

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on December 20, 1999. Present were Commissioners Kent Rudeen, Chairman, Ken Estep and Valerie Hoybjerg. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Rob Naftz.

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

General Fund (Current Expense)	\$ 8,367.10
Ambulance	28,775.06
District Court	1,645.49
Justice Fund	43,172.45
Indigent	11,314.54
Jr. College	150.00
Solid Waste	14,189.23
Weeds	559.86
Waterways	979.89
PILT	359.71

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT: Hospital Administrator Ron O'Halleron and Chief Financial Officer Daniel Tenley appeared before the Commissioners to request a \$125,000 tax anticipation loan from Power County. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to loan Harms Memorial Hospital District \$125,000 upon the execution of a Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$125,000 bearing interest at the rate of 6% per annum. Said Note to be repaid from the Hospital's tax remittance funds on or before July 30, 2000. Carried.

POWER COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE: Extension Office Supervisor Stan Gortsema appeared before the Commissioners to discuss a proposal to allow 4-H secretary Jami Montross to return to work on a part time basis for an indefinite period of time to allow her to care for her infant child, in which event Mr. Gortsema would be able to accumulate the unused portion of Mrs. Montross' salary and hire temporary help during the busy fair season. Mr. Gortsema will advise the Commissioners when or if Mrs. Montross elects to return to work on a part time basis.

CELLULAR PHONE SERVICE: Extension Office Supervisor Stan Gortsema and County Assessor Doug Glascock appeared before the

Commissioners with a bid from C.N.R. Satellite for cellular phone service for Power County at a discounted group rate.

POWER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION: Craig Heward, Power County Transfer Station Supervisor, appeared before the Commissioners to discuss upcoming holiday hours at the landfill. The Power County Transfer Station will be closed December 24th, 25th, 31st and January 1st.

JANUARY, 2000, AGENDA: Following discussion, the Commissioners decided to meet on January 3rd, 10th and 24th.

BALER BIDS: The Commissioners then opened and reviewed the sealed bid submitted by Fibres International for the sale of the County's used GPI Model U60STD Cardboard Baler. This matter will be taken under advisement until January 3, 2000, at 1:30 o'clock p.m.

POWER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION: The Commissioners then opened and reviewed the sealed bids submitted for the purchase of a backhoe at the Power County Transfer Station/Landfill submitted by Western States, Scott's Equipment Company, and Arnold Equipment Company. All bids contained the necessary bonds attached. This matter will be taken under advisement until January 3, 2000, at 1:30 o'clock p.m.

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

INDIGENT #2000-04-I: Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to deny indigent medical application #2000-04-I since the application was both untimely filed and processed as incomplete.

INDIGENT #1999-19-I: The Commissioners discussed the appeal hearing on December 6th. Following further discussion, the Commissioners agreed to table this case until January 3, 2000.

INDIGENT #1999-18-I: Power County Indigent Services Director Linda Annen advised the Commissioners that the appeal filed by Pocatello Regional Medical Center had been withdrawn.

SOLID WASTE TRACTOR LEASE: County Attorney Rob Naftz presented the Commissioners with a proposed Lease Purchase Agreement between Power County and Jim Evans d/b/a Snake River Sanitation for the County's purchase of the landfill compactor. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to approve and sign the Lease Purchase Agreement as presented. Carried.

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Following a review of the Certificates of Residency received from the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to certify Power County residency for Misty Brown and Vanessa Hart to attend the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls for the Spring, 2000, semester. Carried.

SNOW REMOVAL CONTRACT: Commissioner Rudeen advised the Commission that he had discussed with Tom Ziebach the prior contract for snow removal at the Courthouse and Ambulance building. Ziebach Excavation will continue provided the snow removal services "as needed" and bill the County.

BUILDING PERMIT FEE RESOLUTION (#99-09): County Attorney Rob Naftz then presented the Commissioners with the final draft of a proposed ordinance which would establish fees for building permits. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to accept and approve Power County Resolution #99-09 establishing fees for building permits. Carried.

FAIRGROUND COMMUNITY BUILDING: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to provide written confirmation to the Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer of the Fairground Community Building Committee that the County intends to allow \$6,000.00 from the County's Capital Construction in PILT to go toward the construction of the Fairground Community Building or restrooms and is in addition to the \$10,000.00 already budgeted in PILT, with the understanding that if the funds cannot or will not be used for the construction of the Community Building or restrooms, the entire \$16,000.00 will be retained in the County's Capital Construction account in PILT for other uses by Power County. Carried.

JAIL RECREATION: Sheriff Howard Sprague has expressed his intentions to use the basement of the Sheriff's Office as a fitness/recreational room for his employees after Disaster Services moves it's Emergency Operations Center up to the EMS Building. Commissioner Estep will discuss any potential liabilities with ICRMP. Sheriff Sprague would like the County to purchase a bowflex from PILT recreational funds for use in the fitness room.

BEVERAGE LICENSES: Commissioner Rudeen then announced that it was the time and date set for consideration of numerous beverage licenses. Commissioner Hoybjerg read the applications into the record. There being no public objection, it was moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, that the following applications for beverage licenses be approved.

1. Lindy Barclay d/b/a Silver Horseshoe for draught and bottled or canned beer and retail liquor.

2. Alcadio Sepulveda d/b/a Melina's Fine Mexican Food for bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises and wine by the drink.

3. Bowden Investment Corporation d/b/a Melody Lanes and Café for bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises.

4. Blue Ribbon, Inc., d/b/a Hangar Lounge for draught and bottled or canned beer and retail liquor.

5. Michael J. Smith d/b/a Time Out Lounge for draught and bottled or canned beer and retail liquor.

6. Brenda Nichols d/b/a Stardust Lounge for draught and bottled or canned beer and retail liquor.

7. Rachael Torres d/b/a Lish's Bar for draught and bottled or canned beer.


8. BLN Classic Golf Mang LLC d/b/a GLN Classic Golf for bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises.

Motion Carried.

POWER COUNTY DISASTER SERVICES: Mark Love, Power County Disaster Services Director, appeared before the Commissioners with Paul Clark from Clark Radio to discuss the improvements which need to be made at the repeater site in Rockland. A new snow proof and mouse proof protective building needs to be built to secure the County repeater at Rockland. Love estimates that for approximately \$8,000 to \$10,000 the repeater could be fixed and secured. Mark would also like to discontinue the County's maintenance agreement with Radionics and contract with Paul Clark at Clark Radio.

CELLULAR TELEPHONE SERVICE: Kelly Christensen from U.S. Cellular appeared before the Commissioners to discuss a cell phone plan for Power County. Commissioner Rudeen will discuss with the individual departments their cell phone needs. Mr. Christensen will meet back with the Commissioners on Tuesday, December 28th at 10:00 a.m.

Adjourned.


KENT RUDEEN, Chairman


CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk