

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on May 24, 1999. Present were Chairman Kent Rudeen, Ken Estep and Valerie Hoybjerg. Also present were Power County Deputy Clerk Maureen Schelske and Power County Attorney Rob Naftz.

CLAIMS: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep to approve the claims as submitted. Carried.

Current Expense	\$ 2,870.51
Ambulance	492.05
District Court	1,610.96
Justice Fund	869.41
Indigent	865.20
Solid Waste	368.85
Weeds	31.12
Waterways	15.61
PILT	2.50

VEHICLE REQUEST PLAN: Commissioner Estep will work toward a vehicle purchase plan for purchasing vehicles out of current expense.

POWER COUNTY COURT BAILIFF: Judge Mark Beebe and Court Bailiff Dan Thaxton appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the position of Court Bailiff. Also present was Power County Sheriff Howard Sprague. Judge Beebe presented a proposed Bailiff Agreement for the Commissioner's consideration. County Attorney Naftz will review and same and report to the Commissioners with a Bailiff Employment Policy, rather than an agreement. Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to transfer the supervision of the Court Bailiff from the Power County Sheriff to the Power County Commissioners. Carried. Sheriff Howard Sprague agreed to provide a back-up Bailiff, salary to be reimbursed by District Court Fund, when regular Bailiff is on vacation or is ill. Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to hire Dan Thaxton as Court Bailiff at his current salary. Carried. Dan Thaxton will sign a waiver requesting copies of his personnel records from the Sheriff's Office, to be included in a Personnel File to be held by the Power County Clerk's Office.

ENHANCED 911: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to sign the Service Agreement with US West for Enhanced 911 Data Base Building System. Carried. Moved by

Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg to appoint Di Armstrong as Power County 911 Coordinator. Carried.

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

Mark Love appeared before the Commissioners to report Ambulance business. Love indicated that Dr. Jeffrey Lee has resigned as Medical Director for Harms Memorial Hospital and will be leaving the area.

An Ambulance Agreement between Harms Memorial Hospital and Power County Ambulance was presented to the Commissioners for their review and approval. Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to sign the Ambulance Agreement as presented. Carried.

Graydon Staley from Mutual Insurance Company appeared before the Commissioner and indicated that he will write a separate insurance policy for the Ambulance District, including replacement cost on the building, and ICRMP coverage.

Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg to recess from Ambulance District Board and reconvene as the Board of Power County Commissioners. Carried.

POWER COUNTY SHERIFF (JOHNSON STREET PROPERTY): Jim Jeffries, Chief Deputy Sheriff, appeared before the Commissioners and reported that the residents who live adjacent to the County's Johnson Street property would like to see curb and gutter put in. Commissioners will take this under advisement.

CONFLICT PUBLIC DEFENDER: Attorney Rob Naftz has contacted several attorneys to solicit bids for conflict public defender work. The bids must be submitted by June 7, 1999, and the position needs to be filled effective July 1, 1999.

IDAHO RURAL WATER: Ed Springman of Idaho Rural Water appeared before the Commissioners to discuss costs and alternative options for hauling waste from Power County Transfer Station to Milner-Butte. Springman and the Commissioners reviewed the County's Contract with Southern Idaho Regional Solid Waste District.

LANDFILL (WELL MONITORING): Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to have a Change Order prepared with Cascade Earth Sciences for \$846.00 to change Monitoring System, which amount includes the pump rental for three ground water sampling events. Carried.

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL: Katherine Ann Campbell, Harms Memorial Hospital Administrator appeared before the Commissioners, along with Board Member Russ Taylor. The hospital is requesting \$95,000 be paid from the County to Harms Memorial Hospital on a Tax Anticipation Note. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to borrow \$95,000 to Harms Memorial Hospital under a Tax Anticipation Note, repayment of which will be made from taxes collected in June. Carried.

EMERGENCY SERVICES: Emergency Services Director Chris Howell-Webb appeared before the Commissioners to discuss concerns with the back up generator maintained by Jerald Anderson. Ms. Howell-Webb reported that she will be leaving her position with the County effective June 4, 1999.

INDIGENT: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to move into executive session at 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of taking up medical indigent applications. Carried. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to return to regular session at 4:30 p.m. Carried.

#99-12-I: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to deny the previous claim from April, 1999, and to approve the indigent medical application in case #99-12-I. Carried.

#99-10-I: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to approve the indigent medical application in case #99-10-I. Carried.

WERENKA AIRPORT LEASE: Joe Werenka has not made any payments towards his lease on the Power County Airport property, since he has presumably been waiting for an amendment on his lease to be approved by the Commissioners. Commissioner Rudeen will discuss Werenka's lease with the Airport Board at their next Airport Board Meeting.

EMERGENCY SERVICES: Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to appoint Mark Love as Disaster Services Coordinator, at the same salary as Chris Howell-Webb has been paid, effective June 4, 1999. Carried. He will keep his hours for Disaster Services separate from his hours for Ambulance Coordinator.

ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD (DISTRICT #4): Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to appoint Vernon Miller as the Director from District #4 to the Animal Damage Control Board. Carried.

PAVING COURTHOUSE PARKING LOT: The Commissioner reviewed the bid from Hunzaker Construction Company for paving the new Courthouse parking lot. Commissioner Rudeen will also attempt to solicit a bid from Bannock Paving.

WOMEN'S CHALLENGE (BICYCLE RACE): Commissioner Rudeen reported that Hewlett Packard is sponsoring a "Women's Challenge" bicycle race which includes approximately 120 bikers, and are requesting a donation from Power County to provide finish line refreshments for the contestants. The finish line will be at the American Falls City Park. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen to provide up to \$250.00 for finish line refreshments to the Women's Challenge Bicycle Race contestants. Carried.

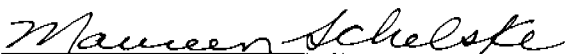
BUDGET HEARING DATES: The Commissioners set aside June 15,16 and 17, 1999, for Budget Hearing Dates.

WATERWAYS PROJECT AGREEMENT (ADDENDUM TO MASTER): Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve the Project Agreement Addendum to Master between State of Idaho, Department of Fish and Game, and Power County. The Department will, upon receipt of a bill, pay the County \$1900.00 per year to assist with access maintenance costs for Porta Potties located at East Fork Rock Creek, American Falls Reservoir West Ramp, and Oregon Trail Crossing. Carried.

COURTHOUSE OFFICE SPACE: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to move the Probation Offices to the vacant offices formerly occupied by Power County Extension Agent and Weed Control. Carried.

Adjourned.


KENT RUDEEN, Chairman


MAUREEN SCHELSKE, Deputy