

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on March 26, 2001. Present were Commissioners Ken Estep, Chairman, Valerie Hoybjerg and Janet S. Chapman. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht, and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Diane Hill and Craig Madsen of the Southeastern District Health Department appeared before the Commissioners to present their quarterly report for the period ending December 31, 2000.

ENHANCED 911: Power County Dispatch Office Supervisor Di Armstrong appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the enhanced 911 system. Ms. Armstrong indicated that she would present the proposed specifications to the Commissioners on Monday, April 2nd, 2001, after which a call for bids will be published. Ms. Armstrong indicated that the address database information has been completely updated and is ready to be put online.

POWER COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING: Power County Planning & Zoning Board Chairman Jim Fitzgerald appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the Planning & Zoning Board's efforts to update the County's Planning & Zoning manual to implement CAFO ordinances with zoning restrictions. Mr. Fitzgerald reported that the P&Z Board is scheduled to meet next Tuesday to discuss and prepare a draft ordinance, which they will then present to the Power County Commissioners on April 9th, 2001.

DRUG COURT: Power County Magistrate Judge Mark Beebe and Power County Probation Supervisor Russ Wheatley appeared before the Commissioner to discuss the Drug Court program in Power County. Mr. Wheatley presented the Power County Probation Department current statistics for both juvenile and adult probations. Judge Beebe indicated that he would like the County to hire a part-time probation officer to assist with drug Court and home searches. Judge Beebe would like the position to eventually become full time, possibly next budget year. This matter was tabled until April 2nd, 2001.

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

Mark Love appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the selling of a surplus ambulance gurney. Mr. Love indicated that the older gurney is of no use to Power County and that Idaho Hyperbarics is interested in purchasing the gurney for \$300. Following a review of the Idaho statutes dealing with surplus County property (I.C. #31-

808) with County Attorney Paul Laggis, it was moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Chapman, to designate the older gurney as surplus property pursuant to I.C. #31-808, to be sold to Idaho Hyperbarics. Carried.

Mark Love indicated that Pocatello Paramedics Association has expressed an interest in purchasing Ambulance #2 for approximately \$4,000; however, Mr. Love is still interested in pursuing ambulance service in Arbon Valley. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that the Ambulance District may want to sell Ambulance #2 if no interest for ambulance volunteers has been expressed by the Arbon Valley residents. This matter was tabled until April 9th, 2001.

Mark Love then indicated that the City of American Falls would like to use the Ambulance District's radio frequency while they are performing law enforcement services to the City of Rockland. Following discussion with County Attorney Laggis, the Commissioners agreed that a potential liability might exist if the City of American Falls Officers were interfering with emergency ambulance communications by using the Ambulance District's radio frequency. The Commissioners suggested that Chief Police Hubbs should contact Power County Sheriff Howard Sprague to discuss the possibility of the City using the County's law enforcement radio frequency while patrolling in Rockland.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Commissioner Chapman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to move into executive session pursuant to I.C. #67-2345, for the purpose of taking up personnel issues. Carried.

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL: Bob Brummond of Harms Memorial Hospital appeared before the Commissioners and presented the Hospital's Balance Sheet Statement for the period ending February, 2001. Mr. Brummond advised the Commissioners that the Hospital would no longer be renting clinic space after April 30, 2001. Clerk Steinlicht advised Mr. Brummond that Harms Memorial Hospital currently owes Power County \$3,000 in clinic rent. Mr. Brummond indicated that the hospital would be taking care of the back rent owed prior to April 30th, 2001.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION: The Power County Commissioners met as the Power County Board of Equalization at 1:45 o'clock p.m. There being no business to come before the Board, the Power County Board of Equalization adjourned.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Chapman, to move into executive session pursuant to I.C. #67-2345 for the purpose of taking up personnel issues.

LAW ENFORCMENT MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT: Following a review of the Joint Exercise of Power Agreement received from the Tri-County Sheriff's Association, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to approve and sign the Mutual Aid Agreement between the Tri-county Sheriff's Association and Bannock County, Bear Lake County, Bingham County, Blaine County, Bonneville County, Butte County, Caribou County, Clark County, Custer County, Franklin County, Fremont County, Jefferson County, Lemhi County, Madison County, Oneida County, Power County and Teton County for mutual aid police protection as submitted. Carried.

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

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| Current Expense (General) | \$ 14,689.05 |
| District Court | 862.37 |
| Justice Fund | 340.67 |
| Indigent | 150.00 |
| Revaluation | 122.00 |
| Solid Waste | 11,534.47 |
| Weeds | 487.98 |
| Waterways | 126.74 |
| PILT | 142.73 |

EXTENSION OFFICE (COPIER BIDS): Power County Extension Office Supervisor Stan Gortsema appeared before the Commissioners and presented bids for the purchase of a new copy machine for the Power County Extension Office. Following discussion, the Commissioners asked Mr. Gortsema to obtain bids for copiers without the saddle stitch finisher option and report back on April 9th, 2001.

COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTER BOARD: Community Youth Center Board Members Bob Schreiber, Jerrie Boyce, Lee Baker, Connie Shepherd, Jane Mehlhaff, and Bobbie Mauch appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the proposed acquisition of the American Legion Building for use as a Historical Museum and Youth Center.

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

CASE #2001-07-I: Moved by Commissioner Chapman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve indigent medical application #2001-07-I. Carried.

AIRPORT BOARD: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Chapman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to reappoint Will Rowe and Pete Ramsey to three-year terms (Jan. 2004) on the Power County Airport Board. Carried.

FAIRBOARD PURCHASE REQUEST: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to allow the Power County Fairboard to purchase horse panels for the horse barn and the new sales barn areas in an amount not to exceed \$1,200 to be paid from Fairboard PILT funds. Carried.

VACATION/COMP CARRY-OVER: Following discussion, it was agreed by the Commissioners to allow the vacation/comp carry-overs from December, 2000. The Commissioners will advise each office that carry-overs outside the scope of the Power County Personnel Manual will no longer be allowed.


COURT TRANSCRIBERS: Clerk Steinlicht presented several bids for the replacement of the Court Transcribers. Following a review of the bids, the Commissioners approved purchase of three new Court Transcribers, to be paid from District Court capital.

BEVERAGE LICENSE: Commissioner Estep announced that it was the time and date set for consideration of a beverage license. Commissioner Estep read the application into the record. There being no public objection, it was moved by Commissioner Chapman, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to approve alcohol beverage license of LaRae Correll d/b/a Willow Bay Café, for the sale of bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises. Carried.

COMMISSIONER AGENDA: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Chapman, to meet in regular open session on April 2nd, 9th and 23rd and May 7th, 14th, and 29th. Carried.

TRASH RECEPTICAL: The Commissioners discussed the need to provide cigarette and trash receptacles at the front and back doors of the Courthouse to deter littering. Clerk Steinlicht will order the receptacles agreed upon.

Adjourned.


KEN ESTEP, Chairman


CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk