

## POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009. Present were Commissioners Vicki Meadows, Chairman, Ken Estep and Ron Funk. Also present was Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht.

POWER COUNTY PROBATION – COMMUNITY WORK SERVICE: Power County Magistrate Judge Paul Laggis appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the Court ordered community work service program in Power County. Also present were Power County Probation Office Supervisor Connie Shepherd, Probation Officer Chuck Misner and Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries. At the outset, Sheriff Jeffries reported that the SCILD supervisor had also been supervising juvenile community service workers; however, the Sheriff's office has been experiencing a personnel shortage and unable to supervise juvenile offenders. Following discussion, the Commissioners and Sheriff Jeffries agreed that the Sheriff's staffing issues should be resolved within the next month after which the SCILD program could resume supervisory responsibility over juvenile community work service. Judge Laggis then reported that he may consider requiring parents of juvenile offenders to accompany the SCILD crew and assist with supervision.

CRYSTAL SUMMIT PARKING LOT – U.S. FOREST SERVICE/POCATELLO PATHFINDERS (MEMORANDUMS OF AGREEMENT): Richard Maddox and Larry Burback of Pocatello Pathfinders Snowmobile Board appeared before the Commissioners to discuss entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with Power County for maintenance and costs associated with the Crystal Summit Parking Lot and restroom facility. Following discussion, Mr. Maddox agreed to provide Power County with a key to the Crystal Summit restroom facility. Also present was Jeff Hammes of the U.S. Forest Service who presented a copy of the "Challenge Cost Share Agreement" between Power County and the U.S. Forest Service to provide specific assistance in maintaining the Crystal Summit Parking Lot, which Agreement incorporates the changes requested by the Power County Commissioners on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009. The Commissioners reported that they would need additional time to review the proposed agreements with Power County Prosecuting Attorney F. Randall Kline, and this matter was tabled until March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

IDAHO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION – IFFT TREE GRANT: Power County Clerk Chris Steinlicht reported that there remains \$3,935.82 in the Power County Grant Trust Account for the tree transplanting project, which grant was awarded to Power County by the Idaho Community Foundation on June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to review the options to properly expend the balance, and further consideration of this matter was tabled until April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

DISASTER DECLARATION – REVOCATION: The Commissioners reviewed the Disaster Declaration dated December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008, and agreed that the local disaster

appears to be decreasing and may not exceed the capabilities of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of local government agencies to deal with the emergencies caused by extreme weather conditions. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to execute an Order to cancel the declaration of emergency in Power County. Carried.

POWER COUNTY WATERWAYS – DOCK USE ORDINANCE: Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to table further consideration of an ordinance to regulate use of the docks on the American Falls Reservoir and Snake River accesses within Power County until March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

JUNIOR COLLEGE – CERTIFICATES OF RESIDENCY: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve and execute the Certificates of Residency submitted by the College of Southern Idaho. Carried.

DISASTER SERVICES – HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT (KIMPORT PROJECT): Power County Disaster Services Director Di Jones appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the County's connectivity project to enhance communications on Kimport Peak to a 700 MHz system, which includes an upgrade to the Power County Sheriff's dispatch console, and the Homeland Security Grant funds awarded for the project. Also present were Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries, Chief Deputy Sheriff Jackie Morris and Deputy Sheriff Kevin Ostler. At the outset, Ms. Jones reported that Power County will be receiving the allocated Homeland Security Grant funds (2006 SHSP and LETPP) in the amount of \$115,841 sometime next week. Sheriff Jeffries and the Commissioners then contacted Aaron Clark of Clark Radio by telephone to discuss delivery and installation of the dispatch console equipment. Following discussion, the Commissioners and Sheriff Jeffries agreed that once the dispatch upgrade is complete, the Commissioners, Ms. Jones and Sheriff Jeffries will focus their efforts on upgrading the repeater site at Table Mountain.

