

## POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on July 24, 2000. Present were Power County Commissioners Kent Rudeen, Chairman, Ken Estep and Valerie Hoybjerg. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

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

Power County Ambulance District Director Mark Love appeared before the Commissioners and presented a draft Memorandum of Understanding between Harms Memorial Hospital, Southeastern District Health Department, Power County EMS, Health West and Bannock Regional Medical Center. The purpose of the Memorandum is to create a rural health care network, namely "Great Rift Rural Health Network", The network is necessary to qualify for additional grant funding. Mr. Love would like to investigate specific benefits to the Power County EMS prior to executing the Memorandum of Understanding.

Mark Love and the Commissioners then discussed the need to post rules at the EMS training rooms requiring users to clean up after themselves in lieu of a clean up fee.

Mark Love and the Commissioners then discussed the Ambulance Budget. The Commissioners agreed that the one time \$5,000 contribution to the Am. Falls Rural Fire District would be paid from PILT funds. Commissioner Rudeen, Mark Love and Prosecutor Laggis will get together to prepare a draft contract between Power county Ambulance District and Am. Falls Rural Fire District for extrication services outside the Fire District boundaries.

Mark Love then indicated that he needs closets in the training rooms. Commissioner Hoybjerg suggested that he purchase ready made linen and clothing cabinets, which SCILD labor could assemble.

Mark Love then reported that the billing contract between Power County and Medical Solutions is in the mail. Mr. Love will present the original contract to the Commissioners when it is received. Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to contract with Medical Solutions for Power County Ambulance Billing Services, subject to Commissioner approval of the contract. Carried.

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

SOLID WASTE CONTRACT: Jim Muerer of Garbage Guys, LLC, appeared before the Commissioners to review the Contract for roll offs. Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to execute the Agreement between Garbage Guys, LLC, and Power County. Carried.

INDIGENT BURIALS: Mark Rose of Davis Mortuary appeared before the Commissioners to discuss a fee for indigent burials. Power County now pays \$800 for indigent burials or cremations. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Rudeen, to pay \$1,200 for indigent burials and \$800 for cremations. Carried. Mark Rose will contact the Falls View Cemetery District to discuss that District's ability to provide opening and closing and burial plots for indigents.

CITY/COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT: The Commissioners advised County Attorney Laggis that negotiating a fee for dispatch services should be postponed until the Court has ruled on the legal issues or until the City concedes that the County can charge a fee for dispatch services.

TAX REFUND (U.S. BANCORP): The Commissioners then contacted Terry Craft of U.S. Bancorp via telephone to discuss their request for a property tax refund or credit. Commissioner Rudeen requested that U.S. Bancorp provide Power County with verification that the composter was destroyed or moved from Power County in 1998. Ms. Craft will provide Deputy Assessor Mary Annen with said verification.

AUGUST AGENDA: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to hold the August 14<sup>th</sup> regular Commissioners meeting on August 7<sup>th</sup> and August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2000. Carried.

LANDFILL ANIMAL DISPOSAL FEE: Gene Cutler from Cutler Dead Animal Removal appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the proposed dead animal disposal fee. Mr. Cutler feels that the proposed animal disposal fee is excessive and may put him out of business. The Commissioners agreed to consider his objection to the animal disposal fee when drafting the proposed fee resolution.

LANDFILL SURPLUS PROPERTY: Moved by Commissioner Rudeen, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to designate the two fiberglass outhouses at the landfill as surplus property to be sold for \$125 each. Carried.

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

Current Expense (General)	\$ 18,813.98
Ambulance	1,811.51
District Court	1,347.63
Justice Fund	992.02
Indigent	4,938.10
Revaluation	126.00

Solid Waste  
Weeds  
PILT

171.55  
38.39  
63,735.43

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

INDIGENT #2000-14-I: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to deny indigent medical application #2000-14-I, since applicant has other financial resources available, i.e. Medicaid, and also since applicant is not a resident. Carried.

INDIGENT #2000-13-I: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to deny indigent medical application #2000-13-I, since applicant is disabled and has other financial resources available, i.e. Medicaid. Carried.


PROBATION OFFICE: Prosecuting Attorney Laggis reported on his sixty (60) day supervision of the Power County Probation Office. Mr. Laggis feels that supervision is no longer necessary. Laggis will provide the Commissioners with a written report, which the Commissioners will then review with Probation Supervisor Russ Wheatley.

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Hoybjerg, to approve and sign the Tax Anticipation Note between Power County and Harms Memorial Hospital District, in the amount of \$62,500 at the rate of 6% per annum, due and payable on January 30, 2001. Carried.

JAIL INSPECTION: The Commissioners then conducted their quarterly Power County jail inspection.

Adjourned.

  
KENT RUDEEN, Chairman

  
CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk