

1 OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
2 OF BLAINE COUNTY
3 REGULAR MEETING OF THE OCTOBER, 2012 SESSION
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6 **First Day**

Tuesday, October 2, 2012

7 Pursuant to Statutory Provisions, the Board of Blaine County Commissioners (BCC) met this day at
8 9:00 a.m. Present were Chairman Angenie McCleary, Vice Chairman Tom Bowman, Commissioner
9 Lawrence Schoen; County Administrator Derek Voss; County Clerk JoLynn Drage; Recording
10 Secretary Sunny Grant; and Jacob Greenberg.

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12 Chairman McCleary called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

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14 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

15 Jacob Greenberg, candidate for County Commissioner, thanked the Commissioners for all their help.

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

19 • **Case #12-03-102**

20 Present were: Blaine County Indigent Services Manager Brooke Roberson.

21 There is no need for Executive Session at this time. The BCC will discuss Case #12-03-102 in a
22 special meeting Executive Session on October 11, 2012.

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24 **CONTRACTS, GRANTS AND AGREEMENTS DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION**

25 • **Hailey Medical Management Settlement Agreement**

26 Also present: Blaine County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Graves; and Deputy Auditor
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29 In 2007, Blaine County considered selling the Blaine Manor property, and wanted Hailey Medical
30 Management to vacate the property. At the time, Hailey Medical Management had a long-term lease
31 on space in the Blaine Manor building. HMM had made substantial improvements during their lease.
32 Blaine County negotiated a lease via settlement in 2007 with Hailey Medical Management for
33 \$135,624. The settlement did not specify how or when the money would be paid, although it was
34 anticipated it would accrue from the property sale. The property has yet to be sold. Blaine County is
35 now offering to pay the settlement in five separate payments over a period of five years; with an
36 acceleration clause if the Blaine Manor building sells in the meantime. There is no interest charge.
37 The first payment is included in the FY2013 budget.

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39 **Schoen moved, seconded by Bowman, to approve the Settlement Agreement between Blaine
40 County and Hailey Medical Management providing for the settlement payment for early
41 termination of space lease of Hailey Medical Center's facility in the Blaine Manor building, and
42 vacation of property. Motion passed unanimously. Record #602330**

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44 **PERSONAL PROPERTY CANCELLATIONS**

45 Also present: Blaine County Treasurer Vicki Sisiem and Chief Deputy Treasurer Gail Peterson.

46 The Treasurer presented the BCC with a list of personal properties and mobile homes that the Sheriff
47 was unable to collect on.

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49 **Bowman moved, seconded by Schoen, to cancel taxes for the following properties and
50 descriptions: PP1P00000T3420 for \$23.18; MH1TB0000S010A for \$18.40; PP1P00000R1860 for
51 \$44.88; PP1P00000I047A for \$7.44; PP1P00000T3280 for \$142.26; PP1P00000S8800 for \$10.14;**

1 **PP1P00000L1470 for \$42.44; PP1P00000P2150 for \$23.20; and for \$27.16. Motion passed**
2 **unanimously.**

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4 **COUNTY DEPARTMENT REPORTS, DISCUSSION and CONSIDERATION**

5 **Clerk's Report – JoLynn Drage**

- 6 • At the independent auditor's recommendation, the Treasurer's journal entry has been reconciled
7 to just over \$4,800. Steps have been taken with Computer Arts to avoid this in the future; and the
8 independent auditor will make further recommendations during the annual independent audit.

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10 **Operations Director – Char Nelson**

- 11 • Hydraulic fluids have been changed out in the Recycle Center baler. A heating apparatus has
12 been installed in the baler to keep it warm and operational full-time, without the need to heat the
13 entire building.
- 14 • The Annex heating and cooling system has been retrofitted.
- 15 • Billing to McKinstry for work on the Old Courthouse is complete. McKinstry did not meet deadline,
16 so remaining work still to be done will not be charged.
- 17 • Potential bidders on the shed dormer project had a walk-through this week.
- 18 • The revised County recycling program began yesterday. Glass is no longer recycled curbside, but
19 must now be taken to a collection location. Residents who put glass in their curbside bins received
20 notes from the hauler.
- 21 • Blaine County is working closely with the ERC and Clear Creek Disposal to be sure correct
22 recycling information is easily accessible. The County website has a page on how to recycle
23 everything, including things that can be taken to Ohio Gulch.
- 24 • Southern Idaho Solid Waste District Outreach Coordinator Amy Windle and Blaine County
25 Operations Administrative Assistant Lynn Timm did a presentation on recycling to a School District
26 environmental committee.
- 27 • The Recycle Center was recently informed that a load of aluminum was contaminated with shards
28 of glass. Removing glass from curbside pickup will improve safety and quality of other recyclables.
- 29 • The Deer Creek Bridge bank armor work is delayed until October 22. The DEQ was late in
30 sending out its 21-day public notice.

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32 Nelson and Schoen had a very positive discussion with Sawtooth National Recreation Area Ranger
33 Joby Timm regarding the county's waterway system, public safety, and use and maintenance of
34 docks. The County and Forest Service articulated their shared goals, and will strive toward better
35 communication and collaboration.

- 36 • The National Forest will share responsibility for maintenance of the Alturas docks.
- 37 • The Forest Service is replacing their dock system and offered old docks to the County.
- 38 • The Forest Service is okay for now with Blaine County's trash bins at Smiley Creek. The Forest
39 Service and Blaine County will work out an MOU for the bins and space lease. The County will
40 need to get a permit and probably a land lease to keep the bins there.
- 41 • The SNRA intends to create a non-motorized trail system in the Galena Summit area. The County
42 offered to assist the public process to support appropriate uses and avoid conflicts on trails.

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44 **County Administrator – Derek Voss**

- 45 • Voss and Land Use are evaluating the South Gateway Community Housing Overlay District.
46 Availability of water is a principal concern. Sun Valley Water and Sewer District, City of Ketchum
47 and Blaine County will collaborate on a water study. If water supply is adequate, Land Use will
48 continue to evaluate the area's potential. Public comment to P&Z on the South Gateway has
49 expressed concern about the density increase.
- 50 • Letter from Hailey's Mayor Haemmerle stated Hailey's intention to not enter into agreement for
51 emergency communications. Hailey will no longer be a member of the Emergency
52 Communications Partners Advisory Committee (PAC). Hailey is using emergency communications
53 service, and will make the quarterly contract payment.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

- **New liquor license for Lago Azul Mexican Restaurant**

Schoen moved, seconded by Bowman, to approve the Consent Calendar for October 2, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

- **June 19, 2012 Regular Tuesday Meeting**
- **June 20, 2012 Special Wednesday Meeting**
- **July 3, 2012 Regular Tuesday Meeting**
- **August 28, 2012 Regular Tuesday Meeting**
- **September 11, 2012 Regular Tuesday Meeting**

Schoen moved, seconded by Bowman, to approve Commissioners meeting minutes of June 19, 2012, June 20, 2012, July 3, 2012, August 28, 2012, and September 11, 2012, as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

AIRPORT PROJECT UPDATE AND DISCUSSION

Also present: Friedman Memorial Airport Manager Rick Baird.

- **Friedman Memorial Airport Authority (FMAA) Meeting Preparation**

Bowman offered to continue to represent Blaine County as Chairman of the FMAA for the next three months. Schoen indicated a willingness to serve in a leadership role on the FMAA in the future.

The FMAA will discuss the Alternatives Analysis “90-Day Study”, a technical analysis of alternatives to achieve compliance with FAA standards at the existing Friedman Airport site. The Study was meant to develop alternatives that are technically feasible at the existing site, regardless of cost and potential environmental or social impact. Alternatives will be developed to the point where costs and potential impacts can be identified and presented to the FAA. This Study does not include evaluation of alternatives.

The BCC emphasized that the FMAA has to be careful to not allow politics to censor its decisions.

DESIGNATION OF POLLING PLACES FOR NOVEMBER 6, 2012 ELECTION

The County Clerk read the list of designated polling places.

Schoen moved, seconded by Bowman, to approve the List of Precincts, as read into the record by the County Clerk. Motion carried unanimously.

PROJECTS UPDATE – Retiring Commissioner Tom Bowman

This is Commissioner Tom Bowman’s last Blaine County Commissioners meeting. Bowman updated the Commissioners liaison list and Commissioners project list. Bowman will be vacating his participation in the following organizations:

- The South Central Resource Advisory Committee.
- Sustain Blaine.
- State Interoperability Executive Council (SIEC) (Sheriff Ramsey also on the SIEC)
- Idaho Association of Counties.
- Roadless Rule Commission.
- District IV Legislative Committee.
- The USGS is finishing up the last phase of the water study report. The next step is to make policy declarations. IDWR will begin water modeling for the Big Wood River Basin in early 2013.
- Emergency Medical Services Council – more technical training than policy decision. Probably won’t be any changes in Interfacility transfers.

- 1 • Off-road motorized users and Model Airplane Club.
- 2 • BLM – Schoen will review the Ohio Gulch Recreation and Public Purposes Act site plan with
- 3 Southern Idaho Solid Waste District Executive Director Josh Bartlomé.
- 4 • Unofficial affiliation with Hailey Chamber of Commerce.

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6 The BCC reviewed their list of completed projects.

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8 Ongoing BCC projects:

- 9 • Capital Improvement projects, including Road and Bridge funding.
- 10 • Improve professionalism of the Blaine County organization.
- 11 • An Elkhorn tax deed parcel on Juniper should be transferred to Sun Valley-Elkhorn Association.
- 12 • An Elkhorn tax deed parcel on Juniper should be transferred to the City of Sun Valley.
- 13 • USGS water study, water rights conjunctive administration and groundwater modeling.

14 15 **RECOGNITION OF BLAINE COUNTY COMMISSIONER TOM BOWMAN**

16 Chairman McCleary thanked retiring Commissioner Tom Bowman for his contribution, especially the
17 clarity he had given the BCC. While Bowman was in office, the BCC formulated guiding principles,
18 established strategic objectives and began the process of outcome-based budgeting with
19 performance measurements.

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21 PUBLIC COMMENT:

22 Many citizens and community leaders paid tribute to Bowman.

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24 BCC accomplishments and challenges during Bowman’s tenure since 2005:

- 25 • Declared six-month moratorium on development to begin the 2025 process.
- 26 • Bowman directed the 2007 Castle Rock Fire while the Sheriff was out of state.
- 27 • Supported the concept of a more professional county government, which has developed over the
- 28 past several years into strategic planning, an outcome-based budget, and performance
- 29 measurements.
- 30 • General obligation bond for a new Public Safety Facility, passed after two prior failures.
- 31 • Reorganized ambulance budget from a contentious situation to cooperative collaboration.
- 32 • Cooperative Agreement with BLM to expedite BLM travel planning processes has resulted in
- 33 motorized and non-motorized trails, which thousands of people use.
- 34 • The new up-to-date E-911 Dispatch Center, although some partners don’t yet understand its value
- 35 to the community.
- 36 • Cove Ranch Subdivision.
- 37 • GIS website and data is visionary for a small rural county.
- 38 • BCC developed an outcome-based budgeting process, which challenged department heads and
- 39 elected officials to examine what they do and why they do it.
- 40 • The airport solution remains elusive.
- 41 • Future funding challenges include Road and Bridge and County building maintenance and retrofit.
- 42 • Skilled nursing remains an issue.
- 43 • Federal funding, particularly Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) and Secure Rural Schools, may be
- 44 reduced or eliminated in the future.

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46 **BREAK**

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48 Commissioner McCleary was absent until 2:36 p.m.

49 Vice-Chairman Bowman chaired the meeting during that time.

50 51 **LAND USE AND BUILDING SERVICES HEARINGS**

- 52 • **Barrie Stream Alteration Permit Application:** Public hearing on and consideration of a stream alteration
- 53 permit application by Christine and Carolina Barrie on the **Big Wood River** for river bank stabilization (150 feet) and

1 woody debris removal. The project site is **Parcel B, Natootsi Subdivision**, at **399 Broadford Road**, just west of the
2 City of Bellevue, Section 26, T2N, R18E, BM, Blaine County.

3 Also present: Blaine County Senior Planner Kathy Grotto; applicant Christine Barrie, and her
4 environmental consultant Stephanie Eisenbarth.

5 Grotto read notice. The City of Bellevue has no problems with the application.

6 **Schoen moved, seconded by Bowman, that notice was adequate, Motion carried 2/0.**

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8 The applicant provided photos and history with the application. The project has received approval
9 from Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR). Although the County Engineer supported
10 removal of the woody debris, both IDWR and Fish and Game expressed concern about removal of the
11 woody debris. IDWR approval is only for the bank stabilization and does not include removal of any
12 woody debris.

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14 The County Engineer was concerned about the lack of a toe rock apron below the flow line.

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16 Eisenbarth has represented Christine Barrie for a number of years, monitoring erosion and loss of
17 land along the river. After the flood in 2006, they tried “soft approaches” along the riverbank in several
18 locations to repair erosion damage. Most of the repairs have remained, but the downstream corner in
19 this SAP has lost 14 feet just in the last year. The Soil Conservation District put in a dike some years
20 ago, which is headcutting this eroded corner. The County Engineer agreed that this corner should be
21 armored.

