

REGULAR SESSION, JULY 13, 2020

Commissioner Bolduc opened the meeting at 10:00. Commissioner Bolton, Commissioner Buhler, and the Clerk, Denise Gill was present.

INDIGENT

Commissioner Buhler moved to go into an executive session pursuant to IC§31-874 to consider indigent matters. Commissioner Bolton seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Bolton-Yes, Buhler– Yes, Bolduc-Yes. Director, Linda Leguineche joined the meeting. The board recessed executive session and returned to regular session at 10:15 a.m. Commissioners Buhler and Bolton moved and seconded to approve 4929. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Bolton moved to go into executive session pursuant to IC§74-206(b) personnel matter. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Bolton-Yes, Buhler– Yes, Bolduc-Yes.

**UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO
LETTER OF SUPPORT**

Commissioner Bolton moved to sign a letter of support for the Extension Office for the USDA Rural Development Distance Education project. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Commissioner Buhler and Bolton moved and seconded to approve the June 2020 Claims. Motion carried.

General \$65,057.22	Road and Bridge \$17.72	Consolidated Elections \$5,163.95
District Court \$2,197.03	Fair \$5,934.27	Public Health \$7,275.83
Hagerman Police \$1,548.99	Wendell Police \$3,084.14	Public Defense \$10,836.83
Indigent \$1,795.38	Jr. College \$58,900.00	Landfill \$20,000.00
Revaluation \$334.21	Veterans Memorial \$0.00	Weeds \$1,513.36
Waterways \$4.29		
TOTAL \$163,664.01		

Ambulance \$68,545.80

**BROADBAND TOWERS
BROADBAND GRANT
SPECIAL USE PERMIT**

Cathy Harris, Planning and Zoning Administrator, discussed the Special Use Permits Hearing for Broadband Towers, Location Size Towers and Special Use Application: The Board reviewed the site selections for the potential broadband tower sites. The EMS Building site is too close to the helipad at North Canyon Medical Center. They are looking at a site at the Gooding County Fair Grounds and will need a special use permit from the City of Gooding. The third site is at the Transfer Station in Wendell. The Board discussed the Memorandum of Understanding-(MOU) with Georgia Dimick with Region IV Development. Georgia explained that the MOU needs to be strong and state exactly what the terms shall be. The Board feels they need to have a commitment, such as a formal agreement from White Cloud that obligates them to finish the Broadband Towers.

Prosecutor Pember agreed that the MOU needs more details. They called White Cloud to discuss the matter. White Cloud discussed potentially putting one tower on Calvin Kuntz’s property.

**DISTRICT 26 LEGISLATIVE
SENATOR AND REPRESENTATIVES**

Representative Sally Toone, Representative Muffy Davis and Senator Michelle Stennett joined the meeting. Sen Stennett explained that they have been communicating to citizens about the assistance that are available to them. They have realized how deficient the area is in broadband, healthcare and unemployment to name a few. Idaho is the fastest growing State in the country. They encourage the Board to reach out to them whenever there is a need. 11.5% of online sales tax is designated to go to the Counties. There is a movement to change the State Constitution and the Governor does not have the authority to make the financial decisions that it goes to JFAC.

Chairman Bolduc recessed the regular session and reconvened the Board of Equalization at 2:20 p.m.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

There was no other Board of Equalization business and Chairman Bolduc adjourned the Board of Equalization and reconvened the regular session 2:30 p.m.

**VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER
QUARTERLY REPORT**

The Board reviewed Jim Benson’s, Veterans Service Officer Quarterly Report for April – June, 2020. The report showed 3 new claims, 19 office visits, 22 out of office visits, 32 phone calls and 1 enrollment.

2GCC PROJECT

This letter was not needed.

**LETTER OF INTENT
GOVERNOR’S LITTLE IMPLEMENTATION
OF PUBLIC SAFETY PROPOSAL**

Commissioner Bolton moved to sign the letter of intent to participate in Governor Little’s Implementation of Public Safety Proposal with the right not to participate if determined it would not serve the citizens of our county. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2020-07-13

Commissioner Buhler moved to adopt resolution 2020-07-13 Appointment of Applicant Agent for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). Commissioner Bolton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**GOODING COUNTY RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 2020-07-13
APPOINTMENT OF APPLICANT AGENT
For the
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)**

WHEREAS, the Gooding County is submitting a Hazard Mitigation Grant project to the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the State of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the Gooding County is required to appoint an Applicant Agent for the purpose of signing documents and assuring the completion of all application documents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Gooding County appoints Denise Gill as Authorized Agent.
Dated this 13th day of July, 2020

