

REGULAR SESSION, OCTOBER 13, 2020

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

Commissioner Buhler moved to amend the agenda to change Randy Hall, St. Luke’s time to 11:30 and add Hagerman Fire District. Commissioner Bolton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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 and Assistant Director, Kathy Ball joined the meeting. The board recessed executive session and returned to regular session at 10:06 a.m.

CLAIMS

Commissioner Bolton and Buhler moved and seconded to approve the first of the October 2020 Claims. Motion carried.

General \$58,433.17	Road and Bridge \$-0-	Consolidated Elections \$-0-
District Court \$-0-	Fair \$355.34	Public Health \$7,306.16
Hagerman Police \$295.08	Wendell Police \$1,471.86	Public Defense \$3,607.66
Indigent \$12,834.00	Jr. College \$-0-	Landfill \$20,000.00
Revaluation \$275.35	Veterans Memorial \$0.00	Weeds \$542.56
Waterways \$5.98		
TOTAL \$85,127.76		

Ambulance \$2,749.62

2019-2020 BUDGET REVIEW

The Board reviewed the FY2019-20 budget. The Commissioners expressed their appreciation for the Elected Officials and Department Heads for within their budget during this past difficult year.

CITY OF BLISS

LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT

Commissioner Bolton moved to allow Chairman of the Board, Mark Bolduc, to sign the Law Enforcement agreement with the City of Bliss. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER

Jim Benson, Gooding County Veteran Service Officer, faxed his July – September quarterly report to the Board. His report indicated: New/Increase Claims 1, Office Visit 14, Out of Office Visits 16, Phone Con/Emails 18 and Health Care Enroll/Renewal. He obtained burial flag and VA marker for a veteran. No State Service Office outreaches due to COVID-19. State VSO is in new office at County West in Twin Falls.

HAGERMAN FIRE DEPARTMENT

Dan Nelson, Hagerman Fire Department would like to replace two fire apparatus that are aged and they are looking for \$750,000. Hagerman Fire Department would like to apply for the Idaho Department of Commerce grant. The Commerce grant is only given to City’s and County’s therefore, Gooding County will need to apply on behalf of the Hagerman Fire Department.

Commissioner Bolton moved to sponsor the application and submit to the Department of Commerce on behalf of the Hagerman Fire Department and allow Commissioner Bolton to sign the necessary documents. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Bolduc abstained from the vote.

EMS BUILDING

Commissioner Bolduc reported that the electrical is roughed in and sheet rock and texturing is about to begin. The building is coming along well.

CARES

Commissioner Bolduc asked Lorri Robb and Sheriff Gough to look into receiving support from the CARES for holding inmates in jail longer and having to separate the inmates.

MEETING UPDATES

Commissioner Buhler notified the Board that the county will be receiving \$20,000 for the weed department.

RANDY HALL

Randy Hall, St. Luke’s reported there has been an uptick in cases in the Magic Valley however, everything is still manageable. There is a high number of COVID but not in the ICU. As of today two of four COVID patients are on ventilators. Mr. Hall informed the board they still have good supply of PPE at St. Luke’s. Their testing is going up with plans if the need increases. There is a lack hospital capacity in several hospitals in the Magic Valley area. Surgeries are going on.

MINUTES

Commissioner Bolton moved to approve the minutes from September 28, 2020. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bolton moved to accept the minutes from October 5, 2020. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bolduc adjourned the meeting at 12:32 p.m.

/s/Mark Bolduc
Mark Bolduc, Chairman

/s/Susan M. Bolton
Susan M. Bolton, Commissioner

/s/Ron Buhler
Ron Buhler, Commissioner

Attest: /s/Denise M. Gill
Denise M. Gill, Clerk