

## POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2004. Present were Commissioners Vicki Meadows and Ray Zimmerman. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

COUNTY BOARD APPOINTMENTS: The Commissioners reviewed the appointments that will need to be made in January, 2005, to fill vacancies on the following County Boards:

- Airport Board
- Fair Board
- Guardianship Board
- Historical Society Board
- Planning & Zoning Board
- Snowmobile Board
- Waterways Board
- Weed Board
- Industrial Development Board
- Economic Development Board

Clerk Steinlicht reported that she has published a list of the board openings to allow interested applicants to submit their name for service. This matter was tabled until December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

POWER COUNTY GUARDIANSHIP BOARD: Commissioner Meadows reported that Maria Fernandez has resigned from the Power County Guardianship Board. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to appoint Carlene Savage to fill the vacancy on the Power County Guardianship Board until January, 2006. Carried.

COURTHOUSE EXPANSION/REMODEL: Keeven Shropshire of JHS Architects appeared before the Commissioners to present an updated floor plan for expansion and renovation of the Power County Courthouse. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that Mr. Shropshire should meet with the County elected officials and department heads to define individual needs within each office space. This matter was tabled until December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

CITY/COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTION AGREEMENT: The Commissioners reviewed written proposal from the City of American Falls offering Power County a contract for a part-time certified building/planning & zoning administrator for the annual

sum of \$33,156. Following discussion, the Commissioners instructed Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis to prepare a written counter offer of \$25 per hour for building/planning & zoning administrator services, since Power County will still offer secretarial, vehicle and other expenses for the Power County Building Department. This matter was tabled until December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

SHERIFF RETIREMENT PARTY: Following a review of the calendar, the Commissioners agreed to host a retirement party for Power County Sheriff Howard Sprague on Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2004, beginning at 3:00 p.m. to allow County employees to attend and visit with Sheriff Sprague. This matter was tabled until December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

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

General	\$ 20,829.88
Ambulance	10,067.16
District Court	5,415.32
Justice	27,894.01
Indigent	428.49
Revaluation	350.00
Solid Waste	16,509.99
Weeds	3,649.00
Waterways	100.00
PILT	11,551.70

RURAL ADDRESS SYSTEM: Clerk Steinlicht reported that the Power County Rural Address System has not been maintained by the Power County Building Department since 1993. The Commissioners agreed that they may want to discontinue paying for the software if the program is not being utilized; however, they would like to discuss this matter further with Power County Assessor Doug Glascock and agreed to table further discussion until December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

AIRPORT BUDGET: Clerk Steinlicht reported that the Power County Airport has submitted claims which will put it over its fiscal year 2005 budget allocation. The Commissioners contacted Power County Airport Board Chairman Klaren Kooppin to discuss this matter, and Mr. Kooppin agreed to review the claims submitted and make the necessary adjustments to stay within the allowed fiscal year 2005 budget. This matter was tabled until December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

MS ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES -- APPEAL TO PLAN TRUSTEES: Power County employee Crystal Torres appeared before the Commissioners to appeal MS Administrative Services' denial of her medical claims. The Commissioners requested that Ms. Torres provide them with all of the paperwork submitted to and received from MS Administrative Services on these claims. This matter was tabled until November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

IDAHO COUNTIES RECIPROCAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (ICRMP) -- BOARD OF TRUSTEES BALLOT: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to vote for Caribou County Commissioner Bruce Dredge to serve on the ICRMP Board of Trustees for District V and for Bingham County Commissioner Cleone Jolley to serve on the ICRMP Board of Trustees as Member-At-Large. Carried.

NEW YEARS PARTY: Following discussion, Commissioner Zimmerman agreed to stop in at Melody Lanes & Café to review their party buffet menu and get a price per head. This matter was tabled until December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

JUVENILE JUSTICE – ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (FISCAL YEAR 2004): Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve the Fiscal Year 2004 Annual Financial Report to the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections as presented. Carried.

JUVENILE JUSTICE – PROGRAM AND BUDGET PLAN (FISCAL YEAR 2005): Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve the Fiscal Year 2005 County Annual Juvenile Justice Program and Budget Plan to the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections as presented. Carried.

ENHANCED 911 SERVICE AGREEMENT – QWEST: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve and renew the Enhanced 911 Agreement between Power County and Qwest as presented. Carried.

APPLICATION FOR TAX EXEMPT STATUS (I.C. #67-602AA): The Commissioners reviewed the evidence and testimony submitted by Chris Cutler on his Application for Tax Exempt Status which was presented to the Commissioners on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2004. Mr. Cutler has requested that his property, Parcel #RPCO300-00A be designated tax exempt pursuant to County policy and I.C. #63-602AA since he is a Native American, enrolled in the Shoshone-Bannock Tribe and living within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to grant the application for property tax exempt status on Parcel #RPCO300-00A and to forgive all property taxes currently owing on said parcel. Carried.

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – BUILDING LEASE EXTENSION: Commissioners reviewed the Lease Extension Agreement between Power County and Harms Memorial Hospital District which will expire on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2004. The Commissioners agreed to table discussion on this matter until December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE: Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis advised the Commissioners that nothing under Idaho law prohibits proprietors from allowing patrons to bring in and consume alcoholic beverages on their business premises;

therefore, Melody Lanes & Café will not need to renew their alcohol beverage license in order for alcoholic beverages to be consumed on their premises; however, they are specifically not allowed to sell or dispense alcohol.

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 #1991-15-I: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to forgive the balance of \$4,160 owing on Indigent Case #1991-15-I and release any and all medical indigent liens which may be encumbering applicants property. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2005-03-I: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to deny indigent medical application #2005-03-I, since application was processed as incomplete. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2005-01-I: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to deny indigent medical application #2005-01-I since application was processed as incomplete. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2005-04-I: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve indigent medical application #2005-04-I. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2005-02-I: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to approve indigent medical application #2005-02-I. Carried.

DISASTER SERVICES – HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT: Power County Disaster Services Director Di Armstrong appeared before the Commissioners to present the Idaho Bureau of Hazardous Materials Application for Assistance under the Homeland Security Grant Program. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve and execute the Application for Assistance from the Idaho Bureau of Hazardous Materials under the Homeland Security Grant Program as presented. Carried. Commissioner Estep will sign the original when he returns to the Power County Courthouse on the 29<sup>th</sup> of November, 2004.

DISASTER SERVICES – LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC): Power County Disaster Services Director Di Armstrong appeared before the Commissioners to advise that the next meeting of the LEPC has been scheduled for Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2004, at 12:00 noon at the Emergency Services Building. The LEPC will be discussing a table top exercise that is being planned for Power County.

DISASTER SERVICES – DEPUTY DIRECTOR: Power County Disaster Services Director Di Armstrong appeared before the Commissioners to discuss a Deputy Director appointment. Ms. Armstrong advised the Commissioners that the previous Deputy

Director, Virgil Barnard, will be unable to serve in that capacity in the future. Ms. Armstrong will continue to solicit possible candidates for the position.

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

Power County Ambulance District Director Di Armstrong appeared before the Commissioner to report that a recertification class for Emergency Medical Technicians is scheduled to begin in December, 2004.

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

500 POCATELLO AVENUE – RENOVATIONS: 500 Pocatello Avenue Architect Ken Douglass contacted Commissioners by speaker telephone to advise them that he had been through the building and is working on specifications to finish the upstairs portion of the building. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that Mr. Douglass and Commissioner Meadows will meet on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2004, at 1:00 p.m. to walk through the building together so Mr. Douglass can prepare appropriate specifications to complete construction. This matter was tabled until December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

Adjourned

  
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CHRISTINE STEINLICHT

  
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RAY ZIMMERMAN