



MINIDOKA COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES

August 21, 2023

The meeting was opened with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer at 10:30 AM.

Present for this meeting were: Commissioner Schenk, Commissioner Orton, Commissioner Schaeffer, Clerk Page, Deputy Prosecutor Goodman, Deputy Clerk Ramsey, and Deputy Clerk West.

Jared Ricks with the Idaho Public Defense Commission was present by phone to discuss the FY2024 Public Defense funding.

Commissioner Orton moved **to approve the application to the Idaho Public Defense Commission for the joint public defender change of use funds, Minidoka's portion of the joint amount is \$68,907.98**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schaeffer. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schaeffer moved **to accept the minutes from August 14th as presented**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Orton. Motion carried.

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

Public Present for river safety concerns: Emma Jean Hansen, Jennie Bateman, Wes Parr, Michaelene Rowe, Dan Rowe, Gary Schorzman, Karl Clayville, Sandra Clayville, Dan Duffin, Dacx Duffin, Shelley Coats, and Barry Peterson. Sheriff Pinther and Undersheriff Kindig joined the meeting.

Shelly Coats presented safety concerns on the river. Various residents from the public voiced their concerns. Undersheriff Kindig suggested creating an Ordinance and posting signs. Commissioners will have signs posted and will look into creating an ordinance.

Juvenile Detention Center Director Bodily requested turning off the cable service and use of a streaming service for the Juvenile Detention Center. IT director Stevens was present to voice concerns with a streaming service. Commissioner Schenk asked that he research what other counties are doing and present at a later date.

Commissioner Orton moved **to approve the alcohol license for Doc's Pizza**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schaeffer. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schenk moved **to approve 23 certificates of residency for junior college, and deny 2 because of lifetime limit met**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schaeffer. Motion carried.

Adjourn for lunch at 11:59 AM.

Reconvened at 12:21 PM.

A discussion was held regarding a secretary for the Commissioners. A job description was presented for review.

Commissioner salaries were discussed for fiscal year 2024. Commissioner Orton moved to **keep the Commissioner salary increase to \$32,000 for fiscal year 2024 budget as published**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schaeffer. Vote was 2-1. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on authorizing a commissioner to work with the coroner to find a vehicle. An action item was added to the agenda for next week.

A discussion was held regarding the alley between the Juvenile Probation Office building and City of Rupert building. Commissioner Schenk talked with Kelly Anthon, of the City of Rupert, and he will get with Roger Davis to ask about infrastructure that might need to go into the alley before any work is done. Commissioner Schenk stated that Mr. Anthon will get back with him.

Commissioner Orton talked with procurement officer Faux about the new building plans and engineers that have been contacted. He has not heard back from any of them to date. The sprinkler systems and/or fire wall requirements for the new building were also discussed.

IT Director Stevens reported on: No call in's; CISA is clear; PMT is continuing to work on fiber: DNS hosting; Ztron regional manager call; election challenges; and title companies.

Building and grounds officer Thomson reported on: Jury room plumbing, replaced toilet, getting price on replacing water lines, and remodel of Jury room; Clerks room remodel; will replace baseboard, moisture problem.

Clerk Page reported on: Ponderosa Subdivision; filing deadline for candidacy is September 8th; and jury trial is beginning this week.

Commissioner Orton reported on: South Central Public Health department meeting.

Commissioner Schenk reported on: Business plus meeting; immigration, and Unity Alliance of Southern Idaho.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 PM.



Wayne A. Schenk, Chairman

ATTEST:



Deputy Clerk



Tonya Page, County Clerk