imaging project.

The BCC supported all requests.

CONTRACTS, GRANTS and AGREEMENTS, Discussion and Consideration

- **Public Defender Contract with Andrew Parnes** Record #615995

This is standard Blaine County Public Defender contract.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve Public Defender Contract between Blaine County and Andrew Parnes, who is filling Dan Dolan’s position for FY2014. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Software Hosting Agreement between Noble Software Group and Blaine County** Record #616067

This is a software hosting agreement for Blaine County Probation to administer positive achievement change.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve the Software Hosting Agreement between Noble Software Group and Blaine County for software case management. Motion carried unanimously.

- **State/Local Agreement (Project Development) Project No. A013 (992) Gannett Picabo Road Safety Audit, Blaine County** Record #

This acknowledges a Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) grant award of \$38,000 from the State to do a safety audit in 2015 on Gannett Road, which has the most collisions on County roads. The County’s share is 7.34%.

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve State/Local Agreement Project No. A013 (992) to provide a Safety Audit on Gannett Picabo Road in Blaine County. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Roofing and Seismic Project Agreement between Blaine County and Construction Manager, Kreizenbeck Constructors** Record #616140

The BCC previously approved the format of an AIA standard document for this type of work. The items referring to compensation, reimbursable expenses and scheduled rate for payment have been negotiated with Kreizenbeck and included in the contract.

Greenberg moved, seconded by McCleary, to approve the Roofing and Seismic Project Agreement between Blaine County and Construction Manager, Kreizenbeck Constructors. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD of COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, Discussion and Consideration

Community Bike/Pedestrian Master Plan Update – McCleary

Also present: Blaine County Grant Administrator Michele Johnson.

A series of workshops will be held next week for government officials, local organizations, the school district and the public. County GIS has been helping with Blaine County maps.

Blaine County Regional Transportation Committee – McCleary

The BCC has safety concerns about the barrow pits along Highway 75 in the construction zone south of Ketchum. ITD said they don’t have adequate funding to redo the barrow pits and also widen the bridge at the hospital. The BCC does not feel ITD should ignore a safety issue in order to fund another part of the project, and suggested they look for a better solution.

Hailey City Council Meeting – Greenberg

Hailey’s Council discussed the Hailey Ice Rink complex and the Blaine Manor building, which could be funded through the Hailey Urban Renewal Agency and other fundraising efforts.

Blaine County Road and Bridge Funding – BCC

The BCC will schedule joint meetings with Blaine County cities to discuss a levy to fund County Road and Bridge. A two-year override levy will return half the funds collected within each city to that city for their street projects. The BCC and cities want to present a united effort to get the levy passed at the May election.

AIRPORT PROJECTS UPDATE and DISCUSSION

Also present: Friedman Memorial Airport Manager Rick Baird.

Baird updated the BCC on topics to be discussed at tonight’s Friedman Memorial Airport Authority (FMAA) meeting:

- The Capital Improvement Program is ready to go to the FAA, with FMAA approval.
- FMA cash flow should be adequate to fund the 2014-2015 runway safety area implementation project.
- Updates on Project 2 Taxiway B and Runway Safety Area (RSA) Grading, Project 3 terminal, and Project 4 Operations Building. Staff is looking for FMAA priorities so they can develop a scope of work in master planning.
- Discussion of land acquisition to increase the capacity of the airport and Master Plan alternates 6 and 7.

The BCC noted that Friedman wants to be as safe and reliable as it can be. Friedman would like to attract as much air service as it can get, but doesn't want bigger airplanes. Sun Valley will someday get a new relocated airport, but that won't happen until the FAA feels it is justified. In the meantime, Friedman needs to maximize its air service potential in its current location.

Baird commended the FMAA on getting a \$35 million project underway in the past year. The economic outcome for Blaine County should be huge.

Status of Friedman Memorial Airport Authority Independent Member

The BCC supported reappointing current independent member Ron Fairfax while the FMAA is in the middle of major projects.

APPROVAL of BOARD of COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

- **July 9, 2013 Regular Meeting**
- **July 10, 2013 Budget Meeting**
- **July 16, 2013 Regular Meeting**
- **December 10, 2013 Regular Meeting**
- **December 17, 2013 Regular Meeting**
- **December 24, 2013 Regular Meeting**

McCleary moved, seconded by Greenberg, to approve Board of Commissioners meeting minutes for July 9, 2013; July 10, 2013; July 16, 2013; December 10, 2013; December 17, 2013 and December 24, 2013 regular meetings, as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

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CITY of HAILEY, COMMUNITY CLIMATE CHALLENGE PROGRAM, Presentation and Report

Also present: Blaine County Public Information Officer Bronwyn Nickel; County Grant Administrator Michele Johnson; County Senior Planner Kathy Grotto; Hailey Climate Challenge Coordinator Elizabeth Jeffries; Hailey Sustainability Coordinator Mariel Platt; and Conrad Brothers contractor Troy Brown.

The Hailey Community Climate Challenge, funded for three years with a U.S. EPA grant, encompassed a number of projects intended to reduce greenhouse gases. One project was Construction Site Recycling, which offered rebates to cover costs to construction companies that recycled.

Eleven construction companies participated over the three year period. Every contractor reported that onsite recycling saved them money—an average of \$2,620. All said they would do it again. Construction projects were both remodels and new builds. Project managers kept records of recycled metal, clean wood waste and corrugated cardboard. Onsite education and policing was necessary and effective. Some projects appointed a waste manager to police and/or facilitate recycling. Project Coordinator Elizabeth Jeffries visited construction sites several times weekly to advise and help contractors, especially in locating recycling bins to make them easily accessible. In some cases, certain recycling bins only needed to be in place for a few weeks.

Contractor Troy Brown reported that employees at the Ohio Gulch transfer station don't always know accurate answers to common questions. County staff will address the problem.

Results and feedback suggest:

- There should be reduced tipping fees for clean lumber to be composted.
- Corrugated cardboard is a huge and valuable commodity, and should be recycled at no cost.
- Pacific Recycling will pick up metal and pay for it, but the contractor must have a forklift onsite to lift the bins onto the Pacific Recycling truck.
- Local jurisdictions should have consistent franchise agreements.
- Contractors need to know that onsite recycling is profitable and doable. During the building boom, construction waste comprised up to 50% of a community's landfill waste volume.
- Drywall and plastic film should be recyclable. Hilex-Poly may be willing to pick up plastic film.

The BCC congratulated the program on showing that construction recycling is a win-win. Contractors involved in the grant program agreed to be resources and help other contractors.

LAND USE and BUILDING SERVICES, Discussion and Consideration

- **Comprehensive Plan Update**

Also present: Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; County Senior Planner Kathy Grotto; and Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee member Len Harlig.

Staff and the Comp Plan Steering Committee are preparing to launch a public awareness media campaign. Ideas for a new name are coming forth and a high school student is working on new logo ideas. Staff is talking to County GIS and considering a student intern to map recreational assets. Staff thinks a new build-out study would be appropriate for the updated Comp Plan.

The BCC suggested the Comp Plan Steering Committee also include outcomes, in line with the BCC's strategic framework.

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENT:

Len Harlig warned the BCC that the Comp Plan process may take longer than originally anticipated. The Steering Committee separated ground transportation from air transportation, due to the complicated nature of airport discussions.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Idaho Code 67-2345 1(c) Property Acquisition and 67-2345-1(f) Potential Litigation, concerning Croy Canyon Ranch Foundation Service Agreement; and Idaho Code 67-2345 1(b) Personnel, to evaluate the County Administrator

Greenberg moved, seconded by McCleary, to go into Executive Session for Property Acquisition, pursuant to §67-2345 1(c), to conduct deliberations to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency, and Pending Litigation, pursuant to Idaho Code §67-2345 1(f), to discuss with legal counsel the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation; and Personnel, pursuant to Idaho Code §67-2345 1(b), to consider the evaluation of a County staff member. Greenberg (aye), Schoen (aye), and McCleary (aye). Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

At the hour of 4:15p.m., the BCC finding no more business before them adjourned.

Attest: _____ Approved _____
JoLynn Drage
County Clerk
Lawrence Schoen
Chairman