

February 13th, 2012

MEETING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF ONEIDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The meeting was opened by Commissioner Firth

Attorney Dustin Smith reported on the current status of court actions facing the county because of Holly Telford. It was stated that the cost to the County, because of her actions and multiple case filings, continue to add up with no end in sight

Sheriff Semrad indicated that some of his office equipment did not power up when the backup generator kicked on due to the power outage. Commissioner Tubbs indicated that the generator might only be wired to specific circuits in the Court house and that he might need to reroute the necessary equipment to the right outlets. Jeff also reported on his inability to find an adequate window covering to help bullet proof the window in the basement of the Court House. It was stated that there were plenty of products on the market but they were not very effective at slowing down bullets. Since the cost of bullet proof glass would be too expensive it was suggested that maybe window blinds might be more appropriate.

Another item that the sheriff is looking at is a solar powered generator that would be used to power the equipment inside of the patrol cars so that the engines could be turned off when they were doing stationary patrols in warmer months. The Commissioners gave approval to investigate this option further and requested more information. The cost range was from \$500.00 to \$1700.00 dollars.

Hugh Melon, Chris and Shelly Monson and Mike Bosen addressed the Commissioners in regards to the denial of their request to allow simulcast into their "Critters" establishment. Their view was that it would bring money into the county but others thought that this would not outweigh the other troubles that might follow. Also mentioned was the fact that the majority of the citizens were against gaming moving into the County as voiced in a public hearing a few years back when others were trying to move gambling in on the Idaho / Utah border.

Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to table the issue until further information could be obtained.

There was no seconded to the motion so the motion died.

Others in attendance for this portion of the meeting: Glen Eames, Dennis Thomas, Larry Jardine, and Christy Jardine.

At the request of the Commissioners, Cory Hatch came before the board to explain his intentions with the request for a building permit for two buildings to be located in Holbrook. It was noted that he is hoping to house up to 600 mink in one of the buildings and to use the other building for supplies and feed. He stated that he currently has mink

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on the property and has had them there for a few years. They are located in an existing shed. It was further stated that the big problem with the mink is the smell and that is usually due to the type of feed. Because he uses dry feed it causes less of a problem. It was also stated that none of the neighbors have complained yet and he tries to do his best to keep things cleaned up.

The Commissioners thanked him for coming in to talk and the building permit was signed.

Dave Colton, Richard Cornia, Kathy Ray in attendance: Planning and Zoning made the recommendation to rezone a 40 acre piece of property located at 2500 north and 500 west to accommodate the fuel pellets manufacturing company who wants to move to our county. Many pros and cons were presented including the fact that other properties were equally suited to this need and possibly available. Commissioner Tubbs stated that he was not in favor of spot zoning and asked what would happen if this land was rezoned and then this company pulls out or another more intrusive company moves in.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to take the issue to a public hearing. Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.

Richard Cornia informed the Commissioner that the CAFO was ready for Dustin to be put into an ordinance.

Road Forman, James Clark, reported on the water situation in the county and the damage that has been done to the roads because of the run off.

Commissioner Firth asked about the need to charge fees for boring under the county roads and if it was necessary if no damage was done to the road itself. It was stated that inspection still need to be made and the fees cover these inspections. No action was taken.

Commissioner requested that Dustin look into the ownership of the old road south east of the High School where the county mixes their asphalt mix.

Travis Huckaby requested that he be allowed to move into his house with a letter of occupancy prior to completion. He stated that the inside was complete but he still needed to build a front deck/porch and put siding on the house. The Commissioners asked how long it would take to finish the project. Travis thought this could be done before the end of summer.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion that the Huckaby family be allowed to move into their house and that a deadline of October 1st, 2012 be put on the projects still waiting to be completed.

Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.

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The Commissioners addressed the issue of grazing in the county and the impact that would come about if we were to lose this ability. It was stated that there were organizations that were trying to shut down the grazing on Forest Service and BLM lands.

Julie Williams met with the board to request funding assistance to help with the printing of "welcome to Malad" flyers that would be used to help promote the Malad Valley. The County has helped out in the past in cooperation with the Chamber of Commerce, Malad City. The overall cost would be about \$300.00 dollars.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve the financial support to help print new flyers for the Chamber of Commerce.
Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve the claims as submitted.
Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.

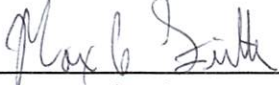
A letter from Brendon Taylor was given to the Commissioners stating that he is willing to continue to work for the county as a conflict public defender for the same rate as in the past.

Three over weight permits were issued to Hess Pumice for the 2012 calendar year.

LHTAC invoice number three was reviewed and approved for payment to Keller Associates for their work on the Narrows project.

James Clark requested that he be able to put up the frost law signs to help keep the spring road damage to a minimum due to the unusual weather that we are experiencing. They will become effective on March 1st.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to adjourn.
Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.



Max C. Firth, Chairman



Matthew L. Colton, Clerk