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**IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CASCADE, IDAHO  
December 19, 2022**

**PRESENT:**                   **ELTING HASBROUCK (CHAIRMAN)**  
                                  **EDGAR ALLEN (COMMISSIONER)**  
                                  **SHERRY MAUPIN (COMMISSIONER)**  
                                  **DOUGLAS MILLER (CLERK)**

Chairman, Elting Hasbrouck led the pledge of allegiance.

Chairman Hasbrouck presented the commissioners' agenda for December 19, 2022. Commissioner Maupin made a motion to remove the 2:30 p.m. Action Item as it was a duplicated agenda matter at 9:45 a.m. to approve writing a grant through Blue Cross of Idaho to audit or update the Valley County comprehensive plan. CA seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.

Chairman Hasbrouck presented the commissioner meeting minutes from December 12, 2022. Commissioner Maupin made a motion to approve the commissioner meeting minutes of December 12, 2022. Commissioner Allen seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the commissioner meeting minutes of December 12, 2022.

Chairman Hasbrouck presented the letter of support for the City of Cascade for the IDPR Grant for a CXT at Strand Trail and North Fork Payette River Water Trail. Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve the letter of support. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the letter of support for the City of Cascade for the IDPR Grant for a CXT at Strand Trail and North Fork Payette River Water Trail.

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Facility Director, Scott Clingan presented the Sunbelt Controls bid contract for open systems control upgrade at the Valley County Maintenance Room and explained the upgrade that would be occurring. Chairman Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the Sunbelt Control contract as presented. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the Sunbelt Contract for upgrades at the Valley County Maintenance Room.

Chief Deputy Assessor, Sue Leeper presented on value cancellation #18 and explained the reason for the requested value cancellation. Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve the assessor's requested value cancellation #18. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the assessor's requested value cancellation #18.

Chairman Hasbrouck presented the letter of support for the Valley Soil & Water District for an Idaho Women's Charitable Foundation Grant for a No-Till Drill and trailer. Commissioner Maupin made a motion to approve the letter of support for Valley Soil & Water District. Commissioner Allen seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the letter of support for Valley Soil & Water District.

Chairman Hasbrouck began the discussion regarding the request to increase the members of the Valley County Planning & Zoning Commission. Commissioner Maupin advised that she was not willing to make a formal decision today to increase the number of members on the Planning & Zoning Committee. Planning & Zoning Director, Cynda Herrick provided comments to the commissioners and advised that it would require an ordinance amendment and a public hearing. She did share with the commissioners that the existing Planning & Zoning Commissioners were not in favor of increasing the amount of members. Commissioner Allen felt that the increasing the members of the planning & zoning commission should be analyzed and he explained his reasons to the commissioners to consider. Chairman Hasbrouck felt that the commissioners could consider selecting alternate planning & zoning commissioners but would like to determine if that would be allowed under Idaho Code. Planning & Zoning Director, Cynda Herrick provided additional concerns to the commissioners regarding making consistent decisions. Commissioner Maupin provided additional comments for the commissioners to consider and felt that there were quality applications for the commissioners to select. Commissioner Maupin made a motion to table the matter until a January commissioners' agenda to discuss the matter with the newly elected commissioner. Chairman Hasbrouck seconded the motion. During further discussions Commissioner Allen suggested requesting comments from the Valley County Planning & Zoning Commission to determine their feelings on the matter. Commissioner Hasbrouck and Commissioner Maupin voted in favor. Commissioner Allen refrained from voting. Motion passed to table the matter until a January commissioners' agenda to discuss adding additional planning & zoning commissioner members to the Valley County Planning & Zoning Board.

Road Director, Jeff McFadden presented on the annual street & road financial report to submit to Idaho Transportation Department. Commissioner Maupin discussed the future projects that were provided on the annual street & road financial report and requested additional information regarding the proposed future projects. Road Director McFadden explained the proposed future projects but advised that it would depend on the results of the transportation plan that would be

completed in the future. Commissioner Maupin made a motion to approve the annual street & financial report to submit to Idaho Transportation Department. Chairman Hasbrouck seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the annual street & financial report to submit to Idaho Transportation Department.

Chairman Hasbrouck began the discussion regarding writing a grant through Blue Cross of Idaho to audit or update an existing comprehensive plan. Commissioner Maupin advised that the City of Cascade did apply for a grant through Blue Cross of Idaho and she felt that Valley County should consider applying for the grant to update or audit the existing comprehensive plan. Commissioner Maupin advised that the grant was currently open for application. Chairman Hasbrouck made a motion to allow the exploration of the grant application with Blue Cross of Idaho to audit or update the existing Valley County Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. During further discussion Commissioner Allen requested additional information about the Blue Cross of Idaho Grant would be utilized within Valley County. Planning & Zoning Director, Cynda Herrick provided further explanation, but Commissioner Maupin advised that further discussion with Blue Cross of Idaho should occur to obtain an understanding of what the actual grant would cover. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to allow the exploration of the grant application with Blue Cross of Idaho to audit or update the existing Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Alex Deduck, Mr. Brian Inwards and Mr. Vincent Trimboli with Idaho Transportation Department were in attendance to provide an update regarding a variety of projects involving ITD to include winter road maintenance, Smith's Ferry Project. Foreman, Brian Inwards provided the commissioners with update regarding the use of blue salt within Valley County. He explained how the blue salt was more effective than the white salt and less corrosive and less expensive. He advised the area that was currently being treated with the new product and explained that it was being used as a pilot program. The commissioners asked about the outcome of the studies that were being done to determine effectiveness and environmental impact. Foreman Inwards discussed the level of service that was expected and acknowledged that they will continue to research the use of the new blue salt. He advised that the blue salt was more effective during colder temperatures. Mr. Trimboli touched base on the education program to the public related to winter driving in Valley County and the State of Idaho. The commissioners appreciated the responsiveness of Idaho Transportation Department regarding addressing the concerns regarding the use of products that are more environmentally safe. Commissioner Maupin asked about the avalanche sign that was posted on the new Smiths Ferry corridor. Project Engineer, Alex Deduck submitted comments to the commissioners regarding the Smiths Ferry corridor project and the improvements that were made. He advised that the project was completed but mitigation work to prevent further avalanches needed to be conducted. He advised that there was a potential for an avalanche on the area, but the danger was very low for an event to occur but needed to be prepared and education the public. Brian Inwards discussed the amount of time that ITD provides maintenance on the Smith Ferry Project during the winter. Mr. Deduck advised that avalanche experts were being asked to provide additional analysis of the area throughout the year. Commissioner Maupin appreciated the information and requested that the information be provided to the commissioners in advance in the future. Chairman Hasbrouck also provided a statement regarding a request to provide the commissioners with information well in advance about specific projects. Mr. Trimboli discussed a possible corridor plan from Highway 55 to New Meadows and explained that they want the commissioner's involvement and the community. He also discussed state projects that were currently being planned and

identified when an updated State plan would be released. He presented on potential turn lanes within Round Valley but advised that it would not be until 2030. He provided an overview of what it entails to create a corridor plan. Commissioner Maupin advised that Valley County was currently working on a master travel plan and advised that Valley County needed to identify intersections that would include planning with Idaho Transportation Department to include the City of Donnelly with the possible expansion of Tamarack Resort. Mr. Trimboli informed the commissioners about a FLAP Grant that was awarded for the Banks to Lowman Intersection and briefly advised that signalizations would potentially be installed but advised that the findings have not been finalized.

Mr. Nick Teresko presented to the commissioners a requested to enter into a winter maintenance agreement for plowing of Crown Point Parkway. Mr. Teresko read a statement that was provided by Brian Inward with ITD, a statement from Idaho Department of Lands. Chairman Hasbrouck asked if the permit had been submitted to the Valley County Road Department for consideration and asked if the required insurance had been obtained. Road Director, Jeff McFadden discussed the application process and what had been accomplished but advised that liability insurance had not been provided. Mr. Teresko requested that a road closed sign be erected at the entrance. The commissioners explained that the road could only be closed by the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve the winter maintenance agreement with Mr. Nick Teresko. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion but advised that the winter maintenance agreement would need to be reviewed on annual basis. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the winter maintenance agreement with Mr. Nick Teresko.

IT Director, Jeremy Wilcox presented on the renewal of lease agreement with Boise Office Equipment for the KIP Copier/Printer/Scanner machine and explained how the machine was utilized and cost associated with the renewed agreement. Chairman Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the Boise Office Equipment lease agreement. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the renewed lease agreement with Boise Office Equipment.

Facility Director, Scott Clingan provided an update regarding the woody debris pile at the Solid Waste Transfer site. He advised that there was a portion of the pile that was not burned because Emergency Service Manager, Juan Bonilla indicated that the wood in a separate pile was too green. He advised that he was waiting to hear how the other pile would be reduced. Commissioner Allen discussed the problem of the woody debris pile last year and hoped that Valley County was going in the right direction to address removal of the woody debris. He stressed the importance of air quality testing that was being conducted and the determination of when to burn the woody debris pile. He was concerned that the last pile was not burned but was satisfied with the existing air quality. He presented to the commissioners that he conducted a site visit and noticed a lot of heavy materials that had not been separated and felt that moving forward there needs to be more employees involved with the separation of the material. Chairman Hasbrouck agreed that additional research should be conducted by Valley County to see if the material could be sold or grinded but there needs to be a market for the product. Commissioner Maupin agreed that a plan needed to be developed and conversations need to be continued with Tamarack Mill. Commissioner Allen suggested that a formal plan be identified by Valley County, and he discussed the condition of the woody debris pile in Lake Fork and suggested working with the City of McCall because of the amount of debris that was collected from the City of McCall. The commissioners proposed reviewing the existing practice on an annual basis.

Planning & Zoning Director, Cynda Herrick presented on the Tamarack PUD extension and update. Tamarack Resort President, Scott Turlington also presented to the commissioners regarding the PUD extension and update. Cynda provided a staff report to the commissioners regarding the requested extension by Tamarack Resort. She advised that Valley County Planning & Zoning Commission approved the requested Tamarack PUD extension on November 8, 2022, to December 25, 2025, and waive future extensions. Tamarack Resort President, Scott Turlington provided testimony to the commissioners regarding what Tamarack Resort had been completed and what had not been completed within the PUD. During the time Mr. Turlington was asked questions by the commissioners and he responded accordingly. He presented on the updated three-year plan at Tamarack Resort and proposed completion deadlines of unfinished phases of the resort. He discussed the Forest Service special permit and advised that NEPA had not been started but hoping can get started within 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter but probably will not get completed within 5 years. He advised that Tamarack Resort was hoping about getting additional terrain which would possibly add additional ski lift and a gondola. Commissioner Maupin made a motion to accept the Valley County Planning & Zoning Commission 3-year recommended PUD extension for Tamarack Resort. Commissioner Allen seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to accept the Valley County Planning & Zoning 3-year recommended Planned Use Development Extension.

The commissioners recessed for lunch at 12:25 p.m.

The commissioners returned from lunch at 1:05 p.m.

Chairman Hasbrouck began the discussion with the local fire departments to discuss the existing Emergency Medical Services contracts, impact fees and the possibility of a levy override. McCall Fire Department Chief Garrett de Jong provided a handout to the commissioners which will be appended to the commissioner meeting minutes. He provided the commissioners with a 24-month timeline to review of what had occurred over the past two years. He felt that the commissioners had not communicated with the local fire districts regarding the next phase of impact fees and creation of the impact fee advisory committee. The commissioners and Chief de Jong continued to discuss the lack of communication that has occurred. Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Brian Oakey provided additional comments to the commissioners and processes. He advised that Valley County would be required to create an impact fee advisory committee and would need to be done before an impact fee is set. He also advised that an update to the comprehensive plan would be required. Chief de Jong discussed the requirements in creation of an advisory committee. Commissioner Allen had additional questions submitted to the McCall Fire Department Chief and Chief de Jong responded accordingly. Commissioner Maupin asked if there had been an update regarding legislation looking at funding of EMS Districts. Chief de Jong advised that there had not been any movement on the proposed legislation. Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Brian Oakey advised that the first step that Valley County needed to take was to approve the resolution that was provided. The commissioners continued to deliberate, and several options were proposed and discussed regarding impact fees, bonds, or levy overrides to assist with funding of emergency medical services within Valley County. Cascade Fire Chief, Steve Hull provided testimony to the commissioners regarding the installation of impact fees for funding of Valley County EMS District and review options for increase of fire district funds. Fire Commissioner, Sadie Noah with the McCall Fire District presented to the commissioners and suggested using Valley County

general funds to assist with the funding of the Valley County EMS District. McCall Deputy Fire Chief, Travis Smith provided additional comments to the commissioners. Donnelly Fire Chief, Juan Bonilla also provided additional testimony to the commissioners regarding the establishment of the Valley County EMS District. Commissioner Maupin made a motion to approve Resolution 23-03 specifically to allow fire districts to collect impact fees. Commissioner Allen seconded the motion. Commissioner Allen requested additional information from the fire districts to fix the existing short fall of funding for emergency medical services. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve Resolution 23-03.

Commissioner Maupin began the discussion related to preparing a memorandum of understanding with the Valley County Fair Board. Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Brian Oakey advised that he would recommend additional analysis of the memorandum of understanding that he created and wanted to make sure that the commissioners were aware of how the statute reads. He provided additional information to the commissioners regarding the operation and requirements of the Valley County Fair Board, and he obtained recommendations from the commissioners regarding the wording of the proposed memorandum of understanding. Commissioner Maupin recommended that Valley County would provide the ground, buildings and the fair board would be required for open meetings, receipt of all fair funding and account for funds with an annual audit. She also recommended that the Valley County Fair Board present a budget to the commissioners on an annual basis. Mr. Oakey recommended that the Valley County Fair Board review the prepared memorandum of understanding and he also suggested that they review Idaho Code Title 23 and bring the matter back to the commissioners for consideration of approval. The commissioners suggested proposed changes to the draft memorandum of understanding and submitted those requested changes to Brian Oakey for consideration.

Planning & Zoning Director, Cynda Herrick presented on the Valley County 2022 Capital Improvement Program adoption with Planning & Zoning Commission recommendations to approve. Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Brian Oakey provided legal opinion to the commissioners and recommended that if the commissioners approve a fee, it should be adopted by resolution. Commissioner Allen made a motion to adopt the Valley County 2022 Capital Improvement Program with a resolution to be created by the Planning & Zoning Department later. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.

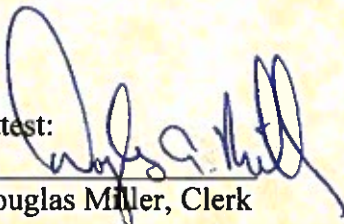
Human Resource Director, Pat Duncan presented on a request to hire a patrol deputy at a higher rate as the individual has 12 years of experience with an advance Idaho P.O.S.T. certificate. The Sheriff's Office would like to bring the experienced deputy at \$35 per hour. Chairman Hasbrouck made a motion to authorize the hourly rate as presented by Human Resource Director, Pat Duncan. Commissioner Allen seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to authorize the hourly rate as presented by Human Resource Director, Pat Duncan for the deputy patrol positions because of the years of experience and certification that has been obtained.

Commissioner Maupin made a motion to go into Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 1(a)- "To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need."-Hiring Commissioner Allen seconded the motion. No further discussion, by roll call vote

all commissioners voted "aye." Motion passed to go into Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 1(a)-Hiring and the commissioners went into Executive Session at 3:21 p.m.

Chairman Hasbrouck brought the commissioners out of Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 1(a)-Hiring 3:42 p.m. Commissioner Allen made a motion to appoint Mr. Ken Roberts and Mr. Gary Swain to the Valley County Planning & Zoning committee. Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to appoint Mr. Ken Roberts and Mr. Gary Swain to the Valley County Planning & Zoning committee.

The commissioners adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Attest:   
Douglas Miller, Clerk

  
Chairman, Elting Hasbrouck