

Fremont County Commissioners Meeting
Minutes
May 19, 2008

Present for the meeting were Commissioners Paul Romrell, Don Trupp, and Skip Hurt

Also present were Prosecuting Attorney Karl Lewies, Assessor Kathy Thompson, Sheriff Ralph Davis, Treasurer Patricia McCoy, Clerk Abbie Mace, and Deputy Clerk Suzanne Bagley was present to take minutes.

Commissioner declared the meeting open.

Commissioners visited with Lou Payne via phone. Mr. Payne would like the title to the trailer on a property that he bought via the county auction. Commissioners asked that Mr. Payne pay the taxes so that he could get clear title. The amount of the taxes owing are \$395.80. Mr. Payne will send the check via mail and it was understood that Mr. Payne will receive title with the understanding if there is no clear title it will revert back to the county. Commissioner Hurt made a motion to remove the value on MHA0002019007B for the tax year 2008. Commissioner Trupp seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioners would like Marla Vik to be the contact person for Mrs. Gwen Lee who has a county tax deeded mobile home on her property. The county acquired this mobile home through a Sheriff's sale. The mobile home belongs to the county and she would like it off her property. Commissioners will assign this to Road and Bridge. These are old trailers that need to be removed.

Social Services Director Debbie Adams asked to meet with commissioners in executive session to review 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 9:27 a.m. Commissioner Trupp seconds the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Romrell voting I, Commissioner Hurt voting I, and Commissioner Trupp voting I. Commissioner Romrell declared the meeting open at 9:30 a.m. Commissioners signed one Facts, Findings, and Conclusion of Law.

Prosecuting Attorney Karl Lewies reported that there has been no progress on the sewer ordinance re-write. Commissioners stated that this is very important and they would like to have this done as soon as possible.

Public Works Director Marla Vik recommended that the sewer fees and the landfill fees be increased 5% for FY 2009. This needs to be done by resolution. Commissioners will adopt it at that time.

Stephen Loosli is requesting a refund for an easement in letter form. Commissioners and Attorney Karl Lewies feel that returning the money would be appropriate.

Commissioners will have Public Works Director Marla Vik inspect the site before returning the money, and then will report back to Clerk Mace before the refund is issued.

Commissioners received a bid from Shirley Roofing & Insulation. The amount of the bid is \$4,175.00 for repairs to the roof at the Ashton Senior Citizen Center. This was due to the damage done to roof with snow removal at the Senior Citizens Center in Ashton. Mr. Shirley indicated that he could do this as soon as June. Commissioner Hurt made a motion to have Mr. Shirley accept the bid for \$4,175.00 for the Ashton Senior Citizens Building in Ashton. Commissioner Trupp seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Hurt made a motion to have Commissioner Romrell sign the grant completion papers for the Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$298,564.26. Commissioner Trupp seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Hurt made a motion to pay the match of \$50,000 for the grant for the 700 MHz radio system from the 911 Fund. Commissioner Trupp seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

June 19 & 20 is the Magistrate Conference to be held in Salmon. Commissioner Romrell, Clerk Mace and two Court Deputy Clerks will be attending.

Commissioner Hurt made a motion to allow Clerk Mace to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the County and DEQ for the hazardous waste event. Commissioner Trupp seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Clerk Mace reported that the Clerk's Office will prepare the records for Planning & Zoning appeals for the commissioners from here on out. It had been done by the Planning & Zoning, but from here on out it will be done by the Clerk's Office.

Assessor Kathy Thompson gave a report on the courthouse centennial committee. The committee met to give some ideas and recommendations. The Committee has also asked for \$4,000 for the expenses of this committee. Commissioner Hurt made a motion to allow \$4,000 to start up the centennial committee. Commissioner Trupp seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Sheriff Davis came before the commissioners to discuss audit recommendations.

The Sheriff has all but a few fuel cards.

The Search and Rescue has been reconciling the check books, but they have not been giving any other accounts. Commissioners would like to meet with Brett Mackert in June to discuss this further. Commissioners would like the money transferred from the Sheriff's Office to the Clerk by the third Monday in June.

Commissioners talked about the old county owned gravel pit that his family would like to have back. At one time most of this was done through a hand shake. Sheriff Davis has a right of way in this property for water rights.

Commissioners stated that they would have to go through the sale of the property per Idaho Code. Sheriff Davis and Attorney Karl Lewies will discuss this further.

Interim Planning & Zoning Administrator Kurt Hibbert came before the commissioners to discuss some issues.

Mr. Hibbert would like to review the LESA Amendment with the Planning & Zoning Committee, and will report back to the commissioners.

Permission was granted to have a Pepsi machine in Annex Building.

Mr. Hibbert expressed some ideas on what he would like to see happen in Fremont County.

Commissioner Romrell expressed his thanks to the committees that are helping the commission.

Building Official Jon Laux discussed the fees associated with construction of small structures or porches. He stated that if a shed is 200 sq. ft. or less the fee should be reduced back to \$65.00 or less. This is due to the previous meeting with the owner of Bully Barns from Jefferson County who stated to commissioners that this hurts his business, because Fremont County has one of the highest building rates. Commissioners feel that \$120 compared to \$220 would be more feasible for county residents to afford.

Commissioners would like this in resolution form. Commissioner Hurt made a motion to reduce the fees and it will be formally done in resolution form at the next meeting. Commissioner Romrell seconded the motion. A full voice vote was taken with both commissioners voting in favor. Commissioner Trupp was excused from the meeting.

Commissioner Hurt made a motion to approve the minutes from May 12, 2008. Commissioner Romrell seconded the motion. A full voice vote was taken with both commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Romrell made a motion to approve one liquor license for Desert Sands Enterprise LLC. Commissioner Hurt seconded the motion. A full voice vote was taken with both commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Romrell made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to IC67-2345(C) at 1:45 p.m. To conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency. Commissioner Hurt seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Romrell voting I and Commissioner Hurt voting I. Commissioner Romrell declared the meeting open at 2:08 p.m.

Mayor Tom Jewel is going to Boise to talk about support for ATV crossing of Highway 20 in Island Park. People are crossing everywhere. Mayor Jewel is an advocate for safe crossings. Mayor Jewel would like a letter of support from the commissioners for this measure. January 1, 2009 there will be a new plate that will have a right to ride ATV's on

County roads. Parks and Recreation will all be in on this and also IDT. Mayor Jewel stated that it is needed and it is a good. The Mayor also has the support of the Sheriff in this and commissioners have no objection. Commissioner Romrell said that this is not restricting. Commissioner Hurt made a motion to support the letter and authorize Commissioner Romrell to sign the letter. Commissioner Romrell seconded the motion. A full voice vote was taken with both commissioners voting in favor.

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

Paul Romrell, Chairman
Fremont County Commission

Attest: _____
Abbie Mace, Clerk