



Bonner County

Board of Commissioners

Luke Omodt

Steve Bradshaw

Asia Williams

MINUTES FOR THE BONNER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

April 9, 2024 – 9:00 A.M.

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

On Tuesday, April 9, 2024, the Bonner County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting with Commissioners Omodt, Williams, and Bradshaw were present. Commissioner Omodt called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. The Invocation was presented by Sharlyn Wright, 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 Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

CONSENT AGENDA – Action Item

- 1) Bonner County Commissioners' Minutes for April 2, 2024
- 2) Catering Permits: Popeye's Lounge, Priest River (3)

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

PLANNING – Tyson Lewis

- 1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Final Plat, SS0003-21, Whiskey Jack Estates Phase 1 (Block 1, Lots 1-10)

Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to approve this Project File #SS0003-21, Whiskey Jack Estates Phase 1, and authorize the chair to sign the final plat as presented. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

- 2) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Final Plat, SS0001-24, Clagstone Estates (Lots 1-3)

This item was removed by Planning staff and will be heard at a later date.

SHERIFF – MARINE DIVISION – Doug McGeachy

- 1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation Recreational Boating Safety Grant Agreement

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve and sign the Recreational Boating Safety grant agreement to the Bonner County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$106,582.00 and approve the county's match of \$53,291.00 from

the Marine Vessel accounts. Commissioner Bradshaw seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

ROAD & BRIDGE – Jason Topp

1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding 2024 Roadway Pavement Markings Project Bid Award
Commissioner Williams made a motion to award the 2024 Roadway Pavement Markings Project to Roadway Products Inc. for the bid amount of \$134,623.06 and allow the Board to sign the contract. Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

BOCC – Commissioner Asia Williams

1) Action Item: Discussion/Review/Decision regarding the boards refusing public comment of Commissioner Williams

Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and made a motion to allow Commissioner Williams to agendize her report as she sees fit, with the hope that it has to do with the business of the County. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – No. The motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENT * Opened at 9:20 a.m.

Susan Bowman – Accused Commissioner Bradshaw of wasting taxpayer’s money.

Commissioner Omodt called a brief recess at 9:21 a.m. due to incivility during public comment.
Reconvened at 9:26 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT * Continued at 9:26 a.m.

Susan Bowman – One of the ways that this commission, except Asia, is by inviting lawsuits. What is the County’s procedure for telling the public what lawsuits are coming. Discussed first amendment and that she can call names if she chooses.

Fred Arn – Asked if the board would attempt to get a temporary easement for Camp Bay situation. Concerned that they have not heard anything regarding this.

Dimitri Borisov – Discussed importance of public input and engaging in dialogue with the public. Asked what the board does for the County outside of the Tuesday meeting.

Jonna Plante – If the case against two citizens were dismissed why is the trespass still in effect? Feels there is a bias toward Commissioner Williams.

No quorum, recessed at 9:37 a.m.

Reconvened at 9:38 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT * Continued at 9:38 a.m.

Jonna Plante – Made accusations toward Commissioners Omodt and Bradshaw and touched on first amendment.

Rick Cramer – Zoom puts limitations on the public, wants Zoom to be left on or restarted for Executive Sessions.

Jennifer Cramer – Wants to know what changed since the commissioner reports were removed. Believes it is suspect that Commissioner Williams is now allowed to have her reports.

Dave Bowman – Agrees with Mr. Cramer’s comments regarding Zoom. Believes his right to participate in the meeting is being violated. Made accusations toward Commissioner Omodt.

Commissioner Williams – Discussed community chats.

Kevin Moore – Discussed lawsuits against the County over the years. Asked about culverts that have been replaced and Vrbeta. Discussed where he was parked.

Dan Welle – Discussed the Idaho State Constitution and free speech. Discussed two specific court cases regarding free speech.

Dian Welle – Believes this board is extremely flawed. Discussed restraining order against Commissioner Bradshaw.
Spencer Hutchings – Wanted to know about the laptop and finances of the fair.
Commissioner Omodt recessed the meeting at 10:02 a.m. until the scheduled Executive Session.
Reconvened at 11:00 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 Tuition Reimbursements

At 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Williams 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 – Yes, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Absent. The motion carries.

Reconvened at 11:03 a.m.

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

Commissioner Omodt called a recess at 11:03 a.m.
Reconvened at 11:06 a.m.

Commissioner Omodt called a recess at 11:07 a.m. until legal could arrive.
Reconvened at 11:10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - BOCC

1) Executive Session under Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (F) Litigation
Action Item: Discussion/Review/Decision regarding trespass of Dave Bowman
Action Item: Discussion/Review/Decision regarding trespass of Richard Cramer
Action Item: Discussion/Review/Decision regarding county responsibility to provide legal counsel to elected officials
Action Item: Discussion/Review/Decision regarding citizen arrest
Action Item: Discussion/Review/Decision regarding payment of Eide Bailey invoice

At 11:10 a.m. Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to go into Executive Session under Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (F) Litigation. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – Yes, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion carries.

Reconvened at 11:40 a.m.

Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to proceed as discussed. Commissioner Omodt stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Brief discussion among the board and legal. Roll call vote: Commissioner Williams – No, Commissioner Omodt – Yes, Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:42 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 April 2, 2024 – April 8, 2024

Copies of the complete meeting minutes are available upon request.

On Wednesday, April 3, 2024, a Bid Opening for the Airport was held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2). Commissioner Williams made a motion to remand these bids over to Dave Schuck for analysis and recommendation. Commissioner Bradshaw seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Omodt – Yes. Commissioner Williams – Yes. Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion passed.

On Wednesday, April 3, 2024, a Bid Opening for Road & Bridge was held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2). Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to remand these Magnesium Chloride bids over to Jason Topp, Director of Road & Bridge, for analysis and recommendation. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Williams – Yes. Commissioner Omodt – Yes. Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion passed. Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to remand these Asphalt bids over to Jason Topp, Director of Road & Bridge, for analysis and recommendation. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Williams – Yes. Commissioner Omodt – Yes. Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. The motion passed.

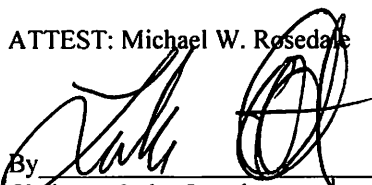
On Thursday, April 4, 2024, a Planning Update was held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2). At 1:53 p.m. Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to enter into pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1)(F) Litigation. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Williams – Yes; Commissioner Omodt – Yes; Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes. Reconvened at 1:56 p.m. Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to proceed as discussed. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Williams – Yes; Commissioner Omodt – Yes; Commissioner Bradshaw – Yes.

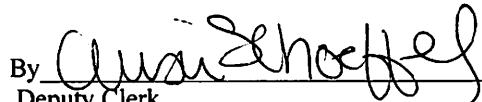
On Thursday, April 4, 2024, an Executive Session was held pursuant to Idaho Codes § 74-206(1)(F) Litigation and 74-206(1)(C) Real Property.

On Monday, April 8, 2024, a BOCC Workshop was held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2).

On Monday, April 8, 2024, a Road & Bridge Update was held pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204 (2).

ATTEST: Michael W. Rosedale

By  _____
Chairman Luke Omodt

By  _____
Deputy Clerk

Date 4/16/24