

July 25, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Idaho, does hereby meet this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022.

IN THE MATTER OF ROLL CALL)

Donna Atwood, Clerk, called roll call: Kirk Chandler, present; Lyndon Haines, present; and Nate Marvin, present. Also present was Sheriff, Matt Thomas and Gordon Wilkerson.

Nate Marvin opened the meeting and Kirk Chandler led the Pledge of Allegiance. Lyndon Haines gave the invocation.

IN THE MATTER OF CORRESPONDENCE/MEETINGS AND REPORTS)

Correspondence received by the Board was reviewed and disseminated as required. Lyndon Haines reported he attended the EMS Task Force meeting last week and will attend the Southwest District Health Board meeting Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>.

Nate Marvin reported that Larry Boots contacted him regarding the odor at Intrinsic Organics. Marvin stated the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will review the matter to determine if Intrinsic Organics is in violation of their original agreement.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES)

The minutes of the Board not heretofore approved of July 18, 2022 and July 21, 2022 were approved as written.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS)

The claims, audited by the Auditor, were presented and reviewed by the Board.

The Auditor was authorized to issue warrants totaling \$198,595.82 for general expenses by a motion of Kirk Chandler, seconded by Lyndon Haines. Motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF OPERATION IN FUNDS)

Kirk Chandler moved, seconded by Lyndon Haines to approve the Treasurer's Statement of Cash and Operation in Funds for June 2022 in the amount of \$15,469,720.50. Motion carried.

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IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION 22-04)

Lyndon Haines moved, seconded by Kirk Chandler to approve Resolution 22-04 to increase the mileage reimbursement rate from .585 to .625 to conform to federal standards. Motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF SHERIFF)

Matt Thomas, Sheriff, met with the Board.

Nate Marvin moved, seconded by Lyndon Haines to go into executive session at 9:06 a.m. in accordance with I.C. 74-206(1) (a & b) to consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent. This paragraph does not apply to filling a vacancy in an elective office, (b) to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student. Motion carried unanimous. Kirk Chandler, Aye; Lyndon Haines, Aye; Nate Marvin, Aye.

Nate Marvin stated they were out of executive session at 9:23 a.m.

IN THE MATTER OF SNAKE RIVER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

Kristen Nieskens with Snake River Economic Development Alliance met with the Board. Nieskens informed the Board that it has been a record year with projects in 2022 and expects another record year for 2023. Nieskens stated the grant for Pac Fibre was granted for approximately \$200,000.00. Nieskens informed the Board that Pac Fibre is looking to expand their operations in Washington County. Nieskens discussed lands designated as Industrial which may be available for development to be added to a map/website.

The Board discussed properties that may be available on the website.

Nieskens discussed reaching out to existing businesses that could use assistance. Nieskens thanked the Board for their continued support. The consideration of affordable housing was discussed. Nieskens informed the Board that Federal funding is available for affordable housing.

Nieskens reviewed the Snake River Economic Development Alliance budget with the Board. Nieskens stated they are focusing on marketing and business outreach. Tourism was discussed. Nieskens stated funding is available for tourism.

IN THE MATTER OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEY)

Delton Walker, Prosecuting Attorney, met with the Board. The Board discussed the Contract for Appraisal Services between Analytix Group and Washington County.

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Kirk Chandler moved, seconded by Lyndon Haines to approve and sign the Contract for Appraisal Services between Analytix Group and Washington County. Motion carried unanimous.

Walker will contact Road and Bridge Supervisor Jerod Odoms regarding the possible sale of the Salubria Pit.

Marvin informed Walker that he had visited with Jessie Sherburne with DEQ about the odor at Intrinsic Organics.

Nate Marvin moved, seconded by Kirk Chandler to go into executive session at 10:09 a.m. in accordance with 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. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement. Motion carried unanimous. Kirk Chandler, Aye; Lyndon Haines, Aye; Nate Marvin, Aye.

Nate Marvin stated they were out of executive session at 10:31 a.m.

Walker discussed the trial process with the Board.

#### IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING AND ZONING – VARIANCE HEARING)

Bonnie Brent, Planning and Zoning Administrator, met with the Board. Also present was Jim Metzger, Weiser City Airport; Prosecuting Attorney, Delton Walker; James MacDonald with Weiser Rural Area Fire District, David Hansen and Kelly Mackay-Stringer.

Nate Marvin opened the hearing and read the Public Notice on the record. The purpose of the hearing is to receive public comment on the City of Weiser Airport Variance Request.

Jim Metzger representing the City of Weiser Airport addressed the Board. Metzger stated the request for the variance is regarding construction of hangers in a flood plain. Metzger stated the current regulations from FEMA require that the building be raised approximately two feet above the current grade at the airport. Metzger informed the Board that they were requesting the variance to allow Jim Bains to build an agricultural hanger at the Weiser Airport. Metzger presented a map that was drawn in 2009 and indicates the 100 year flood line. Metzger stated the flood line has been extended by

FEMA to cover most of the airport property. Metzger discussed the flood in 1997 and the 2017 Snow Event and stated the map appears to be accurate. Metzger informed the Board they are pretty confident that there is little or no danger of flood water reaching the proposed location of the hanger.

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Marvin requested public comment.

James MacDonald with Weiser Rural Area Fire District addressed the Board. MacDonald stated that the Fire Code does require access to hangers for fire protection. The fire district requested that code be followed to provide access for fire protection when constructing any building at the airport.

Brent stating the request is for one structure at this time. Each structure would have to be addressed individually.

Prosecuting Attorney Walker stated that in this situation, the person requesting the variance would be the one taking the risk, not the County.

Marvin closed the hearing at 10:47 a.m.

Kirk Chandler moved, seconded by Lyndon Haines to approve the Variance for Jim Bains hanger as requested. Motion carried unanimous.

Brent informed the Board that she would schedule interviews for the open position on the Planning and Zoning Commission member.

IN THE MATTER OF AMBULANCE)

Nate Marvin moved, seconded by Lyndon Haines to recess as the Board of Washington County Commissioners and convene as the Board of the Weiser Ambulance District. Motion carried unanimous.

Donna Atwood, Clerk, called roll call: Kirk Chandler, present; Lyndon Haines, present; and Nate Marvin, present.

Luke Smith, Ambulance District Director, met with the Board. Order No. 22-38 for general expenses in the amount of \$8,301.90 was presented to the Board for review.

Smith reported the Ambulance District had nineteen calls for service last week which included six transfers and four public assists/refusal for care.

Chandler inquired if Smith had an estimate on the replacement of the roof on the Ambulance Hall.

Smith reported an estimate was received from JB's Roofing Inc. for approximately \$14,000.00 to replace the roof on the Ambulance Hall.

Lyndon Haines moved, seconded by Kirk Chandler to approve Order No. 22-38 for general expenses in the amount of \$8,301.90. Motion carried.

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The group discussed acquiring a response vehicle for Smith.

Nate Marvin moved, seconded by Kirk Chandler to recess as the Board of the Weiser Ambulance District and reconvene as Board of Washington County Commissioners. Motion carried unanimous.

Donna Atwood, Clerk, called roll call: Kirk Chandler, present; Lyndon Haines, present; and Nate Marvin, present.

IN THE MATTER OF ROAD & BRIDGE/SOLID WASTE)

Jerod Odoms, Road and Bridge/Solid Waste Supervisor, met with the Board. Also present was Shannon Williams.

Odoms presented an Application for Culverts/Approaches submitted by Teresa Moore to be placed at the intersection of Fort Road and Mill Road, Cambridge, Idaho.

Kirk moved seconded by Lyndon Haines to approve the Application for Culverts/Approaches submitted by Teresa Moore to be placed at the intersection of Fort Road and Mill Road, Cambridge, Idaho. Motion carried unanimous.

Odoms presented an Application for Buried Cable or Pipe Line submitted by Idaho Power to install a 45' pole and 2" riser on Rock Creek Road.

