

Custer County
Commissioner Special Meeting Proceedings
May 5, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM by Chairman Wayne Butts, with Commissioner Randy Corgatelli, Clerk Lura Baker and Deputy Clerk Tina Hawkins in attendance. Commissioners Steve Smith attended via phone connection. Kelly McCandless with Big D Construction also attended.

Kelly was in attendance when the meeting was called to order and when asked why he attended the meeting, Kelly replied to talk about the jail. His company is currently building the Bannock Co. jail in Pocatello. He wanted to introduce his company and their methods. They use the design/build method, where they hire the design team and work closely with them which keeps the costs within reason. Big D would also be the purchasing agent and pass their savings to the county. They work extensively with local contractors. Contact information was exchanged and Kelly excused himself.

Chairman Butts reported on the last Rodeo Committee meeting he attended on 5/4/21. They have found the drill steel materials needed to complete the planned arena fence lift. The Committee has been informed of an inactive Wells Fargo bank account balance, that needs to be transferred into their active accounts. The old arena sprinkler system is being looked into for possible use during practice nights. They need some more firehose to be able to hook it up. They are putting in new water heaters and a new main valve to replace those damaged by freezing. A pressure tank system is being priced and considered for use on the sprinkler system.

Holly Sayer has requested help with spraying for weed and ticks at the cemetery. It was decided to talk with Brett in the Weed department and see how his schedule works out. There are currently no private applicators in the Mackay area. The conflict over water in South Custer County has begun due to the drought. Some house wells have already gone dry. Commissioner Butts has been thanked for the Commissioners making the Declaration of Drought for 2021.

In the Idaho Employment Lawyers presentation that Wayne attended, he learned of the need for a dress code for County workers. Clothing items, emblems and logos were discussed and what "wording" could be used to clarify what was inappropriate. Annual evaluations were then discussed and even if they are required it is very hard to get them done. The current Covid situation also requires a mask policy. All present felt that it should be "the choice of the individual". The Custer County Personnel Policy that was amended 4/7/21 was reviewed and an item that now needs to be included is Social Media. Clerk Lura Baker inquired about what the Board would prefer on handling of the proposed Dress Code, and Social Media policies, as each department has different requirements and needs.

Scheduling of the upcoming USFS meetings was discussed and clarified. Calendar corrections were made. The practice G2G session with NRAC will be May 17th at 7:00 in Commissioners room. The Timber meeting will be May 18th at 7:00 with the USFS in the commissioner's room. The G2G meeting on Forest Plan Revision is scheduled for June 14th in the courtroom at 7:00 PM.

Mike Graham, Disaster Coordinator has e-mailed the Board of Commissioners to inform them that FEMA is initiating the LIDAR Program for Custer County without requesting any funds from us.

The Budget Workshop is scheduled for June 11th, 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Each department head will have a time set for their presentation. Clerk Lura Baker will not be able to attend the entire meeting in person, but she will get the department appointments arranged.

Cleaning of the courthouse is currently being done by the regular employees. It was decided to pay them from the Building and Grounds budget, so the payroll budgets from Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor and P&Z are not depleted. Commissioner Smith had to excuse himself from the meeting at noon. The Budget worksheet information that Clerk Lura Baker provided to the Board was gone over and questions answered.

With no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

Wayne F. Butts, Chairman
Custer County Commissioner

Attest:

Lura H. Baker, Clerk