

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, January 8th, 2007. Present were Commissioners Ken Estep, Chairman, Commissioner Vicki Meadows, and Commissioner-elect Ron Funk. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

COURTHOUSE OFFICE SIGNS: The Commissioners reviewed the quote submitted by SBI Contracting, Inc., to place office signs to mark the following Courthouse offices:

Power County Assessor's Office
Power County Treasurer's Office
Power County Clerk's Office
Power County Probation Department
Power County Building Department

The Commissioners agreed that the Office of the Power County Magistrate Court should also be marked with a sign and included in the quote. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and accept the quote submitted by SBI Contracting, Inc., as presented and supplemented, to place signs marking the various offices and departments within the Power County Courthouse. Carried.

COMMISSIONER MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve the Power County Commissioner Minutes for December 11th, 18th and 27th, 2006, as presented. Carried.

OATH OF OFFICE: Power County Commissioner Vicki Meadows administered the Oath of Office to the following Power County elected officials:

Ron Funk – Power County Commissioner District #1
Ken Estep – Power County Commissioner District #3
Chris Steinlicht – Clerk of the District Court
Bobbie Mauch – County Treasurer
Douglas Glascock – County Assessor
Mark Gunn Rose – County Coroner

COMMISSIONER CHAIRMAN: Moved by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to appoint Vicki Meadows to serve as Chairman of the Board of Power County Commissioners until January, 2009. Carried.

COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENTS: The Commissioners reviewed a list of the County Boards and Departments that each Commissioner should oversee or act as liaison with during calendar year 2007. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to table further discussion of this issue until January 22nd, 2007.

POWER COUNTY PROBATION – JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY INCENTIVE BLOCK GRANT (JAIBG) AWARD (PARENT PROJECT): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve and execute the grant award for the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant to assist in the operation of parent project sessions during fiscal year 2007. Carried.

POWER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION/LANDFILL – EQUIPMENT RENTAL: The Commissioners discussed the various options available to decrease the use and/or costs of renting heavy equipment for use at the Power County Transfer Station and Landfill. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that any equipment lease or rent at the Power County Transfer Station/Landfill should be pre-approved by the Board of Power County Commissioners. The Commissioners agreed to table further discussion of this matter until February 26th, 2007.

POWER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to reappoint Doris Garrison to serve an additional three (3) year term on the Power County Historical Society Board (January, 2010). Carried.

POWER COUNTY FAIRBOARD: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to reappoint Edith Kopp to serve an additional three (3) year term on the Power County Fairboard (January, 2010). Carried.

POWER COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING BOARD: The Commissioners discussed the vacancy on the Power County Planning & Zoning Board, which was created by the election of Ron Funk to the Board of Power County Commissioners. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to appoint Gary Gehring to fill the vacant position on the Power County Planning & Zoning Board (January, 2009). Carried.

POWER SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT – ANNUAL REPORT: Power County Soil Conservation District Board Supervisors Roger Whitnah and Ivan Permann appeared before the Board of Power County Commissioners to present the District's Annual Report for the period July 1st, 2005, through June 30th, 2006. Mr. Whitnah then requested that the Commissioners submit their letter of intent to provide the Power Soil Conservation District \$6,000 from Power County's fiscal year 2008 budget. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to submit a letter of intent to allocate \$6,000 to the Power County Soil Conservation District from the County's fiscal year 2008 budget. Carried. Mr. Permann then questioned the status of the cloud seeding operation, and the Commissioner agreed to contact Power County's cloud seeding administrator Curtis Munk to provide an update on the status of the cloud seeding operation in Power County.

POWER COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS MEETING: Present for the Power County Elected Officials meeting were the following Power County Elected Officials:

Vicki Meadows, Commission Chairman
Ken Estep, Commissioner
Ron Funk, Commissioner
Chris Steinlicht, Clerk
Doug Glascock, Assessor
Jim Jeffries, Sheriff
Paul Laggis, Prosecutor

POWER COUNTY COURTHOUSE EXPANSION/REMODEL – OPEN HOUSE: The Commissioners reviewed the calendar and agreed to table further discussion of this matter until March, 2007.

VACATION/COMPENSATORY/SICK ACCRUAL CARRY-OVER: The Power County Elected Officials reviewed the accrual register showing vacation time, compensatory time and sick time being carried over to calendar year 2007 by each County employee. Following discussion and a review of Section B(5), C(1)(d) and C(2)(e) of the Power County Personnel Manual, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, to reduce vacation and sick accrual balances on all employees, except Power County dispatch personnel, to the maximum allowed under the Power County Personnel Manual. Carried. Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries agreed that the dispatch personnel would have excess vacation time used prior to March 30th, 2007.

RECORD RETENTION: The Power County Elected Officials reviewed the written recommendations of Power County Prosecuting attorney Paul Laggis regarding the classification and disposal of County records. Each Elected Official agreed to periodically submit a listing of their “permanent”, “semi-permanent” and “temporary” records with a schedule for disposal and/or storage to the Board of Power County Commissioners for their approval. The Commissioners agreed to review this matter annually with the Power County Elected Officials.

SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY: Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis reminded the Power County Elected Officials of their obligation to comply with Idaho Law when disposing of surplus County property.

CITY OF AMERICAN FALLS – LAW ENFORCEMENT COMPUTER CONNECTIVITY: Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries appeared before the Commissioners to report that Idaho Power has presented several options to allow Power County and the City of American Falls to attach overhead communication cabling to the power poles in the alley between Roosevelt and Idaho Streets to complete computer connectivity between the Power County Sheriff’s Office and the American Falls Police Department. Following a review of the options presented, and the significant costs associated with each option, the Commissioners authorized Sheriff Jeffries to meet with American Falls Mayor Amy Wynn to discuss trenching conduit underground rather than overhead communication. This matter was tabled until January 22nd, 2007.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (I.C. #67-2345): Moved by Commissioner Funk, 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 #2007-03-I: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to deny indigent medical application #2007-03-I, since applicant has other resources sufficient to pay the medical expenses incurred. Carried.

ESCI EXECUTONE – COUNTY TELEPHONE SYSTEM: Steve Ryan of ECSI Executone appeared before the Commissioners to review Power County's telephone lines and related billings. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to table further discussion of this matter until January 22nd, 2007, to allow Mr. Ryan additional time to review Power County's current telephone system and its ability for future growth.

POWER COUNTY AIRPORT – NON-COMMERCIAL AIRPORT HANGER LEASE (JEWEL ANN WILLIAMS JACOBS): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and execute the Non-Commercial Airport Hanger Lease between Power County and Jewel Ann Williams Jacobs, which Lease commences on January 1st, 2007, and expires on January 1st, 2012. Carried.

POWER COUNTY AIRPORT – NON-COMMERCIAL AIRPORT HANGER LEASE (WILL ROWE, KLAREN KOOMPIN AND RONALD MILLER): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and execute the Non-Commercial Airport Hanger Lease between Power County and Will Rowe, Klaren Koopin and Ronald Miller, which Lease commences on January 1st, 2007, and expires on January 1st, 2012. Carried.

POWER COUNTY AIRPORT – NON-COMMERCIAL AIRPORT HANGER LEASE (HAYES & WENDY RUDOLPH): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and execute the Non-Commercial Airport Hanger Lease between Power County and Hayes & Wendy Rudolph, which Lease commences on January 1st, 2007, and expires January 1st, 2012. Carried.

POWER COUNTY AIRPORT – NON-COMMERCIAL AIRPORT HANGER LEASE (RALPH BREDDING): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and execute the Non-Commercial Airport Hanger Lease between Power County and Ralph Bredding, which Lease commences on January 1st, 2007, and expires January 1st, 2012. Carried.

POWER COUNTY AIRPORT – NON-COMMERCIAL AIRPORT HANGER LEASE (GEORGE & MARILYN MERRILL): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and execute the Non-Commercial Airport Hanger Lease between Power County and George & Marilyn

Merrill, which Lease commences on January 1st, 2007, and expires January 1st, 2012. Carried.

POWER COUNTY AIRPORT – NON-COMMERCIAL AIRPORT HANGER LEASE (MIKE GLASER D/B/A DOUBLE POINT CONSTRUCTION): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and execute the Non-Commercial Airport Hanger Lease between Power County and Mike Glaser d/b/a Double Point Construction, which Lease commences on January 1st, 2007, and expires January 1st, 2012. Carried.

POWER COUNTY AIRPORT – AIRPORT RENTAL AGREEMENT (STAN BEARUP): Commissioners agreed to remove this matter as a Power County Commissioner agenda item until a request for renewal of the rental agreement has been made by the Power County Airport Board.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER – SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENT (MENTAL HEALTH): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve and execute the Service Provider Agreement between Power County and Behavioral Health Center to ensure the provision of protective custody service for Power County. Carried. Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis agreed to return the original, executed Agreement to Behavior Health Center.

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT – IDAHO DISPOSAL SYSTEMS (IDS): Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and execute the Agreement for Disposal of Solid Waste between Power County and Idaho Disposal Systems, which commences on January 11, 2007, and ends September 30th, 2008. Carried. Power County Clerk Chris Steinlicht agreed to forward the original executed Agreement to Idaho Disposal Systems for their review and approval.

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 discussing issues of potential litigation. Carried.

POWER COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING – KERRY WARD D/B/A K.J. CATTLE (CONFINED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION) APPEAL: Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis reported that the mediation previously ordered by the Commissioners pursuant to I.C. #67-510 has been scheduled with Sixth District Administrative Judge N. Randy Smith for later this month. The Commissioners agreed to table discussion of this matter until February 12th, 2007.

POWER COUNTY SEARCH & RESCUE – IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION GRANT (BUILDING EXPANSION): Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries and Power County Search & Rescue member Pete Williams appeared before the Commissioners to report that the Power County Search & Rescue has obtained an Idaho

Department of Parks & Recreation grant to expand the Power County Search & Rescue Building by approximately 800 square feet, with the required match to be supplied jointly by Power County, Power County Search & Rescue Salmon BBQ funds, private donations and a Bannock County Waterways contribution. Mr. Williams confirmed that he has obtained a deed from the City of American Falls to expand onto City property. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to submit a letter of support to the Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation on the Power County Search & Rescue building expansion project. Carried. Mr. Williams then provided the Commissioners with a report on the Power County Search & Rescue operations performed during calendar year 2006, and advised the Commissioners that the Search & Rescue National Convention will again be held in Power County from June 14th through 17th, 2007.

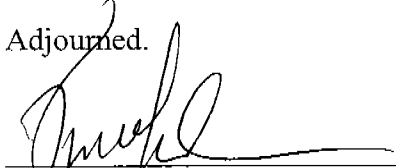
CLAIMS: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve the claims as presented and supplemented. Carried.

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| General Fund | \$ 33,405.58 |
| Ambulance | 3,754.71 |
| District Court | 5,117.23 |
| Justice Fund | 28,121.42 |
| Indigent | 471.67 |
| Revaluation | 794.67 |
| Solid Waste | 6,813.35 |
| Weeds | 1,267.88 |
| Waterways | 14.30 |
| PILT | 5,752.85 |

POWER COUNTY COURTHOUSE – COURTROOM SECURITY: Power County Deputy Sheriff/Bailiff Brian Morris and Gary Ferguson d/b/a BGM Builders appeared before the Commissioners to discuss and review the plans to enhance both the security and efficiency of the Power County Courtroom. Following discussion, Mr. Ferguson agreed to submit a quote for the recommended renovations and this matter was tabled until January 22nd, 2007.

SAFETY AWARD – STATE INSURANCE FUND: Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht reported that Power County had received a dividend check from the State Insurance Fund in the amount of \$4,809.00. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to grant the Power County employees a safety award of \$50.00 for elected officials and full-time employees and \$25.00 for part-time employees. Carried.

Adjourned.



VICKI MEADOWS, Chairman



CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk