



Bonner County

Board of Commissioners

Luke Omodt

Steve Bradshaw

Asia Williams

MINUTES FOR THE BONNER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

May 23, 2023 – 9:00 A.M.

Bonner County Administration Building
1500 Hwy 2, Suite 338, Sandpoint, ID

On Tuesday, May 23, 2023, the Bonner County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting with Commissioners Bradshaw, Omodt and Williams present. Commissioner Bradshaw called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The Invocation was presented by Mike Clark and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Allowance of 15 minutes.

Mike Clark – Food for thought, spoke regarding respectful behavior.

Spencer Hutchings – Spoke regarding how pleased he was that the Fairboard sent a letter to IDPR stating their position on the campground and asked why the BOCC is continuing on.

George Gehrig – Spoke in opposition of Commissioner Bradshaw and Commissioner Omodt and how pleased he is that the BCRCC had admonished the two of them and elaborated on some of the charges.

Commissioner Bradshaw recessed the meeting for five minutes at 9:08 a.m.

Commissioner Bradshaw reconvened the meeting at 9:12 a.m.

Spencer Hutchings asked George Gehrig what his political affiliation is. Spoke in regard to the admonishment of of the Commissioners by the BCRCC, specifically Commissioner Omodt.

ADOPT ORDER OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Omodt made a motion to amend the order of the agenda and add BOCC Action Item Transfer of Funds, Unencumbered ARPA Interest, to Road & Bridge account #002-7860 in the amount of \$60,657.

Commissioner Omodt stated that it is an emergency add because it effects the safety and wellbeing of employees and constituents. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. There was discussion between the BOCC, specifically Commissioner Williams stating that she feels that the item is premature. Roll call vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Williams – No, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion passed. Two in favor. The motion passed.

Commissioner Omodt made a motion to adopt the order of agenda as amended. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Williams – No, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion passed.

DISTRICT 2 REPORT – Commissioner Williams gave an extensive report of issues and activities.

DISTRICT 3 REPORT – Commissioner Omodt gave an extensive report of issues and activities.

CONSENT AGENDA – Action Item

1) Bonner County Commissioners' Minutes for May 16, 2023

- 2) Liquor License: Smokesmith Bar-B-Que, Sandpoint, ID
- 3) Plats for Approval: Svitak Estates File #MLD0012-23, White Pine Lodge Phase 2, 5 Needles at White Pine File #SC0001-21

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Omodt seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. All in favor. The motion passed.

PLANNING – Jake Gabell

- 1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Repeal of Moratorium on Certain De-Annexed Land from the City of Priest River; **Resolution**

Commissioner Omodt made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-38 repealing the moratorium on certain de-annexed land from the City of Priest River. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. All in favor. The motion passed.

- 2) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Final Plat, Monarch Vista Point (Block 1 – Lots 1-9, Block 2 – Lots 1-9) File #S0004-21

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the final plat of Monarch Vista Point, Project File No. S0004-21 and authorize the chair to sign the final plat as presented. Commissioner Omodt seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. All in favor. The motion passed.

ROAD & BRIDGE – Jason Topp

- 1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding State and Local Agreement, Construction of FY2022 LHSIP, Clean Zone Safety Improvements

Commissioner Omodt made a motion to approve the State and Local Agreement for Construction of Project Key #22876 – Clear Zone Safety Improvements and make the final match payment of \$72,198.00. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. All in favor. The motion passed.

RISK MANAGEMENT – Christian Jostlein

- 1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Budget Adjustment, Statutory Reserve; **Resolution**

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-39 authorizing the Clerk to open the Statutory Reserve budget and decrease line item 01120 -7860 Statutory 5% Reserve by \$65,000.00 and increase line item 024 6870 Tort Deductible in the amount of \$65,000.00. Commissioner Omodt seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. All in favor. The motion passed.

BOCC – Commissioner Williams

- 1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Review, the Assignment to Sewell Engineering as it Relates to Bonner County Fairground RV Campground/Boundary Line Adjustment

Commissioner Williams made a motion to disengage Sewell Engineering from the work on the Fairgrounds property and the property close to the Sheriff's Office. No second. The motion died.

ADD BOCC – Commissioner Omodt

- 1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Budget Adjustment, ARPA Interest to Road & Bridge, District Two Shop Repair (Compliance); **Resolution**

Commissioner Omodt made a motion approve Resolution #2023-40 transferring unencumbered interest from ARPA funds to fund 002-7860 for Pend Oreille mechanical to repair the District 2 Road & Bridge shop to meet NFPA standards. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Commissioner Williams voiced concerns regarding the haste of this item due to a lack of information, believes it is reasonable to gather information on the options versus

spending this money without all the information. Jason Topp spoke regarding the issues with gas lines, also spoke about the public coming into the building while we still have this issue, the building is still out of compliance. The gas company will not provide service until the County comes into compliance. Commissioner Omodt stated that there were two concerns at the beginning of this discussion, and both were addressed at the special meeting on May 22, 2023. Christian Jostelin, County Risk manager, stated that he did reach out the insurance and received pushback, as the insurance did not see a claim, also stated that more information is always better, however understands that sometimes contractors and work are hard to come by. Commissioner Bradshaw offered some technical answers. Spencer Hutchings asked if this project can be modified. Jason Topp offered additional comments regarding emails and codes.

Roll call vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion passed.

The meeting was recessed at 9:50 a.m.
The meeting was reconvened at 9:53 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Technology

1) Executive Session under Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (D) Records Exempt
Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Confidential Critical Infrastructure Purchase; \$238,540.12
At 9:53 am. Commissioner Omodt made a motion to go into Executive Session under Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (D) Records Exempt. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion passed.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:55 a.m.

Commissioner Omodt made a motion to approve the purchase of \$238,540.12 and to authorize the Chairman to sign administratively. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Williams – Yes. Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion passed.

Commissioner Bradshaw adjourned the meeting at 9:57 a.m.

The following is a summary of the Board of County Commissioners
Special Meetings, (including Tax Cancellations, Assistance Meetings/Admin and other) Executive Sessions,
Emergency Meetings and Hearings held during the week of May 16, 2023 – May 22, 2023
Copies of the complete meeting minutes are available upon request.

On Wednesday, May 17, 2023, Tax Cancellations were held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2). Multiple parcels discussed.

On Wednesday, May 17, 2023, a Tax Deed Hearing was held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2). Commissioner Williams made a motion that County Treasurer, Clorrisa Koster presented to the Board, Affidavits of Compliance stating fulfillment of requirements of Idaho Code 63-1005 and that such delinquencies have not been paid. Therefore the Bonner County Treasurer is hereby ordered and directed to issue a Tax Deed in favor of Bonner County to these parcels. Commissioner Omodt seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Omodt – Aye, Commissioner Williams – Aye, Commissioner Bradshaw – Aye. All in favor. The motion passed.

On Thursday, May 18, 2023, an Executive Session was held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2) and Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (F) Litigation.

On Friday, May 19, 2023, an Executive Session was held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2) and Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (A) Hiring.

On Monday, May 22, 2023 a Risk Management Workshop was held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2).

ATTEST: Michael W. Rosedale

By 
Chairman Steve Bradshaw

By 
Deputy Clerk

5-30-23
Date