POWER COUNTY SHERIFF – IDAHO SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION (JAIL INSPECTION): Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries appeared before the Commissioners to present a copy of the report issued by the Idaho Sheriff's Association dated February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009, which was prepared as a result of their inspection of the Power County Jail on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Following discussion, the Commissioners and Sheriff Jeffries agreed to review the Idaho Sheriff Association's staffing concerns during Power County's fiscal year 2010 budget process.

DEATON & COMPANY – FISCAL YEAR 2008 AUDIT: Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries appeared before the Commissioners to review the two Management Comments submitted by Power County's independent auditors at Deaton & Company. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Meadows, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve and accept the written recommendations and comments of Sheriff Jeffries as Power County's official response to Deaton & Company's Management Comments numbered one and two. Carried.

POWER COUNTY CLERK – FISCAL YEAR 2010 BUDGET (PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS): Power County Clerk Chris Steinlicht and the Commissioners discussed pending legislative issues and economic concerns that may negatively impact Power County's fiscal year 2010 budget. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to discuss these concerns in greater detail with the Power County elected officials and department heads at their next joint meeting scheduled for Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009, at 10:30 a.m.

POWER COUNTY COURTHOUSE: Power County Building & Grounds Supervisor Gary Thomsen appeared before the Commissioners to report that the roof over the newly expanded area of the Courthouse is leaking. The Commissioners contacted Joe Reams at Brennen Construction Company to discuss warranty and repair of the leaking area. Mr. Reams agreed to arrange for an inspection to be performed and this matter was tabled until March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

GIFFORD DUPLEX PROPERTY: Power County Building & Grounds supervisor Gary Thomsen appeared before the Commissioners to discuss maintenance of the County's duplex property on Gifford Street. The Commissioners agreed that renters are obligated to keep the premises maintained; however, in the event of vacancy, the Power County SCILD crew will maintain the yard and grounds. The Commissioners then reported that 508 Gifford is currently occupied by a renter and that 506 Gifford will be offered for rent in the near future. The Commissioners agreed that the keys to the Gifford duplex property should be handed over to the Power County Sheriff, and copies made as needed. This matter was tabled until March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT – QUARTERLY REPORT: Sandy Sorrell and Effie Jones of the Southeastern District Health Department's Power County office appeared before the Commissioners to present the District's quarterly report for period ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008.

POWER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (I.C. #63-501): The Board of Power County Commissioners then met as a 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 March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.

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

General Fund	\$ 49,981.93
Ambulance District	1,444.65
District Court	1,411.01
Justice Fund	4,321.68
Indigent	2,996.01
Revaluation	3,350.00
Solid Waste	406.00

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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 to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under Chapter 3, Title 9, Idaho Code, specifically indigent medical applications. Upon a call for the question, the following roll call vote was taken:

Commissioner Meadows – Aye  
Commissioner Estep – Aye  
Commissioner Funk – Aye

Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2009-01-I: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to execute the Subordination Agreement on indigent medical application #2009-01-I, which agreement will allow applicant to obtain a residential property loan. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2009-08-I: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve indigent medical application #2009-08-I. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2009-09-I: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to deny indigent medical application #2009-09-I, since applicant has other resources sufficient to pay the medical expenses incurred. Carried.

INDIGENT CASE #2009-07-I: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to deny indigent medical application #2009-07-I, since applicant is not a resident of Power County pursuant to I.C. #31-3602(2)(a). Carried.

POWER COUNTY TREASURER – MONTHLY REPORT (I.C. #31-2113): Power County Treasurer Bobbie Mauch appeared before the Commissioners pursuant to I.C. #31-2113 to present her Statement of Treasurer's Cash for the month ending January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009.

POWER COUNTY TREASURER – ORDER FOR CANCELLATION OF TAXES: Moved by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Commissioner Estep, to approve the Order for Cancellation of Taxes in the amount of \$7,298.72 as presented by the Power County Treasurer Bobbie Mauch. Carried.

Adjourned.

  
VICKI MEADOWS, Chairman

  
CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk