



ONEIDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BILL LEWIS, CHAIRMAN – BOB CHRISTOPHERSEN – KEN ELIASON

10 COURT STREET, MALAD, IDAHO 83252

Meeting Agenda

December 27th, 2022

Meeting location – Event Center Conference room
459 South Main Street

9:00 A.M.	Consent agenda; payment of claims, approval of meeting minutes	Action item
	Superintendent Abrams – school bonds	discussion
	Gary White – Legion building furnace	Action item
10:00	Construction services, Jared Lusk; future projects in county.	Action item
	Brad Hess subdivision agreement, final PLAT and final engineering bill	Action item
	Four Cassi economic development annual report and projection for future	Action item
	Depot road agreement	Action item
	Emergency services grant money	Action item
	Event center emergency operations plan	Action item
	Vessel fund annual report and reserve funding for next year	Action item
	ESRI renewal for ARC GIS mapping software	Action item
	Ameriben Step and grade schedule. Adoption/approval	Action item
	Opioid settlement opportunity	Action item
	Overweight permits; 129K roads	Action item
	Signage for the event center	Action item
	County boards, 2023 meeting dates	Action item
	Health and welfare board member	Action item
	One time expenses	Action item
	Policy review	Action item

Executive session

per IC 74-206 (1)(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;
and

IC 74-206 (1)(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement;



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Meeting minutes for December 27th, 2022

Commissioners in attendance: Bill Lewis, Robert Christophersen, Ken Eliason

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and pray offered by Commissioner Eliason.

Commissioner Lewis called for a review of the agenda.

The consent agenda was addressed and it was stated that the minutes needed to be discusses.

Commissioner Lewis made the motion to remove the approval of meeting minutes from the consent agenda to allow for discussion.

Commissioner Eliason seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Commissioner Eliason made the motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of approval of the claims.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Commissioner Lewis notes two items that need corrections. The first was for the assistance for the American Legion to be placed on the National Registry. The minutes will be changed to reflect that the request was to hire a consultant for this effort. The part referencing a grant application will be stricken. The motion will also be amended for the same purpose.

The second change was to correctly report that the request for funding to be applied to pickleball courts at the city park came from Malad City citizens and not from the city.

Commissioner Eliason made the motion to amend the meeting minutes to accurately reflect the hiring of a consultant to help with placing the American Legion building on the National Registry and to note that the funding request for pickleball courts came from city citizens.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. all commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Jon Abrams, superintendent of School District #351, came before the commissioners to report on their efforts to run a school bond for the purpose of building a new elementary school. He stated that there would be no cost to the residence in the district and that the project would be paid through revenues received from their online school whose enrollment has increased significantly over the last few years. It was further stated even though they had the funding, if they could pass the bond that the state would help with about 38% of the cost through a bond equalization law.

Suggestions were shared on how the school could educate the citizens on the facts of the project

American Legion building request for funding to help install a new furnace on the main floor of their building. The request was made by Gary White who presented three different bids, two of which were

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from local contractors. The commissioners stated that they would take the request up later in the meeting when they contemplate onetime expenses.

Brad Hess development – the county reviewed his development plan and attorney Brower stated that the plan was in order. A copy of the covenants, conditions, and restrictions (CC&R) was also provided however it was stated by county Attorney Brower that the CC&Rs were covered in State Code. The billing was questioned. Mr. Hess asked for an itemization of the actual services billed by the engineer that are being passed along to him. He stated that he did not feel that all the services were directly related to his project. Commissioner Lewis stated that the county should do what is fair and it was recognized that some of the engineering review could be listed as a training / learning exercise. A compromise was suggested that would eliminate the investigation of past invoices which could take significant time and effort. The compromise is to forgive any future billing for services rendered prior to December 27th, not previously billed. Mr. Hess agreed with the suggestion.

