

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

Fourth Day

Tuesday, May 13, 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, County Administrator Derek Voss; County Clerk JoLynn Drage; Operations Director Char Nelson; and Recording Secretary Sunny Grant.

Commissioner McCleary was absent from today's meeting.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

AMEND AGENDA

Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to amend today's May 13, 2014 agenda to move Executive Session for indigent cases from 9:00 am to about 11:00 am. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY DEPARTMENT REPORTS, DISCUSSION and CONSIDERATION

Claims – Schar Boyd

Deputy Auditor Schar Boyd presented the claims.

County Clerk explained the large interpretive services was because a court hearing was cancelled with no insufficient notice to the scheduled translators.

Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to approve claims dated May 7, 2014 with additional claims for CenturyLink and Lamar Waters, as presented by staff. Motion carried 2/0.

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FUND 01	AGAINST GENERAL FUND		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ 260,935.13	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 247,663.24	
Total April FICA		\$ 36,550.36	
Total April Benefits		\$ 148,843.37	
Total April Bills		<u>\$ 293,385.27</u>	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 987,377.37
FUND 02	AGAINST ROAD & BRIDGE		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ 27,658.85	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 26,453.35	
Total April FICA		\$ 3,868.74	
Total April Benefits		\$ 17,125.47	
Total April Bills		<u>\$ 91,952.29</u>	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 167,058.70
FUND 03	AGAINST ELECTION CONSOLIDATION		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ -	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ -	
Total April FICA		\$ -	
Total April Benefits		\$ -	
Total April Bills		<u>\$ 567.51</u>	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 567.51
FUND 04	AGAINST AMBULANCE		
Total April Bills		\$ 178,472.47	\$ 178,472.47
FUND 06	AGAINST DISTRICT COURT		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ 1,970.26	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 1,970.26	
Total April FICA		\$ 301.46	
Total April Benefits		\$ 1,045.04	
Total April Bills		<u>\$ 4,865.74</u>	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 10,152.76
FUND 07	AGAINST COUNTY FAIR		
Total April Bills		\$ -	\$ -
FUND 11	AGAINST PUBLIC HEALTH		
Total April Bills		\$ 19,816.17	\$ 19,816.17
FUND 12	AGAINST HISTORICAL SOC. & MUSEUM		

Total April Bills		\$ 12,550.00	\$ 12,550.00
FUND 16	AGAINST CHARITY & INDIGENT		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ 1,844.00	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 1,844.00	
Total April FICA		\$ 225.78	
Total April Benefits		\$ 1,246.85	
Total April Bills		\$ 11,553.80	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 16,714.43
FUND 17	AGAINST JR. COLLEGE TUITION		
Total April Bills		\$ 52,350.00	\$ 52,350.00
FUND 19	AGAINST CONSOLIDATED EMERG. COMM.		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ 24,536.22	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 19,457.06	
Total April FICA		\$ 3,320.74	
Total April Benefits		\$ 11,605.42	
Total April Bills		\$ 10,398.77	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 69,318.21
FUND 20	AGAINST REVALUATION		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ 10,191.70	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 10,363.82	
Total April FICA		\$ 1,361.51	
Total April Benefits		\$ 9,233.35	
Total April Bills		\$ 1,284.98	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 32,435.36
FUND 22	AGAINST RECYCLE CENTER		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ 5,485.61	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 4,624.00	
Total April FICA		\$ 770.45	
Total April Benefits		\$ 2,941.35	
Total April Bills		\$ 4,063.64	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 17,885.05
FUND 23	AGAINST SOLID WASTE		
Total April Bills		\$ 1,921.43	\$ 1,921.43
FUND 27	AGAINST NOXIOUS WEEDS		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ 3,600.67	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 3,914.13	
Total April FICA		\$ 495.10	
Total April Benefits		\$ 3,039.10	
Total April Bills		\$ 2,196.92	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 13,245.92
FUND 30	AGAINST CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND		
Total April Bills		\$ -	\$ -
FUND 31	AGAINST PSF BOND REDEMPTION		
Total April Bills		\$ -	\$ -
FUND 35	AGAINST NURSING HOME		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ 1,923.20	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 1,923.20	
Total April FICA		\$ 294.26	
Total April Benefits		\$ 1,034.40	
Total April Bills		\$ 7,789.51	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 12,964.57
FUND 37	AGAINST SNOWMOBILE		
Total April Bills		\$ 286.00	\$ 286.00
FUND 38	AGAINST WATERWAYS		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ -	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 34.73	
Total April FICA		\$ 2.66	
Total April Benefits		\$ 4.05	
Total April Bills		\$ 692.35	
Combined Total April Expense			\$ 733.79
FUND 46	AGAINST E-911 EMERGENCY COMM.		
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 3	\$ 4,641.51	
Blaine County Employees	Salaries April 17	\$ 4,641.50	
Total April FICA		\$ 645.49	
Total April Benefits		\$ 2,943.78	
Total April Bills		\$ 5,206.59	

Combined Total April Expense			\$ 18,078.87
FUND 51	AGAINST LAND WATER & WILDLIFE LEVY		
Total April Bills		\$ 6,102.34	\$ 6,102.34
FUND 81	AGAINST LIABILITY INSURANCE		
Total April Bills		\$ 89,579.50	\$ 89,579.50
TOTAL ALL FUNDS			\$1,707,610.45

Operations Director - Char Nelson

- The BCC delegated Nelson to sign a Floodplain Management Overlay application for a City of Ketchum Floodplain Development Permit, Waterways Overlay Design Review and Stream Alteration Permit for the Adams Gulch Bridge.
- Nelson and Blaine County Road and Bridge Manager Tom Duffy hiked three miles out Democrat Gulch Road. A number of BLM trails appear to be closed to non-motorized vehicles as a result of last year's Beaver Creek Fire. The BCC feels that County roads should be accessible, particularly to private landowners along the road. If road access is not advisable, and BLM wants to close the road, they can pay for and erect the signage.
- Blaine County's informational weed trailer was at Hailey's Arbor Day event and was visited by about 100 people.
- Nelson attended the West Coast International City/County Management Association (ICMA) conference last week as part of the Mid-Career Managers Institute (MCMI) program.

County Administrator - Derek Voss

- Blaine County's HR generalist Susan Potucek will meet with St. Luke's and SelectHealth to better understand SelectHealth's health insurance proposals. Potucek has asked the County's health insurance brokers to develop information regarding SelectHealth's program.
- Blaine County's health insurance claims this year are flat or reduced. The County doesn't expect a health insurance premium increase.
- HR has completed review of all Blaine County job descriptions. The administrator will review them and present to the BCC for review. The BCC approves all job descriptions in the organization.
- Blaine County Emergency Communications is developing and improving policies and procedures.

CONTRACTS, GRANTS AND AGREEMENTS, Discussion and Consideration

• **Williams Scotsman Lease Agreement**

This is for two trailers for use during the Old County Courthouse roof retrofit. Williams Scotsman agreed to numerous revisions made by the County attorney and administrator. If the term of the contract must be extended, it will be month by month. (Contract not recorded and later revised.)

Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to approve the contract with Williams Scotsman for trailer rental and two lease agreements, one for \$5,920.55 and the other for \$3,040.42, for trailers necessary during renovation on the Old County Courthouse. Motion carried 2/0.Not Recorded

BOARD of COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, Discussion and Consideration

Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA) Spring Meeting - Schoen

Most of the meeting was devoted to control plans and outreach efforts of cooperating agencies, including Forest Service and BLM, cities and organizations like the Wood River Land Trust, The Nature Conservancy, etc. The Pesticide Action Network is working to create an insectuary at SNRA headquarters to raise beneficial insects to control noxious weeds.

National Association of Counties (NACo) Conference Call - Schoen

The NACo Environment and Land Use Committee discussed Endangered Species Act policy.

Boulder White Clouds National Monument Proposal Update - Schoen

Schoen is drafting a letter to U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Council on Environmental Quality, and the Idaho Congressional delegation, inviting them to visit this area and discuss the Boulder-White Clouds National Monument proposal. Before sending the letter, it will be copied to and reviewed by Blaine County and Custer County Commissioners.

University of Idaho Extension Advisory Committee - Schoen

Stakeholders meeting provided direction to Extension for the coming year, with focus on small holdings and community-supported agriculture. Water conservation in all forms is a big issue this year.

Land, Water and Wildlife Levy Program Update - Rock Creek Ranch - Schoen

Swanger and Schoen participated in a conference call with Idaho Fish and Game about the Rock Creek Ranch to review first drafts of the documents.

Hazardous Fuel Reduction Project - Schoen

The BCC received a letter from BLM regarding completion of a hazardous fuel reduction project in the Bell Mountain/Sharps Canyon/Muldoon Canyon area.

ROAD AND BRIDGE 2015-2016 WORK PLAN, Discussion and Consideration

Also present: Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; County Operations Director Char Nelson; County Road and Bridge Manager Tom Duffy; Jima Rice; candidate for Idaho House of

Representatives Don Hudson; and *Mountain Express* reporter Greg Moore.

Blaine County Road and Bridge Manager Tom Duffy presented the proposed 2015-16 Work Plan to utilize Road and Bridge levy funds if the levy passes. This workplan is based on an annual visual assessment of the County's roads.

Duffy showed the BCC photos of individual County roads that need maintenance.

Greenberg noted that this workplan can only be implemented if the Road and Bridge levy passes and money is available. Greenberg acknowledged that the best way to pay for roads is with user-based fees, but the State hasn't supported that. Blaine County could apply for federal grants, but most County roads do not have sufficient traffic to warrant a federal grant.

Schoen expressed support for the workplan, but expressed concern that some of the worst roads in Blaine County are rural roads with lower traffic volumes, but high impacts from heavy farm trucks and equipment.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Jima Rice said both Ketchum and Sun Valley are questioning whether they should actively participate in the levy. Rice suggested tolling, and charging different amounts for trucks and cars. She asked that the road plan be future-minded and consider projected traffic in 5-10 years.

Blaine County Operations director Char Nelson said the workplan is flexible and adaptive, based on Duffy's annual spring road assessment.

Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to approve the FY2015-16 Roadwork Plan based on 2015-16 road levy revenue, as proposed. In discussion, Schoen emphasized the importance of keeping in touch with constituents. **Motion carried 2/0.**

INDIGENT REIMBURSEMENT, Discussion and Consideration

Also Present: Blaine County Indigent Services Manager Brooke Roberson and Indigent Services Assistant/Elections Clerk Amy Rivkin.

The Blaine County Indigent Services Manager and County Clerk asked the BCC to formulate a consistent reimbursement and collection policy. When the County pays an indigent's medical claim, a lien is automatically placed against the person. Currently, the lien is not removed unless the bill is reimbursed. The County Clerk noted that Collections is usually successful in at least getting a response.

- How long should the reimbursement period last for a large medical expense? Some clients owe hundreds of thousands of dollars, and have paid \$25 faithfully for years. Some clients have never made a payment; some were never billed or told they were expected to pay; some have stopped paying.
- Indigent Services would like to send indigent debtors to collections if they do not make their payments or notify the County why they cannot make payments.

Schoen felt a lien should be released if there is no hope the debt will ever be fully paid. He stressed the importance of clear consistent communication. Clients who can pay should be billed on a regular basis and reminded that there is a lien. If the client was never billed years ago, it's unfair to bill them now and/or send to collections. The County Clerk will draft a resolution.

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 Indigent Services Manager Brooke Roberson and Assistant Amy Rivkin.

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

OPEN SESSION RESUMED

Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to deny Medical Indigent Application for Assistance Cases #2014-29, 2014-26, and 2014-23, based on staff recommendation. Motion carried 2/0.

Ballot Counting Device Logic and Accuracy Test

(Elections office, Old Blaine County Courthouse)

County Commissioners Schoen and Greenberg observed the ballot counting device logic and accuracy test. All processes were accurate and approved.

BREAK

LAND USE AND BUILDING SERVICES HEARINGS

- **Resolution to revise Land Use and Building Services Fee**

Also present: Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin.

Bergin read posted notice.

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

Bergin said Commissioner McCleary had no issues with the proposed fee changes. McCleary suggested policies and fees should be the same for similar applications.

Bergin went through the proposed changes.

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

Land use will draft the resolution and submit it for BCC's consideration at an upcoming meeting.

ARCH QUAIL CREEK TOWNHOMES CH-PUD

Also present: Blaine County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Graves; County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; applicant ARCH Executive Director Michelle Griffith, and applicant's representatives Brian Yeager, Rob King and John Flattery; and St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center representative John Gaeddert.

ARCH Community Housing Trust Executive Director Michelle Griffith said four concerns were expressed at last week's BCC meeting:

- Verify the bus stop location that serves the proposed Quail Creek project. The existing Mountain Rides bus stop is two blocks away.
- The project is not considered located in a wildlife or winter habitat corridor. Staff contacted Fish and Game twice since last week's meeting and received no response.
- The applicant presented a snow storage plan. Snow from different locations on the site is designated to be stored in different locations. Additional snow storage areas can accommodate snow from neighboring properties
- LU&BS staff said County Code language allows Community Housing-Planned Unit Overlay District timelines to supersede regular development timelines. Blaine County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Graves confirmed that timelines set forth in Title 10 apply to the approved Quail Creek development. This application is a different development so new timing and phasing apply.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

The BCC previously evaluated standards of this application. There is a Condition of Approval that affordability shall be maintained, which will be on the recorded document.

Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to approve with conditions the application by ARCH Community Housing Trust for a Community Housing Planned Unit Development, including modification to State Highway 75 setback, finding the application complies with the applicable criteria set forth under Title 9, Zoning Regulations, subject to the attached conditions plus additional condition that the development will have no adverse impacts upon the delivery of services or potable water. Motion carried 2/0.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

- **Goodell Variance and Plat Amendment**

Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to approve Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision on applications for variance and plat amendment for Lot 1, Boulder Mountain Subdivision as submitted by Stu and Norie Goodell, to include corrected language. Motion carried 2/0.

- **Amendment to Quail Creek PUD agreement**

Schoen made revisions to the Findings.

Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision regarding an application by Clear Creek LLC to amend a Planned Unit Development Agreement for Quail Creek PUD Subdivision, as amended, by altering the means of providing community housing. Motion carried 2/0.

Greenberg moved, seconded by Schoen, to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision regarding an application by West Gimlet Homeowners for a Stream Alteration Permit on the Big Wood River and a Floodplain Conditional Use Permit. Motion carried 2/0.

ADJOURN

At the hour of 2:26 p.m., the BCC finding no more business before them adjourned.

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