



December 14 & 15, 2020, Emmett, Idaho

Pursuant to a recess taken on December 7, 2020, the Board of Commissioners of Gem County, Idaho, met in regular session this 14th day of December 2020, at 8:30 a.m.

Present:	Bryan Elliott	Chairman
	Mark Rekow	Commissioner
	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 Rekow to accept the agenda as presented. It was seconded by Commissioner Butticci and carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE TIME: The Commissioners worked on administrative matters.

FAIR BOARD MAINTENANCE SALARY: Commissioner Butticci spoke about the salary line item and necessary skills for this position, His recommendation was to add \$3000.00 to the \$29,000.00 from the county funds and that the fairboard could add more from their fees if they choose. Commissioner Rekow and Elliott were in agreeance. Fairgrounds Chairman Dan Heaton spoke about the difficulty in finding a skilled, experienced applicant at \$29,000.00. Fairboard Vice Chair Megan Ryals talked about the increased incentive to care for the property from the applicant since a portion of the salary would come from the fair funds. Commissioner Butticci spoke about possibly of doing a review of the agreement with Boise County and out of county participation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Butticci to increase the maintenance salary for the Maintenance Fairgrounds Keeper to increase the \$29,000.00 posted salary by \$3000.00 from the county budget and another \$2000.00 from the County Fairgrounds fees to increase the salary at their discretion. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously.

IDAHO PUBLIC DEFENSE COMMISSION: Jennifer Roark, the new Regional Coordinator with the Public Defense Commission spoke of the Public Defender reports that were due on November 1st and that Gem County Public Defense Attorney Mark Coonts has met that deadline. She spoke about case number and costs for Gem County. She talked about rules that have been made, feedback that has been received and amendments that have been made based off of the feedback. She advised that all the rules are listed on their website, including "pending" rules. She also spoke about an expenditure report that is due on December 31st for 2020. She also spoke about some language changes that have been made. She stated that all changes that have been made were made based off of the concerns of the counties. She spoke about the concerns on the Requests For Records and advised that it was only for public defense budget information and that wording was updated. She also talked about county difficiencies and the process to rectify the difficiency and also about a compliance plan. She suggests the Commissioners review the "pending" rules that are listed on their website.

COVID DISCUSSION: Emergency Manager Laurie Boston provided updates on the current COVID cases in Gem County. Gem County has now had 12 deaths related to COVID, 6 in the last week. She also spoke about the Point Of Distribution (POD), a cyber-security survey that needs to be completed by IT, tomorrow's LEPC meeting. She also talked about the refrigeration trailer, grants and possible MOU's with other counties. She advised that she is working out of both the fire station and the ambulance building. Valor Health Marketing Manager Staci Carr talked about the 7-day trend, the number of patients seen in the Urgent Care, Emergency Room and transfers. She advised that there are no current patients on the COVID floor. Laurie spoke about a MOU for the POD is with Southwest District Health, Gem County and Valor Health.

CARES ACT FUNDING: Clerk Shelly Tilton advised that she has processed everything that she has received so far. Emergency Manager Laurie Boston spoke about the items that she will be purchasing. Clerk Tilton advised her to submit the purchase orders this week for processing. She spoke about the deadline for submission.

Commissioner Elliott was absent from the meeting.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MATTERS: Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tahja Jensen spoke about the COVID policy and the MOU for the closed

Point of Distribution (POD) with Southwest District Health and Valor. There was also discussion about a sample Director Evaluation and the advantage of them. She also talked about the bleachers at the fairgrounds and the need of the specifications.

CONSENT AGENDA: The consent agenda included A. Payroll claims approval for 12/7/020, B. Request for tax and/or fee cancellation for Assessor's parcel MHP0814000059A, C. Request for tax and/or fee cancellation for Assessor's parcel MHP0812A00059A, D. 2021 cooperative weed management area cost share request & assurances for Lower Gem, E. 2021 cooperative weed management area cost share request & assurances for Upper Gem, F. Department of Health and Welfare EMS grant for a power loader and cot for a new ambulance, G. TENEX Software Solutions precinct central electronic pool book contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Butticci to approve the consent agenda items A - G. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously.

INDIGENT APPLICATIONS: At 10:46 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)(d) for indigent matters with a roll call vote as follows: Commissioner Butticci, aye and Commissioner Rekow, aye.

21-002	Medical Emergency
21-004	Medical Emergency
99-073	Release of Lien
99-073	Pay off letter

Regular session reconvened at 10:57 a.m.

Commissioner Butticci made a motion on case 21-002 to deny because we are unable to determine if the applicant is medically indigent, unable to determine if the county is the last resource, unable to determine if Gem County is the obligated county, applicant failed to appear for interview and applicant failed to cooperate with the county; on cases 21-004 to deny because the county is unable to determine if the applicant is medically indigent, unable to determine if the county is the last resource, applicant failed to appear for interview, applicant failed to cooperate with the county and unable to determine if all services were medically necessary; case 99-073 to sign a release of lien and on case 99-073 to sign a pay-off letter. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: This executive session was not held.

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

AMBULANCE QUOTES: Chief Rick Welch reviewed four quotes that he received from Braun (\$199,661.00), Horton (189,692.00), Medix (\$168,993.00) and AEV (\$169,341.00). Some quotes are for F350 and some are for F450. Some are gas and others are diesels. There was discussion on the possible need to open this up for bid. He spoke of a 2020 Chasis that a dealer currently has in stock. Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tahja Jensen advised the requirements for accepting a bid. She suggests that if they go for a request for proposal instead of a request for bid it gives more leeway. He spoke about size needs in the box. He prefers a 450 with a gas engine. He also talked about the warranties, safety measures and maintenance. He will provide the bid information to Tahja for her review.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES: Development Services Director Jennifer Kharri reviewed the SOSONI Place final plat. Items that discussed were that there are 8 lots and that it falls within the city impact area so it had to comply with the city impact guidelines, which were done. The fees were split between all 8 lots.

A motion was made by Commissioner Butticci to approve the SOSONI Place final plat and the SOSONI Place Improvement Plan Mitigation Agreement. It was seconded by Commissioner Rekow and carried unanimously.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION- TRANSIENT PROPERTY ROLL: Assessor Hollie Ann Strang advised that there is no Board of Equalization for the 2020 Transient Assesment Roll.

ASSESSOR BUDGET DISCUSSION: This discussion was not held.

Commissioner Elliott returned for the remainder of the day.

IDAHO FISH & GAME ROAD ACCESS AND ROAD AGREEMENT DISCUSSION: Road and Bridge Supervisor Neal Capps talked about the Idaho Fish & Game road access and Road Agreement. Topics that he talked about Fish and Game wanting Gem County to help with the road maintenance of multiple access points, including ponds and areas of the river. The city does not want to continue to take this on. He advised that Idaho Fish & Game wants to meet with the Commissioners after the holidays to discuss the MOU. Neal spoke about the number of man hours and cost that would be involved if the county takes this on. He spoke about how much they are currently paying the city to do this job and that it would not cover the cost of the requested

maintenance. Commissioner Rekow expressed concerns of the cost and time involved with this request. Gem County is already having trouble fulfilling the needs of the current road projects.

EXPENSE CLAIMS APPROVAL: The claims presented were reviewed. Commissioner Rekow made a motion to sign the claims as presented and as initialed on the individual claim forms as well as the Indigent claims. It was seconded by Commissioner Butticci. Commissioner Elliott abstained from signing them due to not being in the office during review time of the expense claims.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE RENEWALS: While being recorded the Commissioners reviewed the alcohol beverage license renewals for 3 Horse Ranch Vineyards, Maverick Inc.# 212, Anderson Reserve, Emmett Shell, By Rite, Rock Creek Shootin, Stoneys Roadhouse, Gerald Turner Brewery, Tom's Cabin Café & Bar, The Round Up, The Kitchen Eatery, KT's Lanes, Idaho Pizza Company and Walgreens #13105.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rekow to approve the retail alcohol license renewals as presented. It was seconded by Commissioner Butticci and carried unanimously.

The Board recessed at 3:50 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. on December 15, 2020.

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE: The Commissioners attended the Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting via virtual meeting.

The Board recessed at 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on December 21, 2020.

Approved: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Clerk