



October 11, 2022, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on October 4, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 11th day of October 2022, at 8:30 a.m.

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

Whereupon the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

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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 Elliott and carried unanimously.

INDIGENT APPLICATION: At 9:13 a.m. a motion was made by Commissioner Rekow, seconded by Commissioner Elliott and carried unanimously to go into executive session under Idaho Code 74-206(1)(d) for indigent matters with a roll call vote as follows: Commissioner Rekow, aye, Commissioner Elliott, aye and Commissioner Butticci, aye.

23-001 Non-Medical Application

Regular session reconvened at 9:20 a.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Butticci to approve case 23-001 for the cremation and also the notice of lien. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously.

VACATION TIME CARRY OVER REQUEST: Buildings and Grounds Supervisor Chuck Shambaugh does not believe that he will be able to get his vacation down to 40 hours and does not want to lose it. He advised he took last week off and will try to use more by the end of the year. Commissioner Butticci suggested taking another week off in October and one in November and December. No action was taken at this time.

VIVID LIGHTS COURTHOUSE LIGHTING QUOTE AND DEPOSIT: Clerk Tilton

talked about permanent lighting for the courthouse to support "Operation Green Lights for Veterans" which a program being promoted by the National Association of Counties. The quote from Vivid lights is for a total of \$3937. She stated that it allows for different colors and options for lighting. She discussed signing of a resolution on a future agenda if the Commissioners want to go ahead with Operation Greenlight. There was discussion on other uses for the lights. Clerk advised that some electrical work would be required to be done as well.

A motion was made by Commissioner Butticci to move forward with Vivid Lights with the price of \$3937 as presented for the courthouse. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously. Commissioner Elliott abstained without having a formal policy in place for use of the lights.

CONSENT AGENDA: A. Sawtooth Correctional Medicine Jail Medical Services contract, B. Hat Trick Farms Minor Subdivision Findings, Conclusions, Conditions, Order, C. Patterson Minor Subdivision Findings, Conclusions, Conditions, Order, D. Carlock Trust Rezone Findings, Conclusions, Conditions, Order, E. Gem County Sports Complex ball field agreement with Little League and F. Cooperative Agreement for University of Idaho Extension programs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Elliott to approve the consent agenda items A-F as listed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Butticci and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WALK-IN: Michael Pierce expressed thanks and believes the Commissioners have done a good job over-all and is appreciative of the road maintenance out by Johnson Creek Road but expressed concerns on the cycle park area not being graded. He talked about some trouble spots on Johnson Creek Road. There was discussion on the type of material used. Commissioner Rekow talked about work being down around that area, challenges with all of the recreation use and expected changes.

Del Gray from the Messenger met with the Commissioners to discuss various items in the budget, capital projects, employee salaries and employee retention. Commissioner Rekow talked about the importance of employee retention. There was discussion on funding for different projects and services. Commissioner Rekow discussed challenges with staffing. Commissioner Butticci talked about the challenges with competing with the private sector.

DEPARTMENT HEADS: Commissioner Butticci advised to be mindful of phishing emails. Road and Bridge Supervisor Neal Capps talked about traffic, grading, winter maintenance and ditch water. Road and Bridge Assist Director Jason Brown talked about water

hauling and grading. Neal talked about various projects they are working on. Landfill Supervisor Martin Joyce talked about workload, various projects they are working on and tires. Building and Grounds Supervisor Chuck Shambaugh talked about the bathroom upgrades and various projects they are working on. Rebecca Mills from the Extension Office talked about the 4-H awards, enrollment, various projects and staffing.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MATTERS: Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tahja Jensen spoke on various county legal matters including the Hospital Board.

The Commissioners recessed at 12:30 p.m. for lunch to reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE TIME: The Commissioners worked on various administrative items.

MINUTES: The minutes for October 3 & 4, 2022 were reviewed. A motion was made by Commissioner Butticci to approve the minutes for October 3 & 4, 2022 as amended. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously.

EXPENSE CLAIMS APPROVAL: The claims presented were reviewed. Commissioner Rekow made a motion to approve the claims as presented and as initialed on the individual claim forms as well as the Indigent claims. It was seconded by Commissioner Butticci and carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE TIME: The Commissioners worked on various administrative items.

The Board recessed at 5:00 p.m. until 8:30 a.m. on October 17, 2022.

Approved: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Clerk