

## Camas Commissioners Meeting Minutes April 26, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 am by Chairman Kramer. Also present were Commissioner Colter, Commissioner Ralph, Clerk Katherine Rablin and two members of the public.

The Board reviewed the Agenda. Commissioner Colter made a motion to approve the agenda as posted, seconded by Commissioner Ralph, unanimous.

The April 19, 2021 minutes were reviewed. Commissioner Colter made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Commissioner Ralph, unanimous.

Commissioner Ralph created a memo regarding ACH Direct Deposit Payroll being available. It was discussed and reviewed.

Taryia Wells of Moon Rock Studios attended to discuss Camas County projects. City of Fairfield Mayor Terry Lee was in attendance to discuss the City of Fairfield's procedures and processes for the filming projects. The project will begin May 15, 2021 and will proceed through the end of the month. COVID 19 compliance standards will be considered and enforced. The Camas County Sheriff's office has been informed of the project.

Discussion regarding the Snake River Dam Removal Project continued from the previous meeting. Zack Lanier of the Idaho Farm Bureau was in attendance to discuss the farmer's impact by the Snake River Dam Removal Project and asked that a letter be created and sent to our congressman requesting opposition to the project.

Correspondence was discussed.

The REDS and SIED commitment letter was discussed. Rural Economic Development and Southern Idaho Economic Development asked that a commitment letter committing Camas County funding be included in the next budget year. The discussion will continue.

Probation Officer discussion and consideration continued from prior meetings.

Public Defense Annual Review and the Conflict Public Defender Contract was discussed. Private Investigator demands need to be further reviewed. A phone call to Jared Ricks of Public Defense Commissioner is considered.

Melody Boyer of South Central Public Health District attended to discuss budget considerations. Linda Montgomery, Helen Edwards, Jeromy St Clair and Pam Jones of South Central Public Health also attended to discuss the budget book presented and reviewed. COVID 19 immunizations completed percentages for Camas County and the state of Idaho were reviewed.

Water Master 37B Rusty Kramer attended to discuss Camas County drought conditions. Drought disaster declaration letter was requested of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Ralph made a motion to create a drought declaration letter immediately and get it signed, seconded by Commissioner Colter, unanimous.

Jim Thomas attended to discuss the Prosecuting Attorney contract proposed. The contract was reviewed and subscriptions were discussed. Commissioner Colter made a motion to approve the agreement for legal services that begins May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, Commissioner Ralph seconded, unanimous. Jim Thomas was sworn in as the Camas County Prosecuting Attorney.

Meeting recessed 12:10 PM.

The Board reconvened at 1:10 PM.

Road & Bridge Supervisor Ted Strickler attended to review and discuss the 2021 Forest Service contract. Maintenance of roads and easements/right of way was reviewed. Ted is attending a meeting with the Forest Service on Wednesday April 28, 2021 to review the contract.

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Expenditure report was reviewed.

2:48 PM Commissioner Colter made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (b) to discuss personnel matters, seconded by Commissioner Kramer, a roll call vote showed all in favor.

3:15 The Board of Commissioners came out of executive session. Commissioner Colter made a motion to change the job description to include Planning & Zoning Administrator/Building Inspector/Courthouse and Annex Maintenance to work up to 40 hours a week at an increased rate of \$21.52.

Meeting Adjourned 3:29 PM.

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Travis Kramer, Chairman

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Katherine Rablin, Clerk