



# POWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**Meeting Minutes**  
*Commission Chambers*  
**543 Bannock Ave.**  
**American Falls, ID 83211**  
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Thursday, June 4, 2015, 9:00 a.m.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, on June 4, 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
OTHER PARTIES PRESENT:	Ann Wheeler Connie Shepherd Curtis Munk Di Jones Jared Turner Kathy Phelps Mary Annen Ron Miller Ron Stilwell Sheriff Jim Jeffries

## III. AGENDA

### A. NOTICES/REPORTS

1. **Juvenile Probation:** Connie Shepherd appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Ms. Shepherd advises that JABG grant funding is no longer available. Parent Project services are being withdrawn and parties are being referred to A to Z for services. Ms. Shepherd requests an increase in salary of 5%. Increase in drug testing. Requests that the ankle monitoring budget remain to allow for services if ordered by the Court. Requests counseling budget remain the same even though not used on the grounds that if there are any sex offense charges filed it would be needed. Ms. Shepherd provided the Board an update on Lottery Funding projections and SUDS Funding. The county only received \$1911.00 in lottery funding this past year. Ms. Shepherd advises that the Idaho Department of Juvenile Correction now offers several online education courses, which the Department has been utilizing by having juveniles complete the courses in the classroom.

Currently there are 27 Juveniles on probation, the department did not have any accidents to report. There were four (4) staff safety meetings conducted and there are four (4) kids in State's custody, however, two (2) have aged out and are scheduled for release.

2. **Emergency Services Budget Hearing:** Di Jones appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Requesting regular cost of living raise for self and deputy. Utilities are running over, therefore, we need to increase the budget to accommodate. Continue to work forward on Communication Center. The grant fund fluctuates back and forth, therefore it should remain the same to cover grant reimbursement requirements if they come forward.
3. **Ambulance District Budget Hearing:** Di Jones appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Requesting to continue to set aside funds toward the purchase of a new vehicle. Vehicles were running at five (5) year increments, however, due to cost of replacement, we are pushing the rotation out to six (6) years. The contingency is to replace at such time as funds become available. Kami Chandler was hired to start June 16, 2015. Ms. Jones updated the Board on personnel and volunteer concerns.
4. **Women's Advocacy:** Ann Wheeler and Kathy Phelps before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. No additional funding is being requested and an update was provided to the Board.
5. **Assessor:** Mary Annen, Power County Assessor, appeared before the Board. Ms. Annen requests a 3% salary increase and has included step increases to implement once personnel achieve certifications. The Assessor identified areas the County was overpaying and the correction would equate to a savings to the County of \$7,000.00. The Vehicle needs new tires \$435.00, the fuel system repairs are needed and would cost a minimum of \$500.00-\$800.00, which would gain another 2 years of service. A GIS mapping report was given. The Board assessed the blue book value of the vehicle to be around \$4500.00. By consensus, the Board requested that a detailed maintenance inspection be completed on the vehicle and authorized repairs for no more than \$1,500.00.
6. **Search and Rescue:** - Ron Stilwell appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Budget amounts are requested to remain the same with the exception of reinstatement of radio/communications line item setting budget at \$5,700.00 to begin building the funds for radio communication upgrades.
7. **Sheriff:** Jim Jeffries appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Requesting salary increases for personnel. Administrative staff increases should be higher to be more competitive with the City Administrative Staff and offset between supervisors and supportive staff. Necessary changes related to vehicles and individualized departmental needs were discussed.
8. **Weeds:** Curtis Munk appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Requesting a salary increase and no other changes.
9. **Airport:** Jared Turner, Airport Manager, and Ron Miller, Airport Board member, appeared before the Board and presented budget requests for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Mr. Turner reports the Airport Board has been working toward getting a fueling station and is working toward fulfilling that goal within the next fiscal year and are currently researching possible grants to assist with the cost. Anticipated carryover from the current fiscal year is \$7,047.71. The renters at the Airport house seem to working out well and it is anticipated that the funds received from the rental would cover the manager contract. The manager has been working forward on removal of items left by the previous tenant and cleanup of the grounds. Dr. Miller and Mr. Turner report that the fencing installed by the Commissioners looks really nice, however, additional fencing and/or signage may be required to keep trucks off of the

runway as the end was damaged when a truck inadvertently turned too early and had to turn around on the runway to get back on course.

**B. MOTIONS:**

1. **Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda for Tuesday, June 4, 2015, was presented by Commissioner Funk with a second by Commissioner Lasley. Following audible call of the board, motion carried unanimously.

**C. POINTS OF ORDER:**

1. **Coroner:** 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 5, 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 5:22 pm.

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Board of County Commissioners during the Regular Board Meeting held June 22, 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 Monday, June 4, 2015**

<b>ARRIVED</b>	<b>APPEARED</b>	<b>LEFT</b>
8:50 am	Sharee Sprague	5:22 pm
8:55 am	Bill Lasley	4:11 pm
8:50 am	Ron Funk	5:22 pm
8:55 am	Delane Anderson	5:22 pm
9:00 am	Connie Shepherd	9:47 am
9:43 am	Di Jones	11:18 am
11:00 am	Ann Wheeler	12:45 pm
11:00 am	Kathy Phelps	12:45 pm
1:03 pm	Mary Annen	2:03 pm
1:54 pm	Ron Stilwell	2:30 pm
2:00 pm	Sheriff Jim Jeffries	3:42 pm
3:00 pm	Curtis Munk	4:05 pm
3:00 pm	Jared Turner	4:57 pm
4:11 pm	Ron Miller	4:57 pm