

## APPROVED

### COMMISSIONER MEETING OF March 27, 2017

The Caribou County Commissioners met in regular session on March 27, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance for the first hour were Phil Christensen, Commission Chairman, Bryce Somsen, Commissioner, Mark Mathews, Commissioner. Also in attendance were Caribou County Clerk Denise Horsley, Deputy Clerk Jessica Zander, Caribou County Attorney Doug Wood, Don Marler, Road & Bridge Supervisor Kim Spencer, Leadman Brett Barfuss, Landfill Supervisor Jayson Lower, Caribou County Sheriff Kelly Wells, Jail Commander, Brandy Bredehoft, EMS Director Eric Hobson, Caribou County Treasurer Angie Mendenhall, Indigent Director Donna Ledbetter, Courthouse Maintenance Randy Stephens, IT Supervisor Terri Stephens.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and prayer.

#### **Don Marler, Conflict Attorney:**

- Mr. Marler is concerned about the indigent grant fund that the county has to use for public defense.
- He believes things are still being determined with how this is all intended to be used.
- He said the main concerns are physical private space for counsel to meet with their clients and a defending attorney always being able to be present at the defendants first appearance.
- At the present time, he doesn't need a full time or part time staff member; however, he believes that a part time staff member may be required in the future.
- He reminded the commissioners that evidence testing can be used of out this grant.
- He wanted to make sure the commissioners are prepared and that they are aware that all this money has to be allocated properly or we may not qualify for the grant again.
- Commissioner Somsen asked Mr. Marler what he thinks the top priority should be. He wants to be able to use the grant money to investigate. Judge Brown suggested to add a line item for this purpose with an amount of \$10,000.
- Commissioner Mathews asked if the funds have to be spent in order to qualify for the grant again. Mr. Marler said they don't have to be spent, but they have to be designated.
- Commissioner Mathews explained that the commissioners are hesitant to apply for the joint office grant. Mr. Marler said his position is that we shouldn't apply for this until the standards are more defined.

#### **Kim Spencer/Brett Barfuss, Road & Bridge:**

- They will be graveling a small part of Henry Cutoff Road on Wednesday.
- Kim found out that the trade in for the GMC pickup is \$4500. Kim decided that he may as well keep the truck if that is all we can get on a trade.
- They are hauling for the City of Soda on Fridays for awhile.

- He found out that there is a \$9,000 difference between the bids for Cat and John Deere for a loader and Cat will give us quite a bit more on a trade. Cat will bring them a backup if they were broke down for a day. John Deere doesn't offer this option.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to approve the purchase of a 966M Cat loader for \$319,980.95. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Eric Hobson, EMS & Fire:**

- Flooding is still a big concern. Eric has been in contact with Kim Spencer and they are both keeping a close eye on the road conditions. Kim is tracking man hours and equipment used for flooding issues.
- Eric emailed the commissioners last week on the Bear River project. They went to a level one flow. They are flowing over capacity to try to keep the water moving.
- Eric looked at the generator that was discussed in a previous meeting. However, there is another one that Dennis purchased a few years ago that Eric thinks would be more suitable. It is a 65 kilowatt generator.
- Their EMS license is coming up again for renewal. He is working on getting all the stuff together that he needs. He said there are some updates on inventory. The inspection will be next month.
- Commissioner Mathews said that EMS was brought up at the 4 county meeting and some counties claim that they are funding themselves. Eric estimated that 40% of their operations are recovered.
- Commissioner Mathews asked Eric to contact some of the other counties to see if they are doing something extra that we are not doing to try to recuperate some funds.
- Commissioner Mathews asked Eric if he is still considered post certified. Eric said he is. Commissioner Mathews has been asked to look into having someone checking on the snowmobilers to make sure they are keeping up on registrations. The funds taken in for registrations help with the grooming/maintaining of the trails. He asked if Eric would be able to do this a few times a year. Eric said he would have no problem doing it a few times a year. Eric said he currently has no enforcement powers. Commissioner Mathews said Eric would have to be sworn in again to be able to issue citations or warnings. Commissioner Mathews said they will discuss it with Sheriff Wells and let Eric know what is decided.
- Commissioner Somsen asked if Eric has approached ICRMP about our virus that we had and what is covered. Eric said that we are covered for data recovery. Terri provided Eric some documentation to give to ICRMP, which he forwarded to them this morning. An insurance adjuster will come for a visit after they get the paperwork reviewed.

**Donna Ledbetter, Indigent:**

- Donna is asking the commissioners to deny Case #2017-5 as applicant was a no show for his interview. Commissioner Mathews motioned to deny Case #2017-5 as applicant didn't comply. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Donna is also asking that the commissioners to deny Case #2017-6 as it wasn't timely filed. They should have filed a 31 day ER, they filed a 180 day. They could appeal if they choose to.
- Commissioner Somsen motioned to deny Case #2017-6 as application was not timely filed. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Donna also asked since the commissioners approved to waive the remaining balance on Case #2003-6, can Donna release his lien that was filed? They said that would be okay.

#### **Jayson Lower, Landfill:**

- Jayson has recently attended some ISWA meetings and emergency situations were mentioned. Jayson was advised to pass on to the commissioners to declare emergency declarations early and often to facilitate the ability to get things done quickly. Jayson asked if our personnel manual states that paid time above and beyond normal working hours can be allowed in the event of a state or local disaster. Denise looked over the policy and said no amendments should have to be made to our current policy. Jayson was told that in some circumstances, you may qualify for reimbursement due to a disaster declaration situation.
- Jayson asked what has been decided on free garbage week? Commissioner Mathews said to run it for 2 weeks. Jayson is considering running it sometime in May.
- Jayson has been asked to serve on an education committee at the state level for the ISWA. He wanted to make sure that the commissioners are supportive of this. The committee felt that Jayson could demonstrate to people how to have a good working relationship between landfill directors and commissioners. The commissioners said okay.
- Jayson has also been talking to an employee with DEQ about the idea of a regional landfill. She is in favor of this idea. He has 5 proposed sites that he will be checking out before the next meeting. He said small landfills are disappearing and several states are going to regional landfills.
- Jayson asked if he can attend an upcoming training concerning landfill management. The commissioners said he can attend meeting.
- Jayson wants to convey to the public that he genuinely appreciates their patience and understanding when they visit the landfill. The conditions at the landfill right now are not ideal, but he is very grateful for the people of Caribou County.

#### **Kelly Wells, Sheriff/Brandy Bredehoft, Jail Commander:**

- They are still working on getting some bids since Badger Medical may be leaving them in April. They recently gave them a 30 day notice that they may be leaving due to staffing issues.
- Sheriff Wells provided a letter from Dr. Keller from Badger Medical indicating all their reasons for having to terminate their services.
- Brandy Bredehoft has reached out to Caribou Memorial Hospital and hasn't heard anything back from them yet. Commissioner Christensen has a board meeting tonight and he will mention it.
- Brandy has also reached out to some other entities and hasn't heard anything yet.

- Sheriff Wells said he doesn't want the deputies to have to administer meds.
- The jail inspection is Wednesday at 9AM. Mathews pointed out this could also be used for their required quarterly inspection.
- Commissioner Mathews asked the Sheriff about having Eric issue snowmobile registration citations. He said he could check on Eric's certification as a peace officer. Kelly would rather citations be issued at the trailhead when individuals are unloading rather than in parking lots in town. Eric would be working under the Sheriffs umbrella if he is going to be issuing citations.

**Public Hearing Wind Energy Ordinance:**

- Commissioner Mathews motioned to go into a public hearing for the Wind Energy Ordinance. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Somsen motioned to adopt 2017-03 Wind Energy Ordinance amendment. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Commission Somsen motioned to come out of a public hearing. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Randy Stephens, Courthouse Maintenance:**

- Randy interviewed a couple of construction companies in Pocatello. He decided that Construction Services would better fit our needs for the courthouse remodel. They said they can work evenings and weekends. They want to come do a walk thru and get some ideas.
- Randy will meet with Ted Booth and get some blueprints.
- Randy will give the contract from Construction Services to Doug to review.

**Terri Stephens, IT:**

- Computer Arts is down today. Terri is working with them over the phone to figure out what is going on.

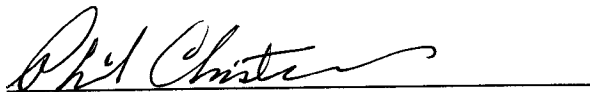
**Other:**

- Commissioner Mathews moved to pay the claims and remittance in the amount \$237,319.03 of and payroll claims in the amount of \$141,600.07, and to approve the minutes of February 27, 2017 as presented. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to adopt Resolution 2017-04 that aligns the Soda Springs impact area with the county. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Doug Wood said to clarify this identifies Louis Berg's property.

- Doug completed the Motion to Intervene on the appeal for Agrium's new mine. It states that the county is an interested party due to property taxes and employment. We are asking the courts to take into consideration our thoughts and concerns. Commissioner Somsen motioned to enter into Docket #2017-00097 Motion to Intervene. Commissioner Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Certificate of Residency/Affidavit were presented to the Commissioners for Approval. The following student is taking course through Idaho Jr. Colleges. Sophomore: Junior: Meghan McCulloch. Commissioner Mathews made the motion to approve the Certificate of Residency/Affidavit. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The Chamber of Commerce sent a letter on behalf of Grace High School BPA asking for a donation. Commissioner Mathews made the motion to support Grace High School BPA with a donation of \$250. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Mathews motioned to adopt the FLMPA right of way agreement with the BLM for the Idaho Ranch Canyon area. Commissioner Somsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m. The Caribou County Board of Commissioners will meet April 10, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. for regular meeting.

Signed: Phil Christensen, Commissioner Chairman

Attested: Denise Horsley



Approved Payment of Bills

27-Mar-17	Claims	Payroll
Current Expense	\$ 67,529.31	
Indigent	\$ 3,375.77	
Road & Bridge	\$ 18,854.63	
Special Highway		
Justice	\$ 8,608.77	
Consolidated Election	\$ 1,321.68	
Weed Control	\$ 33.67	
Solid Waste	\$ 3,509.56	
Reappraisal		
Health	\$ 908.73	
Hospital M&O		
Ambulance	\$ 2,934.03	
Parks & Recreation	\$ 122.65	
Tort		
County Fair		
County Court Facility		
District Court	\$ 1,756.06	
Court Services		
Juvenile Justice	\$ 86.43	
Veteran's Memorial		
Mineral Leasing		
PILT	\$ 400.00	
Idaho State Treasurer	\$ 40.89	
City of Soda Springs	\$ 13,543.70	
City of Bancroft	\$ 1,314.35	
City of Grace	\$ 2,624.29	
Bancroft Cemetery	\$ 714.29	
Central Cemetery	\$ 12.46	
Fairview Cemetery	\$ 5,208.45	
Freedom Cemetery	\$ 30.71	
Grace Cemetery	\$ 138.70	
Lago Cemetery		
Lava Cemetery	\$ 1.98	
Lund Cemetery	\$ 103.11	
Thatcher Cemetery	\$ 13.06	
Turner Cemetery	\$ 25.48	
School District #148	\$ 1,588.78	
School District #149	\$ 29,024.10	
School District #150	\$ 65,451.14	
School District #21		
Grace Free Library	\$ 287.31	
Waterways		
TV Translator	\$ 741.86	
Bailey Creek Fire District	\$ 0.59	
Freedom Fire District	\$ 80.96	
Caribou County Solid Waste	\$ 4,527.11	
Auditor's Trust	\$ 80.00	
Water District	\$ 987.23	
Adult Probation Fee		
Diversion Education Trust		
Juvenile Housing Trust		
Range Improvement Trust		
Court Trust		
Centennial Trust		
College Trust	\$ 150.00	
Treasurer's Trust		
ID Trust		
Concealed Weapon's Trust		
Motor Vehicle Trust		
911 Trust	\$ 600.00	
Soft Costs & Video Arraignment	\$ 587.19	
Public Safety Trust		
Weed Control Trust		
Drug Court Trust		
Youth Court Trust		
Vessel Account		
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 237,319.03</b>	<b>\$ 141,600.07</b>