Kirk Chandler moved, seconded by Lyndon Haines to approve the Application for Buried Cable or Pipe Line submitted by Idaho Power to install a 45' pole and 2" riser on Rock Creek Road. Motion carried unanimous.

Odoms presented an Application for Buried Cable or Pipe Line submitted by Idaho Power to be placed on Salubria Road, Cambridge, Idaho.

Kirk Chandler moved, seconded by Lyndon Haines to approve the Application for Buried Cable or Pipe Line submitted by Idaho Power to be placed on Salubria Road, Cambridge, Idaho. Motion carried unanimous.

Odoms informed the Board that he had received a change order in the amount of \$2,500.00 from Total Scale Service for the install of the new scale at the Solid Waste site.

Kirk Chandler moved, seconded by Lyndon Haines to approve the change order submitted by Total Scale Service in the amount of \$2,500.00. Motion carried unanimous.

Odoms informed the Board that paving was to start today on Goodrich Road but has been delayed and will begin tomorrow. Work on Loafer Lane and Crystal will begin following completion of Goodrich Road.

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Odoms presented a proposed Monthly Pit Report to be included with claims submitted for payment.

Odoms discussed repairs/replacement of bridges. Odoms stated five bridges in Washington County were included on the list submitted by LHTAC for repair/replacement.

Marvin inquired if Odoms had contacted any adjoining landowners regarding the purchase of the Salubria Pit. Odoms informed the Board the adjoining landowner is interested in the property. Odoms stated he had spoke with Walker earlier today regarding the process to follow.

Haines discussed replacement of cattle guard and who would be responsible to the original and replacement costs. The Board requested Odoms to draft language and present it for consideration.

There was discussion regarding a Solid Waste fee increase. Odoms inquired if the Board would allow him to draft a Resolution for a fee increase. Marvin stated he would like to discuss an increase.

Shannon Williams addressed the Board. Williams discussed rock trucks on Fort and Goodrich Roads. Williams stated she would like “Truck Route” signs placed on Mill Road or Bain Road.

Williams also requested “Children at Play” signs be placed on Fort Road to slow down traffic.

Odoms stated that Goodrich Road is considered a major connector and is considered a truck route. Odoms stated he could conduct a safety audit and report back to the Board with a recommendation.

Williams suggested the rock pits post a sign with a designated route for truck travel. Williams questioned why the east end of cove road had not been paved.

Marvin stated the intent is to pave up to Unity Road.

Williams discussed the condition of Weiser River Road. Williams also discussed the condition of roads in the Midvale and Cambridge area.

Odoms stated the classification of a road determines when repairs are done. Odoms stated the County is behind in repairs. Odoms informed Williams that if heavy truck traffic is directed to Bain Road, it could cause damage to the road. Odoms stated he would rather see trucks use Mill Road. Odoms stated the County does have to rely on Engineering. Connector roads are a priority.

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IN THE MATTER OF TAX DEED AUCTION)

Nate Marvin opened the tax deed auction. Nate Marvin read the Notice of Tax Deed Sale on the record.

The following properties will be sold as is in the amount of the minimum bid or to the highest bidder. Payment is to be received in cash or cashier check, due by 4:00 p.m. today.

Parcel RPM6400172440 and also a 66 American Master Craft Parcel MH009615 located on the real property at 525 E. Bridge Street, Midvale, Idaho.

Purchased by Bidder #22 in the amount of \$80,000.00.

Parcel RPW0300000043A – The North Half of Lot 43 of Delbaere Acres. The physical address of 1290 W. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Weiser, Idaho.

Purchased by Bidder # 13 in the amount of \$105,000.00.

IN THE MATTER OF BUDGET WORKSHOP) - CANCELLED

Motion by Nate Marvin, seconded by Lyndon Haines and unanimously carried to recess at 1:15 p.m. until July 28, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

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Chairman, Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Clerk

A full audio recording of the Commissioner Meeting is available at the Clerk's Office upon request.