

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, June 27th, 2005. Present were Commissioners Ken Estep, Chairman, and Ray Zimmerman. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

POWER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – FMC SITE: Power County Development Authority members Kent Rudeen, Chairman, Brett Crompton and Bill Meadows appeared before the Commissioners, with PCDA member Ben Strand appearing via telephone conference call, to discuss the status of the FMC site. Also present by telephone were Liz Davis and John Bartholomew of FMC Corporation. Following discussion, the parties agreed to schedule the next status report for Monday, July 11th, 2004, at 8:00 a.m.

POWER COUNTY PROBATION/COURT SERVICES OFFICE – BAILIFF/COURTHOUSE SECURITY AGREEMENT: Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries and Probation/Court Services Office Supervisor Russ Wheatley appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the Court Bailiff position and related duties. Also present was Power County Deputy Sheriff Max Sprague. Sheriff Jeffries indicated that the Bailiff Agreement dated May 17th, 1999, between former Power County Sheriff Howard Sprague, Sixth District Administrative Judge Randy Smith, Sixth District Magistrate Judge Mark Beebe, and the Power County Commissioners should be updated and amended to include specific duties and responsibilities of the Bailiff to maintain the Courthouse Security Alarm and related systems. The Commissioners suggested that Sheriff Jeffries and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis work together to update the Bailiff Agreement. This matter was tabled until July 11th, 2005.

500 POCATELLO AVENUE (POWER COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX) – RENOVATION: Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries and Deputy Sheriff Max Sprague appeared before the Commissioners to discuss security issues at the Power County Courthouse Annex at 500 Pocatello Avenue. The Commissioners and Sheriff Sprague agreed that motion security sensors could be installed rather inexpensively. The Commissioners then conducted a walk through of the 500 Pocatello Avenue Building and Commissioner Zimmerman agreed to contact Wade Bailey d/b/a Bailey Brothers Concrete to obtain a quote to finish the concrete work in the front of the building. Commissioner Estep indicated that he would contact City Building Administrator Jeff Nelson to discuss an official address assignment on the building. This matter was tabled until July 11th, 2005.

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

MEDICAL SOLUTIONS CONTRACT: Power County Ambulance District Director Di Armstrong appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the contract for billing services between Power County Ambulance District and Medical Solutions, which expires June 30th, 2005. Ms. Armstrong will contact Lois Akers at Medical Solutions to discuss renewal of the contract. This matter was tabled until July 11th, 2005.

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

EASTERN IDAHO STATE FAIR – REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE: Eastern Idaho State Fair Manager Doris Wallace contacted the Commissioners to request that Power County contribute \$1,000 to complete the paving of the carnival lot at the Eastern Idaho State Fairgrounds in Blackfoot. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to contribute \$1,000 to complete the paving of the carnival lot at the Eastern Idaho State Fairgrounds. Carried.

POWER COUNTY WEED DEPARTMENT – GRIEVANCE: Power County residents Lynn Scherer and Mark Scherer appeared before the Commissioners to register a grievance against the Power County Weed Department for selective enforcement and violation of private property rights. Following discussion, the Commissioners and Prosecuting Attorney Laggis agreed that the Power County Weed Department Supervisor is required to obtain landowner permission prior to entering private property. Commissioner Estep agreed to discuss this matter with Power County Weed Supervisor Curtis Munk and report back to Lynn Scherer and Mark Scherer. Prosecuting Attorney Laggis indicated that he would work with Weed Department Supervisor Curtis Munk to prepare a written protocol for identifying and plotting weeds on private property in accordance with Idaho Law. This matter was tabled until July 11th, 2005.

AMERICAN FALLS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT – EXTRICATION AGREEMENT: American Falls Rural Fire District Board member Lynn Scherer appeared before the Commissioners to report that the Extrication Agreement between Power County Emergency Medical Services and Power County had been reviewed and approved by the Fire District Board. The signed original will be returned to the Power County Clerk for recording.

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – DOCTOR'S CLINIC: Harms Memorial Hospital Board Member Emily Wright appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the availability of the Doctors Clinic for use by Harms Memorial Hospital District. The Commissioners agreed that the Southeastern District Health Department and Dr. Dean Williams will continue to operate under their lease agreements; however, the clinic area previously occupied by Harms Memorial Hospital District remains vacant. Power

County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis advised the Commissioners that the Child Interview Room that was scheduled to occupy a portion of the Doctors Clinic has been put on hold and could easily be relocated in the event that the property could be leased to Harms Memorial Hospital District. Ms. Wright indicated that she would discuss this matter with the other Hospital Board members at their next regular meeting.

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

PARTNERS FOR PROSPERITY: Chris Guthrie from Partners for Prosperity (P4P) appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the P4P organization and their mission to reduce poverty within the Eastern Idaho area. Ms. Guthrie invited the Commissioners to participate in the P4P working group meetings. The Commissioners provided Ms. Guthrie with a copy of Power County's most recent Community Advisory Manual, and suggested that she contact the American Falls Community Advisory Committee to arrange a meeting with them as well.

POWER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (I.C. #63-501): The Power County Board of Commissioners then met as the Power County Board of Equalization pursuant to I.C. #63-501. There being no business to come before the Board, the Power County Board of Equalization recessed until July 11th, 2005, at 9:00 a.m.

POWER COUNTY COURTHOUSE EXPANSION/REMODEL: The Commissioners reviewed the quote received from Roche Moving & Storage in the amount of \$5,760, which includes packing and packing material, load and unload labor from the Power County Courthouse to the 500 Pocatello Avenue Building, or some other storage location within two miles of the Power County Courthouse, on August 16th, 17th and 18th, 2005. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to approve the quote submitted by Roche Moving & Storage in the amount of \$5,760. Carried.

569 BANNOCK AVENUE – IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & WELFARE LEASE: The Commissioners contacted Idaho Department of Health & Welfare Supervisor Bob Etlin by telephone to discuss the proposed lease of Power County's building at 569 Bannock Avenue. Mr. Etlin confirmed that the lease arrangements as previously discussed are agreeable and that the Power County Office of the Idaho Department of Health & Welfare will plan on occupying the building beginning September 1st, 2005. The Commissioners confirmed that the Power County Extension and Weed Departments will have completed vacated the 569 Bannock Avenue Building by Monday, July 18th, 2005, and that the building renovations required by the Idaho Department of Health & Welfare could begin on that date. Mr. Etlin indicated that the Idaho Department of Health & Welfare attorney will be preparing a written lease agreement for the Power County Commissioners review and consideration. This matter was tabled until July 11th, 2005.

POWER COUNTY EMPLOYEE MEDICAL INSURANCE BENEFIT TRUST – GEM PLAN QUOTE: Power County Commissioner Ken Estep reported that Mark Seamons d/b/a Seamons Financial is working directly with Gem Plan representatives at Mutual Insurance to prepare a quote for Power County's Participation in the Gem Plan. Commissioner Estep anticipates that the quote will be available to the Power County Commissioners on September 1st, 2005. This matter was tabled until September 12th, 2005.

THREE RIVERS RESOURCE, CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT – FIRE PROTECTION/DEFENSIBLE SPACE: Commissioner Estep reported that he had been contacted by Three Rivers RC&D to discuss fire protection and defensible space areas within Power County, which should also be addressed by the Power County Fire Mitigation Plan. Three Rivers RC&D is prepared to assist Power County residents in obtaining information on limiting hazardous fuel and making their property fire defensible. They have asked that the Board of Power County Commissioners assist by notifying County residents, especially those with property in high-risk fire areas, of the resources available through Three Rivers RC&D.

FISCAL YEAR 2006 BUDGET – CLERK'S BUDGET: Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht reported that the Clerk's balanced budget for fiscal year 2006 will be presented to the Board of Power County Commissioners on July 11th, 2005.

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

INDIGENT CASE #2005-15-I: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to deny indigent medical application #2005-15-I since applicant has other resources available to pay the medical expenses incurred. Carried.

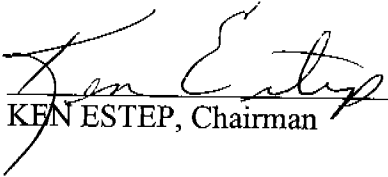
CLAIMS: Moved by Commissioner Zimmerman, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve the claims as presented and supplemented. Carried.

General	\$ 6,562.53
Ambulance	1,056.44
District Court	1,799.88
Justice	22,190.21
Indigent	827.79
Revaluation	154.71
Solid Waste	2,075.82
Weeds	50.58
Waterways	58.31
PILT	23,663.99

CITY OF AMERICAN FALLS – JOINT MEETING: Power County Clerk Chris Steinlicht reported that the next joint meeting between Power County and the City of

American Falls has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 3rd, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Office of the Power County Courthouse. Clerk Steinlicht and American Falls City Clerk Betty Huse will coordinate and prepare an agenda.

Adjourned.


KEN ESTEP, Chairman


CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk