

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, May 9th, 2005. Present were Commissioners Ken Estep, Chairman, Vicki Meadows and Ray Zimmerman. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

JUNIOR COLLEGE – CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY: Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve the Certificates of Residency submitted by the College of Southern Idaho as presented. Carried.

POWER COUNTY HIGHWAY DISTRICT – ARBON VALLEY PROPERTY/GARBAGE DUMPSTER SITE: The Commissioners contacted Power County Highway District Clerk Jill Moldenhauer by telephone to discuss the Highway District Commissioners meeting scheduled for this evening at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Moldenhauer indicated that the Power County Commissioners had not been placed on the Highway District meeting agenda and would not be able to meet with the Board. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to make a written proposal to Power County Highway District regarding the County's Arbon Valley property, formerly known as the Arbon Store site and the Arbon Valley garbage dumpster rather than attending a regular Highway District meeting. This matter was tabled until May 23rd, 2005.

POWER COUNTY PROBATION/COURT SERVICES: Power County Probation/Court Services Office Supervisor Russ Wheatley appeared before the Commissioners to request that, in an effort to avoid the accrual of compensatory time, he and the other Power County Probation Officers be allowed to work four ten hour days rather than five eight hour days. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to allow the Power County Probation Officers to work four ten hour days rather than five eight hour days on a trial basis beginning June 1st, 2005, upon the condition that they each continue to take a daily lunch hour at an appropriate time, and that they keep detailed time sheets of hours worked. Carried. The Commissioners then advised Mr. Wheatley that holidays are observed as an eight hour day for Probation Officers, rather than a ten hour holiday. Mr. Wheatley and the Commissioners then discussed the Bailiff Training and Certification courses being offered in Las Vegas Nevada during November, 2005. Commissioner Meadows reported that the State's Shared Employees Committee, on which she serves, is working on training standards and/or post certification for Bailiffs, but that is not progressing quickly enough to address Power County's immediate need for Bailiff training and certification. The Commissioners agreed that any probation officer or bailiff training and educational courses should be staggered or rotated between all of the probation officers so that the Power County Probation Office remains staffed and functional.

YOUTH SKATE PARK: The Commissioners discussed Jane Tucker's request for financial assistance to construct a skate board park within American Falls. The Commissioners agreed that any county funding would be contingent upon a suitable location being determined and with a commitment that the skate park would be constructed by the most economical means possible. The Commissioners further agreed to discontinue further discussion of this matter until more information has been provide by Ms. Tucker.

POWER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – FMC SITE: The Commissioners discussed the need to hold conference status telephone calls with the Power County Development Authority and FMC Corporation officials to get updates on the redevelopment of the FMC site; however, Prosecuting Attorney Laggis suggested that the Commissioners participate in the conference calls only for the purpose of gathering information and protecting Power County's interests and not to assist the Power County Development Authority in making determinations or decisions regarding redevelopment of the FMC site. The Commissioners and Prosecuting Attorney Laggis agreed that media inquiries should be addressed to the Power County Development Authority. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to schedule status report conference calls beginning at 8:00 a.m. on one or two Monday mornings of each month. Commissioner Estep will contact FMC authorities and the Power County Development Authority to arrange the conference calls.

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT – RELEASE OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES: Clerk Steinlicht reported that she had been contacted by First American Title Company regarding the Harms Memorial Hospital District's Tax Anticipation Notes recorded as Power County Recorder Instrument #172910, #173234, #174260 and #176134. First American Title Company has requested that since the Notes have been paid in full, Power County record an appropriate "satisfaction" to release Harms Memorial Hospital District from any further liability. Prosecuting Attorney Laggis presented the Commissioners with a proposed satisfaction notification for the Commissioners review. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to execute the satisfaction notification on Power County Recorder Instrument #172910, #173234, #174260 and #176134 in favor of Harms Memorial Hospital District. Carried. The original satisfaction was delivered to Power County Clerk Steinlicht for recording.

POWER COUNTY COURTHOUSE EXPANSION/REMODEL: Commissioner Meadows reported that she has been in contact with Joe Reams of Brennan Construction Co., Inc. Mr. Reams anticipates that construction will commence sometime in mid-July, 2005. The Commissioners agreed that they would need to contact Power County Maintenance Supervisor Gary Thomsen to discuss which trees would need to be removed prior to the Courthouse Expansion project.

COMMISSIONER AGENDA: Following a review of the calendar, the Commissioners agreed to hold regular meetings in June on the 6th beginning at 2:00 p.m., 13th and 27th, 2005. The Commissioners agreed to hold regular meetings in July on the 11th and 25th,

2005. The Commissioners agreed to hold regular meeting in August on the 1st, 15th and 22nd, 2005. The Commissioners agreed to hold regular meeting in September on the 12th and 26th, 2005.

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

CLERKS FISCAL YEAR 2004 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve the Clerk's Fiscal Year 2005 Annual Financial Report as presented. Carried.

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

General	\$ 14,932.84
Ambulance	984.69
District Court	4,235.85
Justice Fund	26,333.61
Indigent	7,959.00
Revaluation	5,334.75
Solid Waste	16,192.70
Tort	2,144.27
Weeds	1,375.26
Waterways	392.88
PILT	24,823.72

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – WIND ENERGY PRESENTATION: Terry Hobelheinrich of the Idaho Department of Water Resources Energy Division and Garth Taylor of the University of Idaho appeared before the Commissioners to give a presentation on wind generation and alternative energy opportunities and their economic impact within the State of Idaho, and particularly within Power County.

AIRPORT – NII & ME, LLC, LEASE: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve the Commercial Airport Hanger Lease between Power County Airport and Brian J. Haynes d/b/a Nii & Me, LLC, as presented. Carried. The original will be referred to Mr. Haynes for his review and consideration.

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

INDIGENT CASE #2004-21-I: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve the supplemental prescription drug claim in the amount of \$125 on Indigent Medical Application #2004-21-I. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2005-06-I: (2:56:07) Power County Commissioner Ken Estep announced it was the date and time set for an appeal hearing on Power County Indigent Case #2005-06-I. Upon hearing of the testimony and evidence presented at said hearing, it was moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to continue the appeal hearing until June 13th, 2005, at 2:30 p.m. pursuant to I.C. #31-3505(e). Carried.

Adjourned.



KEN ESTEP, Chairman



CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk