

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2002. Present were Commissioners Ken Estep, Chairman, Valerie Hoybjerg and Janet S. Chapman. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

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

FORT HALL AMBULANCE: Power County Ambulance District Director Mark Love appeared before the Commissioners to discuss ambulance response within the boundaries of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation. Mr. Love advised the Commissioners that he and Pocatello Fire Chief Ben Estes had met with Bill Decker of the Fort Hall Ambulance Service on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2002, to discuss the concerns in negotiating a mutual aid agreement between Power County Ambulance District and the Fort Hall Ambulance Service. Mr. Love presented a written list of those concerns to the Commissioners. Following discussion on each point of concern, Mr. Love expressed his desire to work towards a mutual aid agreement that would be acceptable to both Fort Hall Ambulance Service and Power County Ambulance Service, including an appropriate and compatible fee schedule. Mr. Love expects to receive a formal, written response to the points of concern from Fort Hall Ambulance Service within the next several days. This matter was tabled until June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2002.

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

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

Current Expense (General)	\$ 22,555.78
Ambulance	2,382.11
District Court	2,835.61
Justice Fund	9,823.13
Indigent	10,493.50
Revaluation	2,511.73
Solid Waste	16,933.56
Weeds	993.67
Waterways	500.29
PILT	5,529.74

POWER COUNTY LANDFILL/TRANSFER STATION: Power County Transfer Station Supervisor Craig Heward appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the demolition and other waste from the new High School being delivered to the Power County Landfill and Transfer Station by Brennen Construction. Mr. Heward indicated that he and Joe Reams of Brennen Construction had agreed that Brennen Construction would pay \$45 per ton, with no exemption for first ton. Mr. Heward then expressed his concerns with Brennen Construction not separating the noxious materials that should be transferred to Milner-Butte, from demolition waste that is deposited in the County's landfill demolition pit. Prosecutor Laggis asked that Mr. Heward have Joe Reams of Brennen Construction call him directly to discuss the need for Brennen Construction to separate the waste so noxious materials such as empty paint cans, etc., don't end up in the County's demolition pit. Mr. Heward then discussed the solid waste disposal contract between Power County and Garbage Guys. Mr. Heward indicated that Snake River Dispose-All is in the process of purchasing Garbage Guys. Mr. Heward feels that neither Snake River Dispose-All nor Garbage Guys is currently performing timely as specified in the Agreement for disposal of solid waste between Power County and Garbage Guys. Mr. Heward suggested that the Commissioners contact Jim Meurer at IDS to negotiate a new solid waste disposal agreement. Prosecuting Attorney Laggis indicated the Commissioners are bound by the current Agreement with Garbage Guys and suggested that the Commissioners contact Shawn Perkins at Garbage Guys and question his intentions regarding any assignment of the solid waste disposal agreement to Snake River Dispose-All. This matter was tabled until May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2002.

POWER COUNTY SICK LEAVE BANK COMMITTEE: Elna Neu appeared before the Commissioners to present the formal Power County Sick Leave Bank Policy incorporating the changes previously discussed on April 22, 2002. Moved by Commissioner Hoybjerg, seconded by Commissioner Chapman, to approve the updated Power County Sick Leave Bank Policy as presented. Carried.

CIRCUIT BREAKER PROPERTY EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS: Deputy Assessor Elna Neu appeared before the Commissioners to present the applications for circuit breaker property tax exemptions, which the Power County Assessor has taken and processed on 2002 property taxes. Following a review of the applications by the Commissioners, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Chapman, to approve the circuit breaker applications as presented. Carried.

CITY/COUNTY PICNIC AND BASEBALL GAME: Commissioners discussed the joint City/County picnic and baseball game, which has been scheduled for July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2002. Commissioner Hoybjerg will prepare and distribute a list of the rules for the baseball game that were previously adopted by the City Council and County Commissioners on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2002.

