

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, May 3, 2004. Present were Commissioners Ken Estep, Chairman, Vicki L. Meadows and Ray Zimmerman. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

SIXTH DISTRICT JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER – JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT: Seth Scott from the Sixth District Juvenile Detention Facility appeared before the Commissioners to present the updated Joint Power Agreement between the Counties of Bannock, Caribou, Oneida, Franklin, Bear Lake and Power, to provide a facility for the detention of juveniles that complies with the minimum standards set forth in Idaho Code #20-518. Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve and execute the original Sixth District Juvenile Detention Facility Joint Powers Agreement as presented. Carried.

COMMISSIONERS AGENDA: Following a review of the calendar, the Commissioners agreed to conduct their regular May meetings on Monday, May 10th and Thursday, May 27th, 2004.

FISCAL YEAR 2004 -- BUDGET REQUEST HEARINGS: Following a review of the calendar, the Commissioners agreed to conduct their Fiscal Year 2005 Budget Request Hearings with elected officials and department heads on June 15th, 16th and 17th, 2004.

500 POCATELLO AVENUE – RENOVATION: The Commissioners reviewed the structural seismic assessment prepared by Eagle Engineering dated April 30th, 2004, and agreed to proceed with renovation, and particularly truss and structural reinforcement. The Commissioners agreed to ask Power County Maintenance Supervisor Gary Thomson to serve as Construction Supervisor through the remainder of the renovation. Commissioner Estep will contact Mr. Thomson, and this matter was tabled until May 10th, 2004.

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

AMBULANCE SERVICE CONTRACT – POCATELLO SPEEDWAY, INC.: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve the Ambulance Service Contract between Power County Ambulance and Pocatello Speedway, Inc., as presented. Carried.

AMBULANCE SERVICE CONTRACT – POCATELLO MOTOCROSS: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve the Ambulance Service Contract between Power County Ambulance District and Pocatello Motocross as presented. Carried.

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

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to reappoint Dan Hammond to serve a three (3) year term on the Power County Industrial Development Board (January, 2007). Carried.

POWER COUNTY EMPLOYEE BENEFITS – CCN PHYSICIANS NETWORK REPORT: The Commissioners reviewed the e-mail and information received from Mark Semons of Semons Financial regarding the physicians network that Power County is currently using in its self-funded medical insurance program. Mr. Semons is recommending that Power County consider switching from CCN Physician Network to SIPHO Physician Network in order to save costs and expand coverage in this area. The Commissioners contacted Mr. Semons by telephone and, following discussion, it was agreed to table this matter until June 15th, 2004, at 9:00 a.m., when Mr. Semons is scheduled to meet with the Power County Commissioners.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – EASTERN POWER COUNTY: Commissioner Estep reported that next meeting of Idaho Optimum Initiative (IOI) Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, May 4th, 2004, at 2:00 p.m. at the Bannock Development Building in Pocatello.

PLANNING & ZONING – CONFINED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION (CAFO) ORDINANCE: The Commissioners reviewed the proposed CAFO Ordinance recommended by the Power County Planning & Zoning Board. Following discussion, the Commissioners instructed Prosecuting Attorney Laggis to contact Special Planning & Zoning Attorney Jerry Mason to discuss possible alternatives to the buffer zone issues posed by the proposed Ordinance. This matter was tabled until May 10th, 2004.

SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBES – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Following discussion, the Commissioners instructed Prosecuting Attorney Laggis to contact Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Council Attorney Bill Bacon to discuss Planning & Zoning issues and specifically building permit fees, inspection/enforcement and taxes and/or fees on development within the common boundaries of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation and Power County. This matter was tabled until May 10th, 2004.


PROSECUTOR/PROBATION OFFICE/BUILDING DEPARTMENT – COPIER LEASE: Power County Probation Office Supervisor Russ Wheatley appeared before the Commissioners to submit a proposal to lease a copy machine for \$135.00 per month, which payment includes an appropriate maintenance agreement. Mr. Wheatley indicated that the Probation Office, Prosecuting Attorney's Office and Building Department would

each pay a pro-rata share of the costs based on usage. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to authorize the Probation Office, Prosecuting Attorney's Office and the Building Department to jointly lease a copy machine for \$135.00 per month, which includes maintenance, with the costs to be shared based on usage. Carried.


PLANNING & ZONING APPEAL – BINGHAM INVESTMENT (GRAVEL PIT):
Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve and execute the Findings of Fact and Order in the matter of the Appeal of the Special Use Permit Application of Bingham Investments to establish a gravel pit, as prepared and presented by Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis. Carried.

POWER COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER – MEALS ON WHEELS:
Commissioner Estep reported that a private company out of the Twin Falls area is competing with the local Power County Senior Citizens Center in delivering frozen meals to seniors, and that the local Senior Citizens director, John St. Vincent, will be making an appointment with the Board of Power County Commissioners to discuss this issue.

Adjourned.



KEN ESTEP, Chairman



CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk