

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on January 24, 2000. Present were Commissioners Kent Rudeen, Chairman, Ken Estep and Valerie Hoybjerg. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Civil Attorney Rob Naftz.

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

Current Expense (General)	\$ 5,933.10
Ambulance	1,935.46
District Court	2,054.66
Justice	10,376.41
Indigent	188.86
Revaluation	321.35
Solid Waste	1,131.39
Weeds	485.32
Waterways	20.57

PLANNING & ZONING: Power County Building Administrator Richard Wiles appeared before the Commissioners and presented them with a draft letter to the Power County Highway District. Commissioner Estep then reported on the problems with the stairs at the Power County Highway District Building and the building administrator's efforts to force compliance with UBC codes.

AUDITOR REPORT: Scott Jones, Power County's independent auditor appeared before the Commissioners and presented his audit report for the County's 1999 fiscal year. Also present were Power County Treasurer Bobbie Mauch and Power County Assessor Doug Glascock. Moved by Ken Estep, seconded by Rudeen, to approve and accept the audit report as presented. Carried.

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL: Harms Memorial Hospital Administrator Ron O'Halleron appeared before the Commissioners and presented them with a copy of the Hospital's monthly auditor report for December, 1999.

SEARCH & RESCUE: Pete Williams of the Power County Search & Rescue appeared before the Commissioners to discuss Search & Rescue's use of the EMS building. Also present were Power County Sheriff Howard Sprague and EMS Director Mark Love. Following discussion it was agreed that Search & Rescue would be billed \$100 per month as a shared expense for utilities plus actual costs for telephone service. The Commissioners then discussed Search & Rescue's efforts to construct a 40 x 60 storage building on the property adjacent to the EMS Building. Pete Williams will contact the American Falls City Council to discuss their intentions regarding the property.

DISASTER SERVICES: Ken Fagnant from the State Bureau of Disaster Services appeared before the Commissioners with Power County Disaster Services Director Mark Love. Mr. Fagnant indicated that the State has two surplus computers to donate to Power County Disaster Services and/or Power County Search & Rescue. Mr. Love reported that the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) had been fully moved from Sheriff's office to Emergency Medical Services building. Mr. Love will figure what utility costs at the EMS Building will need to be paid by Disaster Services. Mr. Fagnant then advised the Commissioners of the funding changes for disaster services from reimbursement type funding to annual state grant funding. Mr. Fagnant then presented the Commissioners with the original Idaho Bureau of Disaster Services Application for Assistance for fiscal year 2001. Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve the Idaho Bureau of Disaster Services Application For Assistance as presented. Carried.

PARENTING PROJECT: Parent Project Board Chairman Jerrie Boyce appeared before the Commissioners and to discuss grant monies available through Road to Recovery to assist with the tuition costs of parent project classes. Ms. Boyce also indicated that she would like to approach the School District #381 School Board and administration to request financial assistance to fund the shadow program for fiscal year 2001. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve the Road to Recovery Grant Application for parent project tuition assistance as presented by Ms. Boyce. Carried. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve the Road to Recovery Sharing and Caring Grant Application as submitted. Carried. Jerrie Boyce then reported that the Parent Project Board By-laws had been adopted and approved by the Parent Project Board and a copy will be provided to Commissioners. Ms. Boyce advised the Commissioners that the terms had been set as follows:

Connie Shepherd -- January 2003
Sharee Sprague -- January 2003
Jerrie Boyce -- January 2002
Kay Stillwell -- January 2002
Jose Favela -- January 2001
Georgina Favela -- January 2001

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing Power County Case #CV-99-00012, the lawsuit challenging ballot access restrictions (term limits). Carried.

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FEE EXEMPTIONS: The Commissioners reviewed the Applications for Exemption from the solid waste disposal fee. A written response will be made to each request.

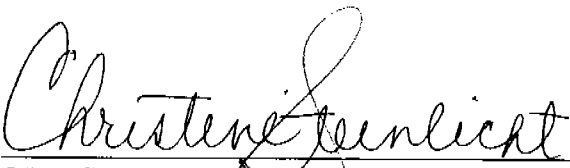
TAX CANCELLATIONS: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep to approve the Tax Cancellations as submitted by Power County Treasurer Bobbie Mauch. Carried.

SICK LEAVE BANK POLICY: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep to approve and sign the amended Power County Courthouse and Sheriff's Office Sick Leave Bank Policy. Carried. Employee contributions into the sick leave bank will now be accepted annually, rather than semi-annually.

TORT CLAIM: Michael Whittaker appeared before the Board of Power County Commissioners. Also present were Deputy Court Clerk Sharee Sprague and Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Jeffries. The Commissioners were advised that a "No Contact Order" for Domestic Battery was entered by Judge Mark Beebe. The "No Contact Order" was subsequently rescinded by Judge Beebe on January 12, 2000. A written order to rescind the "No Contact Order" was prepared but apparently never made it over to the Sheriff's Office. Mr. Whittaker was stopped for speeding in Cassia County on Sunday January 16th, 2000, and was arrested since his wife was also in the vehicle, which was a violation of the "No Contact Order". Mr. Whittaker was held in the Cassia County Jail until Monday January 17th when the Order to rescind the "No Contact Order" could be sent to Cassia County. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to pay \$196.00 from Tort to Mr. Whittaker as full and final settlement of this claim, upon the condition that Mr. Whittaker sign a "Waiver of Liability" in favor of Power County. Carried.

Adjourned.


KENT RUDEEN, Chairman


CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk