

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

The meeting was opened by Commissioner Daniels.

Jacob Rickman, hired by the University of Idaho to fill the position of Oneida County extension agent was introduced to the commissioners. He asked the commissioners if there were any issues that they were concerned with or areas that they would like him to focus on. It was suggested that he work closely with the county weed superintendant and the land owners with the noxious weeds that plague the county. Jacob was also asked to work with the 4-H program. While it was stated that the current program is working well, it mostly focuses on the animals and such during the summer months. The commissioners asked if he could add some non-traditional aspect to the program where the youth could build on leadership qualities throughout the year.

Planning and Zoning – Two building permits were presented for the month of December. A Storage shed for Cory Ihler and an agricultural building for Dan North.

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

The commissioners were informed of the variance request by the James family to allow them to wait for a couple of months to move the shed in their back yard. They were found in violation of the county setbacks and have agreed to move the structure however she would like to wait until her husband is available to take care of it. The P&Z commission granted the request until March 31st.

Department reports:

Probation – No changes. It was reported that they investigated the option of sending one Juvenile to the State facility but that he didn't meet all requirement.

Treasurer – The December collections went well and are almost complete.

Prosecutor – Office has been busy preparing for a jury trial scheduled for February. Working closely with ICRMP to gather and provide information for a recent tort claim that was filed with the county. He will be traveling to Boise to witness a Grand Jury and to learn more about the process.

Sheriff – Scheduled to receive more Spillman training for his employees in the coming weeks. There are some concerns with the probation office performing house checks. Safety is the first priority as well as collection of evidence if a home check becomes a new active crime scene. It was suggested that all appropriate departments gather for a discussion to work out the proper procedures to follow.

Commissioner Firth opened the tax deed hearing required by law. The treasurer informed the commissioners that only one property was being taken at this time. The property is located at 560 Bannock in Malad City. The affidavit of assignment was signed by Commissioner Firth for the treasurer. A second property was slated to go tax deed however the citizens have been working with the treasurer and arrangements made to pay the debt.

The claims were reviewed for payment.

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

The minutes from the previous meeting were read.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented.
Commissioner Stokes seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner Daniels indicated that the contract with the building inspector and Malad City will need to be drawn up. She suggested that the City could possible pay a flat monthly fee to the county based on percentage of work the inspector does in the city vs. the county. Contact will be made with the city to see if this would be an option. Office Items needed for the building inspector will be ordered.

Commissioner Daniels has been contacted by DEQ with another requirement for the old landfill. Although the work on the old landfill has been approved it was determined that a post closure care plan now needs to be written and approved. Lisa will work with an engineering group to get this accomplished.

During this discussion it was determined that one of the landfill employees has an over accumulation of comp time and does not have a plan to use it down to the required level.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to pay Steve Ward 20 hours of comp time.
Commissioner Firth seconded and the motion carried.

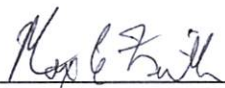
The commissioners reviewed the current list of duties and assignments.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to retain Max Firth as the chairman for the coming year.
Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

The duties are to be left the same with the exception of adding Court liaison to Commissioner Stokes list.

The next quarterly meeting with City officials will take place at the city offices on the 10th.
Discussion items were presented and will be forwarded to the city clerk for addition to the agenda.

The meeting was adjourned.



Max C. Firth, Chairman



Matthew L. Colton, Clerk