

**\*\*\*Monday, November 1, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.,** Commissioners met in regular session with Chairman Dan Dinning, Commissioner Wally Cossairt, Commissioner Tim Bertling, Clerk Glenda Poston, and Deputy Clerk Michelle Rohrwasser.

Commissioners gave the opening invocation and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

9:00 a.m., Road and Bridge Department Co-Superintendent Renee Nelson joined the meeting to give the department report. A written report was provided. Ms. Nelson reviewed work listed in her report. Ms. Nelson informed Commissioners of drainage issues noticed due to recent heavy rains.

Ms. Nelson said she should be receiving a quote from Maria's Cleaning Service for cleaning the Road and Bridge Office.

Ms. Nelson commented that a final walk through was done for Ruby Creek Bridge #2 and there is a bit of a drainage issue on the east side of the bridge. Ms. Nelson said she has two change orders for this bridge. The first Change Order is to put the utility conduit in for Ziplly Fiber on the north edge of the bridge for a total of \$4,295.71.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to approve the list of volunteers for the Restorium once provided by Assistant Restorium Administrator Diana Lane. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Nelson said she's still under the projected project cost and match for Ruby Creek Bridge #2.

The second Change Order is for excavation where rock had to be cut back in order to build a second lane for a total of \$37,019.66.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to sign Idaho Transportation Department Change Order #1 for the Ruby Creek #2 Bridge, Key No. 19046, Project #A019(046) for an amount totaling \$4,295.71. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to sign the Idaho Transportation Department Change Order #2 for the Ruby Creek #2 Bridge, Key No. 19046, Project #A019(046) for an amount totaling \$37,019.66. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Nelson asked about posting cattle signs in a certain area near Queen View Mountain and she added that she will check with Attorney Hull about it. One of the new Road and Bridge employees now has his commercial driver's license, according to Ms. Nelson. Ms. Nelson spoke of the Union Pacific Railroad guardrail project and the matter pertaining to a lease agreement. As it pertains to Riverside Road Improvement Project, Ms. Nelson hopes to have a response by the end of this week.

The meeting with Ms. Nelson ended at 9:24 a.m.

Commissioners stated for the record that Treasurer Sue Larson has received the final Certificate for the Idaho Department of Lands charges on the tax bills.

9:24 a.m., Sheriff Dave Kramer joined the meeting and said he wanted to listen to what discussion Commissioners might have regarding the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and to also see if

Commissioners wanted to schedule a workshop on jail improvements as some of the ARPA funds may be used for some of the needed improvements. Chairman Dinning agreed that he thinks it would be good to have a workshop to go forward. Chairman Dinning mentioned there being possible restrictions for those who accept ARPA funding so he wants a clear picture on the use of funds, but he would agree to move forward. Sheriff Kramer mentioned he might know the source of the leak in the roof of the Sheriff's Office. Chairman Dinning said any assistance in looking at this is appreciated.

Sheriff Kramer left the meeting.

9:35 a.m., Commissioners contacted County Civil Attorney Tevis Hull via telephone to get an update on various projects. Chairman Dinning asked Attorney Hull about matters pertaining to Tim Tucker's request to abandon a portion of Avonlea Farm Road. Commissioners will review the Idaho Code section for road abandonments.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Clare Marley joined the meeting via telephone at 9:35 a.m.

Ms. Marley spoke to Attorney Hull and Commissioners about property Jerry Mortensen had divided in the past in the area of Juniper Lane. Ms. Marley said in the beginning, Mr. Mortensen divided his land into 20-acre parcels, followed by further division into 10-acre lots. The first notifications for the division occurred approximately in year 2007. Dan Studer was the Planning and Zoning Administrator at the time and he correctly instructed Mr. Mortensen that a plat was needed. Mr. Mortensen, who is now deceased, came to the Commission several times and said that he didn't feel he had made a mistake. Mr. Studer confirmed that Mr. Mortensen did need to plat. There are minutes that state Commissioners are in favor of a certain resolution. There is now a home built without a permit and the current property owners are trying to sell the home. Ms. Marley said she cannot find where Mr. Mortensen was approved to divide the property into 10-acres without platting. The property is now in an estate. Attorney Hull said it's not certain which property the minutes pertain to. Chairman Dinning said his recollection is that Commissioners were discussing only the properties in the Rock Creek area and he explained that Mr. Mortensen had a 20-acre parcel and he had divided it, but then he had to go in and adjust the property boundaries so he would have a remainder of 10-acres.

Attorney Hull said from Ms. Marley's planning perspective, what do Commissioners consider going forward. Ms. Marley said if there were reasons in which Mr. Mortensen was correct, we would need to find that information. The other option is to have the current property owners complete the plat process, which would not make them happy to learn the lots were not properly divided 10 years later. Chairman Dinning said he thinks that was an issue at one point, not to go through the hearing process if the property owner stayed within the minimum lot size. A property owner could go from 20 acres to 10 acres as long as the property stayed above the minimum zone size. Ms. Marley said the hearing process could be avoided if only dividing the property into a certain number of lots. Chairman Dinning said at this point, it appears there is an unsolvable problem. Ms. Marley said she wouldn't say it's unsolvable, but it's not going to be easy to solve. Attorney Hull said he is led to believe Mr. Mortensen did not go through the process if surveys were not done for the division of 10 acres. Attorney Hull said if you look at what Mr. Mortensen did, he was just ignoring the process in order to do whatever he wanted to do, and it forces people to correct what Mr. Mortensen did wrong. All of the other honest people and business people who have 20 acres and want to go through the subdivision process, they've had to comply with everything, but this Mr. Mortensen didn't comply with anything. The county needs to make everything even across the board. Chairman Dinning questioned the ability to hold a public hearing to validate these divisions. Ms. Marley said yes, but who would pay to get the plat done. Ms. Marley added

that she could contact Steve Moyer with North Star Surveying about plat information. If the properties were surveyed, they would generally be recorded. Attorney Hull discussed checking with the title company for information and if there is a record of survey. It was said that someone had requested an address knowing we had these issues, but Attorney Hull has authorized Road and Bridge Department Co-Superintendent Renee Nelson to issue the address and make the statement that there is no property building permit or division of land. Ms. Marley clarified that there are deeds for the 10 acres created.

Ms. Marley ended her call at 9:57 a.m.

Attorney Hull informed Commissioners that he's reviewing the Findings and Decision letter pertaining to Bill Michalk/LMJPNP, LLC.'s application in relation to the hearing minutes.

The call to Attorney Hull ended at 9:58 a.m.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to ratify the decision to approve Shereen Leyden as a volunteer for the Restorium. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

10:00 a.m., Solid Waste Department Superintendent Claine Skeen joined the meeting to give his department report.

Mr. Skeen informed Commissioners that he's still looking to fill the position of office manager at the landfill.

Mr. Skeen informed Commissioners that he has a lot of metal at the landfill. A large percentage is material from the railroad and he added that he feels the county should no longer accept railroad ties. Commissioners said Mr. Skeen could tell the representatives for the railroad companies that the county can no longer accept railroad ties due to the damage they have caused. Commissioner Bertling suggested sending a letter to the railroad companies soon so they don't show up to the landfill with a load and their time was wasted. Mr. Skeen informed Commissioners that other landfills have their wood pile on asphalt due to issues with nails, etc.

Mr. Skeen informed Commissioners that he's putting the plow and sanders on the trucks so he's ready for winter. Mr. Skeen said he's just waiting to hire another monitor for a dumpster site before opening six days per week. Mr. Skeen mentioned having informed the Parks and Recreation Department that he would need the garbage box back at some point.

Mr. Skeen and Commissioners discussed disposing of animal carcasses.

Mr. Skeen said the Landfill Operation Plan is still in progress. Those present discussed recycling. Clerk Poston questioned how information on recycling could be introduced to newer county residents and she mentioned that information could be sent out along with the property tax notices. Commissioner Bertling added that the information could also include what could happen as a result of not recycling enough material. Clerk Poston commented that this tax deadline is too close, but flyers could be done in time for the June 2022 tax reminders or refrigerator magnets could be made listing information about recycling.

The meeting with Mr. Skeen ended at 10:27 a.m.

10:30 a.m., Chief Probation Officer Stacy Brown joined the meeting to give the Probation Department report.

Ms. Brown informed Commissioners that she had 423 kids come trick or treating at the Probation Office's trunk or treat event on Halloween. Ms. Brown listed the number of people on various forms of probation and she added that nobody is in the diversion program currently. The high school is looking into a truancy program in-house and they will try to determine if the issues are due to the parent or child and to see what the barrier is and fix it. Ms. Brown said there are five people going through the drug court program and one participant was released as they were non-reliant. Ms. Brown informed Commissioners that she's working on the end of year Idaho Annual Department of Juvenile Corrections report.

The meeting with Ms. Brown ended at 10:32 a.m.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to sign the Computer Arts Inc. Law Enforcement Software License and Maintenance Agreement for the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to sign the Certificate of Residency for Linda McLeish. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to sign Request for Reimbursement #2 totaling \$205,691.33 for Airport Improvement Project #3-16-0004-020-2021 for the airfield pavement maintenance project. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to adopt Resolution 2022-4. A resolution authorizing the disposition of records of the Boundary County Commissioners' Office. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously. Resolution 2022-4 reads as follows:

RESOLUTION 2022-4

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF RECORDS  
OF BOUNDARY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, the Boundary County Commissioner's Office is currently storing old Certificates of Insurance; and

WHEREAS, due to lack of storage space, the Boundary County Commissioner's Office has requested permission to dispose of old records; and

WHEREAS, the Boundary County Civil Attorney has advised the Board of Boundary County Commissioners regarding the classification of such records pursuant to Idaho Code 31-871; and

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the following records be classified and disposed of as follows:

The following records have been deemed semi-permanent by the Boundary County Commissioners on the advice of the County's Civil Attorney and semi-permanent records must be kept for a minimum of five years. The following records are to be disposed of:

Certificates of Insurance - Years 2000 - 2017.

Regularly passed and approved on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2021.

COUNTY OF BOUNDARY COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

s/ \_\_\_\_\_

Dan R. Dinning, Chairman

s/ \_\_\_\_\_

Wally Cossairt, Commissioner

s/ \_\_\_\_\_

Walt Kirby, Commissioner

Reviewed by and on advice of the County's Civil Attorney this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

s/ \_\_\_\_\_

Andrakay Pluid

Boundary County Prosecuting Attorney

ATTEST:

s/ \_\_\_\_\_

GLENDIA POSTON

Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

Recorded as instrument #289133

Commissioner Cossairt moved to adopt Resolution 2022-5. A resolution regarding the disposition of records of Boundary County Probation Office. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously. Resolution 2022-5 reads as follows:

RESOLUTION 2021-5

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF RECORDS  
OF BOUNDARY COUNTY PROBATION OFFICE

WHEREAS, the Boundary County Probation Office has files that are in need of destruction; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 31-871 governs the retention and destruction of county records and classifies records as permanent, semi-permanent, and temporary, and further directs the county commissioners to classify records not specifically listed in that code; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 31-871(2) requires that permanent records be retained for not less than Ten (10) years; semi-permanent records be retained for not less than Five (5) years after the date of issuance or completion of the matter contained within the record; and temporary records shall be retained for not less than Two (2) years; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 31-871(2) states that records may be destroyed by Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners after regular audit and upon the advice of the Prosecuting Attorney;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Boundary County Board of Commissioners that the Juvenile Probation records, as outlined in Exhibit A attached to this resolution, and described as Youth Accountability/Diversion records, are classified as temporary and may be destroyed based on the record's age and classification. All described records have been maintained for at least Two (2) years after the date of completion.

Regularly passed and approved on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2021.

COUNTY OF BOUNDARY COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Dan R. Dinning, Chairman

s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Wally Cossairt, Commissioner

s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Tim Bertling, Commissioner

Reviewed by and on advice of the County's Civil Attorney this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Andrakay Pluid  
Boundary County Prosecuting Attorney

ATTEST:

s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
GLENDA POSTON  
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners  
Recorded as instrument #289134

10:55 a.m., Courthouse Maintenance John Buckley and Personnel Director Pam Barton joined the meeting.

Mr. Buckley provided Commissioners with a quote for having gutters and snow breaks installed on the back side of the County Annex building. Mr. Buckley explained where the gutters and snow breaks will be placed on the back side of the annex and how the down spout will drain into a rocked area. Mr. Buckley said one quote was approximately \$4,300.00 for gutters, down spouts and snow stops. The second quote from the same company was approximately \$6,550.00 for the same gutters, downs spouts, but it included an additional snow break. It was said that there are enough funds in the repairs and maintenance budget to cover these costs.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to approve and accept the quote of approximately \$4,300.00 for gutters, down spouts and snow stops. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to sign the Independent Contractor Agreement with Luke Koehn of Gutter Works for the installation of gutters, down spouts and snow breaks/stops, once the agreement has been drafted. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting with Mr. Buckley ended at 11:03 a.m.

Ms. Barton updated Commissioners on the Sick Leave Bank Committee's recommendation regarding an employee's request for time from the sick leave bank.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to accept the Sick Leave Bank Committee's recommendation to allow an employee to have 1.5 hours from the sick leave bank. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Those present discussed the maintenance position, unclaimed property and Computer Arts.

Ms. Barton left the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to approve Commissioners' meeting minutes for the week of October 11, 2021. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

11:30 a.m., Boundary Economic Development Council (EDC) Director Dennis Weed joined the meeting to provide Commissioners with an update on EDC information.

Mr. Weed said he's still waiting to hear from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) about the grant for waste water.

Mr. Weed commented that employment is still low at 3.5% for Boundary County, so it's the same number of approximately 200 people who are unemployed. Mr. Weed said he's been contacted by five or six companies looking to start their business here, but they want 75 to 150 employees. The labor rates are still increasing, according to Mr. Weed.

Mr. Weed informed Commissioners that Bonner County is having the same problem in hiring an EDC Director. The position in Bonner County is paid \$55,000.00 and the director has a bigger area to cover. Mr. Weed said Boundary County has received three or four applicants for the local director position so far. Interest has come from people in other states, but they have not been able to make it work as housing here is too expensive. Mr. Weed updated Commissioner Bertling on who has signed the EDC memorandum of understanding, which organizations contribute toward the director's position and who is on the EDC Council. Mr. Weed said Avista, as a business, has someone on this board so there are two business leaders, Panhandle Area Council (PAC) and there used to be someone from the Department of Labor as well. The state is contributing an extra \$5,000.00 toward the budget for this next year. The overall budget will be \$60,000.00. Mr. Weed said we might need to look at whether or not we downgrade the job or increase the salary. Mr. Weed said his position was vacant for five months before he took the job. The next Boundary Economic Development Council meeting will be in December.

Those present discussed the border opening between Canada and the United States and matters pertaining to COVID-19.

The meeting with Mr. Weed ended at 11:54 a.m.

Commissioners recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

1:30 p.m., Commissioners reconvened for the afternoon session with Chairman Dan Dinning, Commissioner Wally Cossairt, Commissioner Tim Bertling, Clerk Glenda Poston, and Deputy Clerk Michelle Rohrwasser.

1:30 p.m., Commissioners participated in a Zoom meeting with Idaho Public Defense Commission Regional Liaison Kathleen O'Roark and Boundary County Public Defenders Bruce Greene and Linda Payne. Commissioners received information on matters pertaining to rules, reporting, continuing education, and if any county level improvements could be made.

The call to discuss public defense matters ended at 1:44 p.m.

Commissioners tended to administrative duties.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to approve the following people as volunteers for the Restorium: Sharlen Pattie, Shahannah Bushnell, Shelly Kramer, Don Dozier Jr., Larinda Jenkins, Kim Anest, Denise Creighton, Debbie Dechert, Jo Tajan (Jojo Baker), Clinton Plaster, Amy Cowley, and the Cushman Family, to include Kim Cushman and her three daughters. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioners tended to administrative duties.

Clerk Poston left the meeting at 2:16 p.m.

2:17 p.m., Commissioner Cossairt moved to recess as the Board of Boundary County Commissioners and to convene as the Boundary County Ambulance Service District Governing Board. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Dinning said Commissioners were to discuss American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for the Boundary County Ambulance Service District, but they need to get clarification as to whether or not strings are attached to these funds as far as rules and regulations. Commissioners added that they're not opposed to providing funds to the Ambulance Service District, but only if it does not jeopardize the county. No decisions are being made at this time.

2:21 p.m., Commissioner Cossairt moved to adjourn as the Boundary County Ambulance Service District Governing Board and to reconvene as the Boundary County Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioners tended to administrative duties.

3:00 p.m., There being no further business, the meeting recessed until tomorrow at 9:00 a.m.

**\*\*\*Tuesday, November 2, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.,** Commissioners met in regular session with Chairman Dan Dinning, Commissioner Wally Cossairt, Commissioner Tim Bertling, and Deputy Clerk Michelle Rohrwasser.

9:00 a.m., Boundary Emergency Manager Andrew O'Neel joined the meeting to present Commissioners with requests for proposals to update the County's All Hazard Mitigation Plan. Emily Bonsant and Cindy Bonsant with the Bonners Ferry Herald also joined the meeting.

Mr. O'Neel said the request for proposals had been published in the newspaper, a central online location for contractors and he also sent the request for proposal directly to two companies that are known to do this work in the region. Mr. O'Neel said he did respond to all parties who reached out to him and only one company, Northwest Management, Inc., submitted a proposal.

Mr. O'Neel said input he has received is that this looks like a good plan and people who have used Northwest Management voiced favorable results. The environmental services manager will be the project lead and Mr. O'Neel said he's met two of the people who will be on the planning team. One person will do the mapping. Information provided by Northwest Management answered questions in the request for proposals. Northwest Management will lead the effort as part of the planning team, who will involve multiple agencies, and they will also involve the public, provide opportunity to raise issues, ask questions, and give input. The proposed schedule for public involvement will be from February to May 2022, and around May the plan will be completed and submitted to the state and the Federal

Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The Idaho Office of Emergency Management (IOEM) has requested to be a part of the first kick off meeting and it would be good to have a Commissioner attend on behalf of local government. Mr. O'Neel said the cost proposal is listed on page 17 of the proposal. The overall cost not to exceed is \$23,433.00, so this plan is in accordance. Mr. O'Neel said 10% of the cost is due to Northwest Management upon signing the contract. This project is funded through a reimbursable grant so the county will need to pay up front. This grant is a 75% - 25% cost share so the county is responsible for 25%, which is approximately \$7,500.00 and that is in the form of in-kind contributions. Mr. O'Neel explained the process of submitting the plan to the state, the payment schedule of paying up front, keeping track of time committed and subtracting those hours for in-kind match, and release of grant funds. Mr. O'Neel briefly mentioned that \$2,000.00 is all that is budgeted for travel. On page 17 of the proposal, 10% of the total, \$2,300.00, is being requested by Northwest Management at the time the contract is signed. Mr. O'Neel added that 20%, which is \$4,600.00, is due upon completion of the hazard assessment, but he doesn't imagine that will be until February 2022. Upon completion of the plan, another 20% will be due.

9:08 a.m., Kennon McClintock with The Nature Conservancy joined the meeting.

Mr. O'Neel said another 10% of the total is due upon delivery of completed document to Boundary County Emergency Management. FEMA must approve the plan prior to final payment.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to accept the proposal from Northwest Management, Inc. for the amount of \$23,000.00 to update the Boundary County All Hazard Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. O'Neel said he would let Northwest Management, Inc. know their proposal was accepted. Commissioners and Mr. O'Neel briefly discussed preferring the contract for updating the All Hazard Mitigation Plan be drafted by Northwest Management, Inc.

