

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, March 13th, 2006. 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.

THREE RIVERS RESOURCE, CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT (RC&D) – IFT GRANT: Commissioner Estep reported that Paula Jones of Three Rivers RC&D will, on behalf of Power County, prepare and submit the IFT Foundation Grant Application in the amount of \$35,075, including in-kind, on or before the deadline of March 15th, 2006, which is a grant to re-plant 90 trees from a field windbreak in Eastern Power County to five different locations within Power County. City of American Falls Mayor Amy Wynn appeared before the Commissioners to report that Idaho Power Company has delivered a truckload of wood chips to the City of American Falls, to be used in the re-planting project, which it is anticipated will be completed during the Fall of 2006.

POWER COUNTY SHERIFF – SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER BYRNE GRANT: Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries and Chief Deputy Sheriff Jackie Morris appeared before the Commissioners with School District #381 Grant Administrator Roger Johnson to discuss the School Resource Officer program. At the outset, Sheriff Jeffries reported that the FY 2007 School Resource Officer Byrne Grant will be reduced to \$15,682, with a required match of \$20,973. Mr. Johnson reported that School District #381 is just beginning the FY 2007 budget process and, due to a decrease of Federal and State funding, the School District is reassessing budget priorities and may continue to be unable to participate in school resource officer funding; however, Mr. Johnson feels that the school resource officer program is a vital asset and contributes greatly to the success of each school day as well as extra curricular programs. Sheriff Jeffries indicated that limited funding may require a restructuring of the school resource officer position to part-time beginning October 1st, 2006; however, Sheriff Jeffries and Mr. Johnson agreed that they would continue to investigate replacement funding options.

POWER COUNTY SHERIFF – JAIL INSPECTION REPORT: Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the most recent jail inspection conducted by the Board of Power County Commissioners on March 3rd, 2006. At the outset, Commissioner Estep reported that Sheriff Jeffries has upgraded and expanded the security camera system, which now also includes audio surveillance of the Power County Jail. Sheriff Jeffries reported that he has arranged for the SCILD crew to repaint the walls and floor areas of the Power County Jail as soon as the weather warms enough to allow open door ventilation of the area.

POWER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (I.C. #63-501): The Board of Power County Commissioners then met as the Power County Board of Equalization pursuant to I.C. #63-501. Following discussion and a review of the evidence submitted on February 27th, 2006, it was moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to sustain the value of the Power County Assessor on Parcel #OC-A0237-00, which will be included on Power County Parcel #RPA0237-00. Carried. There being no further business to come before the Power County Board of Equalization, the Board recessed until March 27th, 2006, at 1:30 p.m.

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

ORDER FOR CANCELLATION OF TAXES: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve the Order for Cancellation of Taxes submitted by the Power County Treasurer. Carried.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – EASTERN POWER COUNTY: Hooper Knowlton of Knowlton Group appeared before the Commissioners to discuss redevelopment of the FMC site and potential development opportunities within Eastern Power County in general. Also present were Russ Anderson of Knowlton Group and Guy Arnell of Pocatello Distribution Partners, LLC. Following discussion, the Commissioners tentatively agreed to meet with Mr. Knowlton and the Pocatello Mayor and City Council on Thursday, March 23rd, 2006, at 10:30 a.m. at the Pocatello Municipal Airport if that could be arranged. This matter was tabled until March 27th, 2006.

2006 PRIMARY ELECTION – BALLOTS (I.C. #34-902): Pursuant to I.C. #34-902, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to authorize Power County Clerk Chris Steinlicht to purchase 4,100 ballots for the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, May 23rd, 2006. Carried.

2006 PRIMARY/GENERAL ELECTION – DESIGNATION OF PRECINCT POLLING PLACES (I.C. #34-302): Following discussion and a review of I.C. #34-302, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to designate the following precinct polling places for the 2006 Primary/General Election:

- Power County Precinct #1 – Emergency Medical Services Building
- Power County Precinct #2 – Hillcrest Elementary School
- Power County Precinct #3 – William Thomas Middle School
- Power County Precinct #4 – Rockland City Hall
- Power County Precinct #5 – Arbon Elementary School
- Power County Precinct #6 – Pocatello Municipal Airport
- Power County Precinct #7 (Absentee) – Power County Courthouse

Carried.

MS ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES – RELEASE OF CLAIM RECORDS (POWER COUNTY EMPLOYEE MEDICAL INSURANCE BENEFIT PLAN): Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve and execute the Release of Claim Records Disclosure submitted by MS Administrative Services. Carried.

AIRPORT HANGER LEASE PAYMENTS: Following discussion, the Commissioners instructed Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis to make written request for past due airport hanger lease payments, which were due January 1st, 2006.

ASTARIS/FMC CORPORATION – PLANT CLOSURE: Following discussion it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to accept the scientific information prepared and presented by Rob Hartman of FMC Corporation dealing with the closure, dismantling and clean up of the Astaris/FMC plant site in Eastern Power County. Carried.

POWER COUNTY COURTHOUSE EXPANSION/REMODEL PROJECT: The Commissioners reviewed the Expenditure Activity Detail report for amounts spent on the Courthouse expansion and remodel project during fiscal year 2005 and fiscal year 2006 to date. The Commissioners then contacted Joe Reams of Brennan Construction Company by telephone, who confirmed that all pre-construction fees and assessments paid during fiscal year 2005 were, in fact, included in the bid award. This matter was tabled until March 27th, 2006.

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

INDIGENT MEDICAL APPLICATION #2006-06-I: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to deny indigent medical application #2006-06-I, since the procedures applied for are not medically necessary at this time. Carried.

INDIGENT SERVICES (NON-MEDICAL): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to increase the annual non-medical maximum assistance benefit from \$150 to \$225, effective immediately. Carried.

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

STATISTICAL INFORMATION: Power County Ambulance District Director Di Armstrong appeared before the Commissioners to present the Ambulance District's statistical information for January, 2006.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS (OFFICE SPACE): Power County Ambulance District Director Di Armstrong appeared before the Commissioners to report that the Power County EMTs are in need of additional office space in order to expand and qualify as a State of Idaho "Patient Care Reporting Test Site". The Commissioners agreed to discuss this matter with Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries to determine whether the Power County Search & Rescue may be willing to share the office space they currently utilize at the Emergency Services Building. This matter was tabled until March 27th, 2006.

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

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

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| General | \$ 12,221.38 |
| Ambulance | 2,198.28 |
| District Court | 2,350.43 |
| Justice Fund | 18,246.00 |
| Indigent | 252.56 |
| Revaluation | 37.78 |
| Solid Waste | 12,355.41 |
| Weeds | 411.16 |
| Waterways | 16,197.03 |
| PILT | 222,737.15 |

PLANNING & ZONING – AREA OF CITY IMPACT (AMERICAN FALLS): Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis reported that he and City Attorney Randy Kline are reviewing options for issuing building permits within the area of City impact. This matter was tabled until March 27th, 2006.

COUNTY BOARD APPOINTMENTS: The Commissioners reviewed the appointments that need to be made to various County Boards for 2006, and agreed to table further discussion of this matter until March 27th, 2006.

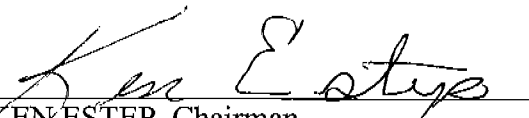
COMMISSIONER MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve the Power County Commissioners Minutes for February 13th and 27th, 2006, as presented. Carried.

PROTECTIVE CUSTODY AGREEMENT – BEACON HOSPITAL: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and execute the Protective Custody Agreement submitted by Beacon Hospital, and the Addendum attached thereto prepared by Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis. Carried.

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 discussing potential litigation and personnel issues. Carried.

Carried.

Adjourned.


KEN ESTEP, Chairman


CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk