

FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES
July 5, 2011

Present for the meeting was: Commissioners Skip Hurt, Lee Miller and Jordon Stoddard.

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

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

Dave Murdock RE: Taxes on Rental Property

Mr. Murdock gave the history of the property that is low income housing apartment complex in St. Anthony to the commissioners. He has been paying taxes although it was a 501-C3. It has been changed from a 501-C3 recently. He is requesting tax relief under the 501-C3 although this no longer applies. Commissioner Hurt explained that he can fill out the paperwork for BOE however it will not be heard until next year as the deadline for this year has passed. Commissioner Miller explained that school bonds and fire district taxes are part of his yearly taxes. He will contact the necessary people to be reinstated as a 501-C3.

Executive Session 67-2345 (b)

Commissioner Skip Hurt made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC 67-2345 (b) to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student at 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Jordon Stoddard seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Jordon Stoddard voting "Aye", Commissioner Lee Miller voting "Aye", and Commissioner Hurt voting "Aye". Commissioner Skip Hurt declared the meeting open at 9:40 a.m.

Joe & Linda Meservy RE: Requesting a Public Hearing for Vacation of County Road

Mr. & Mrs. Meservy made the proposal to vacate a portion of the road adjacent to their property in Wilford. They would like 52 feet on one side and 23 feet on the other side closed. This would leave 24 feet for the road. Discussion was held on leaving the 23 feet open and not disturb the trees. Commissioner Miller suggested that the road is left at 40 feet so the trees would be undisturbed. The date for a new public hearing is August 1st at 10:10 a.m.

Marla Vik & Debbie Davis RE: Official Highway Map Progress Report

Discussion was held on water going across the road in Wilford.

Ms. Vik & Ms. Davis updated the commissioners on how the highway map is to be completed. Bonneville County has successfully completed this map. They have met with Bonneville County to discuss the process that they went through. They are putting on the map when the road came into existence and whether it is county maintained or not. They would like to divide the county into four parts to work with rather than trying to do it in one big meeting. They would like to consider a public information meeting before having the public hearing. Discussion was held on the RS2477 road for the forest service.

Peggy Greener RE: Removal of Penalty & Interest in Property

The commissioners phoned Ms. Greener. Ms. Greener is requesting that the penalty and interest on her father's property taxes be removed. Her father passed 2008 and his taxes were paid for 2008. His mail was still going to his address. She had called and changed the address with the assessor's office. They changed the address when she called a few weeks ago. Ms. Greener would like to just pay the taxes since they did not receive the notices. The treasurer explained that the late notices did not come back so therefore she was unaware that Ms. Greener didn't get the notices. She is stating that she never received them since they were going to number 840 instead of number 841. Commissioner Miller asked if she wondered why she wasn't getting tax notices. She said that she had not because she was not accustomed to having to pay these. Commissioner Hurt stated that they would discuss this and notify her within ten days by mail with their decision.

The commissioners discussed the situation. Chief Deputy Treasurer J'lene Cherry stated that Ms. Greener did not contact the office until June 20th.

Commissioner Lee Miller made the motion to exempt \$95.31 from her penalty & interest leaving her with \$469.01 in penalty & interest. She will have ten days to pay this. Commissioner Jordon Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all voting in favor.

Ms. McCoy expressed concern about the claims that were paid last week. Because of the amount it could have overdrawn the county. The commissioners need to look at the amount more closely so that this does not happen again. A good amount is \$500,000 or less.

Public Works Director Marla Vik RE: Department Report

Ms. Vik discussed the grading of the road in front of the landfill. A traffic counter owned by Fish and Game was damaged and the cost for replacement is \$414. The commissioners will decide who should pay to replace this after it is determined who owns the road. Ms. Vik will meet with Fish and Game to determine where else they have placed traffic counters.

Discussion was held on the snowplow criteria rating. She will continue to use this for the coming year. Seal coating starts on July 18th. We are hoping to do 35 miles. Discussion was held on the transfer station estimate for the St. Anthony Landfill. Ms. Vik will review this more closely and get her recommendations to Commissioner Miller by Thursday. Ms. Vik will go to Madison and Teton counties to look at their operations. Ms. Vik will write up a proposal on last week's executive session.

Social Services – Debbie Adams Re: Indigent Claims

Commissioner Skip Hurt 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 11:42 a.m. Commissioner Jordon Stoddard seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Jordon Stoddard voting "Aye", Commissioner Lee Miller voting "Aye", and Commissioner Hurt voting "Aye". Commissioner Skip Hurt declared the meeting open at 11:51 a.m.

Commissioners signed one new lien and one release of lien.

Commissioner Lee Miller made a motion to deny case #M2011-276. Commissioner Jordon Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Miscellaneous

Clerk Mace updated the commissioners on the bankruptcy hearing for Boise County she testified at last week.

Commissioner Jordon Stoddard made the motion to approve Resolution #2011-19 updating the Personnel Policy. Commissioner Lee Miller seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all voting in favor.

Clerk Mace read a letter from Trent Grant thanking them for using him as the hearing officer for the Development Code Public Hearing.

Discussion was held on the tax deed sales. The sale will be on September 6th at 10:50 a.m.

Discussion was held on the Waste District contract. The contract has been reviewed by Ms. Lookabaugh and her questions were addressed.

Commissioner Lee Miller made the motion to approve the 7-5-11 claims as submitted. Commissioner Jordon Stoddard seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all voting in favor.

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

Skip Hurt, Chairman
Fremont County Commission

Attest: _____
Abbie Mace, Clerk