

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in special session with the Shoshone Bannock Tribal Council on Monday, August 4, 2003, at the Tribal Business Center in Fort Hall. Present representing Power County were:

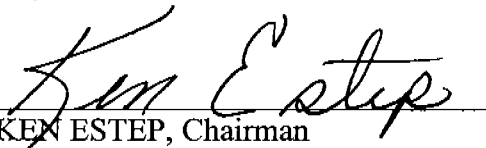
Commissioners Ken Estep, Chairman
Commissioner Vicki L. Meadows
Commissioner Ray Zimmerman
Clerk Christine Steinlicht
Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis

Present representing the Shoshone Bannock Tribes were:

Council Chairman Fred Auck
Council Vice-Chairman Larry Bagley
Council Member Blaine Edmo
Council Member Doyle Teton
Council Member Alonzo Coby
Council Member Alan Lee Kniffen

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – FMC SITE: The Commissioners and Tribal Council discussed the industrial and economic development opportunities available at the FMC site, which opportunities would benefit both tribal and non-tribal members in the region. Following discussion, it was agreed that Power County and the Shoshone Bannock Tribes should prioritize potential economic options and jointly pursue alternative energy based economic use of the site, for which federal grant funds may be available. It was further agreed that the Commissioners and Tribal Council should meet with the appropriate representatives of FMC, and possibly the Idaho Congressional Representatives to discuss this matter further. In the meantime, it was agreed that letters would be sent to all businesses that have expressed an interest in the FMC site and encourage them to schedule a meeting with the Commissioners and Tribal Council. The Commissioners indicated that U. S. Senator Larry Craig will be attending the first meeting of the Power County Economic Development Board on Tuesday, August 5, 2003, and invited the Tribal Council to attend that meeting as well. The Tribal Council indicated that they would be meeting with Bill Magowitz of the Department of Energy and U. S. Representative Terry Crapo on Thursday, August 7, 2003.

Adjourned.


KEN ESTEP, Chairman


CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk