

## POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in special session on October 16, 2001. Present were Commissioners Ken Estep, Chairman, Valerie Hoybjerg and Janet S. Chapman. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht, Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis, Power County Assessor Doug Glascock, Power County Treasurer Bobbie Mauch and Power County Sheriff Howard Sprague.

ASTARIS/FMC SHUTDOWN: Power County Commissioners and elected officials discussed the tax and levy impact of the Astaris/FMC shutdown with representatives of the taxing districts affected, i.e. all taxing districts with boundaries in Power County Tax Code Area #14. The following were present representing their respective districts:

Power County Highway District: Board members Bill Meadows, Larry Bethke and Bob Wetzel. Also present was Highway District Foreman Steve Lusk.

School District #381: Board member Jim Tiede, School Board Clerk Kathy Lilya and Superintendent Ron Bollinger.

Harms Memorial Hospital District: Administrator Bob Brummond.

Power County Ambulance District: Ambulance District Director Mark Love.

American Falls Library District: Not represented.

Eastern Power County Fire District: Not represented.

At the outset, Clerk Steinlicht presented those present with the current levy rates based on the current market value, versus hypothetical levy rates based upon market value less Astaris. Clerk Steinlicht reported that none of the taxing districts would experience levy limit problems due to the shutdown and that each District could continue to levy the maximum amount possible without exceeding the levy limit. Each district representative indicated that they would discuss these impacts in detail within their own boards.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT – PLANNING & ZONING: Commissioner Hoybjerg reported, for the record, that she had been involved in discussions with certain developers who were making inquiries about locating a large gas fired plant (approximately 600 megawatts) somewhere in Power County. Commissioner Hoybjerg indicated that she had encouraged the developers to contact the Power County Industrial Development Board and, in fact, the developers met with the Industrial Development Board the following day. Commissioner Estep reported that he had also attended those same discussions with the developers.

IDAHO STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY – STATE ARCHIVES: Clerk Steinlicht reported that Rod House from the Idaho State Historical Society's State Archives will be picking up Power County's unused historical records on Tuesday, October 23, 2001. The Power County SCILD crew will assist Mr. House in carrying some of the heavy or bulky items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to move into executive session pursuant to I.C. #67-2345, for the purpose of taking up potential legal issues. Carried.

Adjourned.

  
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KEN ESTEP, Chairman

  
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CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk