



MINIDOKA COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES

Aug 8, 2022

The meeting was opened with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer at 8:30 A.M.

Present for this meeting were: Commissioner Schenk, Commissioner McClellan, Commissioner Orton, Deputy Prosecutor Goodman, Prosecutor Stevenson, Treasurer Dayley, Clerk Page and Deputy Clerk Ramsey. Deputy Prosecutor Goodman left the meeting at 9:50 a.m., Prosecutor Stevenson left the meeting at 9:19 a.m. and re-entered at 10:20 a.m.

Public present: Robert Griffin, Shawn Mack, Jennie Bateman, Julie Evensen, Kristen Faux.

Michael Darrington, with United Electric, presented on Renewable Energy update for our region.

Prosecutor Stevenson addressed the board regarding budgets.

Tye Thompsons report: The Sheriff/Juvenile detention generator will be on phase 2, Wednesday the 24th, it will take 4-12 hours; he will purchase 4x8 plywood to protect the asphalt during the generator placement; found a mule stripped down but still \$14,000; Massey tractor will be here October 15th; and the roof top units are here.

IT Director Stevens report: Antivirus renewal has been done, except for laptops; need to do minor computer staff trainings; file server migration is being worked on; VM ware host is being worked on; the weed department is in their new office; id.gov migration is in process; and working on a job description for an intern.

9:50 a.m. A five-minute break was taken.

Lava Ridge discussion was held.

Kris Faux presented to the Board regarding a directive for a sitting member for the Public Health District.

Commissioner **Schenk moved to nominate Jared Orton to the South Central Public Health District trustee board with the approval of the other County Commissions in the district**, with a second voiced by Commissioner McClellan. Motion carried.

Nick Pexton and KJ Carter, with Rocky Mountain Consulting Broadband, presented their design and analysis for Minidoka County. Project Mutual Telephone representatives, Brian Beckstead, Scott Draper, and Mike Walsh, were present for this presentation.

Commissioner Schenk moved to **approve claims and payroll as presented**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Orton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schenk moved to **approve the minutes of August 1, 2022**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Orton. Motion carried.

ARPA discussion was held: Need to get some plans in motion; repair the JPO building, will have a production meeting on the 15th at 11:00 with Director Tate, IT Director Stevens and grounds and buildings director Thompson; update the old assessor building; and an elevator placement.

Commissioner Orton **moved to approve the 9 certificates of residency for junior college**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schenk. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the future of Emerald Lake and City of Heyburn; no decision was made.

Application reviews for Conflict Public Defender was moved to August 15th.

Commissioner Schenk **moved to appoint Jared Orton to the Minidoka Memorial Hospital trustee board**, with a second voiced by Commissioner McClellan. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schenk **moved to nominate Bob Kunau to the At Large, Idaho Capital Crimes Defense Program Board of Directors for District 4**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Orton. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

- Federal Regulatory Commission.
- Annexation for the city of Rupert.
- Annexation for the city of Heyburn.

Clerk Page reported that the rest of Commissioner Koyle's appointed board positions need to be filled.

Commissioner Schenk reported on: the Minidoka fair was great and well attended; FAT stock sale was a record again this year; Treasurer Dayley, Assessor West & Chief Deputy Blair are working on the solid waste increase with him.

12:37 p.m. Commissioner McClellan **moved to enter into executive session as per IC 74-206(1)(b)**. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Schenk voiced aye, Commissioner Orton voiced aye and Commissioner McClellan voiced aye. Motion carried. Tenor of the meeting was personnel. Exited executive session at 1:01 p.m.

Final budget discussions were held, Commissioner McClellan and Commissioner Orton decided on a uniform 6% employee pay raise per department head discretion.

Meeting adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

Kent McClellan, Chairman

ATTEST:

Deputy Clerk