The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in regular session on November 10, 2014, beginning at 9:00 A.M. in the School District #33 Board room in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Vaughn N. Rasmussen, Chairman, DeMar Romrell, Bradley D. Jensen and Kerry Haddock, Clerk of the Board.

Brent Bunn, Sheriff, Tricia Poulsen, Treasurer, Steve Wuthrich, Attorney, Dale Thornock, Cindy Garner, Michelle Higley and Rex Payne also attended the meeting.

# AGENDA APPROVED

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

## **VETERANS DAY**

Commissioner Rasmussen made some brief comments on the significance of the upcoming Veterans Day holiday.

# MINUTES APPROVED

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2014 regular session. Motion carried.

#### **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Sheriff Bunn presented his monthly report. He noted that there were 4 people in the "share" program in Bannock County. This was a good program for drug rehabilitation. Treasurer Poulsen presented a tax cancellation and several garbage cancellations. Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to approve the tax cancellation. Motion carried with Commissioner Rasmussen abstaining. Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to cancel 3 garbage assessments. Motion carried. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to refund one garbage fee. Motion carried.

# **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT**

Commissioner Romrell reported that the weather station at the airport was operating and would be available on line soon. Commissioner Jensen gave an update of the Paris Canyon project.

## **BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT**

Wayne Davidson reported on building permits issued in October. Revenue was \$5,155. He discussed a house planned for the elk preserve that he had approved as a private residence.

## **GOLF COURSE DISCUSSION**

Montpelier Mayor Jared Sharp met with the Commissioners to continue discussions of exchanging responsibility of the golf course for the responsibility of Allinger Park. Land ownership and water issues were discussed. Commissioner Rasmussen agreed to put some numbers together for the December Commissioners meeting.

## SOIL CONSERVATION UPDATE

Lisa Transtrum presented a fuels reduction Grant offer for the Paris Hills area for \$240,000. The Grant would be to the County but administered by the Soil Conservation District. Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to approve the grant. Ms Transtrum also discussed the weather station at the airport and noted that Commissioner Romrell had been named the Cooperator of the year.

# **ELECTION CANVASS**

Clerk Haddock presented the results of the November 4 general election. Turnout was a little low for Bear Lake with 58% of the registered voters casting ballots. Acting as the County Board of Canvassers Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded Commissioner Jensen to approve the Canvass. Motion carried.

## **CANYON POINT WAY**

Brent Skinner and Gary Mckee met with the commissioners regarding the dedication of Canyon Point Way as a County road. The Commissioners had agreed to do this when the road was built to County standards. Following discussion Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to approve the dedication of the Road subject to a final inspection by Greg Skinner and Keller Engineering. Motion carried.

#### AIRPORT GRANT

The Commissioners considered State grant funds to pay their share of the cost of the Airport Master Plan update. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to sign the grant application. Motion carried. They also discussed a letter from the Airport Board regarding instrument certification and other future plans for the Airport.

# LIQUOR LICENSES

Clerk Haddock presented Resolution 2015-1 setting liquor license fees for the 2015 calendar year and a list of applicant wishing to obtain various licenses. Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to adopt Resolution 2015-1 and approve the list of applicants for licenses. Motion carried.

## **BILLS APPROVED**

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the October bills. Motion carried.

## M-HILL SURVEY

The Commissioner noted that a survey was needed to define easements on M- Hill for communication equipment and roads for access. Clerk Haddock will look for a surveyor.

#### **VEHICLE BID**

Bids for a new patrol vehicle for the Sheriff's office were opened. Two bids were received as follows: Jensen Wood - \$30,082; Goode Ford - \$26,562.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion seconded by Commissioner Romrell to accept the lower bid of Goode Motor subject to a review of the bids by Deputy Bart Heslington. Motion carried.

## **GEM PLAN UPDATE**

Tim Marks updated the Commissioners on the condition of the Gem Plan. Gem Plan is voluntary association of 21 Idaho Counties that joined together to provide medical insurance for employees. Mr. Marks reported that the plan was financially sound and was able to hold Bear Lake's premiums to a 3% raise this year. The County's loss ratio was very low for the current year.

## ROAD AND BRIDGE REPORT

Greg Skinner presented his monthly report. He reported that his crews were back on 8 hour days for the winter. The new Diesel tank was set in place.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to convene in an executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345(a and d) to discuss a personnel issue and an indigent case. All Commissioners voted yes in a roll call vote.

Following the executive session Commissioner romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jensen to suspend indigent case 2014-14. Motion carried.

## **HOSPITAL TOUR**

The Commissioners moved the meeting to the Bear Lake Memorial Hospital Board Room in Montpelier for a presentation and tour of the new wing of the hospital.