

BEAR LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

JANUARY 24, 2022

COMMISSIONERS' CHAMBERS – PARIS, IDAHO

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in their regular meeting on Monday, January 24, 2022 at 9:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' Chambers in Paris, Idaho. The meeting was also able to be accessed by Zoom. Members present were Commissioners' Vaughn N. Rasmussen, Chairman and Bradley D. Jensen. Commissioner Rex L. Payne and Clerk of the Board, Cindy Garner were excused. Chief Deputy Clerk, Amy Bishop, filled in for Clerk Garner.

APPROVE AGENDA – ACTION ITEM

MOTION: Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve the agenda as, seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen, motion carried.

APPOINT TO FILL ELECTED CLERK POSITION – ACTION ITEM

The first item on the agenda was submission of names by the Republican Central Committee per Idaho Code 59-906. Precinct Committeeman Dale Thornock was present to represent the committee. Thornock reported that Amy Bishop was the only candidate present at their nominating meeting, and that their vote was unanimous. The Committee will submit one name, Amy Bishop, for consideration.

Commissioner Rasmussen read Idaho Code 59-906 paragraph 2 , which indicates that when an elected officer resigns with notice, their position can be filled prior to the effective date of the resignation, with the new appointment being effective on the day following the date the office is vacated. Clerk Garner has indicated her intent to retire February 25th, and the commission's appointment will be effective Feb 26th. The statute read also covers what would happen if Garner's resignation was rescinded. Commissioner Jensen noted he thought Bishop was a good choice.

MOTION: Commissioner Jensen made a motion to appoint Amy Bishop for the Clerk position for the remainder of the elected term. Commissioner Rasmussen seconded. Motion carries.

Attorney Adam McKenzie joined the meeting in progress.

SIGN TAX CANCELLATIONS – ACTION ITEM

The Commissioners reviewed tax cancellations for 13 parcels that have signed up for home owner exemptions. The legislature's removal of the deadline for filing exemptions, has meant that the only way to treat these parcels is to cancel tax on the amount subject to the exemption. The commissioners also reviewed one parcel that was being charged for a second trash can that they no longer have.

MOTION: Commissioner Jensen made a motion to cancel tax on the parcels presented. Commissioner Rasmussen seconded. Motion carries.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION – ACTION ITEM

In Board of Equalization, Assessor Heber Dunford noted that the subsequent roll includes new construction and transient roll with occupancy. There were no respondents with equalization questions or appeals. There was also no action pending on the rolls.

MOTION: Commissioner Jensen made a motion to accept the rolls. Commissioner Rasmussen seconded. Motion carries.

Commissioner Rasmussen noted that some candidates who are running for state office, John Goode and Josh Wheeler, would be at Montpelier city hall. He also noted that, following redistricting, our legislative district will now include Bear Lake, Caribou, Bonneville, and Teton Counties.

MOTION: Commissioner Jensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Rasmussen seconded. Motion carries.

The meeting concluded at 9:14 a.m.

VAUGHN N. RASMUSSEN, Chairman

Date Approved

ATTEST: _____
Amy Bishop, Clerk