

PROCEEDINGS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SHOSHONE COUNTY, IDAHO

BOOK 2022

Tuesday, June 28, 2022

Present:

Commissioners: Mike Fitzgerald - Chair

John Hansen

Jay Huber

Deputy Clerk: Lori J. Teeters

9:00 AM The Board convened for a department supervisors meeting for general updates. Also in attendance:

The following department items were discussed:

- Public Works - Currently working with ITD and HMM to improve our road mapping system on revisions and layouts.
- Still on track with the Kootenai Soil and Water Conservation Project. The project will include 3 sites and is scheduled to start in October.
- Installing new gates at Gene Day Park
- Culvert project in Woodland Park is scheduled to start the second week of July

Disaster Services

- Drill Facilitators meeting with North ID planning Committee
- Attended Northern Regional Floodplain Managers Association
- Transitioned to new office at the Airport
- Preparing applications for 22 EMPG & SHSP grants

Weeds

- Put on Two Free Community Spray days
- Got Weed truck & ATV repaired
- Weed Advisory board meeting
- Herbicide testing for Tad
- Northern guardrails treated
- Secure date for bio control education day
- Sprayed airport and around the herbicide shop

Maintenance

- Met with Mike Gunderson and CSN to plan out the cleaning of the vents and best place to put chillers when they come in
- Continued maintenance of courthouse and safety building

P&Z

- 8 building permits issued, 8 under review
- 3 conditional use permits issued, 2 under review
- 1 code compliance letters mailed, 10 under review
- 6 floodplain development permits issued, 1 under review

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Code compliance has been the trend of the P&Z department the last 2 months. Working on changing some codes to be able to enforce compliance easier.

Grants Administrator

- Attended BOCC, SCSO, CSN quote meetings. Will be researching PAC and USDA and other potential funding sources for projects that are in the works.
- Attended a North Idaho Housing summit hosted by Panhandle Area Council and Clearwater Economic Development association.
- Continued efforts for the broadband mapping mid speed testing phase
- Working with the project uplift placemaking team, Kellogg High School Juniors, for projects intended for our youth programs

10:00 AM The Board convened at 10:00 a.m. as a Board of Equalization for an appeal hearing on the following:

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Ron & Diane Corneil

2022 Property Valuation

Also in attendance: Shoshone County Chief Deputy Assessor Connie Holmquist, Appraiser Kaitlyn James Corning, Appraiser Kaitlyn James, and Minde Beehner. Connie Holmquist, Kaitlyn James and the applicants, Ron & Diane Corneil were sworn in to present testimony. The hearing was turned over to Ron Corneil who stated the Assessor's current value on this property is \$77,505 for the lot, and \$302,245 for the home itself, for a total valuation of \$379,750. Ron stated that since he has purchased his home in 2016 his property value has increase 3 times the amount of the purchase price. Ron has an objection to the valuation based on comps in his neighborhood and that most of the sales in his area were investment properties that are driving the homeowner's valuations up. Mr. Corneil passed out some photos of his home along with the last 8 years' worth of sales in the area and wanted to note the people trying sell their houses for an exorbitant amount are not selling and being taken off the market. He would like it reviewed again and his value lowered. The hearing was turned over to Kaitlyn James and she stated she spoke with Ron and let him know that the assessor's office is required to be at market value and with the market as high as it is, they have had to increase the property valuations. Kaitlyn handed out three (3) comparable properties that sold in 2021 located in Wardner and reviewed them with the applicants and the BOCC. According to the comps in the Wardner area for sales in 2021, to be in compliance with Idaho State Tax Commission, homes in the Wardner area and the County in general need to be increased to a over a 90% ratio. Mrs. Holmquist explained the process the Assessors office follows for tax valuations. Following further review and discussion, Commissioner Fitzgerald closed the hearing, and made a motion to sustain the assessor's value at \$379,750, seconded by Commissioner Huber. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Huber – Aye, Commissioner Fitzgerald – Aye, Commissioner Hansen – Aye. The motion carried unanimously.

11:00 AM The Board convened at 10:00 a.m. as a Board of Equalization for an appeal hearing on the following:

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Andrew & Georgette Wadsworth

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Also in attendance: Shoshone County Assessor Jerry White, Appraiser Katie Murray, Appraiser James Corning, and Minde Beehner. Jerry White, Katie Murray and the applicant, Georgette Wadsworth were sworn in to present testimony. The hearing was turned over to Georgette who stated the Assessor's current value on this property is \$94,580 for the lot, and \$268,323 for the home itself, for a total valuation of \$362,903. Georgette presented 16 homes in her neighborhood with values anywhere from \$188,00 to \$357,000 and the taxes on these homes were significantly lower than her taxes. The three (3) homes that had a shop with the same acreage as her home were much less than her valuation. Georgette stated that their home is not in as good a condition as some of the comparable homes. When they first purchased the home their taxes were \$1800, and that was do-able for retirement. She would like it reviewed again and their value lowered. The hearing was turned over to Katie Murray and she handed out comps for house sales in the last year along with an aerial view of Mrs. Wadsworth house, photos of the front of the house and the shop. Katie explained that she used the cost and cost comparison approach with the way the market has been and comps in her Pinehurst neighborhood, and that is how she came up with the Wadsworth valuation. Following BOCC review and discussion, Commissioner Fitzgerald closed the hearing, and Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to sustain the assessor's value at \$362,903, seconded by Commissioner Hansen. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Huber – Aye, Commissioner Fitzgerald – Aye, Commissioner Hansen – Aye. The motion carried unanimously.

11:30 AM The Board convened for Executive Session per I.C. 74-206(1)(f) to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated with Shoshone County Prosecuting Attorney, Ben Allen.

Also in attendance: Matt Beehner

Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Huber. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Huber- Aye, Commissioner Fitzgerald – Aye, Commissioner Hansen – Aye.

The Board came out of Executive Session at and there was no action taken in open session.

1:00 PM The Board convened at 1:00 p.m. for FY22/23 Shoshone County Budget workshop. Also, in attendance was Shoshone County Clerk, Tamie Eberhard, Deputy Clerk Angela Dinger, Shoshone County Sheriff, Mike Gunderson, Shoshone County Assessor, Jerry White and Matt Beehner. Items discussed included the following:

- Creating the Justice Fund – possibly four (4) items under it; Sheriff Department, Jail, Safety Building and Defense;
- Hiring Zach as a full-time IT employee, half time at the courthouse, half time at the Sheriff's department;
- Preliminary Budget changes;
- Legislative changes and elimination of the Indigent Fund;
- Elected Officials clarifying line items a little better – specific line items, dues, expenditures, etc;
- Tamie is scheduling meetings starting next week to go over each departments budgets

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2:30 PM The Commissioners met with Tony Mattson with Hayden & Ross, Shoshone County Clerk Tamie Eberhard for a presentation of the draft FY 2021 audit.

Also in attendance: Shoshone County Deputy Clerk, Angela Dinger and Matt Beehner

Items reviewed and discussed included the following:

- Professional Auditing Standards required related to the audit.
- Shoshone County Graph Discussion and Analysis for the year ended September 30, 2021.
- 2021 General Fund Operations Recap.
- General Fund Revenues/Expenditures.
- General Fund Balance Analysis.
- 2021 General Fund Revenue Analysis.
- 2021 General Fund Expenditure Analysis.
- 2021 Road Fund Operations Recap.
- Road Fund Revenues/Expenditures.
- Road Fund Balance Analysis.
- 2021 Indigent Fund Operations Recap.
- Indigent Fund Revenues/Expenditures.
- Indigent Fund Balance Analysis.
- 2021 Solid Waste Fund Operations Recap.
- Solid Waste Fund Revenues/Expenses.
- Solid Waste Net Position Analysis.
- Overall, it was a good year for the County.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST Tamie J. Eberhard
County Clerk

By: Angela Dinger
Deputy Clerk

Approved: Angela Dinger
Chairman

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Wednesday, June 29, 2022

The Board convened at **9:30 a.m.** in regular business session and the meeting was called to order.

Present:

Commissioners:

Jay Huber

John Hansen

Deputy Clerk: Lori J. Teeters

Also, in attendance:

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment was presented.

The consent agenda was reviewed for consideration as follows:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Consideration and Decision of the Minutes of the Commissioners' Public Agenda Session dated Tuesday, June 20, 2022 to Thursday, June 23, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Consent Agenda** – (These items will be enacted by one motion unless requested by a Commissioner that one of more items be removed for separate discussion.)
 - Beer, Wine & Liquor Licenses – Rogers. S. Joyner LLC (Croakers Tavern) Kington, ID – Beer & Liquor
 - Shoshone County Pre-Pays
 - 5311 Care Act Funding Agreement for Shoshone County Transit (Silver Express Bus) – approved as presented.

CHANGES TO AGENDA: There were no changes to the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Huber to approve the consent agenda as presented with specific items addressed as indicated. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Executive Session: Indigent Cases: Consideration and Decision. Executive Session ID Code 74-206(d). A motion was made by Commissioner Huber, seconded by Commissioner Hansen to go into Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206(d). Roll call vote: Commissioner Huber – Aye, Commissioner Hansen – Aye. The motion carried unanimously. The Board adjourned from Executive Session and a motion was made by Commissioner Huber to approve Indigent case 2022-28, seconded by Commissioner Hansen. The motion carried unanimously.

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The Commission reviewed and approved the following report as presented. The following bills or claims against the County were examined and allowed; and in payment of the same the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants/checks on the following viz:

CHECKS

001	Current Expense	\$465,713.74
002	Road	\$133,175.74
006	District Court	\$31,605.35
016	Indigent	\$8,874.39
018	Park	\$10,787.60
020	Appraisal	\$22,529.35
023	Solid Waste	\$46,532.60
027	Weed	\$4,491.87
056	Emergency 911	\$7,359.86
207	ARPA Grant	\$5,468.12
215	Title Trust III New 2009	\$5,752.00
9101	Auditor's Trust	\$6,773.01
	TOTAL:	\$749,063.63

STATE OF IDAHO)
) ss.
County of Shoshone)

We, the Shoshone County Commissioners, being duly sworn do hereby certify and declare that we have reviewed the demands enumerated and referred to in the foregoing register and that the same are to the best of our knowledge accurate and are just claims against the County and that there are funds available for payment thereof in the County Treasury.

APPROVED for distribution as of

s/John Hansen
Commissioner

s/Jay Huber
Commissioner

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9:45 AM Commissioner Hansen approved Resolution 2022-26 Designating a Public Depository for the County of Shoshone, seconded by Commissioner Huber. The motion carried.

11:00 PM The Board convened to meet with Shoshone County Grants Administrator, Colleen Rosson to discuss, review and consider ARPA project requests.

Also in attendance: Shoshone News Press, Josh McDonald


Colleen presented eight (8) ARPA grant requests to the BOCC:


- Murray Historical Society – assist with repairs to the Murray Courthouse located at 6443 Prichard Creek Road, Murray Idaho;
- Clarkia Water & Sewer District –
- County Improvements – re-coating 3 lift stations and replacing worn and rusting parts;
- East Shoshone County Water District – help replace the existing water line that will span the sixth (6th) Street bridge, crossing the South Fork river;
- Kellogg Cascadia – Compensation for front line essential employees that worked through the COVID pandemic, consisting of quarterly bonuses for two (2) years;
- City of Osburn – help with renovating and expanding the existing Lion's park by providing benches, picnic tables, chess/checker tables and barbecues, as well as playground equipment, basketball court and a fitness court;
- Shoshone County Crisis Center – requesting funds to replace the carpet in the Wallace office, and help in funding the Pinehurst office expenses for two (2) years;
- Shoshone County Fire District #1 – requesting funding for training to prepare first responders for gun violence and other mass casualty situations. The money would go for training, costs to cover 50 employees for meals, supplies, and gear;

After review and discussion of the eight grants, Commissioner Huber made a motion to approve funding requests to: Murray Historical Society - \$20,000, City of Osburn - \$50,000, Shoshone County Fire District #1 - \$70,374, and Shoshone County Crisis Center - \$20,000 for carpet in the Wallace Office, and to schedule another meeting with Colleen Rosson to review the other grant requests after more information is received, seconded by Commissioner Hansen. The motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST Tamie J. Eberhard
County Clerk

By: 
Deputy Clerk

Approved: 
Chairman