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23 The applicant would also like to remove the northern woody debris that goes across the entire main
24 channel, but IDWR wants to visit it next spring at high flow. The dike is also in bad condition, and
25 should be repaired.

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27 Galena Engineering provided a No Rise and No Impact letter for the application.

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29 The BCC discussed the project with Eisenbarth. They expressed disappointment that water agencies
30 hadn't addressed worsening problems on the river.

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32 PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

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34 The BCC discussed revegetation with Eisenbarth. The applicant and consultant have to do the project
35 very well, and quickly, in order to achieve their desired goal. Staff will inspect the project next spring
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37 **Schoen moved, seconded by Bowman, to approve the Stream Alteration Permit on the Big**
38 **Wood River by Christine and Carolina Barrie for work to be done on bank armoring as**
39 **described in the application with the conditions as detailed and discussed in this hearing,**
40 **based on the stipulation that it meets the compliance criteria of Blaine County Code.** In
41 discussion, the BCC confirmed that the project conditions require compliance with permitting
42 agencies, and the northern logjam cannot be removed. **Motion carried 2/0.**

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44 The BCC suggested interested parties, including the City of Bellevue, the Flood Control District,
45 Blaine Soil Conservation District, County staff, the canal company, and state and federal agencies,
46 meet to discuss long-term, stable improvements to this reach of the Big Wood River.

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48 **Chairman McCleary rejoined the BCC meeting at this time.**

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50 **LAND, WATER AND WILDLIFE PROGRAM**

- 51 • **Levy Advisory Board Reappointments of Barb Acker, Wendy Pabich, Tom Page and Trent**
52 **Stumph**

1 Also present: Blaine County Land Use Administrator Tom Bergin; Senior Planner Kathy Grotto; and
2 Blaine County Land, Water and Wildlife Levy Advisory Board Coordinator Clare Swanger.

3 Five members of the land, Water and Wildlife Levy Advisory Board (LAB) expire in October. Four
4 members seek reappointment. LAB member Trent Jones does not seek reappointment.

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6 **Schoen moved, seconded by McCleary, to reappoint Trent Stumph, Tom Page, Barb Acker,
7 and Wendy Pabich to new two-year terms on the Land Water Wildlife LAB.** In discussion,
8 McCleary thanked the LAB for their three years of service. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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10 • **Planning & Zoning Commission New Appointment**
11 P&Z Commissioner Jo Lowe has requested she not be reappointed.

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13 **BOARD REPORTS, DISCUSSION and CONSIDERATION**

14 **Idaho Solid Waste District Board meeting – Schoen**

- 15 • The District Board reviewed transfer station land leases with counties.
16 • The Waste Disposal Agreements are up for renewal. The revised Agreements no longer reference
17 Certificates of Participation, which will be paid in full this fall.
18 • The Board discussed the Hub Butte Disposal Site. The SISWD seeks consistent transfer station
19 ownership and management policies throughout the district. There may be merit, however, in the
20 District continuing to own the Hub Butte site.

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22 **Community Drug Coalition Board Meeting – Schoen**

23 The Board reviewed the Coalition's financial position. The transition from former Executive Director
24 Terry Basolo has been a challenge. A new executive director was hired and resigned two weeks later.

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26 **Wood River Wolf Project – Schoen**

27 A season review meeting was very well attended by representatives from the Forest Service, Idaho
28 Department of fish and Game, other participating organizations and sheep growers. Attendees
29 discussed what worked and what didn't, and the political environment under which the Wolf Project
30 operates in Idaho. The project has tremendous value and national visibility. Fish and Game has
31 serious political constraints, but Schoen supports a multi-agency cooperative effort to develop further
32 wolf management policy in Idaho. The Nature Conservancy is going to work with the Peavey family on
33 a new range-lambing area for next season.

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35 **South Central Public Health District Board meeting – McCleary**

36 Discussions were consistent with the past few meetings.

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38 **Behavioral Health Interagency Cooperative meeting – McCleary**

39 The group is talking about how Medicaid Expansion will affect mental health in Idaho.

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41 **ADJOURN**

42 At the hour of 3:40 p.m., the BCC finding no more business before them adjourned.

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46 Attest: _____ Approved _____
47 JoLynn Drage Angenie McCleary
48 County Clerk Chairman