Mr. O'Neel said he was waiting for a grant offer and approval for the 2021 Emergency Management Program Grant (EMPG) American Rescue Planning Act (ARPA) supplemental. The county's share of this grant is \$8,000.00. This grant was approved and he submitted a project to help pay for a new or newer vehicle for emergency management. Mr. O'Neel added that he has a total of four grants to line up for a newer vehicle up to \$30,000.00. The Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) will be forthcoming to Commissioners. Mr. O'Neel said he doesn't know what the time frame is for getting a vehicle, but if it's going to be one year out, that will be a problem due to the timeline on the grant funds. Commissioners talked about buying a newer used vehicle if delays are an issue.

Mr. O'Neel said he is aware of the staffing issues at the Restorium so he asked about their needs. Mr. O'Neel mentioned that he has reached out to a company in response to the emergency. This company is a network of volunteers and so far, there are seven churches that are interested in helping the Restorium. A request for volunteers has been sent to this network based on the needs that Assistant Restorium Administrator Diana Lane informed him of.

Mr. O'Neel asked if the topic of the mass fatality trailer was discussed at the most recent District 1 elected officials meeting. Clerk Poston replied that this topic was discussed, but the price of the trailer was in flux so there weren't hard numbers for it. In concept, it seems that the five northern counties were on board with the trailer.

The meeting with Mr. O'Neel ended at 10:20 a.m.

Commissioner Cossairt moved to approve the following volunteers for the Restorium: Roger Duarte, Mary Matthews, and Carey Cox. Commissioner Bertling second. Motion passed unanimously.

Bob Smathers with the Bureau of Land Management joined the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

9:30 am., Mr. McClintock met with Commissioners to provide a brief update on the Forest Legacy program and he presented Commissioners with a document showing areas where conservation easement projects are located. Mr. McClintock explained what the various colored areas represent on the document he provided. The existing easements are shown in the red checkered areas, and the orange colored areas are the easements that are in the process of getting appraisals or appraisals have been done for them, and it's the hope that those properties will be finalized in the next six months. Mr. McClintock said some of the properties shown in red will be closed in six to 12 months, depending on weather and these are Hancock and Molpus properties. Mr. McClintock clarified that the properties listed on this document are existing easements; not new easements and they're just trying to get to the final point. That is all that's being done with company ground in Boundary County. The 12 private family members project was pulled from the program and did not go forward so they may or may not apply again next year.

Mr. Smathers asked about keeping these properties in the timber or agriculture categories and Mr. McClintock explained the allowed uses on lands in conservation easements and commented that they're still on the tax roll.

The meeting to discuss conservation easements ended.

Mr. McClintock and Mr. Smathers left the meeting.

9:40 a.m., Boundary County Noxious Weeds Department Superintendent Dave Wenk joined the meeting to discuss issues with funding through the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) as it pertains to the Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA) program.

Mr. Wenk mentioned the issue with the cost share program through the ISDA in that the ISDA now wants a property owner's actual credit card receipt or cancelled check, etc., as proof of payment in order to provide reimbursement as it relates to the Cooperative Weed Management program. Mr. Wenk said his claims for this program total \$10,150.61 and he does have \$11,000.00 in the budget, but the county might not get the reimbursement from ISDA unless he can get the property owners to provide him with their canceled check or credit card receipt. An invoice that shows the balance was paid in full with a credit card is no longer accepted. It also used to be that the county would purchase the chemicals as opposed to the property owner, but that also doesn't work anymore. Mr. Wenk said he did bring in \$9,000.00 in revenue that was not anticipated due to treating weeds at the sewer lagoon and dikes for the city. Chairman Dinning asked if the United States Department of Agriculture or the Governor are aware of this issue and Mr. Wenk said yes. Mr. Wenk informed Commissioners that there are approximately six CWMA counties that no longer accept this funding.

The meeting with Mr. Wenk ended at 9:50 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

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DAN R. DINNING, Chairman

ATTEST:

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GLENDA POSTON, Clerk

By: Deputy Clerk Michelle Rohrwasser, Deputy Clerk