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Idaho Association of Counties District II Meeting Thursday, April 1st, 2021 **Zoom Virtual Meeting**

11:30 am MST/10:30 am PST: Via Computer – the IAC District II group would like to thank Sara Westbrook, IAC Policy Director; Mindy Linn, IAC Member Services Coordinator; Kelli Brassfield, Policy Analyst and Kristin Cundiff, Director of Operations. Without your help, this virtual meeting would not have happened - thanks again!

The meeting was called to order by IAC Chairman Denis Duman. Roll call was taken for County Members and guest Association's present:

Clearwater County – Carrie Bird, Clerk, Dawn Erlewine, Treasurer and Rick Winkel, County Commissioner - Chair

Idaho County - Denis Duman, IAC Chairman and County Commissioner; Skip Brandt, County Commissioner - Chair

Latah County – Bill Thompson, Prosecuting Attorney; BJ Swanson, Treasurer; Henrianne Westberg, Clerk; Kathie LaFortune, County Commissioner and Tom Lamar, County Commissioner - Chair

Lewis County - Greg Johnson, County Commissioner - Chair; Justin McLeod, County Commissioner; Mike Ponozzo, County Commissioner and Shelley Ponozzo, Treasurer Nez Perce County – Dan Anderson, Assessor; Don Beck, Commissioner; Doug Havens, County Commissioner - Chair; Douglas Zenner, County Commissioner; and Missy McLaughlin, Treasurer

Idaho Association of Counties - Kelli Brassfield, Policy Analyst; Kristin Cundiff, Director of Operations; and Sara Westbrook, Policy Director

Public Health – Idaho North Central District – Carol Moehrle, Director

Clearwater Economic Development Association, Inc. – Christine Frei, Executive Director and Dodd Snodgrass, Development Association

Nez Perce County – Dave Taylor, Emergency Communication 911 Coordinator

Port of Lewiston – David Doeringsfeld, Port Manager and Jaynie Bentz, Assistant Port Manager



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> Chairman Duman called on Carol Moehrle, North Central District Health Director, to give an update and overview of our area regarding Covid related matters. Cases are on the down trend and we are at a 3.5% positivity rate for cases being tested. That is the lowest the rate has been since August 9th. Carol shared additional statistics from the District II, Public Health's Integrated dashboard and the State of Idaho's Coronavirus vaccination by County web site: total cases for our area are 8,942. The number of doses that have been given in each county in our District to County residents are **Idaho County**, with a total population of 16,384 - persons receiving at least one dose: 2,941; Clearwater County, with a total population of 8,833 – persons receiving at least one dose is: 2,103; Latah County is leading the way with 10,752 doses, with a total population of 40,122; Nez Perce County, with a total population of 41,033 – persons receiving at least one dose is: 8,921 and Lewis County just toped 1,000 with 1,008 with a total population of 4,040. The Idaho National Guard have been present at the sites assisting with appointments and other areas where needed. Legislation regarding House Bill 316 and funding for Idaho Health Departments was discussed. It would remove the States funding and move that responsibility to the Counties.

> Chairman Duman called on Christine Frei, Executive Director, Clearwater Economic Development Association, Inc., Dave Taylor, Nez Perce County Emergency Communication 911 Coordinator, David Doeringsfeld, Port of Lewiston Manager and Jaynie Bentz, Assistant Port Manager – Representing DIGB2 (District 2 Interoperability Governance Board) Broadband Task Force, giving an overview of the proposed broadband project that would provide a redundancy in the system for the Counties that currently is not there. In addition, they provided a proposed funding breakdown for each County based on the anticipated funding each would be receiving from the ARPA distribution to assist in making this project a reality. Different members of the Task Force will be reaching out and meeting with each of the Counties.

> Discuss switching the current IAC District II checking account to a bank with other District Accounts, that will be overseen by IAC. Every two years, when the IAC District II officers change, the notification cards at the bank have to be changed allowing the new officers to have access to the account. It is time consuming, especially when there are no longer banks in all of the governmental seats. Sara Westbrook, Policy Director explained the process, stating District II would need to close their current account at Wells Fargo and mail the funds (cashier's check from Wells Fargo) to Amanda Steinmetz at IAC. Amanda will create a new account with the other District accounts, oversee the yearly invoicing to the Counties for IAC dues, and make payments as directed on behalf of District II. A motion was made by Commissioner Winkle to move the District II funds to IAC. Commissioner Doug Zenner seconded the motion. Motion



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carried. One of the items needed to close the current bank account is the approved IAC District II minutes describing and approving the action.

Denis Duman, Chair – Discussed upcoming events and meetings, reminding everyone that we should be trying to meet quarterly per our by-laws. It was discussed to hold the next meeting in June, but the Treasurer's in the group reminded everyone that they have a deadline coming up regarding payment of second half property taxes due June 21st, 2021. The next meeting and tour of Dworshak Dam in Orofino will be moved to July.

No additional items were brought before the group from IAC and other Affiliate members.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Greg Johnson moved to approve the minutes and Commissioner Skip Brandt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of the Financial Report: Commissioner Rick Winkle moved to approve the Financial Report and Commissioner Doug Zenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Skip Brandt moved to approve the Financial Report. Doug Zenner moved to second the motion; motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Denis Duman.

Respectfully submitted by Shelley Ponozzo IAC District II Secretary/Treasurer