

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, August 9th, 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.

MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve the Power County Commissioner Minutes for July 12th, 16th, 19th and 26th, 2004, as presented. Carried.

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

General Fund (Current Expense)	\$ 11,077.50
Ambulance	1,857.92
District Court	3,973.27
Justice Fund	30,259.19
Indigent	1,233.72
Revaluation	46.76
Solid Waste	17,972.84
Weeds	4,309.20
Waterways	3,561.86
PILT	25,508.07

CITY OF AMERICAN FALLS – VEHICLE TOW/IMPOUND POLICY: American Falls City Councilman Chuck Chadbourn appeared before the Commissioners to discuss a vehicle tow/impound policy. The Commissioners advised Mr. Chadbourn that City of American Falls Attorney Randy Kline should draft a proposed vehicle tow/impound policy to address the City's unique concerns and present the same to the Commissioners for their review and consideration. Mr. Chadbourn agreed to discuss this matter with Mr. Kline.

POWER COUNTY SHERIFF'S INMATE LABOR DETAIL (SCILD): American Falls City Councilman Chuck Chadbourn appeared before the Commissioners to request that the Power County Sheriff's Inmate Labor Detail (SCILD) crew be allowed to clean up abandoned properties. Commissioner Zimmerman also suggested that the City Council consider condemnation proceedings on some of these properties. The Commissioners agreed that the SCILD crew could be used to clean up abandoned properties until they can be legally and properly condemned or sold.

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 DISTRICT DIRECTOR/DISASTER SERVICES DIRECTOR: The Commissioners reviewed the applications and resumes submitted for Power County Ambulance District Director and the Power County Disaster Services Director. The Commissioners agreed that the positions should be combined, and instructed Clerk Steinlicht to readvertise the position of Ambulance District Director/Disaster Services Director in the following newspapers:

Idaho State Journal (Pocatello)
Power County Press
Post Register (Idaho Falls)
The Times-News (Twin Falls)
Southern Idaho Press (Burley)

Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis will give written notice to the current applicants that these positions will be combined and readvertised.

IDAHO COUNTIES RECIPROCAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (ICRMP) – RENEWAL CONFIRMATION: Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve and execute the ICRMP Renewal Confirmation for the Power County Ambulance District as presented. Carried.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS (EMTS) – PORTNEUF LIFE FLIGHT BENEFITS: The Commissioners discussed Mr. Love's recent request to offer Portneuf Life Flight Benefits to the Power County EMTS. The Commissioners agreed to discontinue discussion on this matter until a new director has been hired.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION (I.C. #67-2345): Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to move into executive session pursuant to I.C. #67-2345 for the purpose of taking up indigent medical applications. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2004-15-I: Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve indigent medical application #2004-15-I. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2004-14-I: Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve indigent medical application #2004-14-I. Carried.

U. S. CELLULAR – POWER COUNTY CELLULAR SERVICES: Brandt Hill of U. S. Cellular appeared before the Commissioners to present an amendment to Power County's cellular telephone service plan, which will be effective on the first date of the new billing cycle. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to accept the plan amendment and continue the service agreement with U. S. Cellular.

POWER COUNTY EMPLOYEE MEDICAL INSURANCE BENEFITS – SEMONS FINANCIAL: Mark Semons of Semons Financial appeared before the Commissioners to discuss renewal of the Power County Employee Medical Benefit plan. Mr. Semons presented the Commissioners with a draft "Stop-Loss Proposal" as well as a copy of the Power County Prescription Drug Comparison. Mr. Semons is still awaiting additional information to present final proposals and renewal options. This matter was tabled until August 23rd, 2004.

POWER COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT: Power County Building Administrator Richard Wiles appeared before the Commissioners to present his Building Permit Collections for Power County for July, 2004.

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

WEEDS – BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (BLM) ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve and execute the Amendment of Request for Application/Modification of Assistance Agreement, modifying Assistance Agreement #DAA000205, between Power County and the Bureau of Land Management for noxious weed control as presented. Carried.

JUNIOR COLLEGE – CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY: Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve the Certificate of Residency for the College of Southern Idaho as presented. Carried.

IDAHO COUNTIES RECIPROCAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (ICRMP) – RENEWAL CONFIRMATION: Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve the ICRMP Renewal Confirmation for Power County as presented. Carried.

SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBES – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: The Commissioners discussed their most recent meeting with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Council to discuss economic development opportunities with the common boundaries of Power County and the Fort Hall Indian Reservation. The Commissioners contacted John Schaffer of Aerospace & Aviation Management Corporation by telephone to discuss his proposal to develop an airline maintenance and operation center adjacent to the Pocatello Municipal Airport. Mr. Schaffer would like to put together a business plan for the Commissioners and Tribal Councils review. Following discussion, Prosecuting Attorney

Laggis agreed to coordinate a date for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Council, Power County Commissioners and the City of Pocatello Mayor and City Council to meet with Mr. Schaffer directly to discuss this proposal. Mr. Schaffer has sent a letter to Tribal Council Chairperson Nancy Murillo outlining the expenses for him to attend that meeting and complete the assessment. Prosecuting Attorney Laggis will obtain a copy of that letter for the Commissioners review.

POWER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE – AIR CONDITIONING: The Commissioners discussed Sheriff Sprague's request to upgrade the air conditioning units at the Power County Sheriff's Office and Jail. The Commissioners agreed to obtain quotes from Barlows and Sierra Heating & Cooling and Commissioner Estep agreed to obtain those quotes. This matter was tabled until August 23rd, 2004.

500 POCATELLO AVENUE – RENOVATIONS: Commissioner Estep reported that Cruz Brothers Construction is in the process of preparing two separate quotes for renovation of the upstairs portion of the 500 Pocatello Avenue Building. The first quote will be to frame, insulate, sheetrock and finish the exterior walls, and the second quote will be to sheetrock and finish the interior walls. Commissioner Estep will contact the SCILD crew to arrange for the lathe and plaster on the interior walls to be removed.

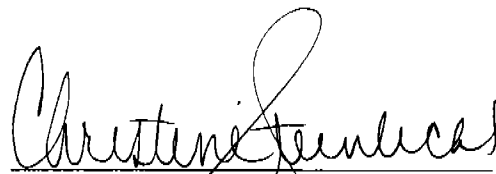
L.I.D. WATER/SEWER LINES – AIRPORT HOOKUP: Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to wait until they hear back from Airport Board Member Pete Ramsey before making any effort to hook on to the L.I.D. water/sewer line, since it appears that the hook up may not be necessary at this time. The Commissioners further agreed that postponing the Airport hookup may allow the L.I.D. Board members to settle their differences prior to any further hookups.

LAW ENFORCMENT – CHILD INTERVIEW ROOM: Commissioner Meadows reported that Architect Ken Douglass is preparing a sketch of the renovations that will need to be made at the Doctor's Clinic to accommodate a child interview room and will provide a copy to the Commissioners once that has been completed. This matter was tabled until August 23rd, 2004.

Adjourned.



KEN ESTEP, Chairman



CHRISTINE STENLICHT, Clerk