Commissioner Lewis made the motion to write-off Paragon invoice 22-419 and all other invoices as of today, that have not previously been discussed, as training/learning experience. Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Commissioner Eliason made the motion to approve the declaration of covenants conditions and restrictions, the resource management agreement for the right to farm and the subdivision agreement for the Mr. Hess proposed development. Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Jared Lusk – Construction Management option for building/remodeling county facilities. The county could hire a company like his to manage the project from bidding to completion. they are paid on a percentage basis and would work directly with the architect. They are hired to manage the project for the county. subcontractors are bid out separately rather than the general contractor giving one bid for the total project. Other options that are available deal with one contract with a contractor and the county then must manage the project from the county standpoint. Commissioner Lewis stated that hiring someone like Construction Services will eliminate many of the problems that have been present during the event center build and the elevator build. His recommendation is to hire Construction Services for future projects.

Molly Beseris reported on the last 10 months of her work in the four-county economic development along with possible future projects and ongoing efforts.

A cooperative agreement was introduced detailing the arrangement between Malad City and Oneida County for the purpose of receiving a grant to help manage the improvements for the proposed detour route on Depot Road.

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The grant will help pay for a three inch asphalt overlay on this road to aid in maintaining the road integrity.

Commissioner Eliason made the motion to approve the Cooperative agreement for Project A019(622) for the Bannock Street project, Key No. 19622.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

The commissioners reviewed the emergency services grant money currently available. Possible expenses include sheriff radio for search and rescue, upgrades for ambulance radios. A backup generator for the event center is also on the list.

The commissioners discussed an emergency operations plan. This plan would outline the use of the event center as a secondary location for an alternative emergency operations center, alternate care center, response staging area and general population center. It would be used as a backup location to the high school.

Commissioner Lewis made the motion to approve the emergency operations plan designating the event center as a second alternative emergency operations center, alternate care center, response staging area and general population center in an emergency.

Commissioner Eliason seconded the motion. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

ESRI renewal – this is an annual renewal for software used in the Assessors office for the mapping service they provide.

Commissioner Christophersen made the motion to approve the ESRI mapping software renewal.

Commissioner Eliason seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Ameriben step and grade – Tabled for future discussion.

Commissioner Christophersen made the motion to hold an executive session per IC 74-206 (1)(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;
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Commissioner Eliason seconded. a roll call vote was taken.

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Commissioner Eliason – Aye
Commissioner Lewis – Aye
Commissioner Christophersen – Aye
The motion carried.

Opioid settlement; new opportunity to join a class action suit dealing with an opioid settlement was introduced. The commissioners thought it was a good idea to join the suit.

Commissioner Christophersen made the motion to join in the class action opioid settlement involving Walmart, DVS, Walgreens, TEVA and Allergen.

Commissioner Eliason seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Five overweight permits under the 129K regulations, were requested by Hess Pumice for trucks traveling to their mine in Wrights Creek.

Commissioner Eliason made the motion to approve five 129K overweight permits for Hess Pumice trucks traveling to Wrights Creek for the 2023 calendar year.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Meeting schedule for all county boards will be submitted to the clerk and posted on the bulletin board.

Health and Welfare board member – It was suggested that Commissioner Christophersen remain on the board in place of one of the new standing commissioners. It was suggested that he could remain on the board for a trial period of three months.

Commissioner Eliason made the motion to leave Bob Christophersen on the Health and Welfare board for a three-month trial.

Commissioner Lewis seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Extension agent Sawyer Fannesbeck presented his suggestion to place an informational sign on South Main in front of the fair grounds. This sign will announce the extension office and event center. The suggested cost is around \$3,189.01 with installation. The University of Idaho will donate \$500.00.

One time expenses were discussed. approved projects were reviewed and other projects were introduced. Main discussion was for a weed building, road and bridge building upgrades, traffic counters and the event center sign. Also discussed were improvements to the swimming pool.



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Commissioners Christophersen made the motion to approve one time expense for new sand filters, stalls for the dressing rooms, one traffic counter with four hoses and a new plotter/printer for the Assessor's office.

Commissioner Eliason seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

The commissioners revisited the request from the American Legion.

Commissioner Lewis made the motion approve a one time donation increase to the American Legion in the amount of \$4,150.00 dollars.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

The review of county policies was tabled for future discussion.

The meeting was adjourned.

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Bill Lewis, Chairman

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Matthew L. Colton", written over a horizontal line.

Matthew L. Colton, Clerk