

FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES
March 29, 2010

Present for the meeting were: Commissioners Paul Romrell, Skip Hurt, and Lee Miller.

Also attended by: Clerk Abbie Mace, Deputy Clerk Cathy Conger, Prosecuting Attorney Joette Lookabaugh

Commissioner Romrell called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Commissioner Hurt made a motion to approve a junior college application. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Hurt made a motion to approve minutes of March 15, 2010. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Discussion was held on developing a Records Retention Policy. Prosecuting Attorney Lookabaugh recommended making a resolution to have temporary records destroyed. Prosecuting Attorney Lookabaugh and Clerk Mace will be working on developing this and will bring it back to Commissioner Meeting May 3, 2010.

Commissioner Romrell made a motion to open the budget and move the HR Assistant Director wages into the Assessors Office. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Discussion was held on a drought declaration. Commissioner Hurt made the motion to declare Fremont County as a drought area by Resolution # 2010-10. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Discussion was held on signing a letter to Yellowstone to be a cooperating agency. Commissioner Miller made the motion to sign the letter and to have Tamra Cikaitoga represent Fremont County on the committee. Commissioner Hurt seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding the railroad tracks by Trost's Feed. Concerns have been expressed about the safety of these particular tracks. There are some rotting boards and the arms are not quite long enough. Commissioner Hurt agreed to discuss the issue with the railroad.

Commissioner Romrell made a motion to amend the agenda to include solid waste report, arts counsel, takings analysis, forest service, and Huck Moon property. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Romrell received a request from the Arts Council to teach and display art in St. Anthony. They are asking the county to help with arts council and to be their fiscal officer until they can obtain the 501C3 status. Clerk Mace will follow up on this request and let them know that the county is not interested.

Discussion held on solid waste report. Prosecuting Attorney Lookabaugh reported on her meeting with the Eastern Idaho Solid Waste Committee. The issue that came up was bonding and who will secure the bonds. She presented to the Commissioners proposed bylaws and resolutions. Commissioner Romrell expressed concern about giving up control of the county landfill.

Commissioner Hurt made a motion to approve resolution # 2010-09 for Destruction of Permanent Records. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Ms. Lookabaugh updated the commissioners on the response to the regulatory taking analysis. They were sent out last Friday.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to allow Park & Recreation Employee to clean up the ATV Trail at Bear Gulch. Commissioner Hurt seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Planning & Building Administrator Kurt Hibbert RE: Final Plat for Parker Reef

Administrator Hibbert presented the Final Plat for Parker Reef. Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve and sign the Final Plat for Parker Reef. Commissioner Hurt seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Social Services – Debbie Adams Re: Indigent Claims

Commissioner Romrell made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC 67-2345 (d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in chapter 3, title 9, Idaho code at 9:31 a.m. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Romrell voting "Aye", Commissioner Hurt voting "Aye", and Commissioner Miller voting "Aye". Commissioner Romrell declared the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

Commissioners signed five new liens.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve case #G2010-78, case #G2010-51, case #ML2010-22, and #ML2010-23, and deny case #G2010-15 and case #G2010-17. Commissioner Romrell seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

EMS/Sheriff Office RE: Sandrail Discussion

EMS Director Bob Foster updated the commissioners on the project St. Anthony Sand Dunes Special Recreation Management Area. The Challenge Cost Share Proposal was reviewed. The EMS has committed \$20,000 in 2006 and \$23,000 in 2007 from a BLM Grant. Total cost to EMS per year is \$6,000 to \$9,000. Operational challenges were discussed. Funds for maintenance and repairs for Sandrail were discussed. Sheriff Humphries reported that there will be no reimbursement from BLM this year. Mr. Foster expressed some concern regarding EMS/Sheriff responsibilities versus the responsibilities of the BLM. Commissioner Hurt discussed concern over lack of financial help from the Sand Dunes. BLM believes that Fremont County is paid through the PILT money. Commissioners reviewed the MOU between Fremont County and BLM. Sheriff Humphries made the note that the Sandrail is owned by the Sheriff as well as repairs and maintenance. Changes were made to the Sandrail without the knowledge of the Sheriff. Sheriff

Humphries would like the changes to be reversed. Deputies have been trained last spring and will be trained again in the spring on driving the Sandrail. There are only 2 EMS trained. Mr. Foster expressed concern over where the funding is coming from. Commissioner Miller expressed concern over who will be providing care to patients at the Sand Dunes. Commissioners need to know who owns the Sandrail. That needs to be determined before a decision can be made. There needs to be more discussion with BLM and potentially a new MOU. Commissioner Hurt expressed appreciation to the EMS for their hard work. The Commissioners requested that EMS and the Sheriff Department report back April 12th to continue this discussion.

Planning & Building Planner Joshua Chase RE: Plat Amendment for Island Park Subdivision Division #1

Mr. Chase presented the Plat Amendment for the Island Park Subdivision Division #1, lots #26, #28 and #30. Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve the Plat Amendment. Commissioner Hurt seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Planning & Building Kurt Hibbert RE: Planning & Zoning, Destruction of Records

Discussion held on Planning & Zoning Recreation subcommittee. Commissioner Miller motion made to accept the request from Planning and Zoning subcommittee. Commissioner Hurt seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Public Works Director Marla Vik RE: Department Reports

Road & Bridge: JC Siddoway has requested a cattle guard on the Red Road. Commissioner Romrell has recommended that there is someone from the county to supervise the installation. Commissioners would like amore detailed plan on the construction. Ms. Vik would like some direction from the Commissioners on creating a policy on cattle guards.

Sewer Systems: Ms. Vik reported on the sewer system contract for janitor position for the bathrooms at Mack's Inn. Commissioner Romrell made a motion to employ Monica Dexter for \$17.44 an hour for the bathroom cleaning. Commissioner Hurt seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Landfill: Ms. Vik extended to the commissioners an invitation to the Ashton's Recycling Group kick off celebration on April 9th at 2:30pm at the Ashton City Hall.

Ms. Vik updated the commissioners on the Island Park landfill building awning.

Misc.: Ms. Vik will be attending a training next week for Pavement Maintenance and Idaho Paving Materials. Fleet Manager Justin Wickham would like to purchase another hoist for servicing smaller vehicles. The cost would be approximately \$4,500. The commissioners are not in favor of this and would prefer to do oil changes with local vendors rather than in house.

Discussion was held on the moisture problems in the Road & Bridge shop.

Abbie Mace RE: Executive Session IC 67-2345 (b) Personnel

Commissioner Romrell made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC 67-2345 (b) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in chapter 3, title 9, Idaho code at

11:38 a.m. Commissioner Hurt seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Romrell voting "Aye", Commissioner Hurt voting "Aye", and Commissioner Miller voting "Aye". Commissioner Romrell declared the meeting at 11:57 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Paul Romrell, Chairman
Fremont County Commission

Attest: _____
Abbie Mace, Clerk