Appointing Authority
Board of Commissioners
Gooding County, Idaho

Name: Mark Bolduc _____

Title: Chairman, Gooding County Commissioner _____

Signed /s/Mark Bolduc _____
Date

Name: Susan Bolton _____

Title: Gooding County Commissioner _____

Signed /s/Susan Bolton _____

Name: Ron Buhler _____

Title: Gooding County Commissioner _____

Signed /s/ Ron Buhler _____

Appointed Agent

Name: Denise Gill _____

Title: Gooding County Clerk _____

Signed /s/Denise Gill _____
Date

HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT FOR GOODING HIGHWAY DISTRICT

Commissioner Buhler moved to sign the Hazard Mitigation Grant application, Certification Regarding Lobbying and Assurances-Construction Program for the Gooding Highway District. Commissioner Bolton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**QRU'S
SIRCOMM**

The Board discussed the SIRCOMM bill that covers the QRU's. They decided that the QRU's will need to pay for their SIRCOMM annual billings starting in FY2021.

MINUTES

Commissioner Buhler moved to approve the minutes from July 6 & July 7, 2020. Commissioner Bolton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Gooding Soil Conservation District sent a letter regarding the Gooding Community Garden.

Commissioner Bolton had a new resident that is concerned with animal control in the County, whereas he has a neighbor that has roosters and other birds carry a lot of disease.

Commissioner Bolton and Commissioner Bolduc have had a few residents call with concerns about having the fair this year.

RESOLUTION 2020-07-13a

Commissioner Bolton moved to adopt Resolution 2020-07-13a, Idaho Cares Act Broadband Grant. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**GOODING COUNTY
IDAHO CARES ACT BROADBAND GRANT
RESOLUTION #2020-07-13a**

A RESOLUTION OF COUNTY COMMISSION OF GOODING, IDAHO AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR AN IDAHO CARES ACT BROADBAND GRANT TO FINANCE IMPROVEMENTS TO ENHANCE BROADBAND SYSTEMS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, stable, reliable broadband infrastructure is necessary to support and attract business, improve educational training, enhance public safety and services, and enrich the quality of life for all citizens;

WHEREAS, the Governor for the State of Idaho declared a state of emergency on March 13, 2020 with Executive Order 2020-7 to respond to the coronavirus pandemic;

WHEREAS, the CARES Act funding received by the State of Idaho will fund projects across the state that create and retain local jobs and result in purposeful outcomes, including distance learning, telehealth, public safety, commerce, and the overall well-being of the citizens in Idaho.

WHEREAS, the County is an eligible applicant of the Idaho CARES Act Broadband Grant program and intends to apply for funding through this grant program;

WHEREAS, the County will comply with Idaho statute 67-2808 regarding sole source procurement since the competitive procurement solicitation and selection process is impractical, disadvantageous, or unreasonable under the circumstances of responding to this epidemic recovery effort; and,

WHEREAS, the County has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with WHITE CLOUD COMMUNICATIONS, INC. to install infrastructure that will expand and improve broadband access to the unserved and underserved areas of our community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF GOODING, IDAHO, that the Chairman is authorized to sign and submit appropriate application materials to the Idaho Department of Commerce to seek funding through the Idaho CARES Act Broadband Grant program to enhance broadband access in our community.

Adopted this 13th day of July 2020.

/s/Mark Bolduc
Mark Bolduc, Chairman

Attest: /s/Denise Gill
Denise Gill, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2020-07-13b

Commissioner Bolton moved to adopt Resolution 2020-07-13b, Idaho Cares Act Broadband Grant Administration Services Resolution. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Idaho CARES Act Broadband Grant Administration Services Resolution

RESOLUTION #2020-07-13b

A RESOLUTION OF GOODING COUNTY COMMISSION, GOODING, IDAHO AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH REGION IV DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION, INC TO PROVIDE GRANT WRITING AND PROJECT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE COUNTY'S APPLICATION TO THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR AN IDAHO CARES ACT BROADBAND GRANT TO FINANCE BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS TO ENHANCE BROADBAND ACCESS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, the CARES Act funding received by the State of Idaho will fund projects across the state that create and retain local jobs and result in purposeful outcomes, including distance learning, telehealth, public safety, commerce, and the overall well-being of the citizens in Idaho.

WHEREAS, stable, reliable broadband infrastructure is necessary to support and attract business, improve educational training, enhance public safety and services, and enrich the quality of life for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the County is applying to the Idaho Department of Commerce for an Idaho Cares Act Broadband Grant program to enhance broadband access in our community; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires the services of a project administrator to oversee project implementation activities to ensure it aligns with program requirements; and

