

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on October 17, 2000. Present were Commissioners Kent Rudeen, Chairman, Ken Estep and Valerie Hoybjerg. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

INDIGENT: Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to move into executive session for the purpose of taking up indigent medical applications. Carried.

POWER COUNTY JAIL REMODEL/EXPANSION: Power County Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Jeffries and Architect Ken Douglas appeared before the Commissioners to discuss remodeling and/or expansion of the Power County Jail. Mr. Douglas presented a plan to expand the kitchen in to the evidence room, padded cell and trustee room just North of the existing kitchen. The Commissioners discussed with Deputy Jeffries a plan to expand the kitchen as well as maintaining evidence and padded cell areas. Mr. Douglas will refine the plans and resubmit them to the Commissioners. Commissioner Rudeen indicated a desire to discuss the plans with another architect.

SEARCH & RESCUE BUILDING: Commissioner Rudeen reported on the progress of the Power County Search & Rescue Building. The City of American Falls has not yet provided Power County with a Deed to the property. The Commissioners will discuss the Deed with the Mayor and City Council at their joint meeting scheduled for October 18, 2000.

CRYSTAL SUMMIT MINK CREEK PROPERTY (FITCH LEASE): The Commissioners reviewed the original Farm Lease between Power County and Larry and Todd Fitch which was prepared by Power County Attorney Paul Laggis. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to approve the Farm Lease between Power County and Larry and Todd Fitch as presented. Carried. Commissioner Estep will advise Larry and Todd Fitch that the Farm Lease has been approved and is ready for their signatures.

POWER COUNTY AMBULANCE: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to recess as Power County Board of Commissioners and reconvene as Power County Ambulance District Board.

The Commissioners attended the Critical Access Interviews at the Power County EMS Building. The interviews are being conducted to determine the impact of Harms Memorial Hospital's critical access designation upon the Power County EMS. The Ambulance District could receive additional grants depending on the impact.

The Commissioners and Ambulance District Director Mark Love reviewed the ambulance bid submitted by Rocky Mountain Ambulance

Sales & Services in the amount of \$98,000. Mr. Love indicated that some of the options in the bid were not necessary and could reduce the bid amount by \$2,205.00, to-wit:

Cleaning lights	\$ 400
Clock	100
Rear Speakers	65
Door Open Buzzer	30
Silent Intercom	110
Auto Locks Outside	1,500

Following discussion it was moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to accept Rocky Mountain Ambulance Sales & Services adjusted bid for a new ambulance in the amount of \$95,795. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to recess as Power County Ambulance District Board and reconvene as Power County Board of Commissioners. Carried.

CAPITAL CRIMES DEFENSE FUND (BOARD MEMBERS): The Idaho Capital Crimes Defense Program has received nominations for membership on the Capital Crimes Joint Powers Board of Directors. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to vote for Ken Estep to serve as Director from District 5. Carried. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to vote for Kent Rudeen to serve as Member at Large Director. Carried.

LANDFILL (STORM WATER CONTROL TRENCH): Commissioner Rudeen reported on the progress of the Storm Water Control Trench being constructed by Anderson Construction.

ADVANTAGE PLUS CREDIT UNION: Clerk Steinlicht reported that several County employees have requested that Power County become a member of the Advantage Plus Federal Credit Union which just opened a branch office here in American Falls. Membership would allow County employees the option to access accounts and benefits offered through the Advantage Plus Federal Credit Union. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen to make application for membership to Advantage Plus Federal Credit Union. Carried.

LANDFILL (TIRE DISPOSAL): Commissioner Rudeen reported that SCILD has disposed of used tires that they pick up by dumping them at the shooting range. There are approximately 1,000 discarded tires at the shooting range at the present time. Commissioner Rudeen indicated that those tires, as well as the tires at the landfill, need to be baled where they sit, the costs of which will be paid from the solid waste tire disposal grant. The Commissioners discussed allowing County residents to bring in four passenger vehicle tires to be disposed of for free, with truck tires to be disposed of at a reduced rate. The Commissioners will discuss this matter with Transfer Station Supervisor Craig Heward prior to

setting the dates for the free and reduced tire disposal.

ROAD SIGNS (TRUCKERVILLE ROAD/BIG SKY ROAD): The Commissioners reviewed a letter from the Shoshone Bannock Tribes Bureau of Indian Affairs regarding the proper, legal name of Truckerville Road in Eastern Power County, also known as Big Sky Road. Commissioner Estep reported that the Post Office and Power recognizes the Road as Big Sky Road and the Bannock Shoshone Tribes has maintained that the Road is named Truckersville Road. Commissioner Hoybjerg suggested that the County allow the Tribe to name the Road since it is in fact a road that is owned and maintained by the Tribe. Commissioner Rudeen will prepare a letter to the Tribe indicating that the Tribe does have jurisdiction on the said roadway, but asking them to consider a joint name.

TAX CANCELLATIONS: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to approve the Order for Cancellation of Taxes as presented by the Power County Treasurer Bobbie Mauch. Carried.

CLAIMS: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve the claims as submitted, with the exception of the claim to Anderson Construction for \$33,222.10 which will be held until the work is completed. Carried.

Current Expense (General)	\$72,955.85
Ambulance	7,673.27
District Court	3,782.19
Justice Fund	23,527.69
Indigent	1,036.45
Jr. College	2,850.00
Revaluation	907.39
Solid Waste	18,306.73
Weeds	270.07
Waterways	322.35
PILT	1,590.63

GRAND CASCADE APARTMENTS: Kay Stilwell, Manager of the Grand Cascade Apartments, appeared before the Commissioners to express her concerns in the event the apartments were sold. The current owners of the Grand Cascade Apartments, DBSI Corporation in Boise would like to sell out to a not-for-profit company, in which event Grand Cascade will lose their 30% subsidized base and families with income less than \$15,000 annually will be evicted. Mrs. Stillwell feels that many of the 160 residents at Grand Cascade Apartments will be adversely effected by the sale. Mrs. Stillwell is asking that the Commissioners write a letter to World Development, 745 West Bridge St., Suite C, Blackfoot, Id 83221, to protest the loan, and request that DBSI remain the owners of the Grand Cascade Apartments so that they can keep the 30% subsidized base. Commissioner Rudeen will contact World Development to inquire further.

CASCADE EARTH SCIENCE (LANDFILL SURFACE WATER CONTROL STRUCTURE): The Commissioners discussed the proposed Project Change Order with

Gary Ashby and Rich Gallucci of Cascade Earth Sciences. The Commissioners also questioned Cascade Earth Sciences' Surface Control Water System claim in the amount of \$1,127.75 for the period ending September 9, 2000. County Attorney Laggis suggested that the Commissioners be informed when additional charges will be incurred on a Project Work Order before the work is done. The Commissioners also requested that Cascade Earth Sciences provide a more detailed description on their billings. Mr. Gallucci offered a 25% discount on the pending Project Change Order.

AMERICAN RED CROSS: Jeff Chappell of the American Red Cross appeared before the Commissioners and explained the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Program. On November 9, 2000, Mr. Chappell will be conducting a Leadership/Orientation Training at his home. Mr. Chappell would like to have a referral from the Power County Commissioners for a volunteer to lead the Disaster Relief Program in Power County.

MEDICAL INSURANCE (PPO): The Commissioners will send out a memo with county employee paychecks informing the employees that Dr. Dean Williams will be reimbursed at PPO rate of 90%.

Adjourned.


KENT RUDEEN, Chairman


CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk