

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on June 26, 2000. Present were Commissioners Kent Rudeen, Chairman, Ken Estep and Valerie Hoybjerg. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

PLANNING & ZONING: Power County Building Administrator Richard Wiles appeared before the Commissioners to discuss exemptions on agriculture buildings. Wiles indicated that Bannock County does not allow the agricultural exemption on potato cellars since they consider potato cellars employment buildings where human habitation is required, rather than storage buildings. Following discussion, the Commissioners and Mr. Wiles agreed that a farmer should sign a notice that no human employment will be taking place inside the potato cellar in order to get the agricultural exemption. The Commissioners, Mr. Wiles and Prosecutor Laggis then discussed the set back and surveying requirements prior to issuing building permits for potato cellars versus homes. Mr. Wiles then indicated that the fee schedule for special use building permits is inadequate. Mr. Wiles indicated that any time a sketch plan review is required, actual costs to the County are \$259, and with a special use hearing the actual costs increase to \$341. The actual cost for a site inspection is \$242. Currently the County is charging \$100 for any special use permits. Commissioner Hoybjerg suggested that the County charge actual costs through an itemized billing rather than a lump sum fee. Mr. Wiles will prepare a proposed fee schedule for the Commissioners review and consideration. Mr. Wiles then advised the Commissioners that he intends to present a proposal to create new rural residential zones and expand current residential zones within the County to the Power County Planning & Zoning Board at the July 11th meeting.

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT: Harms Memorial Hospital District's Chief Financial Officer Dan Tenley appeared before the Commissioners and presented the hospital's Tax Anticipation Note proposal. The hospital would like to extend the current tax anticipation note, which comes due on July 30, 2000, until January, 2001. Clerk Steinlicht suggested that the current note be paid in full in July, 2000, as planned and that the Hospital sign a new Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$62,500. Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to grant Harms Memorial Hospital District a Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$62,500 at the rate of 6% per annum due January 31, 2001. Carried. Attorney Laggis will prepare the new Tax Anticipation Note.

SCILD: SCILD supervisor Brian Morris appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the purchase of a bus from the Arbon School District to be used by the SCILD crew. Mr. Morris indicated that he would rather wait until the School District is finished with the bus in September before the County makes the purchase.

SOLID WASTE: Solid Waste Supervisor Craig Heward appeared before the Commissioners to review the Clerk's solid waste budget request. Mr. Heward indicated that he would like to charge for dead animal disposal and suggested possibly \$25 per head. Commissioner Rudeen suggested that Mr. Heward contact other landfill operations to see what they are charging.

FORT HALL RESERVATION ZONING: Prosecutor Laggis then presented a copy of the proposed letter to the Fort Hall Land Use Council regarding the moratorium in effect prohibiting the construction of potato cellars on deeded property within the reservation by non-tribal members. The letter was approved as presented.

CITY/COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT: Prosecutor Laggis then presented the Commissioners with the Cooperative Agreement Between Power County and the City of American Falls Re: Law Enforcement Services which incorporates the provisions agreed upon between the County and City for FY 2001. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to approve the proposed agreement as presented. Carried. Prosecutor Laggis will deliver the signed duplicate originals to the City attorney for their review and approval. Prosecutor Laggis presented the letter he received from the Attorney General's office indicating that they would not be issuing an opinion on the County's authority to charge the City of American Falls for dispatch services. Prosecutor Laggis indicated that the City does intend to seek a Declaratory Judgment through the Power County District Court.

CITY/COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICE AGREEMENT: Clerk Steinlicht indicated that the City of American Falls has not returned the City/County Community Service Agreement. Prosecutor Laggis will follow up with the City Attorney to see if there are problems or questions with the Community Service Agreement as submitted to the City.

SOLID WASTE CONTRACTS: County Attorney Laggis will prepare a letter to send to Waste Connections and Allied (BFI), to advise them that Power County will no longer require their solid waste transport services effective July 31, 2000.

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

General (Current Expense)	\$ 6,623.46
Ambulance	1,005.02
District Court	583.75
Justice	1,326.10
Indigent	348.86
Solid Waste	249.09
Weeds	25.46
Waterways	3,213.04

COUNTY RESOURCE COORDINATOR: County Resource Coordinator Connie

Shepherd and Interim Parent Project Coordinator Judy Meline appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the Minidoka Parent Project. Mrs. Meline indicated that Minidoka does not have By-laws, they operate under Parent Project Facilitator Rules and Parent Project Rules. Mrs. Meline presented copies of the Minidoka rules to the Commissioners. Mrs. Shepherd then indicated that rather than a Board, a three-person review committee should be put in place to review appropriate curriculum for the Parent Project classes, as well as other issues. Commissioner Hoybjerg suggested that Shepherd, Judge Beebe and herself operate as the review committee.

Adjourned.

Kent Rudeen
KENT RUDEEN, Chairman

Christine Steinlicht
CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk