

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in special session on November 1, 1999. Present were Kent Rudeen, Chairman, and Ken Estep. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and County Civil Attorney Rob Naftz.

FALLS IRRIGATION: Terrell Sorenson of the Falls Irrigation District appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the County's assessed water acres through Falls Irrigation District which is currently being leased by Koompin Brothers. The Commissioners are considering not renewing the lease with Koompin Brothers and petitioning the 39.7 water acres associated with that property out of the Falls Irrigation District. Terrell Sorenson will prepare the preliminary paper work and present it to the Board of Commissioners for approval at their November 8th meeting.

POWER COUNTY DISASTER SERVICES: Disaster Services Director Mark Love presented the Commissioners with a packet he has put together to be sent to each household in Power County. In conjunction with the mailing of the packets, an article will be put in the Power County Press informing residents that additional packets are available at the Courthouse. Mr. Love will complete a compensation form and send it to the Bureau of Disaster Services who will assist with the costs of the packets up to \$500.00.

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

Mark Love would like to have Kari Garrison come before the Commissioners to discuss the ambulance billing and auditing procedures. Commissioner Rudeen will call Ms. Garrison to see when she could be available to present a financial report to the Commissioners.

Jason Coon has put in a request to become an observer with the ambulance crew. Mr. Love feels that it is inappropriate to place children under 17 years of age in a position that they may come in contact with bodily fluids. Jason Coon is 15 years of age. Following discussion, the commissioners agreed that ambulance observers must to be at least 17 years of age.

Mark Love requested that he be allowed to spend \$10.00 per EMT volunteer for Christmas gifts. He has 37 volunteer EMTs. The Commissioners granted his request.

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

ELECTED OFFICIALS MEETING: Present for the Power County Elected Officials meeting were Commissioners Kent Rudeen and Ken Estep, Power County Sheriff Howard Sprague, Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht, Power County Treasurer Bobbie Mauch and Power County Prosecutor Paul Laggis.

SHERIFF PRISONER REIMBURSEMENT: Power County Sheriff Howard Sprague and Power County Prosecutor Paul Laggis discussed the efforts to be taken by the Prosecutor's office to collect outstanding prisoner reimbursement. Mr. Laggis and Deputy Prosecutor Rob Naftz will take care of all collection actions on these accounts rather than referring them to a private collection agency.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: The Power County Elected Officials discussed the County's Christmas party, which will be held on December 1, 1999, at the EMS Building. The Commissioners will purchase the meat and punch for the family dinner at 6:30 o'clock p.m., and will ask the employees to bring a potluck dish to share. An adult social hour will begin at 8:00 o'clock p.m. At the suggestion of the other elected officials, the Commissioners agreed to hold a drawing at the time of the dinner. One lucky employee will win a free day off with pay; however, the employee must be present at the Christmas party/dinner in order to win.

PERSI: The elected officials reviewed the memo from Alan H. Winkle at PERSI regarding lowering contribution rates. County Clerk Steinlicht will call our Field Representative Roger Bartlett and ask him to attend the elected officials meeting on December 6th at 10:0 a.m. to answer questions.

POWER COUNTY VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT USE POLICY: The elected officials reviewed the amended Power County Vehicle and Equipment Use Policy. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to approve the policy as presented. Carried.

INDIGENT: Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to move into executive session for the purpose of taking up indigent medical applications. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2000-01-I: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to approve the payment of COBRA benefits under indigent medical application #2000-01-I for a period of up to eighteen (18) months. Carried.

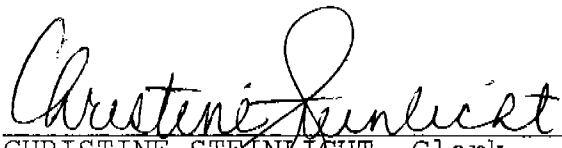
NOXIOUS WEED ENFORCEMENT: The Commissioners discussed the progress made by Walkers to voluntarily spray the noxious weed on their property. Because of the weather, this matter will be on hold until the spraying season starts again in June, 2000.

U.S. FOREST SERVICE -- CRYSTAL SUMMIT PARKING LOT: Jerald Towers and Dave Sleight of the U. S. Forest Service appeared before the Commissioners and informed that that the Crystal Summit property

(39 acres) is now available for purchase by Power County from John McNabb. The U.S. Forest Service has not received final Federal approval to take possession of the property from Power County, which may take up to another year. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to approve and sign the Memorandum of Understanding #00-MU-11041530-002 between the U.S. Forest Service, Power County, and the Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation for the purchase of the 39 acre Crystal Summit property. Carried. Pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding, the Power County Clerk will now make written request to the Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation that the funds for the land purchase and initial construction of the parking lot be remitted to Power County. The Commissioners and Clerk agreed to collect the annual rental fees on the property from Larry Fitch and forward those on to the U. S. Forest Service to maintain the parking lot until the property is transferred to the U. S. Forest Service.

Adjourned.


KENT RUDEEN, Chairman


CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk