

COMMISSIONER MEETING OF January 27, 2020

The Caribou County Commissioners met in regular session on January 27, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance, Commissioner Chairman Phil Christensen, Mark Mathews and Bryce Somsen Commissioners. Also in attendance were Caribou County Clerk Denise Horsley, Deputy Clerk Jessica Zander, Caribou County Prosecutor Doug Wood, Road and Bridge Supervisor Kim Spencer, Leadman Brett Barfuss, Landfill Supervisor Jayson Lower, Caribou County Sheriff Kelly Wells, Public Safety Director Eric Hobson, Caribou County Assessor Aaron Cook, IT/GIS Supervisor Jacob Farnes, Chief Deputy Matt Galloway, Amanda Collins, Emma Morton, Shalayne Bartschi, and Lucetta Holt.

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

Kim Spencer, Road and Bridge:

- The Commissioners opened the sealed bids for a 160H motor grader. They received 2 bids and one of them was under the minimum bid of \$55,000.
- Commissioners Mathews motioned to approve the bid from A+ Contractors in the amount of \$56,500 for the 160H motor grader. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Kim would like to use the laying machine this summer for patching only. He would like the road and bridge crew to get more familiar with the machine before they do any major jobs.
- Commissioner Somsen suggested that Kim have his crew observe the Road and Bridge Department in Franklin County for a couple of days since they use a laying machine.
- Commissioner Christensen asked Kim if we repair damaged mailboxes. Kim said we will if we caused the damage while plowing.
- Commissioner Somsen has been asked about plowing the Bridge Creek parking lot. Kim's suggestion is to have Dwight plow it once a month.
- Kim will look at the Pebble Creek parking lot to see what it would take to widen it. He recalls that approximately six years ago they put in a water line and left a bunch of rock. He will follow up and see what can be done.

Eric Hobson, Public Safety:

- The EMT class is going pretty good. They have lost 4 participants. They are hopeful that the remaining 18 people will complete the class. They have a couple more months before the course will be completed.
- Commissioner Somsen asked if the medical helicopter is still here. Eric said the staff is still at the airport base and they have not been given a leave date yet. They are day basing at EIRMC. Locally, 45 minutes is the best case scenario for a medical helicopter.

Jacob Farnes, IT/GIS:

- Jacob spoke to the Census Bureau last May concerning the upcoming census.
- Jacob asked the Commissioners for more direction on the maps that were sent to him. The Census Bureau has asked him to review it and return it back by March 1 with any changes. The map is broken down into 4 sections.
- Commissioner Christensen asked why the boundaries would have changed from the last census.
- Doug Wood said that we have not changed our county boundary lines.
- The census wants an understanding of the population in the rural areas.
- Denise suggested that Jacob bring the GIS software to the next meeting after he does a round of validation.

Kelly Wells, Sheriff and Matt Galloway, Chief Deputy:

- The new detention officer started last week so they are officially fully staffed.
- They recently switched to DirecTV at the jail since Silver Star is no longer offering television services in this area. DirecTV seemed to be the best option. The costs all are covered by the inmate funds.
- Sheriff Wells is anticipating a conversation will take place at the upcoming IAC meetings regarding inmate housing costs. If the Idaho Department of Corrections is able to get the proposed housing costs approved, it would result in a loss of revenue for us.

Aaron Cook, Assessor:

- Aaron would like some guidance on the landfill fee. A map was presented to the Commissioners showing those that do not currently get charged a landfill fee. The biggest question is approximately 200 of the individuals fit the criteria to be required to pay a landfill fee. To put things

in a dollar figure, we are not charging individuals a fee that would be revenue of approximately \$28,000 if all of them were being charged. Squaw Creek is not included at all since they don't have assigned addresses.

- Aaron asked if we could establish a physical line on the map so everyone will be on the same page. The main areas of concern are residents in Munro Meadows Subdivision, Aspen Hill Subdivision, the area around the Henry Cutoff Road and the bottom of Tin Cup.
- Commissioner Somsen suggested that residents in the Henry area pay a fee since they use the landfill. He is aware that those individuals do not have curb side pickup.
- Aaron said one option would be to remove the requirement of an assigned address and charge residential and commercial buildings and exclude agricultural buildings. Angie Mendenhall said agricultural building may need to be reviewed. Some of them are big operations that might be bringing a lot of waste to the landfill facility.
- Aaron said concerns exist with the TV translator fee as well. He has never been given a waiver from the TV Translator Board and we have several pages of people that don't have to pay the fee. Commissioner Mathews asked Aaron to provide him with the list and he will take it to the TV Translator Board.
- Commissioner Somsen motioned to convene to executive session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(b) at 9:49 A.M. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Somsen suggested that they reconvene to regular session at 10:04 A.M. No decisions were made.

Jayson Lower, Solid Waste:

- Jayson said individuals that are not charged the landfill fees with their property taxes are not charged any differently at the solid waste facility than those who do pay the fees.
- He would like to come to some agreement before the regional landfill is established. Jayson would like to convert to a flat fee and discontinue the levy.
- Commissioner Mathews suggested that we hold off on any decisions since all the fees could change once the regional landfill is established.

Shalayne Bartschi, CC Senior Citizens:

- Shalayne presented the 2019 4th quarter report. She felt like they had a good quarter. She also thought the 2018 year-to-2019 year comparison looked favorable as well.

- Amanda and Emma are here representing Southeastern Idaho Council of Governments (SICOG). Emma explained that our senior center is applying for another grant. They would like to get their kitchen updated. They are asking the county to sponsor the \$150,000 grant.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned the approval to sponsor the Phase II Block Grant for the Caribou County Senior Citizen's Center. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- They will hold the required public hearings at the Senior Center.

Jill Stoor:

- Jill presented the Commissioners with three certificates of residency. Two students took a dual credit class last summer and were unable to complete the class. They took the class again last Fall. The deadline to get their certificate of residency to us was in December for the 2019 Fall semester and we just received them last Friday from our local high school. We wouldn't have covered the summer classes. The students are now being told that they are not eligible for dual credit classes because they have a past due amount from the Fall semester. The school asked if the Commissioners would be willing to pay both the current semester fees and the past due fees from the Fall semester for the two students.
- The Commissioners agreed unanimously to pay the past due fees and the current semester fees for all the students listed.
- Commissioner Somsen motioned to approve the certificates of residency for the 3 students listed including the past due amount for 2 of the students that will cover the fees from the 2019 Fall semester. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other:

- Commissioner Mathews moved to pay the claims and remittances in the amount of \$3,298,577.43 and payroll claims in the amount of \$178,414.95 and to approve the minutes of January 13, 2020 as presented. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- First American Title has approached Denise concerning access to old recorded documents. They would like to have their own images to keep in their database. They are documents dating back to 1990 and older. She has checked with Jacob and Terri on the number of images it would be. The Commissioners agreed that \$10,000 seemed like a fair amount to charge for the images and time involved to complete their request.
- The meeting adjourned at 12:05 P.M. The Caribou County Board of Commissioners will meet February 10, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. for regular meeting.

Signed: Phil Christensen, Commissioner Chairman

Phil Christensen

Attested: Denise Horsley

Denise Horsley

Approved Payment of Bills

27-Jan-20	Claims	Payroll
Current Expense	\$ 6,283.28	
Indigent	\$ 6,934.75	
Road & Bridge	\$ 29,655.66	
Special Highway		
Justice	\$ 105,378.66	
Consolidated Election		
Weed Control		
Solid Waste	\$ 812.12	
Reappraisal	\$ 915.00	
Health	\$ 17,652.50	
Hospital M&O		
Ambulance	\$ 22,344.82	
Parks & Recreation	\$ 146.88	
Tort	\$ 143,242.00	
County Fair		
County Court Facility		
District Court	\$ 347.18	
Court Services		
Juvenile Justice	\$ 1,310.09	
Veteran's Memorial		
Mineral Leasing	\$ 35,000.00	
PILT	\$ 271.01	
Idaho State Treasurer	\$ 30.00	
City of Soda Springs	\$ 484,119.86	
City of Bancroft	\$ 99,888.83	
City of Grace	\$ 118,712.44	
Bancroft Cemetery	\$ 5,411.37	
Central Cemetery	\$ 5,143.18	
Fairview Cemetery	\$ 61,794.53	
Freedom Cemetery	\$ 1,173.50	
Grace Cemetery	\$ 14,003.34	
Lago Cemetery	\$ 2,482.94	
Lava Cemetery	\$ 2.67	
Lund Cemetery	\$ 2,006.07	
Thatcher Cemetery	\$ 1,911.91	
Turner Cemetery	\$ 2,122.21	
School District #148	\$ 321,529.35	
School District #149	\$ 218,311.58	
School District #150	\$ 1,273,276.81	
School District #21	\$ 47.33	
Grace Free Library	\$ 40,506.84	
Water District		
TV Translator	\$ 35,595.36	
Landfill/Solid Waste	\$ 187,167.89	
Bailey Creek Fire District	\$ 881.13	
Freedom Fire District	\$ 3,030.60	
Auditor's Trust	\$ 40.00	
Adult Probation Fee		
Diversion Education Trust		
Cobra Trust		
Range Improvement Trust		
Court Trust		
Centennial Trust		
College Trust		
Treasurer's Trust	\$ 344.52	
ID Trust		
Concealed Weapon's Trust		
Motor Vehicle Trust	\$ 48,749.22	
911 Trust		
Public Safety Trust		
Weed Control Trust		
Drug Court Trust		
Youth Court Trust		
Vessel Account		
Grand Total	\$ 3,298,577.43	\$ 178,414.95

CARIBOU COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S AGENDA

Date: 1/27/2020

ACTION ITEMS / BUSINESS

Time	Name of Person/Party	Concerning
9:00 AM	Bills & Minutes	
9:15 AM	Kim Spencer	Road & Bridge - open bids for grader
9:30 AM	Eric Hobson / Larry Weaver	EMS / Ambulance
9:45 AM	Jacob Farnes	IT / GIS
10:00 AM		
10:15 AM	Kelly Wells	Sheriff
10:30 AM	Aaron Cook - Assesor	T.V. and Landfill Fees
10:45 AM		Executive Session 74-206(b)
11:00 AM	ShaLayne Bartschi	CC Senior Citizen - quarterly report
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11:30 AM		
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OTHER BUSINESS: Executive Session I.C. 74-206

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Certificate of Residency approvals

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