

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on July 12, 1999. Present were Power County Commissioners Kent Rudeen, Chairman, Ken Estep and Valerie Hoybjerg. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Civil Attorney Rob Naftz.

MINUTES: Moved by Ken Estep, seconded by Valerie Hoybjerg to approve the minutes for June 7, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 28 as presented. Carried.

CLAIMS: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep to approve the claims, with following amendments:

1. Reduce claim to Animal Control District (Wool Growers) to \$1,000.
2. Hold claim to High Desert Plastic & Reconstruction in the amount of \$1,516.23.
3. Hold claim to Medical Imaging Associates of Idaho Falls in the amount of \$284.94.
4. Amend Southern Idaho Solid Waste claim to reflect Contract-Tipping (687-03) total \$4,065.65 and City Tipping & Transfer (687-09) total \$5,338.04.

Carried.

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| Current Expense | \$ 13,977.22 |
| Ambulance       | 2,166.19     |
| District Court  | 5,621.73     |
| Justice Fund    | 22,499.10    |
| Indigent        | 30,743.37    |
| Revaluation     | 798.07       |
| Solid Waste     | 19,229.37    |
| Weeds           | 1,825.78     |
| Waterways       | 1,387.90     |
| PILT            | 220.90       |

POWER COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE: Stan Gortsema of the Power County Extension Office appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the Extension Office's Satellite dish. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to allow the University of Idaho to dig a cable trench from the Extension Office's Satellite to the new Extension Office adjacent to the Courthouse, at the University's expense. Carried.

AMBULANCE: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner

Rudeen, to recess as Power County Board of Commissioners and reconvene as Power County Ambulance District Board. Carried.

Mark Love, Power County Ambulance Director, appeared before the Commissioners to discuss advanced certification training being provided to the Power County EMTs.

Mark Love is obtaining bids from Anderson Auto Body to paint the Quick Response Unit (QRU). The City donated a used light bar to be mounted to the QRU.

Mark Love has ordered a new defibrillator in the amount of \$4,213.

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

DISASTER SERVICES: Mark Love, Disaster Services Director, is receiving bids to finish and furnish the upstairs at the Emergency Services Building in an effort to get the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) moved from the basement at the Sheriff's Office. Mark Love then discussed his attempt to educate the public for potential Y2K problems.

INTERNET ACCESS: Shane Harris of Computer Arts, Inc., appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the possibilities of allowing County employees to use County server for personal internet access from their homes. Following discussion, the Commissioners will not provide internet access to County employees through the County's Server since the expense involved to the employees would be greater than obtaining internet access through another provider.

AIRPORT LEASE (JOE WERENKA D/B/A SUNSET AVIATION): Joe Werenka appeared before the Commissioners to make a second request for a decrease in his airport lease payment. The Commissioners will make an inspection of the premises prior to taking action on the request.

POWER COUNTY RESOURCE OFFICER: Jerrie Boyce, Power County Resource Officer working through the Power County Probation Department, appeared before the Commissioners to discuss her efforts to coordinate resources for women involved in domestic violence situations. Ms. Boyce has also been working on mentoring program through Big Brothers and Big Sisters. Commissioner Hoybjerg presented Jerrie Boyce with the Parenting Project applications which need to be completed and returned.

POWER COUNTY TREASURER: Bobbie Mauch, Power County Treasurer, appeared before the Commissioners to advise them that a request had been made to forgive penalty due against Delon Huse who is now involved in a bankruptcy and also forgive future penalty. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to forgive \$205.50 in penalty owing by Delon Huse for the 1998 tax year only. Carried.

**HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:** Hospital Administrator Anne Ogilvie appeared before the Commissioners to discuss future funding of Harms Memorial Hospital and to renew the hospital's request for a \$70,000 contribution from the County. Ms. Ogilvie presented the Commissioners with three reports, a Community Health Services Development Process, a report of projected revenue and expenses through December, 1999, and Harms Memorial Hospital District 6 month Time Line July 1999-December 1999. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to extend \$70,000 on the \$95,000 tax anticipation note until January, 2000, remittance, to include interest at the statutory minimum. Carried. County Attorney Rob Naftz will prepare a Tax Anticipation Note for review and approval by the hospital.

**POWER COUNTY WELFARE:** Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep to move into executive session for the purpose of taking up indigent matters. Carried.

**INDIGENT (CASE #99-12-I):** Linda Annen, Power County Welfare Director, appeared before the Commissioners to discuss a billing received from Harms Memorial Hospital in Case #99-12-I. The billing will be included in the payment request to the CAT fund.

**INDIGENT (STONE SOUP):** Linda Annen has been working with Sally Boepple in SEICAA to organize a stone soup event sometime during the second week in November.

**JUVENILE JUSTICE:** Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Estep, to pay the \$14,968.00 JAIGB Grant funds which are currently being held in the Alternate School Trust Account over to School District #381 to be used exclusively for the purchase of equipment and supplies for the new Alternate School. Carried.

**PARKING LOT CURB:** Commissioner Rudeen obtained an estimate from Bob's concrete to place a curb between the new parking lot and the Melba Ferguson property, which bid totaled \$5.00 a running foot. Following discussion by the commissioners, the curb will not be constructed at this time.

**CODIFIED ORDINANCE BOOKS & UPDATES:** Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to charge \$40.00 per book for the Power County Code Book and \$15.00 for updates. Carried.

**SOLID WASTE FEE:** The Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on Monday, August 9, 1999, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., for public input on the County assessing city residences and businesses a solid waste disposal fee. County Attorney Rob Naftz will draft a "Notice of Public Hearing" to be published.

**PERSONNEL POLICY:** The Commissioners then discussed the Power County Personnel Policy, which is now ready to be mailed to ICRMP for their review. This matter will be tabled until ICRMP has reviewed and approved the proposed Personnel Policy.

SOUTHERN IDAHO SOLID WASTE: The Commissioners then reviewed the letter received from Southern Idaho Solid Waste. Southern Idaho Solid Waste anticipates that Power County will experience a per ton fee reduction in exchange for a disposal agreement extension. County Attorney Rob Naftz will research any possible conflict created by the County contracting long term indebtedness for future commissioners.

PROSECUTOR OFFICE: Paul Laggis, Power County Prosecuting Attorney appeared before the Commissioners and requested that a decision be made on his budget request for FY2000. Following discussion by the Commissioners it was agreed that funding would be provided contract with Rob Naftz for full time County Civil and Prosecution work.

PUBLIC DEFENDER: Rob Naftz will not seek reappointment as Power County Public Defender. Call for bids will be published for felony and misdemeanor Public Defender beginning October 1, 1999.

Adjourned.

  
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KENT RUDEEN, Chairman

  
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CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk