



# POWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## Meeting Minutes Commission Chambers 543 Bannock Ave. American Falls, ID 83211 [www.powercounty.is.us](http://www.powercounty.is.us)

Tuesday, June 2, 2015, 9:00 a.m.

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, on June 2, 2015, and called the meeting to order at the hour of 9:00 am, in the Commission Chambers of the Power County Courthouse.

### II. COMMISSIONERS/STAFF

PRESENT: Commissioner Ron Funk, Chair  
Commissioner Delane Anderson  
Commissioner Bill Lasley

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Sharee Sprague, Clerk  
Adam M Strong, Legal Counsel Intern

OTHER PARTIES PRESENT:

Abe Luca	Adam Strong
Anson Call	Bob Steinlicht
Deanna Curry	Dr. Brandon Wilde (by telephone)
Judge Laggis	Linda Annen
Mary Annen	Randy Phythian
Rob Redford	Robert Eldredge
Robert Schreiber	Ryan Petersen

### III. AGENDA

#### A. NOTICES/REPORTS

1. **Prosecutor:** Prosecutor Ryan Petersen appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Mr. Petersen reports that the office staff is new and therefore, training and other areas were increased, while decreasing other areas to help offset the differences. The budget set-up reflects an adequate funding for ongoing office staffing by two (2) attorneys and one (1) administrative assistant. Salaries for the upcoming year has the Prosecutor earning \$50,000.00, the Chief Deputy Prosecutor earning \$52,000.00, and the administrative assistant earning \$25,000.00. The following year salaries may fluctuate depending on workload shifts. The capital fund was left at \$2,000.00 for general upkeep, however, we need to revamp the office furniture and a remodel would benefit the County and Mr. Petersen would defer to Judge Laggis' recommendations. The Board discussed the function and support of the Idaho Justice program.
2. **SHARE Program MOU:** Prosecutor Ryan Petersen and Intern Adam Strong presented a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Rob Redford, explained the Shared Help and Recovery Environment Program (SHARE) to the Board. The program was developed and

established by Glenda Bellanca and provides substance abuse counseling to incarcerated individuals. Upon implementation of the Sixth District Specialty Courts, services in Bannock County were being constrained by the added need of services to Power County Residents. The Courts and Redford Counseling have entered into a shared agreement to pilot a SHARE program in Power County. Mr. Redford explained the elements of the program and funding and treatment. Glenda Bellanca who is retired has agree to assist with the development of the pilot program in Power County. Judge Laggis explained the judicial benefit and support of the program. Commissioner Funk verified that ongoing county support if the program succeeds would not be required. Commissioner Funk reports that the Sheriff has voiced his support of the program. Prosecutor Ryan Petersen offered his support of the program.

3. **Planning & Zoning/Building Administration:** Bob Steinlicht appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Fiscal requests on the Planning and Zoning budget are requested to remain the same and requests a monetary salary increase for the supervisor and requests that any options for encouraging the part-time inspector, Ron Stilwell, as he has proven to be extremely valuable. Currently Mr. Stilwell is studying to become certified. The Board inquired of property possibilities in Rockland for landfill development.
4. **Snowmobile Board:** Randy Phythian appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Mr. Phythian updated the Board on upcoming projects and requests fiscal budgetary support remain the same.
5. **Indigent:** Indigent Director, Linda Annen, appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Indigent cases and requirements have increased. It was anticipated that Indigent would be dissolved, however, it is now anticipated that the program would continue and, therefore, it is recommended to have the salary reinstated in the budget. There is a request for increase in training to allow personnel to updated stay current with current regulations and requirements.
6. **Treasurer:** Treasurer Deanna Curry, appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Treasurer requests a 3% increase in salaries, allocation for the shared employee obligation and reduction of part-time salary by \$500.00.
7. **Public Defender Contract:** Contract Public Defender Robert Eldredge appeared and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Mr. Eldredge requests no budgetary changes and presented a summary of cases represented over the past year. Mr. Eldredge requests that any determined increases by the Commission be attributed to the conflict public defender contract. Mr. Eldredge advises that the Public Defense Commission seems to have dissipated and it is recommended to continue on with contracts containing clarified language. Mr. Eldredge advises that he will be attending training which has never been offered before.
8. **Youth Center:** Robert Schreiber, Jennifer Rupp and Mary Annen appeared on behalf of the Gerald Fehringer Youth Center and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Mr. Schreiber reports that the attendance fluctuates, but the community could benefit if the center could be opened more than a couple days per week. The Center has received a couple of grants to assist with after school programs and were also recipients of nine (9) donated computers. Todd Winters assists with IT duties. Mr. Schreiber advises that they are looking

at options to promote the center within the community and assist with raising funds.

**B. MOTIONS:**

1. **Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda for Tuesday, June 2, 2015, was presented by Commissioner Lasley with a second by Commissioner Funk. Following audible call of the board, motion carried unanimously.
2. **SHARE Program MOU:** A motion to accept and execute the Memorandum of Understanding between Power County and Redford Counseling to pilot a Shared Help and Recovery Environment Program (SHARE) in Power County was presented by Commissioner Lasley with a second by Commissioner Anderson. Following audible call of the Board, motion carried unanimously.
3. **Agenda Amendment:** A motion to amend the agenda to include billing from Doug Balfour for legal services was presented by Commissioner Lasley with a second by Commissioner Anderson. Following audible call of the board, motion carried unanimously.
4. **Billing for Outside Legal Services:** A motion to pay Doug Balfour \$1,015.00 from the Commissioners legal consultation contingency fund for services related to the Idaho Cattle Feeders was presented by Commissioner Anderson with a second by Commissioner Lasley. Following audible call of the Board, motion carried unanimously.

**C. POINTS OF ORDER:**

1. **Office Lease:** Dr. Brandon Wilde appeared telephonically to request a lease reduction to \$250.00 per month. The Board countered at \$260.00, which was accepted. Intern Adam Strong will draft a new rental agreement and forward to Dr. Wilde for signature.
2. **American Falls Rural Fire District:** Did not appear before the Board.

**IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

1. No Executive Session Held.

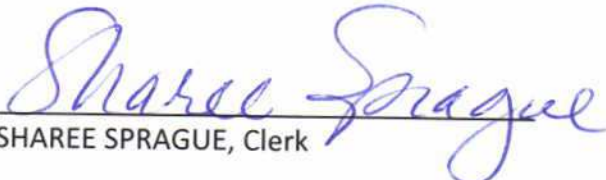
**V. ASSESSMENTS/CONCLUSIONS:**

1. **Next Meeting:** The next regular session for the board to meet is slated for June 4, 2015.
2. **Adjourn:** Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was presented by Commissioner Lasley with a second by Commissioner Funk. Following audible call of the Board, motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm.

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Board of County Commissioners during the Regular Board Meeting held June 8, 2015.

  
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COMMISSIONER FUNK, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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SHAREE SPRAGUE, Clerk

**The following is a record of parties that participated in the Business  
of the Power County Commissioners on Tuesday, June 2, 2015**

<b>ARRIVED</b>	<b>APPEARED</b>	<b>LEFT</b>
8:50 am	Sharee Sprague	12:40 pm
8:40 am	Bill Lasley	12:40 pm
8:50 am	Ron Funk	12:40 pm
8:40 am	Delane Anderson	12:40 pm
9:00 am	Ryan Petersen	10:04 am
9:05 am	Adam Strong	10:07 am
9:15 am	Rob Redford	10:07 am
9:30 am	Judge Laggis	10:00 am
9:50 am	Anson Call	10:04 am
10:00 am	Bob Steinlicht	10:52 am
10:55 am	Randy Phythian	11:07 am
11:30 am	Dr. Brandon Wilde (telephonically)	11:40 am
1:00 pm	Sharee Sprague	3:45 pm
1:00 pm	Bill Lasley	3:45 pm
1:00 pm	Ron Funk	3:45 pm
1:00 pm	Delane Anderson	3:45 pm
1:04 pm	Linda Annen	1:34 pm
2:00 pm	Deanna Curry	2:22 pm
2:25 pm	Robert Eldredge	2:40 pm
2:28 pm	Judge Laggis	2:42 pm
2:37 pm	Abe Deluca	2:40 pm
2:50 pm	Robert Schreiber	3:28 pm
2:50 pm	Mary Annen	3:28 pm
2:50 pm	Jenni Rupp	3:28 pm