

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

This meeting held March 14th, 2016, was opened by Commissioner Firth.

Note: A Medical indigent appeal hearing had been scheduled for this meeting but was canceled by the requestor.

"Narrows" road rebuild: Jay Hanson and Jacob Hansen addressed the board with concerns about the traffic flow on this section of road and questioned where the flow of traffic would be routed to during the reconstruction. Commissioner Tubbs gave a brief synopsis of the environmental and archeological studies that had impact on why the road was being rebuilt rather than constructed in a suggested new location. The traffic situation had not been discussed at length but it was indicated that as the studies conclude and actual work on the road draws closer that solutions would be found to handle the diversion of traffic. Mr. Hanson also offered to continue to help grade some of the roads near his land and to spray the road side weeds if the county approved. The commissioner approved and asked that he work with the Road and Weed departments respectively.

County road improvements: Josh Davis purchased land near the intersection of 1100 west and Grandview Dr. Due to a washout on the north part of this intersection the county road had been diverted to the east several yards. Although Josh has an easement that runs parallel to his property and the washout has been filled in, the county was reluctant to improve this roadway as it would only wash again. The Commissioners agreed to haul gravel onto the county section that bypasses the washout area leaving Mr. Davis just a short piece of his right of way that he would need to improve with gravel.

Hospital: Administrator John Williams stated that the hospital would like to reconstruct their parking area and requested help from the Road and Bridge department. As the parking area is small in size it was determined that the county equipment was to large do the job and Mr. Williams was informed that he would need to seek bids from companies that had the right sized equipment.

Fair grounds: Ruhn Panting was asked chair a committee to determine the elements needed in the proposed new display building at the fairgrounds. The commissioners indicated that they would like to consider moving the extension office into part of the building and that it would be good if it could be used for conducting all future elections as well as have storage space for election equipment and display tables etc. Mr. Panting indicated that he would take this information as a starting point and see what the

committee could add. The Quonset that would be replaced would be relocated to the landfill to house their equipment with the landfill paying for the relocation.

Supervisors reports:

Probation – Drug court had two graduates and will likely see several more this summer.

Sheriff – twelve people being housed either in Bannock or Caribou however this number will drop to six soon. Bannock has need for more beds and if they use any of the eight beds contracted for by Oneida county, then they don't charge for those beds. As stated in a previous meeting, when they renew the contract it will most likely be at a higher rate similar to what Caribou charges which is around \$68.00 dollars per bed.

Keller Associates has offered to maintain the 911/mapping software for a yearly fee of about \$650.00 dollars which covers all upgrades etc.

Jeff presented a GPS report that shows where his deputies patrol during the work shift. This report is generated automatically on a monthly basis as the officer's vehicle crosses over geo fences throughout the county.

Landfill: the caretaker of the stone landfill has resigned and it was questioned whether or not to keep it opened or to look for a new custodian of the facility.

Weeds: The spraying seasons is about to begin and there is an opportunity for the department to hire a couple of men to work specifically on BLM projects at their cost. The details will still need to be worked out prior to any commitments being made. Because the grant is for reimbursement, the county will need to open the budget and add money to cover the added expenses.

Road and Bridge: The same issue with possible water drainage problems on the north end of 5800 West was the first issue address. It was determined that any solutions discussed in the past were not adequate for those involved when the road crew tried to make the agreed upon corrections. After discussion it was decided that the road crew should do whatever is best in the interest of the county and if future damage occurs then they could re assess the situation at that time.

Current activities have the crew prepping the equipment for summer work and putting the winter equipment into storage. With summer coming on the county finds the need for more good gravel sources throughout the county.

Prosecutor: Cody Brower indicated that his secretary has given notice and will be leaving on April 22nd. He will be posting an ad for her replacement. Further mentioned was his efforts in catching up on older cases and said that he should be caught up in about one month.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the geo mapping contract with Keller Associates for the yearly maintenance of the 911/mapping software. Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion carried.

Planning and Zoning: The commission held a public hearing on the proposed changes to the Development code and made the recommendation to the Commissioners to approve the changes as they stand. The Commissioners will hold their hearing for public comment and make official recommendations or approvals as the case may be. Two building permits were presented for approval.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve both building permits as presented. Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

Elections results from the March Presidential Primary election were canvased.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve the election results as canvased. Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

A wheelchair lift was discussed as a means to help bring the court house into compliance with the ADA regulations. The cost could go as high as \$12,000.00 dollars. No decision was made at this time.

The County accepted an offer from one of the companies working on State roads in the Juniper area to use demolition material as a road cover on County roads in that area. This will improve the county roads and benefit the company by reducing the distance that they would travel to dispose of the material.

The Medex Company from Soda Springs performs the collection part of the random drug testing for the county. They have made the request to add a ten-dollar travel charge, per quarter, to make up for the State Legislature approved reduction in collection requirements.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve the ten dollar per quarter increase for travel cost for the Medex company. Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

The Magistrate Judge made a written request for new office furniture to be taken out of the Court facilities trust account. As there was some question if this was the right fund to use, the request was put on hold and will be discussed at a different time.

Commissioner Firth asked about court house security and the BOCC discussed how best they could improve the current situation.

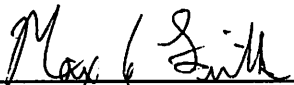
The claims and minutes were reviewed.

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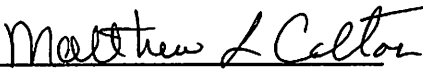
Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve the claims as submitted.
Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the minutes as written.
Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion carried.

With no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned.



Max C. Firth, Chairman



Matthew L. Colton, Clerk