

## POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Present were Commissioners Ken Estep, Chairman, Vicki Meadows and Ron Funk. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

COMMISSIONER MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve the Commissioner Minutes for March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007, as presented. Carried.

POWER COUNTY SHERIFF – SEARCH & RESCUE (DIVE TEAM): Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries appeared before the Commissioners to request that the Power County Dive Team be returned as a function of the Power County Search & Rescue, which serves under the direction and supervision of the Power County Sheriff. Also present was Jerry Hubbs who reported that the current dive team members are also members of the Power County Search & Rescue and agreed that all dives should be performed as a function of Search & Rescue. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to incorporate the Power County Dive Team as a function of the Power County Search & Rescue to serve under the direction and supervision of the Power County Sheriff. Carried.

POWER COUNTY SHERIFF – JAIL MASTER PLAN: Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the long term Jail Master Plan being prepared by Rocky Mountain Corrections to investigate the possible options available for the expansion of the Power County Jail. Following discussion it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and execute the Assessment Agreement between Power County and Lombard-Conrad Architects, P.A., to provide space needs analysis and planning assistance for the Power County Jail Master Plan, the costs of which shall be paid from the Justice Fund Building account. 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 personnel issues. Carried.

FISCAL YEAR 2006 – INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (DEATON & COMPANY): Power County Clerk Chris Steinlicht reported that Charles Clark and Brandi Young of Deaton & Company are scheduled to meet with the Commissioners on Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. to present the Independent Auditor's Report for Power County's fiscal year ending September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

CLERK'S ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (I.C. #31-2307) – FISCAL YEAR 2006:

Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve and accept the Clerk's Annual Financial Report for Power County's fiscal year ending September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2006, as presented by Power County Clerk Chris Steinlicht pursuant to I.C. #31-2307. Carried.

MOSQUITO ABATEMENT: The Commissioners reviewed Idaho House Bill #178(a) that was passed as law following the 2007 Idaho Legislative Session, which amends and adds to existing law to revise provisions and procedures relating to the formation and operation of abatement districts by Counties. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to host a public meeting on Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. in the Courtroom of the Power County Courthouse to disseminate information and allow public input on the possibility of forming an abatement district within Power County, and this matter was tabled until that time.

POWER COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS/INTERNET POLICY: The Commissioners reviewed the Power County Information Systems Policy which was adopted on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1999. Following discussion, the Commissioners instructed Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis to prepare an updated internet and information systems use policy, and this matter was tabled until April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007.

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

General	\$ 17,478.05
Ambulance	7,244.67
District Court	6,088.80
Justice	18,675.62
Indigent	11,257.07
Revaluation	99.06
Solid Waste	19,068.96
Weeds	599.58
Waterways	357.48
PILT	1,633.50

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 indigent medical applications. Carried.

POWER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION/LANDFILL – TIPPING FEES: Power County Transfer Station/Landfill supervisor Craig Heward appeared before the Commissioners to report that the waste from Snake River Sanitation is being delivered to the Power County Transfer Station without being properly separated; accordingly, Mr. Heward and his staff are spending additional time separating the waste and, as such, Snake River Sanitation is not receiving the "first ton free" as has been granted in the past. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that the language in Solid Waste fee

schedule may need to be amended to grant the "first ton free" policy to only those vendors who are willing to separate their waste.

POWER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION/LANDFILL – DEMOLITION PIT: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to publish a "Call for Bids" in the April 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> editions of the Power County Press for the construction of a demolition pit at the Power County Landfill, with sealed bids to be submitted prior to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, and bid opening scheduled for Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30 a.m. Carried. This matter was tabled until April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007.

POWER COUNTY TELEPHONE SYSTEMS – IDEACOM ECSI: Steve Ryan of IdeaCom ECSI appeared before the Commissioners to review the agreement for continued services between Power County and Qwest for long distance telephone services. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve and execute the Qwest Communications Corporation Long Distance and Toll Free 4/4 Promotional Attachment for long distance and toll free services for a period of three (3) years at .04 cents per intrastate and interstate minutes of use. Carried.

HARDSHIP EXEMPTION APPLICATION (I.C. #63-711) – S. RAY CAGLE, ET UX: Power County residents S. Ray and Julia Cagle appeared before the Commissioners to discuss their Application for Hardship Tax Exemption. Also present was Power County Chief Deputy Assessor Mary Annen. Following discussion and a review of the evidence submitted, it was moved by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to forgive the property taxes, penalties and interest owing on Parcel #RPA0455-00A in the amount of \$4,040.98 pursuant to Idaho Code #63-711. Carried. The Commissioners agreed that the taxes owing for the 2006 tax year in the amount of \$591.00 will remain due and owing.

POWER COUNTY WEB PAGE – TETON MULTIMEDIA: Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to table this matter until April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007.

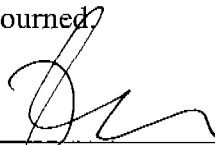
COMMISSIONER AGENDA – MAY, 2007: Following a review of the calendar, the Commissioners agreed that their regular meetings in May would be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

FISCAL YEAR 2008 – PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING: Pursuant to I.C. #63-802(A), the Commissioners agreed to schedule the Fiscal Year 2008 Public Budget Hearing for Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007, at 5:00 p.m., in the Commissioners meeting room at the Power County Courthouse, 543 Bannock Avenue, American Falls, Idaho.

FISCAL YEAR 2008 – BUDGET REQUEST HEARINGS: Following a review of the calendar, the Commissioners agreed to schedule the Fiscal Year 2008 Budget Request Hearings for June 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

ORDER FOR CANCELLATION OF TAXES: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and execute the Order for Cancellation of Taxes as presented by the Power County Treasurer Bobbie Mauch. Carried.

Adjourned.

  
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VICKY MEADOWS, Chairman

  
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CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk