



Bonner County

Board of Commissioners

Luke Omodt

Steve Bradshaw

Asia Williams

MINUTES FOR THE BONNER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

March 26, 2024 – 9:00 A.M.

Bonner County Administration Building
1500 Hwy 2, First Floor Conference Room, Sandpoint, ID

On Tuesday, March 26, 2024, the Bonner County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting with Commissioners Omodt and Bradshaw were present. Commissioner Omodt called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The Invocation was presented by Pastor Ken Lawrence and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

STANDING RULES

ADOPT ORDER OF THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to adopt the order of the agenda as presented. Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Absent, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

CONSENT AGENDA – Action Item

- 1) Bonner County Commissioners' Minutes for March 19, 2024
- 2) Invoice Over 5K: Solid Waste; Road & Bridge; Technology (Confidential)
- 3) Plats for Approval: MLD0043-23, McGhee Summer Place East; MLD0064-23, Bonnie's Paradox; MLD0060-23, Viewcrest Estates

Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to adopt the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Absent, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/BONFIRE – Nick Zahler

- 1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Contract for Hazardous Fuels Treatment; The Mountain View Company

Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to approve and sign the Contract for Hazardous Fuels Treatment between Bonner County and The Mountain View Company for project work on the BONFire program funded by an Idaho Department of Lands Grant with no County match. Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Absent, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

ROAD & BRIDGE – Jason Topp

- 1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Superior Broom Purchase from Pape Machinery; **\$90,200**
Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to approve the purchase of the 2024 Superior SM-74-J Broom from Pape Machinery Utilizing the governmental Sourcwell contract ID # 111522 for the sum of \$90,200.00. Commissioner

Omodt stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Absent, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

2) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Budget Adjustment; **Resolution**

Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to approve Resolution #24-27, authorizing the Clerk to open the Road and Bridge FY2024 budget and make the appropriate adjustments to Bonner County Road and Bridges “B” and “C” Budget as detailed in the Resolution. Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Absent, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

RECREATION – Pete Hughes

1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Waterways Budget Adjustment; **Resolution**

Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to approve Resolution #24-28 and allow the Clerk to open the budget, transferring \$4,000.00 from Org 038-9000 to Org 038-8460. Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Absent, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

BOCC– Jessi Reinbold

1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Nomination, District 1, Animal Damage Control Board
Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to approve the re-nomination of Mr. Bill Rickabaugh as the Director from Bonner County to the District #1 Animal Damage Control Board and instruct our staff to send a notification letter of appointment to the Idaho Wool Growers Association and Mr. Bill Rickabaugh. Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Absent, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENT *

Jennifer Cramer – There have been a number of requests for items to be added to the agenda that have not been placed on the agenda, how can they be placed on the agenda.

Dimitri Borisov – Echoing Mrs. Cramer’s concerns regarding public requests to agendaize items. Concerns about R&B grader leasing, why not lease dump trucks and broom.

Director Jason Topp spoke about this concern and explained why it is more cost effective to purchase and not lease these trucks.

Kevin Moore – Questioned culverts and their cost, items going on the agenda, the Vrbeta bridge issue, and his culvert issue.

At 9:25 a.m. Commissioner Omodt called a recess due to Mr. Spencer Hutchings being disruptive while another member of the public was participating in public comment.

Reconvened at 9:28 a.m.

Public Comment Continued *

Brandon Cramer – Wanted to place a few items on the agenda: a privacy policy now that the board is collecting information with the online sign-up form and a project and budget review of the Colburn Waste Site Improvement Project.

Commissioner Omodt noted that he spoke to the engineer of this project and that every penny of the budget is accounted for, we are not just spending money and the project is under budget which allows for these changes, as well as there being a budgeted contingency fund for this project. This project is using USDA funds, and we are meeting the oversight, heavily scrutinized, and meeting all reporting requirements. He noted when there are

allegations of messing up, and similar complaints about a public bench made by employees to replace one that was destroyed. He would appreciate if members of the public would reach out to these departments prior to the meetings so that there is a better narrative and understanding.

Spencer Hutchings – Questions about the fair board audit and Darcey’s laptop. Wants a privacy policy online. Wants information regarding litigation bills and attorneys.

John Dupree – Requested a moment of silence and prayer for a friend.

Mike Franco – There is a lot of validity to issues. Does not appreciate people who disrupt the meetings, those people violate his rights to speak.

Rick Cramer – Why does the board respond selectively to members of the public during public comment and why do they fail to agendaize items that are requested.

Jonna Plante – Discussed the first amendment and rumors about disruptions at the meetings.

Dave Bowman – Commented on the Colburn SW project, the first amendment, County business, and agenda items. *Mr. Bowman was warned by Chairman Omodt that his comments were out of order.*

Jim Leighty – Commented on first amendment at a commissioner’s meeting and what meetings require comment, suggested the public educate themselves on this.

Kevin Moore – Discussed issues on his property stemming from water and a culvert.

Commissioner Omodt recessed the meeting at 9:59 a.m. until the scheduled Executive Session.

Reconvened at 11:01 a.m.

11:00 A.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Human Resources

- 1) Executive Session under Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (B) Personnel
Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Bonner County 911
Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Tuition Reimbursement

At 11:01 a.m. Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to go into Executive Session under Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (B) Personnel. Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Absent, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

Reconvened at 11:17 a.m.

Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and made a motion to proceed as discussed regarding Bonner County 911 and Tuition Reimbursement. Commissioner Bradshaw seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Absent, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes.

At 11:18 Commissioner Omodt called a 5-minute recess to determine if legal would be present for the Litigation Executive Session.

Reconvened at 11:24 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – BOCC – *This item not heard as there was no Legal present.*

- 1) Per Idaho Code Idaho Code 74-206 (1) F Litigation
Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Outside Counsel regarding pending litigation

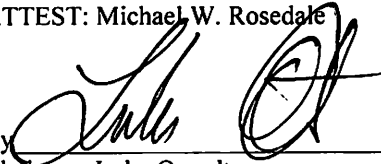
The meeting was adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

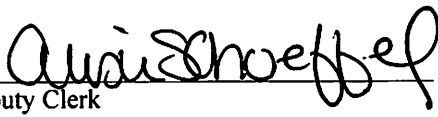
The following is a summary of the Board of County Commissioners
Special Meetings, (including Tax Cancellations, Assistance Meetings/Admin and other) Executive Sessions,
Emergency Meetings and Hearings held during the week of March 19, 2024 – March 25, 2024
Copies of the complete meeting minutes are available upon request.

On Wednesday, March 20, 2024, Tax Cancellations were held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2). Approved:
RPS37430050CAA.

On Thursday, March 21, 2024, an Executive Session was held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1)(F) Litigation &
74-206(1)(D) Records Exempt.

ATTEST: Michael W. Rosedale

By 
Chairman Luke Omodt

By 
Deputy Clerk

4/2/2024
Date