COURTHOUSE SECURITY – CONCRETE BARRIERS: Power County Court Services Officer Max Sprague appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the six new ballards along Bannock Avenue in front of the Courthouse and the three planters staggered up the front walk between Bannock Avenue and the Courthouse front doors. Commissioners

Hoybjerg and Chapman expressed their displeasure with the appearance of the ballards and planters and discussed the possibility of those being returned to Pocatello Precast. Following discussion, the Board agreed to move two of the staggered planters in a line with the ballards and remove one planter. Mr. Sprague will make sure that the vines, as well as larger bushes, will be planted around the ballards to enhance the appearance. Mr. Sprague will attempt to either sell the additional planter not being used or place it in another location within the County.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION: The Board of Power County Commissioners then met as the Power County Board of Equalization at 1:30 p.m. There being no business to come before the Board of Equalization, the Power County Board of Equalization recessed.

PUBLIC DEFENDER CONTRACT: Power County Public Defender George Southworth appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the Power County Contract for Indigent Legal Services. Mr. Southworth is requesting an 8% to 10% increase on the fiscal year 2003 Contract, or, in the alternative, to allow him and his spouse the opportunity to participate in the County's self-funded medical insurance program. Mr. Southworth also requested an increase in the conflict public defender contract held by attorney John Souza. The Commissioners advised Mr. Southworth that this matter would be addressed further during the fiscal year 2003 budget process.

PLANNING & ZONING – EMERGENCY ORDINANCE: The Commissioners reviewed proposed 120 day emergency ordinance prepared by Special Planning & Zoning Attorney Jerry Mason, amending title 10 chapter 2 of the Power County Development Code, and specifically Code sections 10-2-2, 10-2-3 and 10-2-5. Following discussion with Jerry Mason's office, the Commissioners agreed that this matter would be tabled until May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2002.

COUNTY ROAD SIGNS: Commissioner Estep reported that Dan McHargue would like to contract with Power County to install road and other County signs as may be necessary. Commissioner Estep indicated that neither Mr. Wiles nor the SCILD crew have been able to keep up with the sign installation. Following discussion, the Commissioner agreed to discuss this further with Mr. McHargue and the Power County Highway District.

LAMB WESTON – SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AWARD: Commissioner Chapman reported that she is preparing a written supplement to the original Lamb Weston grant application, itemizing the actual costs and energy savings on replacing the windows in the County's building at 500 Pocatello Avenue. The supplement will be submitted to Lamb Weston for their further consideration.


WEEDS – ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT: Moved by Commissioner Chapman, seconded by Hoybjerg, to approve Weed Assistance Agreement #DAA000205 between Power County and Bureau of Land Management as presented. Carried.

JUNIOR COLLEGE – CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Chapman, to approve the Certificate of Residency for Dennis R. Sampson to attend the College of Southern Idaho. Carried.

POWER COUNTY LANDFILL/TRANSFER STATION – COMPACTOR PURCHASE: Clerk Steinlicht reported that the Equipment Lease entered into on December 28, 1999, between Power County and Snake River Sanitation for the lease of a K451 Compactor contained an option to purchase said compactor for the sum of \$1.00, which option to purchase needed to closed no later than May 15, 2002. Clerk Steinlicht further reported that Prosecuting Attorney Laggis had reviewed the purchase option Transfer Station Supervisor Craig Heward. Attorney Laggis prepared a Bill of Sale for Jim Evans d/b/a Snake River Sanitation to sign and return, and Power County remitted payment in the amount of \$1.00 on May 14, 2002. No further lease payments will be made on the Lease Agreement.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE: Commissioner Estep reported that it was the date and time set for hearing of alcohol beverage license. Commissioner Estep read the application into the record. There being no public objection, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Chapman, to approve the Retail Alcohol Beverage License of Shirley Mitchell d/b/a Rockland Café for the sale of draught and bottled or canned beer to be consumed on the premises and bottled or canned beer not to be consumed on the premises. Carried.

Adjourned.

  
KEN ESTEP, Chairman

  
CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk