

**REGULAR SESSION, JANUARY 6, 2020**

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

**INDIGENT**

Commissioner Bolton moved to go into an executive session pursuant to IC§31-874 to consider indigent matters. Commissioner Buhler 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 10:14 a.m. Commissioners Buhler and Bolton moved and seconded to deny 4883, 4882, 4884 and approve 4891. Motion carried.

**NATURAL LITIGATION FUND**

The Board reviewed information from Idaho Association of Counties on the Natural Litigation Fund. Commissioners Bolduc moved not to join the Natural Litigation Fund this year. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**CITY OF GOODING**

**DOG POUND**

Sheriff Gough stated that County Sheriff Deputies do not have the authority to pick up dogs in the county. The only time they bring them in is from an accident. Gooding County has paid the City of Gooding \$3,000.00 for FY2020 in October 2019. The Board tabled the item until the Sheriff can look into the issue.

**SOUTHERN IDAHO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Connie Stopher and Alexa Wilhelm from Southern Idaho economic development and REDS joined the meeting. They are doing a broadcast and newsletters on Southern Idaho. They also have started a digital campaign. Their Social Media following has grown over the years. They produce a talent recruitment letter that has been successful. Alexa reported the Asset Mapping is being conducted in Hagerman and Gooding. Opportunity Zone is a project they would like to start in Gooding County.

**REGION IV DEVELOPMENT**

**EMS BUILDING**

Georgia Dimick, Community Development Planner, with Region IV Development joined the meeting. Ms. Dimick introduced the new Region IV Development President, Jeff McCurdy. Via conference call, Richard Creason with Myers Anderson, Inc. joined the meeting. The group discussed the grant funds and construction of the EMS Building. Mr. Creason explained they will verify the construction weekly and communicate to the Commissioners and to the Contractor. Sometimes decisions need to be made at the point of contact and Commissioner Bolduc will serve as the point of contact.

Jeff McCurdy had worked for Region IV Development for ten years. Then he worked with the City of Rupert, for five years. Region IV has assisted on 33 loans in Gooding County for the sum of \$16.18 million dollars. They asked what other projects Gooding County was considering that they could help with. They want to continue to working with Gooding County and local businesses.

**EMPLOYEE INSURANCE**

**SOUTHERN SCRIPTS**

**JIM HAWKINS**

Jim Hawkins, Columbia Benefits, presented an agreement with Southern Scripts Agreement. Commissioner Bolton moved to authorize Commissioner Bolduc to sign the agreement with Southern Scripts. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Prosecutor Pember has reviewed the document and approves the changes made.

**JUVENILE PROBATION**

Carol Johnson stated the mechanics cannot figure out why the horn honks on the Juvenile Probation car. They did determine that the tires were low and caused the caution light to come on.

**MINUTES**

Commissioners Bolton moved to approve the minutes from December 30, 2019. Commissioners Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Bolduc recessed the regular session and opened Ambulance District.

**AMBULANCE DISTRICT**

**EMS BUILDING**

Jon Kepler, Assistant Director and Barb Porter, Director expressed concern that the plans for the EMS Building did not show a handicap accessible shower and no windows in the common area.

**OVERTIME**

Director Porter reported that the overtime is when someone is out for an illness or because of the call volume.

**RADIOS**

They are having problems with the call tones not going off on all the radios. Commissioner Bolduc will check with Sircomm.

**AMBULANCES**

They are having repairs done to an ambulance that is under warranty.

Chairman Bolduc adjourned the Ambulance District at 12:29 pm and reconvened the regular session.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Commissioner Bolton reported that Gayle DeSmet needs additional help with a CAFO Planning and Zoning matter regarding a neighboring property. The Board will inform the building inspector he needs to go out to the site and check for compliance.

Chairman Bolduc adjourned the meeting 12:15 p.m.

**TRAINING**

The Board attended Supervisor Training plus Harassment and Policy training conducted by ICRMP.

/s/Mark Bolduc  
Mark Bolduc, Chairman

/s/Susan Bolton  
Susan Bolton, Commissioner

/s/Ron Buhler  
Ron Buhler, Commissioner

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