

Fremont County  
Commissioners Meeting  
Minutes  
August 1, 2005

Present for the meeting were Commissioners Donald Trupp, John Hess, and Paul Romrell.

**Elected Officials:** Meeting with the commissioners on the regularly scheduled monthly meeting were the elected officials: Assessor Ivel Burrell, Chief Deputy Treasurer J'Lene Cherry, Sheriff Ralph Davis, Attorney Karl Lewies, and Clerk Abbie Mace.

**Department Head:** Bill Wuthrick Emergency Management Director, Janice Stimpson Home Extension Agent, Dave Rydalch Weed Supervisor, Weldon Reynolds Road and Bridge Supervisor, Butch Nagle Landfill Supervisor, Lisa Turner Information Technology Administrator, Tamra Cikaitoga Park and Recreation Director, Karen Lords Planning and Zoning Administrator, Bonnie Moore GIS Administrator, and Mary Lou Davis EMS Administrator.

Commissioner Trupp declared the meeting open.

Commissioner Trupp presented Bill Wuthrick an award for recognition from FEMA.  
Commissioner Trupp reviewed the first round of tests on the Island Park Sewer Feasibility Study.

**Janice Stimpson Home Extension Agent** asked the commissioner for a new back door on the extension office. Commissioners asked her to find a new door and give them bids to replace the door. She also stated that the city is requiring them to not park on the street in front of the extension building and is concerned about where to park county vehicles. Commissioner will look into this further.

**Dave Rydalch Weed Supervisor** presented the commissioners a contract with the forest service for a cooperative weed management contract. Commissioners asked Attorney Karl Lewies to review the contract for the commissioners. He stated there is a new noxious weed that has shown up in the county. He will work with the property owner to control the weed.

**Bill Wuthrick Emergency Management Director** stated that the 2004 grant is almost completed and the 2003 grant has not been completed yet. He is working to complete it also. The state has not allocated the 2005 grant yet. He stated that he is looking forward to retirement in September.

**Weldon Reynolds Road and Bridge Supervisor** gave the commissioners a copy of the STIP report from the state. He GARVY Bonding does not help the county at all, because all the proposed projects were already on the STIP schedule. He has some concerns with the 1000 North, west of Highway 20 also known as Loosli cut off road with Highway 20, if the state closed that intersection the county will have to look into some kind of access for farm equipment to cross. He stated they are coming along with the chip sealing. Commissioner Trupp questioned when the county will chip seal 2700 East. He is not looking at it this year, but will look at it for next year. He is planning to reconstruct as least 2 miles of the reclamation road this year and continue some work on the Hog Hollow road.

**Butch Nagle Landfill Supervisor** had another District Seven inspection. He was given a go ahead to accept the junk trailer houses. They are also requiring the county to have more daily cover over the landfill. He is looking at the costs of a chipper. The chips could be used for daily cover.

**Barbara Hirschi Chief Deputy Assessor** has a problem with a deed that was done for the county for a road from Miles Allen in the Wilford area. She would like some direction from the commissioners. She suggests that the county draw up new needs with Mr. Allen to fix this problem. Attorney Karl Lewies will work with Barbara to fix this problem. Ivel stated that the title company has some concerns with this problem also.

**Tamara Cikaitoga Park and Recreation Director** stated that we should be getting the grant from the state on the 50% match in the amount of \$112,000 to purchase the Stone Property for water access. She would like to have an official survey done on the property before the money

will change hands. She is working with PacifiCorp to expand the parking at Jim's Bridge river access.

**Ralph Davis Sheriff** stated that he would like to look at another mapping program for the upgrade to the 911 equipment. The equipment would be compatible with Madison and Jefferson Counties. His office had a busy weekend. He is working on the jail overcrowding problems. He has 32 inmates in county custody. The judge is placing several inmates in the work release program in Bonneville County.

**Ivel Burrell Assessor** stated that the assessor's office put in their new plotter. Bruce and Cathy are attending meetings in Boise this week. Karl Lewies stated he got a call from Tom Jewel Mayor of Island Park with concerns that the Sheriff would like to stop licensing ATV's. He has not issued any mandates just his opinion. He would like to have the commissioners review this further. There was a question about the flag requirements for ATV's. They will be enforced through out the county. Also the sheriffs' office is working on enforcement and education of children driving ATV's on the roads. The county Attorney and Sheriff Davis will look into a County Ordinance to help with problems ATV's create.

**J'Lene Cherry Chief Deputy Treasurer** asked if the deeds have been completed on the tax deeded property that the county sold last month. Attorney Lewies stated it is coming along.

**Karl Lewies Prosecuting Attorney** reminded the commissioners of the Woodlands at Bills Island Subdivision appeal hearing that is set for September 15, 2005. He is working on the reviewing the next phase of Silverhawk Subdivision. He is spending a lot of time working on compliance with the junk car ordinance. He is working with Karen Lords on Trailer House regulations. He is working on the Rasmussen Cattle Guard issue. On the criminal side Paul Butifoker will be his new deputy prosecutor starting sometime in the first two weeks in September. Weldon Reynolds questioned how to handle citizens concerns with non compliance of the junk car issue. These complaints will be directed to the Prosecuting Attorney's office.

**Lisa Turner Information Technology Administrator** stated that all the remote access requests are online. She has a new process for informing IT Department about problems.

**Karen Lords Planning and Building Administrator** stated that Silverhawk has submitted their final phase of this subdivision. She is working on the Woodlands appeal. Building Inspector Charles Allen has resigned. She is advertising to replace him. Planning and Building Department received a grant from Idbow for helping the cities with there building inspections. Chad Hill is working on the Cost of Services study to hopefully complete by the end of August. She is working on application to go to the Western Community Forum in Jackson in October.

**Bonnie Moore GIS Administrator** had no report. Dave Rydalch complemented Bonnie on the availability of maps for his department. Bill Wuthrick stated the commissioners need copies of flood plain maps.

**Abbie Mace Clerk** reported on request for dues to IAC Nation Forest Counties and Schools Coalition for FY2005 in the amount of \$98.35. She also presented a request from Charles Allen to pay for the renewal of his 2005 Certification of the International Code. Commissioners denied his request. She reminded the department heads of the commissioner's work on the budget. Commissioner Romrell made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2005 and July 25, 2005 meetings. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Commissioner Romrell made a motion to transfer \$395.00 from Revenue Sharing Fund and \$3,902.00 from the Warrant Redemption Fund to Current Expense. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

**Debbie Adams Social Services Director** asked to meet with the commissioners in executive session. Commissioner Romrell made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of indigent claims. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Romrell voting I, Commissioner Hess voting I, and Commissioner Trupp voting I. Commissioner Trupp declared the meeting open. Commissioner signed three new liens and one order of dismissal. Commissioner Hess made a motion to approve case #G2005-128. Commissioner Romrell seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

**Bonnie Moore GIS Administrator** met with the commissioners to ask permission to join the NCITA, which is an affiliate of NACO. Commissioners agreed to let her join and see what information she can get.

**Butch Nagle Landfill Supervisor** met with the commissioners to discuss how to address charging non residents landfill fees and issue stickers to residents who pay a landfill fee. They discussed how best administer this policy. Commissioners suggested that there be improved signs designating residents only. That non residents will be charged a fee per vehicle. Attorney Lewies will review if we need to amend the county ordinance to assess this fee.

Butch asked the commissioner what they would like to do about tires. Commissioner Romrell made a motion to not charge Virgil Barg and Sheena Johnson to take their rimless tires to the landfill for a period of 60 days. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. A full voice vote was heard with all commissioners voting in favor.

Butch asked the commissioners for permission to look at a used chipper.

**Ralph Davis Sheriff** met with the commissioners to discuss the upgrade of 911 dispatching equipment for his office. Attorney Lewies suggested that an RFP would need to be done. Sheriff Davis will put together the specs for the RFP. Commissioners asked the County Attorney to review state bidding requirements.

**Karen Lords Planning and Building Administrator** asked to meet with the commissioners in executive session for the purpose of personnel issues. Commissioner Romrell made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of personnel issues. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioner Romrell voting I, Commissioner Hess voting I, and Commissioner Trupp voting I. Commissioner Trupp declared the meeting open. The commissioners reviewed a letter of complaint with Karen Lords on the issuing of building permits.

**Mike Clements Area Field Officer for Homeland Security** met with the commissioner to discuss some options on filling Bill Wuthrick's position of Emergency Management.

**Bob Bauer Representing the St. Anthony Skate Park** met with the commissioners to request some more topsoil approximately 500 yards for the Skate Park. Commissioner suggested that he speak to Layne Larson in Newdale. If he doesn't have any, the county will locate some topsoil.

**Weldon Reynolds Road and Bridge Supervisor** met with the commissioners to give a road and bridge report. He will go over to Portland and look at the chipper the landfill is looking at. He has some concerns with encroachment on right-of-ways along the county roads. Commissioner Hess would like to see the Road and Bridge department do a better job on removal of tree limbs on Dan Kirkham's property. Weldon will have his crew trim up the trees.

Weldon informed the commissioner of a meeting he will be having with State Lands, Forest Service, Park & Recreation, Road & Bridge to be held tomorrow concerning a timber sale in Clark County. State Lands would like the county to keep part of the Yale-Kilgore road open this winter for access to the timber sale.

Wedlon asked the commissioners what they wanted done with cattle guard next to the Rasmussen property. Commissioners directed Weldon to get the cattle guard removed this week.

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

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Donald Trupp, Chairman  
Fremont County Commission

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Abbie Mace, Clerk