



MINIDOKA COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES

April 30, 2018

The meeting was opened with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance at 8:30 AM.

Present for this meeting were: Commissioner Moore, Commissioner McClellan, Commissioner Koyle, Prosecuting Attorney Stevenson, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Goodman, and Clerk Page.

Welfare Director Dockstader presented **applications for county assistance**.

2018-27 Commissioner McClellan moved to deny due to not being medically indigent with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried.

Attorney Goodman received a \$20,000 payoff offer regarding cases 94734, 2001-811 and 94855, 2002-933 (husband and wife cases of whom both are deceased). Commissioner Koyle moved to accept offer with a second voiced by Commissioner McClellan. Motion carried.

Commissioner McClellan moved to approve the **Certificates of Residency** with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried.

Commissioner Koyle moved to approve the **farm lease** and allow chairman to sign effective April 1, 2018 ending March 31, 2019, with a second voiced by Commissioner McClellan. Motion carried.

Commissioner McClellan moved to sign the **3rd Revised Heyburn Area of Impact Amendment Agreement** as to administration of area of impact to City of Heyburn with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried. Chairman Moore signed agreement. Commissioner Koyle noted that the heading has a run-on word in which we could not correct as the document was not prepared by Minidoka County.

Commissioner Koyle moved to approve the **minutes** from April 9th and April 16th with a second voiced by Commissioner McClellan. Motion carried.

Commissioner McClellan moved to approve **claims and payroll** with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried.

Sheriff Snarr met with the Board to give a **statistics report on the dispatch numbers for entities and events**. The Sherriff recommended that we do not charge fire departments and leave the current contracts as is. Commissioner McClellan moved to freeze dispatch contracts for this year and look at it again prior to next year with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried.

Commissioner Koyle moved to sign the **letter of support for the Minidoka County Emergency Response** for their grant application with a second voiced by Commissioner McClellan. Motion carried.

Commissioner McClellan moved to approve the **request from the Wool Growers Association to appoint John Phillips to the District 3 Animal Damage Control Board** with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried.

The Board chose not to pay IAC Natural Resource Litigation Fund as we have not needed nor paid in the past.

The Board discussed the **county credit card issue**. Any employee who needs a card can be issued one. No more sharing of cards. The Board would like to apply for a limit increase. University of Idaho employees are allowed use of credit card for extension office purchases as per board consensus.

Connie Stopher from the **Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization** gave the board an update. The county's rural budget is \$2500.00. They have quarterly meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the month with the next meeting to be held on June 14th at the Stonehouse. They are currently working with McCain's and partnering with Senator Crapo's office to attract veterans to Idaho. They are developing "360" videos advertising talent recruitment and life styles for business attraction to help with business retention and expansion. There is communication in place to merge with Southern Idaho Rural Development. And lastly, they are getting ready for Select USA.

A brief discussion amongst the board was held regarding **wages** and best way to increase for FY2019.

Board reviewed **correspondence** from Idaho Commerce which stated the \$468,134 Idaho Commerce Development Block Grant for the Minidoka County Fire Protection District for their fire engine procurement project has been approved.

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner McClellan had nothing to report other than what has already covered with the Southern Idaho Economic Development report.

Commissioner Koyle reported that she attended the Local Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting. They had a presentation about gas lines and why citizens need to call DigLine. They will be holding a mock event in June in Declo. She also attended the Hospital Board meeting. The hospital is doing well.

Commissioner Moore attended the public defender meeting. Dennis Byington is going to retire possibly in or by October. He attended the Southern Idaho Solid Waste District meeting. They will be having an open house in June for the gasification project. They are doing test runs right now. Truck loads and tonnage are down.

South Central Public Health Dept.

Lisa Klamm and Scott Arnell attended today's meeting. There was a nitrate testing day a while back and they did have a sample that came back at 130 ppm. DEQ retested and their sample also came back at 130 pp. She explained what nitrates cause in immune-compromised humans and in cattle it causes spontaneous abortions. Lisa reported that Adria is giving a class so she could not attend today. She will be returning in two weeks with their annual budget and funding request. The flu season is still going although they normally start counting on October 1st and continue through April 1st each year. The hospitals still have warning signs posted. 2017/2018 has been the worst flu season since 1918 with 92 deaths reported in Idaho. Lisa also reported on other health issues that have been prevalent this year: pertussis (whooping cough), pneumonia, and currently there is an e-coli outbreak due to a problem with romaine lettuce. She also reported that Hepatitis A & B are becoming a part of life. Kindergarten registration are being conducted. 75 percent of immunizations are done April through

August; they are 95 percent effective through all ages. Stress, illness, and age bring on Shingles when the immune system is compromised.

The meeting was adjourned with the tap of the gavel at 12:22 p.m.

Robert Moore, Chairman

ATTEST:

Tonya Page, Clerk