

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on December 18, 2000. Present were Commissioners Kent Rudeen, Chairman, and Ken Estep. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis. Commissioner Valerie Hoybjerg was available via telephone conference call.

JUVENILE JUSTICE: Department of Juvenile Corrections Sixth District Liaison Bill Lasley appeared before the Commissioners to present his annual report. Mr. Lasley reported that the number of juveniles from Power County in State's custody is down. Mr. Lasley indicated that the Department of Juvenile Corrections would be asking the Idaho Legislature for approximately \$50,000,000 to fund the Department of Juvenile Corrections for the upcoming fiscal year.

POWER COUNTY YOUTH CENTER: Power County Youth Center Board Member Bobbie Mauch appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the efforts of the Youth Center Board to purchase and/or remodel a building for the Power County Youth Center. Mrs. Mauch informed the Commissioners that the Youth Center Board has hired Rob Cobby to serve the Center as Youth Director.

FORTIS LIFE OPEN ENROLLMENT: Commissioner Estep reviewed the open enrollment material received from Fortis Life Insurance Company. Commissioner Estep contacted Mark Seamons to set up a time for him to meet with County employees to go over the options for coverage, which are available to employees during the open enrollment period.

FLOOD PLAIN WORK ORDER: Commissioner Estep has been in contact with Serg, Inc. and has requested that they provide the County with a copy of their permit from the State's Division of Environmental Quality to construct the bridges on the Rockland Highway.

COURTHOUSE WINDOWS: The Commissioners reviewed the quotes received for the replacement of several windows in the Courthouse. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to accept the quote submitted by Yellowstone Glass in the amount of \$9,455 to replace 24 windows in the Courthouse.

RAFT RIVER WEED IMPROVEMENT: Power County Weed Supervisor Curtis Munk appeared before the Commissioners to discuss Power County adopting a Weed Management Program in conjunction with Cassia County and Bureau of Land Management. The Commissioners and Mr. Munk reviewed a map of Power County to

discuss the boundaries of a Weed Management Program Zone in the Southwestern area of Power County. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to enjoin in a Weed Management area in conjunction with Cassia County from the West County line to the Eastern Border of Rockland Highway #37, which includes lands within Township 10 South, Township 11 South and Township 12 South, and also North to the borders of Township 9 South and Township 10 South, with the County line to be the Southern Border. Carried.

LANDFILL/TRANSFER STATION: Transfer Station Supervisor Craig Heward appeared before the Commissioners and presented his additional quotes for replacement of his 1994 Polaris four wheeler. Following a review of the quotes, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to accept the quote submitted by Ruff Crew Sports. Carried. The Commissioners then discussed selling wood chips for \$1.00 per yard plus pro-rated loading costs of \$60.00 per hour if assistance is required.

POWER COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING: Power County Planning & Zoning Board Chairman Jim Fitzgerald appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the application of Andersen Dairy to expand its dairy operation to Ramsey Road. Also present was Power County Building Administrator Dick Wiles. The Commissioners suggested that the Planning & Zoning Board allow for a public hearing since such expansion may create a public nuisance.

BEVERAGE LICENSES: Commissioner Rudeen announced that it was the time and date set for consideration of numerous beverage licenses. Commissioner Rudeen read the applications into the record. There being no public objection, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, that the following beverage licenses be approved.

1. Ryan Scherer d/b/a Bingham Co-op for the sale of bottled or canned beer not to be consumed on the premises.
2. Club Pros, Inc. d/b/a American Falls Golf Course for the sale of bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises.
3. Jackson's Food Stores, Inc. d/b/a Jackson's Food #70 for the sale of bottled or canned beer not to be consumed on the premises and retail wine.
4. Alcadio Sepulveda d/b/a Melina's Fine Mexican Food for the sale of bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises and wine by the drink.
5. Pizza Hut of Idaho, Inc. d/b/a Pizza Hut for the sale of bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises.
6. Retha Cain d/b/a Blue Ribbon Hangar Lounge for the sale of draught and bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises and retail liquor.

7. Roland Evans Post #3 d/b/a American Legion Lounge for the sale of draught and bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises and retail liquor.
8. Rachel Torres d/b/a Lish's Bar for the sale of draught and bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises and wine by the drink.
9. Gary Allen d/b/a Arbon Store for the sale of bottled or canned beer not to be consumed on the premises.
10. Lindy Barclay d/b/a Silver Horseshoe for the sale of draught and bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises and retail liquor.
11. Cherryll Lewis d/b/a Rockland Café for the sale of draught and bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises.

Motion carried.

SHERIFF OFFICE FURNACE: Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Jeffries appeared before the Commissioners and presented quotes for a new furnace at the Sheriff's office to replace the boiler. Commissioner Rudeen indicated that Jeffries would need to obtain two additional quotes. This matter is tabled until January 8, 2001.

CITY/COUNTY DISPATCH AGREEMENT: Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Jeffries appeared before the Commissioners and inquired as to when the next joint dispatch meeting between the City of American Falls and Power County will be held. Deputy Jeffries indicated that he would be willing to put the computer link up on hold at this time. Mr. Jeffries feels that the next meeting should include discussion on the fingerprint procedure problems. Jim Jeffries asked to be advised when the next meeting has been scheduled.

CLAIMS: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to approve the claims as presented. Carried.

Current Expense (General)	\$16,061.02
Ambulance	1,344.95
District Court	4,872.21
Justice Fund	8,244.97
Indigent	834.35
Revaluation	29.86
Solid Waste	2,019.85
Weeds	366.46
Waterways	479.03
PILT	24,186.46

SEARCH & RESCUE BUILDING: Commissioner Rudeen indicated that he has reviewed the bills for completion of the Search & Rescue Building with Search & Rescue member Pete Williams. The County will pick up the balance of \$15,000 owing to M&H Construction from PILT construction funds. Mr. Williams will remit the \$5,000 grant received from Bannock County Search & Rescue to Power County.

AMERICAN FALLS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT EXTRICATION AGREEMENT: Am. Falls Rural Fire District Board Members Lynn Scherer and Ray Burgemeister appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the extrication agreement. Also present was Emergency Medical Services Director Mark Love. Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to approve the County-wide Agreement for extrication services between Power County and the American Falls Rural Fire District as negotiated. Carried. The Fire District Commissioners and the Board of Power County Commissioners agreed to meet prior to setting the FY 2002 budget to discuss renewal of the extrication agreement. Mark Love and Lynn Scherer agreed to get together to discuss ownership of the extrication equipment.

SAFETY AWARD: Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht advised the Commissioners that a dividend check from the State Insurance Fund is being processed and should be received within the next few weeks. Following discussion it was moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to grant the Power County employees a safety award equal to the amounts given last year (\$75 for elected officials and full-time employees and \$35 for part-time employees). Carried.

HARDSHIP EXEMPTION APPLICATION: Sharon Morse appeared before the Commissioners with her application for a Hardship Exemption on the 1999 property taxes. Following discussion, this matter was tabled until December 28, 2000.

IDAHO ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES 5TH DISTRICT MEETING: Clerk Steinlicht reported that the 5th District Meeting of the Idaho Association of Counties has been scheduled for January 16, 2001, at 1:30 at the Bannock County Courthouse. Agenda includes election of new chair to represent 5th District and a discussion of legislative issues.

DECEMBER AGENDA: The Commissioners agreed to meet on Thursday, December 28, 2000, at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

FITCH LEASE: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to approve the revised Lease between Power County and Larry and Todd Fitch. Carried. Commissioner Estep will deliver the signed duplicate originals to Larry and Todd Fitch for their review and approval.

IDAHO ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES UNEMPLOYMENT FUND AGREEMENT

RENEWALS: Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to renew the Unemployment Agreement between Power County and the Idaho Association of Counties as presented. Carried.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD: following a review of the By-Laws, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to appoint the following individuals to the Power County Industrial Development Board:

M. Dan Hammond (Three Year Term – January, 2004)

Otto Tiede (Three Year Term – January, 2004)

Bob Cox (Two Year Term – January, 2003)

John Hoybjerg (Two Year Term – January, 2003)

Kent Rudeen (One Year Term – January, 2002)

Motion Carried. The Industrial Development Board then appeared before the Commissioners and advised that Otto Tiede had been elected to serve the Board as President, M. Daniel Hammond, Vice President and John Hoybjerg, Secretary.

COMPUTER UPGRADE: Clerk Steinlicht advised the Commissioners that the disk drive in the County Server needed to be upgraded, as well as the security firewall. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to accept the quote from Computer Arts to upgrade the County's disk drive on the server and to upgrade the security firewall. Carried.

Adjourned.


KENT RUDEEN, Chairman


CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk