

## POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2004. Present were Commissioners Ken Estep, Chairman, Vicki L. Meadows and Ray Zimmerman. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

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

SURPLUS AMBULANCE: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to transfer title of the 1976 Dodge Ambulance, VIN #F34BF6V076582, to the City of American Falls Water & Sewer Department for use as a service truck. Carried. Commissioner Estep signed the original title and will hand deliver the same to the City of American Falls.

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

INTERNET ACCESS: The Commissioners reviewed the proposals submitted by Cable One and DCDI to provide internet access to Power County. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to accept the proposal submitted by internet provider Cable One. Carried.

POWER COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS MEETING: Present for the Power County Elected Officials meeting were:

Ken Estep, Commissioner Chairman  
Vicki L. Meadows, Commissioners  
Ray Zimmerman, Commissioner  
Chris Steinlicht, Clerk  
Doug Glascock, Assessor  
Bobbie Mauch, Treasurer  
Paul Laggis, Prosecuting Attorney

Also present were Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Jeffries, Probation Office Supervisor Russ Wheatley and Extension Office Supervisor Stan Gortsema.

EMPLOYEE MEDICAL INSURANCE BENEFIT PLAN – RENEWAL OPTIONS:  
The Power County Elected Officials and Department Heads discussed the Power County

Employee Medical Insurance Benefit Plan renewal options. The Commissioners subsequently agreed to contact Mark Semons d/b/a Semons Financial and Teton County Commissioner Ron Ramirez and request that they appear before the Commissioners on a date and time certain to review and debate the benefits of a fully insured plan through Regence Blue Shield versus the Gem Plan. This matter was tabled until September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

FISCAL YEAR 2005 SALARY WORKSHEET: The Power County Elected Officials reviewed and signed fiscal year 2005 Salary Worksheet, which will become effective on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004.

POWER COUNTY COURTHOUSE – EXPANSION/ADA UPGRADE: Keeven Shropshire of JHS Architects appeared before the Commissioners to discuss expansion and remodel of the Power County Courthouse to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements and well as to provide much needed additional work and storage space. Each elected official and department head presented the needs and desires for expansion unique to their respective offices. Mr. Shropshire will collect written program data by department and performance goals from employees and put together an initial plan for expansion and renovation of the Power County Courthouse. This matter was tabled until September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004, at 10:00 a.m.

POWER COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY – FULL-TIME AGREEMENT: The Commissioners reviewed the Agreement between the Power County Board of Commissioners and Paul S. Laggis Re: Full Time Prosecuting Attorney prepared by Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis. The Commissioners agreed that independent counsel Robert C. Naftz had previously reviewed the Agreement and found no conflicts of interest. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve and execute the Power County Full Time Prosecuting Attorney Agreement for Fiscal Year 2005 as presented. Carried.

MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve the Power County Commissioner Minutes for August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2004, as presented. Carried.

SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBES – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: The Commissioners reviewed the proposed contract with Vita Nuova for redevelopment of the FMC site in Eastern Power County. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that they would need additional time to determine whether the Gem Grant has been awarded to Power County for this project; and, further, get confirmation from the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes that the Business Council is willing and ready to participate with Vita Nuova prior to proceeding further. The Commissioners then discussed the meeting they have scheduled with the Business Council of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes on Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2004, at 8:00 a.m. at the Fort Hall Business Center to discuss the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and Power County Development Corporation. Following further discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to give Commissioners Estep and Meadows authorization to

execute any and all documentation necessary to organize the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes/Power County Development Corporation. Carried.

CLAIMS: Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve the claims as presented. Carried.

General	\$ 13,872.08
Ambulance	1,970.08
District Court	3,916.68
Justice Fund	23,911.72
Indigent	953.63
Revaluation	2,357.56
Solid Waste	18,994.12
Weeds	6,100.73
Waterways	4,857.09
PILT	1,181.44

HARDSHIP EXEMPTION APPLICATION (I.C. #63-711) – RUBY V. OWENS JOHNSON: Ruby V. Owens Johnson appeared before the Commissioners to present and discuss her Hardship Exemption Application under Idaho Code #63-711. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve the Hardship Exemption Application of Ruby V. Owens Johnson, and that the real property taxes presently due and owing in the amount of \$1,006.73 on Parcel #RPA00501-00A, are forgiven pursuant to Idaho Code #63-711. Carried.

APPLICATION FOR TAX CANCELLATION – TROY BRAZELTON: Troy Brazelton appeared before the Commissioners to request further consideration on the Commissioners decision of August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2004, regarding his property tax cancellation request on Parcels #RPA1365-08 and #RPA1365-04. The Commissioners agreed that the relief granted on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2004, was fair and equitable and no additional or further cancellation would be granted on this request.

POWER COUNTY LANDFILL – SALVAGE POLICY: Power County Transfer Station and Landfill Supervisor Craig Heward appeared before the Commissioners to discuss Mr. Melvin's Knopp's previous request to salvage discarded lawn care equipment from the landfill. Following discussion, the Commissioners and Mr. Heward agreed that salvaging materials from the transfer station or landfill creates an inefficient and more costly handling of the solid waste stream, and will ultimately create unnecessary liability to the Power County Transfer Station and Landfill. The Commissioners further agreed that the landfill/transfer station will continue with their current "no salvage" policy.

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL: The Commissioners reviewed Harms Memorial Hospital Board's Resolution #0001-04 wherein the Board agreed to draft a letter to the Power County Commissioners stating a resolution and agreeing with the Commissioners' proposal of transferring ownership in the hospital building and adjacent land from Power

County to Harms Memorial Hospital District, with the stipulation that the Hospital Board of Trustees receive a favorable report from it's attorney that the current grandfathering rights of the Hospital regarding the building will not be lost due to a transfer of title. The Commissioners agreed to schedule this matter for Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004, at 11:00 a.m. and request that the Hospital Administrator and Board of Trustees, as well as Power County Press Editor Brett Crompton, appear at that time and discuss the need to allow public input prior to any title transfer. This matter was tabled until September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

DROUGHT DISASTER DECLARATION: Norm Wright from the Power County ASCS office appeared before the Commissioners to advise them that crop production and crop yield losses in Power County have not been sufficient enough to request federal drought disaster relief and presented the Commissioners with precipitation and water table information.

ARBON STORE SITE – DEMOLITION: The Commissioners reviewed the findings of the Power County Assessor's Office that the mobile home previously titled to Gary Allen and located in Arbon Valley and formerly referred to as the Arbon Store Site is in total disrepair and beyond salvage value. The Assessor's Office further indicated that the mobile home in question is currently not being assessed for tax purposes due to the conditions and hazards associated therewith. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to designate the 1957 Mayflower Trailer house owned by Power County and located at the Arbon Store Site as surplus property with a value of less than \$200. Carried. Following further discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to allow Arbon Valley resident Steve Lusk to properly dispose of the trailer in a legally responsible manner. Carried.


DOCTORS CLINIC – CHILD INTERVIEW ROOM: Following discussion, The Commissioners agreed that Prosecutor Laggis and Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Jeffries should meet directly with Architect Ken Douglass in working up plans to put a child interview room in the Doctors Clinic. This matter was tabled until September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

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

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY LEVIES – POWER COUNTY: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve the Certificate of County Levies as prepared and submitted by Power County Clerk Steinlicht. Carried. (ATTACHED) .

POWER COUNTY PROBATION/BUILDING DEPARTMENT – SECRETARY APPLICATIONS: The Commissioners reviewed the applications submitted for Power County Probation/Building Department secretary and scheduled employment interviews for September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

Adjourned.

  
KENESTEP, Chairman

  
CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk

Certificate of County Levies  
Power County  
(Amended 9/30/04)

Country Levies	Current Expense	Tort	Bond	Charity & Indigent	Fair Grounds & Bids	Junior College Tuition	Justice Fund
	.001362655	.000152419		.000099229	.000033699	.000031792	.001999998
	Noxious Weeds	Rehabitation	Solid Waste				Total
	.000110831	.000161089	.000306688				.004258400

Cities	General Fund	Tort	Bond	Airport	Cemetery	Library	Police Retirement
American Falls	.005080871	.000571022					
Pocatello	.007307872		.000067123	.000283218	.000066792	.000772568	.000491609
Rockland	.002550591	.001693297					Total
Cities (continued)	Fireman's Retirement	Recreation	Streets & Oiling				Total
American Falls		.000571022	.002363781				.008586696
Pocatello	.000364750	.000209680	.000714419				.010278031
Rockland							.004243888
							Total
Schools	Maintenance & Operation	Tort	Bond	Emergency	Plant Facilities	Supplemental	Total
American Falls #381	.002893233	.000053882	.002243931		.000600015	.001760929	.007551990
Arbon #383	.002672087	.000020362				.001445836	.004138285
Rockland #382	.001874244	.000406921	.002272247			.007148862	.011702274
							Total
Ambulance	Maintenance & Operation	Tort					Total
Lower County	.000226529	.000037069					.000263598
							Total
Cemetery	Maintenance & Operation	Tort					Total
Fallsview	.000225006						.000225006
Rockland	.000399578	.000064385					.000463963

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	Maintenance & Operation	Tort	Bond	Override	Total
American Falls	.000184091				.000184091
Eastern Power County	.000000000				.000000000
Rockland	.001443452	.000330064			.001773516
Highway	Maintenance & Operation	Tort	Special Bridge		Total
Power County #1	.001830774	.000163441	.000839951		.002834166
Hospital	Maintenance & Operation	Tort			Total
Harris Memorial	.000396941	.000530761			.000927702
Library	Maintenance & Operation	Tort			Total
American Falls	.000416814	.000007269			.000424083
Rockland	.000598247	.000115473			.000713720
Arbon Cemetery	.000000000				.000000000

I hereby certify that the attached I the true and correct status of tax levies based on each \$1.00 of market valuation and approved on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September 2004 by the Board of County Commissioners of Power County, Idaho

*Christine Stenwick*  
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners