

COMMISSIONER MEETING OF November 22, 2021

The Caribou County Commissioners met in regular session on November 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance were:

Mark Mathews, Commissioner
Bryce Somsen, Commissioner
Denise Horsley, Clerk
Jill Stoor, Deputy Clerk
Eric Hobson, Public Safety
Jayson Lower, IDAWY

Jacob Farnes, IT/GIS
Jonathan Bradshaw, M2 Automation
Nick Andreason, M2 Automation
J. Adam Mabey, Sheriff
Ally Schwulst, GIS

The meeting opened with Mark Mathews giving the pledge of allegiance and prayer.

Bryce Somsen for Kim Spencer, Road and Bridge:

- Gravel was requested at the fairgrounds by the RV park. Some loads were delivered with additional loads still to be hauled.
- The Forest Service had heard rumor that the county intended to pave the Blackfoot River Rd. through the narrows. Kim informed them that there are no current plans to do so.
- Road & Bridge has been able to locate a fuel trailer. It however, has some damage and commissioners noted that they should negotiate the price down.

Jayson Lower, IDAWY:

- Jayson stated that his new truck will be available the second week of December so his old truck will be ready for the Road & Bridge Department shortly after that.
- The company that has been providing garbage service in Freedom and Grays Lake is in the process of going bankrupt. Jayson has been able to make contact with them and has been working with MR&E to begin servicing those areas. Another Wyoming company has been putting cans out and Jayson will inform them that the garbage from the Caribou side will need to be picked up by MR&E. The transition period will take a little time and Commissioner Somsen and Mr. Lower have been fielding those calls. Landfill fees will be built into the billing and then remitted to IDAWY. The Bonneville residents of Grays Lake will also have services from MR&E available with landfill fees being included in their billing. Discussion was held on the process of collecting that landfill fee on the 2022 tax roll or the option of continuing to have the provider collect that money.

Jacob Farnes, IT/GIS:

- Jacob informed the commissioners that Computer Arts, Inc. has sold to Harris Corp. Jacob would like to start entertaining demonstrations with their two competitors and see if their functionality is comparable.
- There have been some data loss issues, including images and reports that Jacob is currently working with.

Angie Mendenhall, Treasurer:

- Angie spoke with the commissioners about the changes made in the legislature in regards to the Homeowners Exemptions changes. She has previously come to the commissioners for approval to cancel taxes and just wanted to inform them of the progress. She has cancelled now over \$13,000 in taxes on 19 parcels and has an additional 6 parcels on her desk since the tax charge just 3 weeks ago. Her concern is the loss to the smaller taxing districts and would like to run reports to see the effects at the end of the year. She encouraged the commissioners to share this information with the legislators in future meetings so that they are aware of the effects of the changes to the counties and small districts.
- Angie shared some fraud attempts involving county funds. They have had a copied warrant, 5 ACH debits, as well as a wire transfer requested that have been stopped at the local bank level as fraudulent charges. To help put protections in place, they have placed a hold on all ACH debits on the accounts. They have reported the incidences to the Sheriff's Office and reports have been done if needed for insurance purposes.

J. Adam Mabey, Sheriff:

- The sheriff reports that another Detention Deputy will be completing POST on December 1st, a little delayed because of a COVID issue at the state facility. He expressed concerns with the conditions at post concerning food and heating issues.
- The Sheriff's Office has set a tentative date of December 17 for their annual Christmas Party.
- The search for a replacement vehicle is ongoing. They had located a vehicle in Summit County Utah, but that vehicle was involved in an accident and totaled.

- They had a critical incident this weekend involving a suicide. He is working on putting together a critical incident debriefing, and would also like offer some personalized counseling to an employee in dispatch.
- Sheriff Mabey stated that his deputy is doing a little extra leg work on the fraud investigation that Angie touched on earlier.
- Sheriff has recently met with the Guardian Company that handles the equipment for cell checks. The current devices are going out of warranty and they are not able to provide repairs. The replacement cost per unit is approximately \$2,500. Sheriff Mabey checked with another company and was able to find the equipment to be able to continue with the current system.
- Jonathan Bradshaw and Nick Andreason with M2 Automation gave a presentation to the commissioners on their company's security program. The company specializes in security for governments and are based out of Boise, ID. The Sheriff feels that they have the ability to get their system back up to standard and would be able to help prevent issues in the future. They would provide the updated equipment that is required to keep up to the jail standards and the services portion of their company would keep that equipment functioning on a longer-term basis with fewer expenses. They achieve that through a subscription-based business model.

The initial quotes are approximately \$19,000 per year, billed quarterly, and they ask for a 5-year contract. This contract would include the installation of new equipment as well as maintenance and upkeep. After the fifth year, it would be a yearly contract and after a tenth year they would do an equipment refresh on anything over five years old.

Discussion was held on budgeting options and they will review at a later date.

- Commissioners discussed the peridium travel policy with Sheriff Maybe.

Eric Hobson, Public Safety:

- Eric is considering applying for a grant program with the Idaho Department of Lands. It is called the Western Forest Management Program which is designed to offer help funding mitigation with fuel reductions for fire prevention. They are looking at two projects, one in the Chesterfield hills area and the other in the Bailey Creek area. The grant that is available is approximately \$300,000. There is a 10-percent grant match required and they are hoping they could recover those funds partnering with private property owners or land managers. The commissioners encouraged him to go ahead exploring the project and see if they would be able to qualify for the funds.

- They will be a new course for Emergency Medical Technicians beginning in February.
- The commissioners asked for a finalized scale for the bonuses to EMT's and Firefighters that they intend to pay from the ARPA funds. More discussion was held and commissioners decided on a minimum of \$200 with addition funds based on the number of responses.

Commissioner Somsen motioned to provide a minimum bonus of \$200 to all county Firefighters and EMT's with additional bonuses based on number of calls and years of service to be paid from the ARPA funds. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ally Schwulst, GIS:

- Ally presented the commissioners with a rough draft of the county maintenance road map. They decided on a public hearing on January 24th in order to allow time for posting. Discussion was held on land boundaries, print size, and color. They instructed Ally to have a map printed for display in the hall and to have a full-size map ready for the board in the commissioner's room.

Kim Holsten, Indigent:

- Kim presented County Case #2021-09 with a recommendation to deny the application because the applicant has discretionary income which will satisfy the amount of the providers billing over a period of 5-years. He was present for the interview, but not able to provide all the documents required to process the application.

Commissioner Somsen motioned to deny county indigent application #2021-09. Commissioner Mathews motioned to second the motion. Motion passed.

- Kim requested signatures to release the lien for application #2021-8 contingent on the 28-day appeal deadline of 5:00 p.m. today. Commissioners approved and signed the lien release.

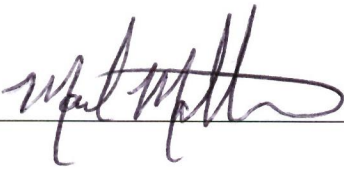
Other:

- Commissioner Somsen motioned to approve the payroll claims in the amount of \$181,655.52, FY22 claims and remittances in the amount of \$211,085.57 and the minutes of November 8, 2021 as amended. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Commissioners signed a support letter for the Husky1/North Dry Ridge Phosphate Mine.
- The Gem Plan Trustee Nomination form was signed by the Board of Commissioners.

- Discussion was held regarding the 2022 holiday schedule and the commissioners agreed to make no changes from the previous year's holiday calendar.
- The meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m. The Caribou County Board of Commissioners will meet again on December 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. for regular meeting.

Signed: Mark Mathews, Commissioner Chairman

Attested: Denise Horsley, Clerk





CARIBOU COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S AGENDA**Date: 11/22/2021**

ACTION ITEMS / BUSINESS

Time	Name of Person/Party	Concerning
9:00 AM	Bills & Minutes	
9:15 AM	Kim Spencer	Road & Bridge
9:30 AM	Jacob Farnes	IT / GIS
9:45 AM	Vaughn Rasmussen	Health Department & Juvenile Justice
10:00 AM	Angie Mendenhall	Tax Cancellation
10:15 AM	J. Adam Mabey - Sheriff	M2 Automations / Jail Access/Intercom System
10:30 AM		
10:45 AM	Eric Hobson	IDL Grants
11:00 AM	Ally Schwulst	Presentation of Road Maintenance Map
11:15 AM	Kim Holsten	Indigent
11:30 AM	Jayson Lower IDAWY	Collection for Wayan & Freedom
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OTHER BUSINESS: Executive Session I.C. 74-206 Gem Plan Trustee Nomination

BOE Sign Support Letter for Husky1/North Dry Ridge Phosphate Mine

Holiday Schedule 2022

Anyone needing special assistance to attend the above noticed meeting should contact the Clerk's Office at (208)547-4324.

Approved Payment of Bills

22-Nov-21	Claims	Payroll
Current Expense	\$ 31,337.46	
Indigent	\$ 5,683.66	
Road & Bridge	\$ 42,556.49	
Special Highway		
Justice	\$ 29,773.18	
Weed Control	\$ 5,286.80	
Solid Waste		
Reappraisal	\$ 3,313.99	
Health	\$ 2,383.09	
Hospital M&O		
Ambulance	\$ 1,351.31	
Parks & Recreation	\$ 73.39	
Tort		
County Fair		
County Court Facility		
District Court	\$ 2,028.93	
Court Services		
Juvenile Justice	\$ 266.24	
Veteran's Memorial		
Mineral Leasing		
PILT	\$ 13,898.00	
Water District		
Consolidated Election		
Landfill		
Bailey Creek Fire District		
Freedom Fire District		
Auditor's Trust		
Adult Probation Fee		
Tax Deed Excess Funds		
Juvenile Housing Trust		
Range Improvement Trust		
Court Trust		
Odyssey Court Payments	\$ 133.19	
College Trust		
Treasurer's Trust		
ID Trust		
Concealed Weapon's Trust Fund		
Motor Vehicle Trust	\$ 63,103.68	
911 Trust	\$ 19.99	
Public Safety Fund		
Sheriff's Vessel Fund		
Drug Court Trust		
Youth Court Trust		
Vessel Account		
Remittances	\$ 9,876.17	
Grand Total	\$ 211,085.57	\$ 181,655.52