



February 16, 2021, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on February 8, 2021, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 16th day of February 2021, at 8:30 a.m.

Present:	Mark Rekow	Chairman
	Bill Butticci	Commissioner
	Sarah Story	Deputy Clerk

Whereupon the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Commissioners reviewed the agenda. A motion was made by Commissioner Butticci to approve the agenda as presented. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously.

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE: The Commissioners attended this meeting electronically.

COVID DISCUSSION: Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Manager Laurie Boston provided updates on the current weekly positive COVID cases in Gem County, one death in the county, the COVID vaccination clinic at the Fire Station, the number of vaccinations provided, a new location for the vaccination clinic, vaccine scheduling and her move to the City Annex Building.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR JAIL INMATE PHONE SERVICES BID OPENING:

While being recorded, Commissioner Rekow read the Request for Proposal for inmate services for the Gem County jail. He publicly opened the sealed and clearly marked Request for Proposal (RFP) for Inmate Phone Services for the Gem County Jail that was delivered to the Gem County Courthouse. Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tahja Jensen reviewed the details of Addendum #1 to the RFP. Commissioner Rekow advised that they received one bid, which was from CTEL. Tahja advised how the bid packet was put together, who was on the committee and what the options are for the Board of County Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Butticci that the Request for Proposal, which the county received one from Consolidated Telecom at 813 Ridge Point Drive Suite 205 Irving Texas, to send the packet forward to the committee for review. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA: The consent agenda included: A. Payroll claims approval for 2/5/21, B. Professional Services Agreement with Fix This System for Information Technology (IT) services, C. The Bancorp open-end lease schedule for 2 2021 Ford F150 Supercrew vehicles, D. Gem County Sports Complex ball field agreement between Gem County Commissioners and Emmett Little League and E. Re-appointment of Daniel Heaton and Thomas Butler to the Fair Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Butticci to approve items A-E as presented. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MATTERS: Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tahja Jensen spoke about various Gem County legal matters. Items that were talked about were the jail, jury trials, the Floodway Ordinance request, impact fees, public hearings, mask requirements, the Road Department and the Comprehensive Plan.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 11:19 a.m. a motion was made by Commissioner Rekow, seconded by Commissioner Butticci and carried unanimously to go into executive session under Idaho Code 74-206(1)(c) for matters of real estate with a roll call vote as follows: Commissioner Butticci, aye and Commissioner Rekow, aye.

Regular session reconvened at 11:26 a.m.

INDIGENT APPLICATIONS: It was not necessary to go into Executive Session for this meeting.

21-012	Notice of Lien
21-003	Notice of Hearing

Commissioner Rekow made a motion that on case# 21-012 to sign a notice of lien and on case# 21-003 to sign a Notice of Hearing. It was seconded by Commissioner Butticci and carried unanimously.

MINUTES: The minutes from February 1 & 8, 2021 were reviewed. A motion was made by Commissioner Butticci to approve the minutes for February 1 & 8, 2021 as amended. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously.

The Commissioners recessed at 11:45 p.m. for lunch to reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

GALENA CONSULTING TO PRESENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING IMPACT FEES FOR GEM COUNTY:

Anne Wescott from Galena Consulting spoke about the committee recommendations regarding Impact Fees for Gem County. Items that she discussed were that this is a 10-year plan, fee calculations for each service area, proportionate share analysis, land uses, current & future land uses, current & future population. She also talked about the Gem County Sheriff impact fees, current assets, how anticipated growth would affect the Sheriff's Office and what items would be impact eligible, the Gem County Sheriff's office department Capital Improvement Plan 2021-2030 and fee calculation. She also spoke about the Road & Bridge Department. Unincorporated Gem County growth projection by square fee and land use 2020-2030, trip generation rates by land use category, current assets, the Capital Improvement Plan, items that are impact fee eligible, the cost requirements from other county services, Gem County Road & Bridge Department fee calculation and capital improvement mitigation fees were discussed. She spoke about project prioritization and how the 10-year project would work in regards to using the fees. She also also discussed Gem County Fire District #1 for Fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS). District boundaries and service areas, population growth in the City of Emmett vs. residents in the county were discussed. She spoke of response times, current assets for fire protection services & EMS services, type of capital infrastructure for EMS services, Impact Fee calculations for Gem County Fire & EMS services. She summarized the calculated Impact Fees for Gem County and the Gem County Fire District #1 and reviewed an Impact Fee comparison chart for Gem County and surrounding counties. Anne advised that it is more expensive for rural communities to experience growth versus larger cities/counties because the cost of growth is divided by fewer people. Chairman of the Impact Fee Committee Gus Porter talked about how they came to their recommendations and recommended that these fees be implemented immediately, but that developments that are already in the pipeline to be exempt. Anne reviewed the county/district participation. She also explained why Fire Department and EMS was included in the report. She spoke about limited options to pay for growth impact without having Impact Fees and also talked about extraordinary impact. She advised on the next steps that would be needed if the Commissioners chose to move forward. Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tahja Jensen suggests an additional session to ensure all Board members are present.

The Board recessed at 3:00 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. on February 22, 2021.

Approved: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Clerk