

JEROME COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

PRESENT: Charles Howell, Chairman
Ben Crouch, Vice Chairman
John Crozier, Commissioner
Jane White, Deputy Clerk

Meeting convened at 9:30 A.M.

BEN BERNIER—QUOTE FOR JAIL ARCHITECTURAL PLANS

Present were Sheriff George Oppedyk, Chief Deputy Sheriff Gary Taylor, Jail Administrator Marisela Ibarra, and Chief Deputy Clerk Tracee McKim. Also present were Ben Bernier, Russ Moorhead, and Mark Heazle representing Lombard Conrad Architects (LCA) and Mike Arrington from the Starr Corporation.

Ben Bernier presented paperwork showing the options for designing an additional pod for the County Jail. It included Option A and B for \$1,979,808 or Options A, B, and C for \$3,304,857.

Mike Arrington explained what would be included in each option. He said Option A would provide 30 beds in the open dorm style and would enclose an area for an expansion (shell). Option B would be completing the shell, and Option C would be completing the third pod.

The body discussed a time frame for building the addition. McKim advised that construction costs were included in the FY 2019-20 budget beginning October 1, 2019. Following Mark Heazle's phone conversation with Clerk/Auditor/Recorder Michelle Emerson, it was determined the current budget would support \$75,000-\$100,000 to begin preliminary work to be completed and paid for by September 30.

Russ Moorhead offered options for sewage disposal in the jail.

➤ The Commissioners agreed they preferred completing Options A and B only during the 2019-20 fiscal year.

Sheriff Oppedyk stated the County could fill the new jail addition because the Marshals Service had advised it could provide inmates for beds not under contract to other entities.

GARY TAYLOR—MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Sheriff George Oppedyk, Chief Deputy Sheriff Gary Taylor, and Chief Deputy Clerk Tracee McKim were present.

Deputy Sheriff Gary Taylor presented a Memorandum of Understanding written by the County's legal counsel between the Jerome County Sheriff's Office and the Southern Idaho Regional Solid Waste District. He explained that the District had requested the agreement to insure that the

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sheriff's office would restore soil used for a gun range when the County Transfer Station needed it in the future.

❖ A Motion was made by Commissioner Crozier to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Southern Idaho Regional Solid Waste District and the Jerome County Sheriff's Office. It was seconded and carried with unanimous ayes.

➤ Deputy Taylor said he would submit the Memorandum to the Waste District and return a fully executed copy to the County.

➤ The Commissioners asked that the sheriff's office arrange for weed eradication from the Search & Rescue yard at the Jerome Airport.

The Commissioners also questioned whether Search & Rescue was a functioning unit. Sheriff Oppedyk said it was struggling to keep active members. He cited two different training sessions he had scheduled at which no members attended and recommended not approving any more funds for the group until he receives an inventory of its assets.

Sheriff Oppedyk and Deputy Taylor were excused.

The Commissioners considered their discussion of August 12 about establishing a gun range and determined to bring the matter to the Snake River Canyons Park Managing Board that week.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 A.M.

Respectively submitted:

Charles M. Howell, Chairman

Jane White, Deputy Clerk

A. Ben Crouch, Vice Chairman

John Crozier, Commissioner