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## IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CASCADE, IDAHO May 30, 2023

PRESENT:

**ELTING HASBROUCK (CHAIRMAN)** SHERRY MAUPIN (COMMISSIONER) **DOUGLAS MILLER (CLERK)** 

Excused Absence: NEAL THOMPSON(COMMISSIONER)

Chairman Hasbrouck led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Hasbrouck presented the commissioners' agenda for May 30, 2023. Chairman Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the commissioners' agenda for May 30, 2023. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the commissioners' agenda for May 30, 2023.

Chairman Hasbrouck advised that the commissioners would be convening as the Board of Equalization at 10:02 a.m. to hear an appeal from the decision that the commissioners made denying the property tax exemption application for Alzar School. Those in attendance for the Board of Equalization hearing were Assessor, Sue Leeper, Appraiser, Kristi Hamilton, Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Brian Oakey representing Valley County. Ms. Amy Holms representing Alzar School, Mr. Sean Bierle and Kristi Bierle who are the Executive Directors of Alzar School.

Ms. Amy Holms the attorney for Alzar School provided the Board of Equalization with a presentation regarding the appeal for the decision made by the commissioners denying the property tax exemption application for Alzar School.

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Mr. Sean Bierle provided the Board of Equalization with testimony related to the operations of the Alzar School and commented on the river expedition services that were offered. Ms. Amy Holms advised that the Alzar School was applying for property tax exemption under Idaho Code 63-602E and 63-602C. Chairman Hasbrouck opened the hearing up to Board of Equalization for questions to the applicant and their attorney. Commissioner Maupin also asked questions to Mr. Sean Bierle and Mrs. Kristi Bierele. Assessor, Sue Leeper also had the opportunity to ask questions to the applicants regarding to each parcel owned by Alzar School and they responded to the questions asked.

Assessor, Sue Leeper provided a presentation for the Board of Equalization to consider before deciding on the appeal from Alzar School. Amy Holms had questions for Assessor Leeper, and she responded regarding the questions regarding the actual assessments that were determined for the Alzar School. Chairman Hasbrouck asked a specific question regarding the use of the Alzar School property that had occurred in the past.

Amy Holms provided a closing rebuttal to the Board of Equalization regarding the Confluences River Expeditions use of the parcels. She also provided additional closing argument for the Board of Equalization to consider.

Assessor, Sue Leeper also provided closing argument for the Board of Equalization to consider before a decision was made regarding the property tax exemption application. Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Brian Oakey provided opinion to the Board of Equalization and recommended that they postpone. Chairman Hasbrouck made a motion to close the Board of Equalization appeal hearing and table the matter for a decision to made later. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to close the Board of Equalization appeal hearing at 11:19 a.m. to table the matter for a decision to be made later.

The commissioners convened as the Valley County Board of County Commissioners to begin Budget Workshops for Fiscal Year 2024. The first department to have a budget workshop with the commissioners was the Valley County Road Department. Road Director, Jeff McFadden presented the commissioners with the budget request for Fiscal Year 2024. The budgets that were reviewed were for the Valley County Road Department, Motor Pool, Weeds, Pest Control.

The next budget workshop was for the Human Resource Department for Fiscal Year 2024. Human Resource Director, Pat Duncan presented on the budget request for the human resource department.

The next budget workshop was for the Recreation Department. Recreation Director, Larry Laxson presented on the budget request for the Recreation Department for Fiscal Year 2024.

The next budget workshop was for the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Prosecuting Attorney, Brian Naugle presented on the budget request for the Prosecuting Attorney's Office for Fiscal Year 2024.

Clerk, Douglas Miller presented on the budget request for the Coroner's Office for Fiscal Year 2024. He did advise that Coroner, Scott Carver had indicated that his hours have increased to

full-time elected official, and he was proposing an increase for the salary to account for the increased hours.

Treasurer, Johanna Defoort presented to the commissioners on the maturity of the American Rescue Plan funding. She was requested that the commissioners consider reinvesting the ARPA funds. Commissioner Maupin made a motion to approve the reinvesting of the ARPA funds at the 5.58%. Chairman Hasbrouck seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the reinvesting of the ARPA funds at the presented 5.58%.

Treasurer Defoort presented on property tax payment plan policy than she created. She explained the proposed tax payment policy that she had developed and described how it would be utilized. The commissioners had the opportunity to ask questions to Treasurer Defoort and she responded accordingly. Chairman Hasbrouck proposed only allowing property owners that have property tax exemptions and being their primary residence. The commissioners requested that the policy be reviewed by the Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Brian Oakey for consideration. Chairman Hasbrouck made a motion to allow Treasurer, Johanna Defoort continue to investigate the property tax payment plan policy that was presented. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to allow Treasurer, Johanna Defoort continue to investigate the property tax payment plan that was presented.

The commissioners went into another budget workshop for the extension office. University of Idaho Extension Educator, Melissa Hamilton, and 4-H Coordinator Alysson Statz presented the budget request for Fiscal Year 2024 for the University of Idaho Extension Office.

Chairman Hasbrouck made a motion to go into Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 1(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."-Evaluation. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. No further discussion, by roll
call vote all commissioners voted "aye". The commissioners went into Executive Session per
Idaho Code 74-206 1(b)-Evaluation at 3:05 p.m.

Chairman Hasbrouck brought the commissioners out of Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 1(b)-Evaluation at 3:35 p.m. No decision was made as the Executive Session was for evaluation purposes.

The commissioners continued the budget workshop for Fiscal Year 2024. Human Resource Director, Pat Duncan presented on the pay study that she conducted and explained the evaluation that was conducted on salaries within Valley County.

The commissioners continued the budget workshop for Fiscal Year 2024 and Clerk, Douglas Miller presented proposed budget requests for Welfare Director, General Fund Reserve, Airport, Health District, Junior College Tuition, Tort, and Veterans Memorial.

The commissioners adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Attest

Douglas Miller, Clerk

Chairman, Elting Hasbrouck

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# NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Board of Equalization Hearing & Budget Workshop

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Valley County Commissioners will hold a Special Meeting, Tuesday, May 30, 2023, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Valley County Courthouse in the Commissioner's room, 219 N Main Street Cascade, Idaho, to conduct a Board of Equalization Appeal Hearing & Budget Workshops.

### Agenda

10:00 **Action Item:** Convene as Board of Equalization Appeal Hearing

11:00 Budget Workshop for Fiscal Year 2024-Clerk, Douglas Miller 02-00 Road and Bridge - Superintendent, Jeff McFadden 01-31 Motor Pool - Superintendent, Jeff McFadden 27-00 Weeds - Superintendent, Jeff McFadden 28-00 Pest Control-Superintendent, Jeff McFadden

1:00 Budget Workshop for Fiscal Year 2024-Clerk, Douglas Miller 01-17 Human Resources - Director, Pat Duncan

1:15	Budget Workshop for Fiscal Year 2024-Clerk, Douglas Miller
	01-32 Recreation – Director, Larry Laxson

- 1:30 Budget Workshop for Fiscal Year 2024-Clerk, Douglas Miller 01-07 Prosecutor's Office Prosecutor, Brain Naugle
- 1:45 Budget Workshop for Fiscal Year 2023-Clerk, Douglas Miller 01-06 Coroner –Coroner, Scott Carver
- 2:00 **Action Items:** Maturity of ARPA Dollars to be Reinvested
  Treasurer's Office Property Tax Payment Plan Policy Treasurer,
  Johanna Defoort
- 2:15 **Action Item:** Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 1(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"- Evaluation
- 3:15 Budget Workshop for Fiscal Year 2024-Clerk, Douglas Miller 01-13 Extension Office Director, Melissa Hamilton
- 3:30 Budget Workshop for Fiscal Year 2024-Clerk, Douglas Miller A Budget – Salaries D Budget-Benefits
- 3:30 Budget Workshop for Fiscal Year 2024-Clerk, Douglas Miller

01-25 Welfare Director

01-29 General Fund Reserve

03-00 Airport

09-00 Fair, Grounds and Buildings

11-00 Health District

17-00 Junior College Tuition

24-00 Tort

25-00 Veterans Memorial

Dated at Cascade, Idaho this 25th day of May 2023 Douglas A Miller, Valley County Clerk, Valley County, Idaho.

Douglas A Miller, Clerk