

TWENTIETH MEETING

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Fremont, State of Colorado, met in Special Session on September 30, 2004, at Fremont Middle School, 500 West 5th Street, Florence, Colorado at 7:00 P.M.

Larry Lasha	Commissioner	Present
James R. Schauer	Commissioner	Present
Keith McNew	Commissioner	Absent
Brenda Jackson	County Attorney	Absent
Norma Hatfield	Clerk and Recorder	Present

PUBLIC HEARING

Jennifer Miley opened the meeting stating that this was one of the two required Public Hearings on the John C. Fremont Library District. She introduced Jean Newell from the Rockvale area, Bobbie Anderson and Lela Adamic from the Florence area. Ms. Miley turned the meeting over the Fremont County Commissioner Chairman Larry Lasha.

Commissioner Lasha stated that State statutes require two Public Hearings to be held by the Fremont County Board of Commissioners on the formation of the John C. Fremont Library District. He asked for questions on this proposal.

James Bouknight, reporter, asked if the question on the ballot passes, how long will it be before the library moves in? Commissioner Lasha stated this issued is on passage of the question. It may be awhile until the District would start receiving money, and other matters such as the City of Florence selling the buildings they need to sell in order to make the necessary remodeling on the hospital building. It will be the library board and district who will make most of those decisions. Ms. Miley stated that they will be funded for one more year.

Commissioner Schauer stated that if the question passes, the Library District would start collecting property tax funds in 2006 for 2005. Jean Newell stated that they have a proposed budget. The board is composed of five members, and normally they have seven members.

Commissioner Lasha encouraged all to keep signs up and keep it before the people.

With the attendance at this meeting being small, Commissioner Schauer said "you can look at this public hearing two ways: there is not interest, or there is no opposition".

Commissioner Lasha stated the next meeting will be October 14, 2004 in Florence at the Florence Middle School, 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

County Clerk

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