

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

The Board of Power County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, February 22nd, 2010. Present were Commissioners Vicki Meadows, Chairman, Ken Estep, and Ron Funk. Also present was Power County Clerk Christine Steinlicht.

POWER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – NOTICE OF MEETINGS (I.C. #67-2343): Following a review of the Idaho Open Meeting Act, which was amended by the Idaho Legislature effective July 1st, 2009, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Meadows, approve the Notice of Commissioner Meetings for 2010 prepared by Power County Clerk Chris Steinlicht, and to satisfy the requirements of I.C. #67-2343(1), by posting said Notice in a prominent place at the Power County Courthouse and on the Power County Website. Carried.

2010 LEGISLATIVE SESSION – SULLIVAN & REBERGER: The Commissioners reviewed the proposed Consulting Agreement submitted by Patrick J. Sullivan at Sullivan & Reberger for consultation services related to Idaho legislative issues pertinent to County governments. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to review the proposed Agreement with Bingham, Caribou and Bannock County Commissioners at the joint meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 23rd, 2010, at 12:00 noon, and this matter was tabled until March 8th, 2010.

POWER COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING – POWER COUNTY ORDINANCE #2010-04 (CONFINED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION) – PUBLIC HEARING: Commissioner Meadows announced that it was the date and time scheduled for public hearing on proposed Power County Ordinance #2010-04, which is an ordinance amending Chapter 21 of the County Code regarding confined animal feeding operations, and reported that the public hearing would be conducted by Power County Planning & Zoning Attorney Douglas J. Balfour. Following public hearing and opportunity for written and oral testimony, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to take this matter under advisement until March 22nd, 2010, at 9:30 a.m. Carried.

HARMS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT FOUNDATION – FEDERAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION: The Commissioners reviewed Harms Memorial Hospital Foundation's notification of intent to apply for Federal assistance and request that Power County provide review and/or comments in accordance with Federal Executive Order #12372. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that Power County's review and comments have been submitted as requested.

POWER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION/LANDFILL – IDAHO DISPOSAL SYSTEMS (IDS) – SCRAP METAL: Commissioner Estep reported that Idaho Disposal Systems, the company who currently contracts with Power County for the collection of residential and commercial garbage at the Rockland, Big Sky and Arbon Valley dumpster sites, has agreed to also provide services for the collection and sale of scrap metal from Power County. Commissioner Estep further reported that IDS is a fully bonded and licensed solid waste disposal company, and is willing to share any profits from the sale of said scrap metal with Power County. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to refer this matter to Power County Prosecuting Attorney Randy Kline with a request that he prepare an Addendum to the current Agreement between Power County and IDS to include scrap metal provisions, and this matter was tabled until March 22nd, 2010.

POWER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION/LANDFILL – ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE: The Commissioners reviewed the Power County Landfill's Customer Balance Summary of accounts receivable submitted by Power County Transfer Station/Landfill Supervisor Craig Heward. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to refer one past-due account to Power County Prosecuting Attorney Randy Kline with a request that he issue a letter demanding payment.

FORSGREN ASSOCIATES, INC. – U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANTS): Keven Shreeve of Forsgren Associates, Inc., appeared before the Commissioners via speaker telephone to report that Power County's application for U.S. Department of Energy's Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) has been selected, in whole or in part, for funding; however, additional follow up information is required before contracts can be developed. Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve and execute the Project Statement of Work prepared by Keven Shreeve of Forsgren Associates, Inc. Carried. The Commissioners then reviewed the Idaho Historic Site Inventory Forms for the Power County Sheriff's Office building and the Power County Fairground Community Building, and agreed to refer these forms to Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries and the Power County Fairboard to complete and return to the Power County Clerk within the week. Mr. Shreeve then indicated that the signed Project Statement of Work would need to be submitted to the Idaho Office of Energy Resources, along with both Historic Site Inventory Forms, as soon as possible and that the contracts will be developed on a first come, first served basis as follow up information is received by the Idaho Office of Energy Resources.

POWER COUNTY DISASTER SERVICES – HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT (TRAINING SCHEDULE): Power County Disaster Services Director Di Jones appeared before the Commissioners to present a schedule for the training events that are required by the Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security to remain eligible for Homeland Security Grant funding, which training sessions and will be conducted within the next several months.

POWER COUNTY DISASTER SERVICES – COMMUNICATIONS: Power County Disaster Services Director Di Jones appeared before the Commissioners to report that the

State of Idaho is considering changing Idaho's communication governance structure from a six district region model to a three region structure. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that the current six district model not only utilizes long-established working relationship, but also better represents a "real world" response to actual events, whereas the three region structure may dilute managerial efficiency and thereby become less effective. Following further discussion, the Commissioners agreed to authorize Power County Disaster Services Director Di Jones to make written opposition on behalf of Power County to any attempt to change the communications governance structure in the State of Idaho.

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

AMBULANCE – STATISTICAL INFORMATION: Power County Ambulance District Director Di Jones appeared before the Commissioners to present her 2009 calendar year-end statistical information on ambulance runs.

AMBULANCE – INVENTORY: Power County Ambulance District Director Di Jones appeared before the Commissioners to report that following a review of the Power County Ambulance District's fixed asset and inventory report provided by the Power County Clerk Chris Steinlicht, it appears that many items cannot be accounted for. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that any inventory item that cannot be located should be removed from the inventory list with a disposal code of "unknown". Ms. Jones then discussed her previous request to install locking mechanisms on several interior doors within the Emergency Medical Services Building in order to more accurately track inventory, and the Commissioners agreed to discuss this matter further with the American Falls Rural Fire District Board and the Power County Search & Rescue.

AMBULANCE – EMPLOYEE WRITE-OFF POLICY: Power County Ambulance District Director Di Jones appeared before the Commissioners to review independent auditor Deaton & Company's request for information regarding the Ambulance District's policy for "writing-off" ambulance billing owed by Power County employees and/or volunteer EMTs. At the outset, the Commissioners and Ms. Jones agreed that no written policy has been adopted by the Board and Ms. Jones agreed to follow up with Deaton & Company. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to review this matter with Power County Prosecuting Attorney Randy Kline and to table further discussion until March 8th, 2010.

AMBULANCE – EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BUILDING (JANITORIAL): Power County Ambulance District Director Di Jones appeared before the Commissioners to report on the misunderstanding between the Power County Ambulance District, the American Falls Rural Fire District and the Power County Search & Rescue regarding janitorial services within the EMS building. Following discussion, the Commissioners

agreed to discuss this matter with the American Falls Rural Fire District Board and the Power County Search & Rescue.

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

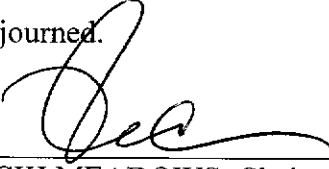
CLAIMS: Moved by Commissioner Estep, seconded by Commissioner Funk, to approve the claims as presented. Carried.

Current Expense	\$ 35,897.48
Ambulance District	3,650.65
Mosquito Abatement District	16,060.00
District Court	1,548.07
Justice Fund	4,851.93
Misdemeanor Probation/Drug Court	826.23
Enhanced 911 Services	174.90
Indigent Services	91.38
Revaluation	6,690.00
Solid Waste	890.28
Tort	1,616.52
Weeds	61.86
PILT	1,807.68

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 monthly report for the period ending January 31st, 2010.

POWER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (I.C. #63-501): The Commissioners then met as the Power County Board of Equalization pursuant to I.C. #63-501. Power County Deputy Assessor Elna Neu appeared before the Board to discuss circuit breaker exemption applications filed with the Power County Assessor. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed that all or a portion of solid waste disposal fees should be cancelled on qualifying circuit breaker applications, and that the Power County Assessor should continue to include the “Solid Waste Disposal Fee Exemption Application” as an attachment to the circuit breaker application. There being no further business to come before the Board, the Power County Board of Equalization recessed until March 22nd, 2010.

Adjourned.


VICKI MEADOWS, Chairman


CHRISTINE STEINLICHT, Clerk