

February 21, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Idaho, does hereby meet this 21st day of February 2023.

IN THE MATTER OF ROLL CALL)

Donna Atwood, Clerk, called roll call: Gordon Wilkerson, present; Lyndon Haines, present; and Nate Marvin, present.

Lyndon Haines opened the meeting and Donna Atwood led the Pledge of Allegiance. Lyndon Haines gave the invocation.

IN THE MATTER OF CORRESPONDENCE/MEETINGS AND REPORTS)

Correspondence received by the Board was reviewed and disseminated as required. The Board reviewed a request for funding from the Cambridge/Midvale Senior Citizens.

Nate Marvin reported he will be attending the Area 3 Agency on Aging and WICAP meetings this week.

Lyndon Haines discussed pesticide testing/licensing for the Weed Departments. Haines stated that he and Weed Superintendent, Bonnie Davis, plan to meet with legislators in the near future.

Nate Marvin moved, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson to approve a demand warrant payable to U.S. Bank Equipment Finance in the amount of \$7.94. Motion carried.

Nate Marvin moved, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson to approve a demand warrant payable to Ridley's Family Markets in the amount of \$51.55. Motion carried.

Gordon Wilkerson moved, seconded by Nate Marvin to approve a demand warrant payable to Ridley's Family Markets in the amount of \$32.56. Motion carried.

Sheriff, Matt Thomas, presented the State of Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation Boat Safety Grant Application to the Board for review. Thomas stated there is a 50% match required from the County.

Nate Marvin moved, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson to allow the Chairman to sign the State of Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation Boat Safety Grant Application. Haines signed the application.

Lyndon Haines discussed the application for ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding submitted by the Road and Bridge Department for radios and a repeater. It was brought to the Boards attention that the repeater was replaced in 2018. The Board will discuss the matter with Road and Bridge Supervisor Jerod Odoms later today.

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Nate Marvin provided an update per DEQ on Intrinsic Organics. It was reported that Intrinsic Organics is up to date.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES)

The minutes of the Board not heretofore approved of February 13, 2023, were approved as written.

IN THE MATTER OF WEED AND RODENT CONTROL)

Weed Superintendent, Bonnie Davis, met with the Board. Davis informed the Board that it is time to publish the Noxious Weed Publication in the newspaper per Statute. The Board instructed Davis to proceed with the publication.

Joy Evans and Peggy Tiedemann requested a No Spray Zone on Valley Road. They reminded the Board they were approved last year.

Nate Marvin moved, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson to approve the Owner Responsibility and Maintenance Agreement of Noxious Weeds/Vegetation on Washington County Roadside Right-of-Way between Five Diamonds LLC and Washington County for the 2023 Spray Season. Motion carried.

Lyndon Haines moved, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson to approve the Owner Responsibility and Maintenance Agreement of Noxious Weeds/Vegetation on Washington County Roadside Right-of-Way between Peggy Tiedemann and Washington County for the 2023 Spray Season. Motion carried.

Davis stated the recertification class held last week was well attended. Davis discussed the CWMA (Cooperative Weed Management Area) Program with the Board.

IN THE MATTER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY)

Information Technology Director, Robert Peterson, met with the Board. Peterson provides an update on server upgrades. Roaming profiles were also discussed. Peterson informed the Board there will be a regional Information Technology and Emergency Management meeting in Emmett on Thursday. Peterson discussed a possible upgrade with CompuNet. Peterson stated receipt of the equipment is 112 days out.

IN THE MATTER OF ROAD & BRIDGE/SOLID WASTE)

Road and Bridge/Solid Waste Supervisor, Jerod Odoms, met with the Board. Odoms informed the Board that CPR classes were held last week. Odoms stated training will continue this week. Odoms informed the Board he hopes to have the crusher operating this week.

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Haines discussed the ARPA request that was submitted for radios and repeater.

Odoms stated that White Cloud had suggested that the County move from an analog to a digital repeater. Odoms will further research the matter.

There was discussion regarding Denney Road. Odoms stated it is a County maintained right-of-way and Denney Road is on the County inventory list. Odoms will research further.

Odoms discussed Departmental issues that were previously discussed with the Board. Odoms stated he had reviewed the recording from the previous meeting and wanted to respond to items that were discussed. Odoms informed the Board that he works for the people and needs to be transparent. Items of discussion were misappropriation of funds, timecards, discipline, and accountability. Odoms informed the Board that there is one person in the Department that would be willing to meet with them. Odoms stated that he investigates issues to make sure they are handled appropriately. Odoms further stated that job descriptions within the Department had been updated. Odoms stated that per ICRMP (Idaho Counties Risk Management Program) job descriptions should be reviewed annually. Odoms addressed accusations of lying to the Board. Odoms indicated to the Board, "if you can't trust me, I shouldn't be in this position."

IN THE MATTER OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEY)

Prosecuting Attorney, Delton Walker, met with the Board. Walker discussed the donation to the NRA from budgeted funds. Walker stated he had contacted Seth Grigg with IAC (Idaho Association of Counties) and they are not aware of prohibiting donations to charity. Donations are to be for the public good, paid from the charity/indigent levy. Walker stated it is a fine line and recommended not to donate to those who do not provide public good.

Walker stated he attended the Tall Cop training regarding drug awareness at the Vendome last week.

Walker informed the Board that he has spoken with Bonnie Brent regarding proposed changes to County Code. Walker stated Will Herrington is advising Planning and Zoning Commission on the proposed code changes. Walker stated it is his duty to advise the Board.

Marvin discussed a proposed RV park next to the Weiser River to be considered by the City of Weiser Planning and Zoning.

Walker inquired what areas of training the Board would like him to address.

Haines requested Walker provide training on land use matters.

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IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING AND ZONING)

Planning and Zoning Administrator, Bonnie Brent, met with the Board. Brent informed the Board she is working on code definitions and stated it is a time consuming process.

Haines stated clear, understandable definitions are needed. Rezone requirements, grazing potential, and property splits were discussed.

Walker stated there is a person from NRCS (Natural Resource Conservation Service) who is willing to do a presentation.

IN THE MATTER OF AMBULANCE)

Lyndon Haines moved, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson to recess as the Board of Washington County Commissioners and convene as the Board of the Weiser Ambulance District. Motion carried unanimous.

Donna Atwood, Clerk, called roll call: Gordon Wilkerson, present; Lyndon Haines, present; and Nate Marvin, present.

Ambulance District Director, Luke Smith, met with the Board. Also present was Christy Maldonado and Hayley Marvin. Order No. 23-0010.1 for payroll expenses in the amount of \$172.70 and Order No. 23-18 for general expenses in the amount of \$7,145.51 was presented to the Board for review.

Smith reported the Ambulance District had twenty calls for service last week which included two transfers and nine public assists/refusals for care. Smith informed the Board he is working on grant applications and hopes to purchase lift assist belt kits and cot battery maintenance with the funding. Smith discussed staffing with the Board and requested permission to post a job opening for a full time EMT and Paramedic. Smith discussed increase the rate of pay for an EMT from \$13.00 to \$16.00 per hour to \$16.00 to \$18.00 per hour. Smith stated he would like to increase Paramedic pay from \$24.00 to \$28.00 per hour with a PRN(as needed) paramedic to \$27.00 per hour. Smith would also like to increase the deputy director to \$28.00 per hour.

There was discussion regarding ALS (Advanced Life Support) vs BLS (Basic Life Support) provided by the Ambulance District. The group discussed holding a public meeting regarding the type of service to provide.

Nate Marvin moved, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson to approve Order No. 23-001.1 for general expenses in the amount of \$172.70. Motion carried.

Nate Marvin moved, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson to approve Order No. 23-18 for general expenses in the amount of \$7,145.51. Motion carried.

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Lyndon Haines moved, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson to recess as the Board of the Weiser Ambulance District and reconvene as Board of Washington County Commissioners. Motion carried unanimous.

Donna Atwood, Clerk, called roll call: Gordon Wilkerson, present; Lyndon Haines, present; and Nate Marvin, present.

IN THE MATTER OF ASSESSOR/BOARD OF EQUALIZATION)

Assessor, Debbie Moxley-Potter, met with the Board. There were no matters brought before the Board.

Lyndon Haines moved, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson to go into executive session at 11:34 p.m. in accordance with I.C. 74-206(1) (a & b) to consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent. This paragraph does not apply to filling a vacancy in an elective office, (b) to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student. Motion carried unanimous. Gordon Wilkerson, Aye; Lyndon Haines, Aye; Nate Marvin, Aye.

Lyndon Haines stated they were out of executive session at 12:07 p.m.

Motion by Lyndon Haines, seconded by Gordon Wilkerson and unanimously carried to recess at 12:07 p.m. until February 27, 2023, at 8:45 a.m.

Chairman, Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

Clerk

A full audio recording of the Commissioner Meeting is available at the Clerk's Office upon request.