

REGULAR SESSION, AUGUST 2, 2021

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

Chairman Bolduc recessed the meeting at 10:05 and opened the Ambulance District meeting.

EMS BUILDING

Karl Souza, Building and Grounds, reported there is a leak in the Ambulance quarters which he has called the contractor. The contractor is sending someone out today.

AMBULANCE DISTRICT

Barb Porter, EMS Director, reported they are working on getting a new ambulance. The manufactures are six to ten months out. They are considering a demo ambulance that they can see soon but it will not be available until December. They are working on doing fire standbys.

Chairman Bolduc adjourned the Ambulance District meeting and reconvened the regular session at 10:29 a.m.

**IDAHO COALITION OF LAND TRUSTS
MAGIC VALLEY PROJECTS**

Debra Wilson, CSI interim services, requested to meet with the Gooding County Commissioners regarding the Idaho Coalition of Land Trusts, Magic Valley Projects. Ms. Wilson joined the meeting via Zoom. Ms. Wilson explained that the Southern Idaho Land Trust quietly dissolved. Ms. Wilson, asked the Board, "Do you think there are lands in the Magic Valley that could benefit from a conservation effort to protect those lands for the future? Be protected in a land trust." She is obtaining information through September to determine whether there is interest in putting together a committee to do further research. If it proves that there is, then in December they will put together a committee. In January the coalition, through a grant funding, will hire an executive director to move forward. Commissioner Bolduc stated there are two land trusts in the Hagerman area that were done mainly for the tax benefits. Ms. Wilson stated the tax benefit is what the coalition would do. The trusts need to be self-sufficient. When the land is in a trust, the land comes off the tax rolls. Silver creek is owned by the Wood River Land Trust. The Magic Valley fears losing farm ground to subdivision and housing developments. Commissioner Buhler said there are was a lot of opposition to land trusts at the land board meeting.

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS
JAIL KITCHEN**

The Board reviewed a proposal from BSR for the jail kitchen ventilation needs. It will require electrical addition and a water line to be installed. The water line can be installed by the County Building and Grounds supervisor, Karl Souza, the electrical will need to be done by an electrician. Commissioner Bolton moved to approve quote from BSR for cooled makeup air handler and allow Commissioner Bolduc to sign. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Karl Souza, Building and Grounds, reported everyone is moved. He is still having to move some the unused desks into different offices. Tracey Martin, Sr. Probation Officer, informed the Board that newly hired Nick Rothe, Probation officer, graduated POST. This week they will be going to the shooting range for POST qualification testing. Carol Johnson, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, explained they are presently slow. She has a group of individuals going to a youth symposium; a deputy prosecutor, a counselor, a public defender and Gooding County's Juvenile Probation officer. Cathy Harris, Planning and Zoning, had eight new building permits submitted last week. They are still moving things from their old office. She is working on the new Open Gov software. They need a new format on the program and had enough in their grant to cover the cost. Barb Porter, Ambulance Director, reported they are having work done on ambulances and they have a leak at the quarters. Don Gill has about 750 contestants for this year's PRCA rodeo. Ticket sales are good, no reserve available, general admission are still available. He cannot get water or ice. They are doing a tailgate show before the rodeo that will be televised. Terry Ruby, explained they have created a noxious weed identification booklet for our area. They will give them out at the county fairs. Copy-it printed 450 and he used grant dollars to cover the expense. Coroner Geer reported, it has been quiet the last couple months. Not many autopsies. Sheriff Gough reported that there have been sex crimes, adults and children, Mario de Haro Marti, Extension Office, reported they have been very busy. The University of Idaho President visited their office. They have received two grants and are going to hire Jenny in a permanent position for a year. They have about two hundred animals for the fair. They have cameras at the community garden. There has been a lot of cats in the garden. They record twenty-four hours at the community garden. They will be offering a Field Day in Kimberly, ID on August 26, 2021. Commissioner Bolduc asked where they plan to place Jenny. Mario explained she is going to work out of Cindy's office, whereas Cindy is only there three days of the week. The Commissioners remarked, they appreciated every one's low budget requests. Carol Johnson, expressed concern about people walking in the back door of the meeting room and she would like to have a water cooler in the new building.

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, Kathy Ball and Case Worker, Kaitlin Leguineche, joined the meeting. The board recessed executive session and returned to regular session at 11:45 a.m. Commissioners Buhler and Bolton moved and seconded to deny 4978. Motion carried.

MINI CASSIA JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

Commissioner Bolton moved to sign Mini-Cassia Juvenile Detention Center agreement for October 1, 2021, until September 30, 2022. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

REGION IV DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Bolton moved to re-sign the Region IV Development Association, Inc. Project Administration Contract for the Hagerman Fire CDBG Grant. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Bolduc recessed the meeting at 11:56 and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

JAIL INSPECTION

The Board conducted their quarterly Jail Inspection, they found nothing adverse.

FY2022 BUDGET WORK SESSION

The Board continued to work on the FY2022 budget.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

Commissioner Bolton adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

/s/Mark Bolduc
Mark E. Bolduc, Chairman

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

/s/Ron Buhler
Ronald Buhler, Commissioner

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