

## POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in special session on Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Present were Commissioners Vicki Meadows, Chairman, Ken Estep and Ron Zimmerman. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

POWER COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING – CITY OF POCATELLO (LAND APPLICATION PERMITS): The Commissioners and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis attempted to contact Pocatello City Planner Robert Chambers by telephone to discuss the need for the City of Pocatello to purchase a permit for the application of wastewater on City of Pocatello property adjacent to the Pocatello Municipal Airport. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to table further discussion of this matter until September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

POWER COUNTY CONFLICT PUBLIC DEFENDER – FISCAL YEAR 2008 CONTRACT: Following a review of the quotes submitted and discussion with Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to accept the quote submitted by Scott Heide for conflict public defender services during fiscal year 2008. Carried. The Commissioners instructed Prosecutor Laggis to prepare the proposed Agreement for Conflict Public Defender Services and this matter was tabled until September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

POWER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY/MUSEUM BOARD – JOINT CITY OF AMERICAN FALLS/POWER COUNTY RESOLUTION: The Commissioners then discussed the Power County Historical Society Board's request that Power County and the City of American Falls execute a joint resolution establishing a five (5) member Power County Historical Society/Museum Board, which would allow the City of American Falls and Power County each to appoint one (1) member to the Board, with the appointed Board then filling the remaining three (3) positions. Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis agreed to review this matter with City of American Falls Attorney Randy Kline and prepare the appropriate resolution. This matter was tabled until September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – I-86 EXIT 40 INTERCHANGE: Ed Bala of the Idaho Department of Transportation appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the Idaho Department of Transportation's I-86 Exit 40 interchange upgrade. Also present from the Idaho Department of Transportation were Blake Rindlisbacher and Neal Miller. Present from the City of American Falls were City Council President Norm Wright, City Building Administrator Jeff Nelson and City Street Department Supervisor Ron Anderson. Also present were Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries and Power County

Building Administrator Robert Steinlicht. The Commissioners and Mr. Bala reviewed the conceptual alternatives, numbered 4-1 through 4-5 that were prepared by the Idaho Department of Transportation. Mr. Miller then reported that, due to low bridge safety ratings throughout the State of Idaho and the Idaho Transportation Department's poor financial projections, the I-86 Exit 40 project may be limited to the least expensive option or possibly delayed until additional federal highway revenue becomes available; however, Mr. Bala indicated that final determination will not be made until after October, 2007. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to discuss the options further with the American Falls Mayor and City Council at the next joint quarterly meeting scheduled for September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2006, at 6:00 p.m.

POWER COUNTY DISASTER SERVICES – HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT:

Power County Disaster Services Director Di Jones appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the Power County Interoperable Connectivity Project on Kimport Peak to enhance communications towards 700 MHz in Power, Bannock, Bingham, Caribou and Butte Counties and the Shoshone Bannock Tribes to be paid through federal Homeland Security Grant funds. Also present was Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries and via speaker telephone Ken Fagnet, Idaho Bureau of Disaster Services Regional Representative, who reported on the state-wide system that is being implemented pursuant to executive order issued by the Idaho Governor to develop master communication sites within the State of Idaho. Mr. Fagnet then reported that the Kimport Peak project has been awarded to an area vendor, Clark Radio. Sheriff Jeffries and the Commissioners then discuss that portion of the Kimport Interoperable Connectivity Project that has been set aside for the Sheriff's dispatch console upgrade. Following discussion, the Commissioners and Mr. Fagnet agreed that, for audit purposes, each and every annual grant application, grant award, quarterly report and vendor allocation and expenditure report should be on file with the Power County Clerk.

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

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS – CERTIFICATION: Power County Ambulance District Director Di Jones appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the first responder training recently provided to Power County's Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). Ms. Jones reported that several individuals need to either take or retake the written examination and questioned whether the County would pay those costs. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that the cost of the initial certification examination would be paid by Power County; however, in the event a retake is required, Power County will reimburse the EMT only if that EMT receives a passing grade.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS – PATIENT CARE REPORTING TEST SITE: Power County Ambulance District Director Di Jones appeared before the Commissioners to report that the State of Idaho is making software changes to the "Patient Care Reporting Test Site" which will become effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007. Ms. Jones agreed to keep the Commissioners apprised of this process.

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

GERALD FEHRINGER YOUTH CENTER – FISCAL YEAR 2008 LEASE (COURTHOUSE ANNEX): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve and execute Lease Agreement between Power County and the American Falls Youth Ministry, Inc., d/b/a Gerald Fehringer Youth Center during fiscal year 2008. Carried. The original will be sent to the Gerald Fehringer Youth Center Board for their review and approval.


POWER COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY – FULL-TIME AGREEMENT (FISCAL YEAR 2008): Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to table further consideration of this matter until September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

POWER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION/LANDFILL – FEE RESOLUTION: Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to table further consideration of this matter until September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

POWER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION/LANDFILL – DEMOLITION PIT (STAN HARMON D/B/A M.S.C. INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, INC. AGREEMENT): Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to table further consideration of this agreement until September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

POWER COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING BOARD – WORK SESSION: The Board of Power County Commissioners then attended the Power County Planning & Zoning Board work session.

Adjourned.

  
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VICKI MEADOWS, Chairman

  
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CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk