

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in special session on Tuesday, April 1st, 2008. Present were Commissioners Vicki Meadows, Chairman, Ken Estep and Ron Funk. Also present were Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht and Power County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Laggis.

COMMISSIONER MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve the Power County Commissioners Minutes for March 4th, 10th, 21st and 27th, 2008, as presented. Carried.

POWER COUNTY SHERIFF – JAIL MASTER PLAN (ROCKY MOUNTAIN CORRECTIONS/POWER COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL): Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries appeared before the Commissioners with Walt Femling, April Lee, Greg Sage, Earl Engelmann and Jim Anderson of Rocky Mountain Corrections to review Phase II of the Jail Master Plan, which includes more detailed financial information and identified long term budget needs for the construction and operation of a 309 bed facility to replace the existing Power County Jail. Also present were the following Power County Criminal Justice Council members:

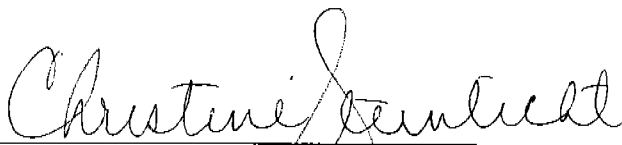
Peter D. McDermott – Administrative District Judge
Mark Beebe – Power County Magistrate Judge
Suzanne Johnson – Sixth District Trial Court Administrator
Bill Lasley – Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections
Connie Shepherd – Power County Probation Office Supervisor
Brian Underwood – Idaho Department of Corrections
Eric Daley – Idaho State Police
Jackie Morris – Power County Chief Deputy Sheriff
Max Sprague – Power County Sheriff Deputy
Kasey Kendall – Power County Jail Supervisor
Robert Eldredge – Power County Public Defender
Josh Campbell – American Falls Police Department
Cindy Malm – Bannock County Deputy Sheriff

Following presentation of Phase II, Rocky Mountain Corrections set forth recommendations to complete the Jail Master Plan and related project. Sheriff Jeffries and the Power County Criminal Justice Council then discussed options for the continued use of the current facility versus upgrading to a new facility. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to authorize Rocky Mountain Corrections to proceed to Phase III of the Jail Master Plan and to begin negotiations with the Idaho Department of Corrections and/or the U. S. Federal Government for long-term contracts to house State and Federal prisoners. Carried. This matter was tabled until May 12th, 2008.

Adjourned.



VICKI MEADOWS, Chairman



CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk