

**OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF BLAINE COUNTY
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE JUNE 2011 SESSION**

Second Day

Thursday, June 2, 2011

Pursuant to Statutory Provisions, the Board of Blaine County Commissioners (BCC) met this day at 10:00 a.m. Present were Chairman Angenie McCleary, Commissioner Lawrence Schoen; County Clerk JoLynn Drage; and Recording Secretary Sunny Grant.

Vice Chairman Tom Bowman was absent from the morning meeting.
Chairman McCleary called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – §67-2345 1(d) INDIGENT - Consideration of records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in Chapter 3, Title 9, Idaho Code

- **Case #11-02-023**

Present were Blaine County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Graves, Blaine County Welfare Director Wilma Colter and Assistant Welfare Director Connie Kacalek; St. Luke's Twin Falls Indigent Services representatives Wendi Stevens, Kathleen P. Anderson and Soni Grover; St. Luke's attorney Mark Peterson; and St. Luke's Canyon View Behavioral Services Dr. Rick Yavruian D.O.

Schoen moved, seconded by McCleary, to convene in Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 1(d) to consider indigent medical applications. Schoen (aye), and McCleary (aye). Motion carried 2/0.

OPEN SESSION RESUMED

Schoen moved to consider testimony and evidence presented today at this hearing and take it under advisement, and issue a timely opinion in writing. Motion carried 2/0.

BREAK

Chairman McCleary reconvened the Board of Blaine County Commissioners meeting at 3:00 p.m. Present were Chairman Angenie McCleary, Vice-Chairman Tom Bowman, Commissioner Lawrence Schoen; County Administrator Derek Voss, County Clerk JoLynn Drage, Chief Deputy County Clerk Leslie Londos; and Recording Secretary Sunny Grant.

BUDGET REQUEST: ELECTIONS – Blaine County Clerk JoLynn Drage

The Elections department handles primary and general elections. The Blaine County Elections Fund, formed as a result of the newly-enacted Consolidated Elections law and funded by the State, is available to fund up to four elections each year for all cities and districts in the county. It's difficult to accurately budget the Elections Fund since the number of actual elections is unknown.

The Elections department strives to run elections smoothly and consistently. Fully-trained staff should always be available in the office to answer questions, and to cover any unexpected field vacancies on Election Day. The FY2012 budget includes salary increases for cross-trained clerk's deputies and part-time help.

The Elections Clerk worked diligently in 2011 to enter all school zones into the database prior to the School Board election. The clerk is now working with the County's GIS Department to update precincts and Commissioner districts.

BUDGET REQUEST: COUNTY SERVICES (WELFARE) – Blaine County Clerk JoLynn Drage

Also present: Blaine County Welfare Director Wilma Colter and Assistant Welfare Director Connie Kacalek

County Services department also serves as the Veterans office for Blaine County, and works closely with the state veterans officer to handle local needs.

County Services requests additional funding in FY2012 to provide for small non-medical emergency assistance, as required by the state. FEMA grant funding for these needs is no longer available.

County Services' vision:

- Treat clients with a professional and respectful attitude. Develop their trust and cooperation, and provide courteous assistance in a timely manner.
- Plan, prepare and respond to economic, environmental and social change.
- Create and administer a comprehensive non-medical assistance program to assist County residents with food, housing and other non-medical needs. This will require collaboration with the County Administrator, Chief Deputy Auditor, Chief Deputy Prosecutor, and the BCC.

