

Commissioners:

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**POWER COUNTY
STATE OF IDAHO**



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**Sharee Sprague, Elected Clerk
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COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

December 20, 2018

TIME	SUBJECT
9:00 am	ACTION ITEM – Landfill fee request
9:30 am	UPDATE – Personal Property Tax Exemption
11:00 am	UPDATE – Legislative Luncheon

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POWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Minutes

Commission Chambers

543 Bannock Ave.

American Falls, ID 83211

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Monday, December 20, 2018, 9:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, December 20, 2018, and called the meeting to order at the hour of 9:04 am, in the Commission Chambers of the Power County Courthouse.

II. COMMISSIONERS/STAFF

PRESENT:	Commissioner Ron Funk, Chair	
	Commissioner Delane Anderson	
	Commissioner Bill Lasley	
ABSENT:	None	
STAFF:	Sharee Sprague, Clerk	
OTHER PARTIES PRESENT:	Senator Jim Guthrie	Jacki Morris
	Representative Randy Armstrong	Joan Phillips
	Representative Elect Kevin Andrus	Kade Smith
	Assessor Mary Annen	Kryst Krein
	Treasurer Deanna Curry	Laura Porath
	Seth Grigg	Norman Wright
	Pat Sullivan	Paul Westwood
	Alan Porath	Paula Laggis
	Arwyn Thornton	Randy Jensen
	Bill Curry	Robert Wetzel
	Carolyn Anderson	Terrell Sorensen
	Christie Evans	Tim May
	Gary Aldous	Vivian Charles
		Wade Povey

III. AGENDA

A. NOTICES/REPORTS

1. **Personal Property Tax Exemption:** Commissioner Funk updated the group regarding discussions IACI's proposal to exempt business personal property tax. Vicki Meadows provided a history of the proposed legislation over the past decade. Assessor Mary

Annen explained that any property valued at less than \$3,000.00 is fully exempt as of right now and explained the county valuation impact by total elimination of personal property tax. Clerk Sharee Sprague explained how the valuation coordinates with the tax levy and the impact such would have on each of the taxing districts. The parties explained that the definitions to personal property tax are being evaluated as they are perceived differently from county to county. The Commissioner heard comments from the group. Pat Sullivan reports that with the new Governor, there are many changes happening in the Legislature and there is a 28% change to the legislative body this session. The issues for this legislative session that would take precedence over personal property tax include proposition 2 funding, tax conformity and funding the teacher career ladder.

2. **Legislative Luncheon:** Commission Chair Ron Funk welcomed the legislators. Ann Wheeler expressed concern about the requirements and options of treating and addressing mentally incapacitated individuals. American Falls City Police Chief Brandon Wilkinson and Power County Sheriff Jim Jeffries advised on specific situations and circumstances that Law Enforcement continues to encounter and the impact to their agencies. Senator Guthrie inquired and urged the parties to work within their organizations and help educate the Legislators with how the process should look and how the situation can be fixed and addressed. Citizen Mark Love expressed concerns about binding drug abuse and mental health. Representative Armstrong inquired if the Crisis Center would be beneficial. Representative Andrus recognized the issue and is willing to hear additional feedback and work toward a resolution. The Commission updated the Legislators on the Personal Property tax discussion. Senator Guthrie recognized that the citizens and elected officials of Power County for their engagement and expressed interest advising that is becoming a rarity across the state.

B. MOTIONS:

1. **Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda for Monday, December 20, 2018, was presented by Commissioner Funk with a second by Commissioner Lasley. Following audible call of the Board, motion unanimously carried.
2. **Landfill fee request:** Clerk Sharee Sprague reports that Mark Love has volunteered to remove a mobile home that was destroyed by a fire owned by Bill Putnam free of charge and requested that the landfill fees be waived. Commissioner Anderson reports that the owners did not have any insurance and have no means of covering the cost of the removal. Commissioner Lasley reports that he has received several inquiries about the need to have the area cleaned up. A motion to waive the landfill fees and to authorize the Landfill Department to assist with the loader was presented by Commissioner Lasley with a second by Commissioner Anderson. Following audible call of the Board, motion unanimously carried.

IV. NO EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

V. ASSESSMENTS/CONCLUSIONS:

1. **Next Meeting:** The next regular session for the board to meet is slated for January 14, 2019.

2. **Adjourn:** Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was presented by Commissioner Funk with a second by Commissioner Anderson. Following audible call of the Board, motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Board of County Commissioners during the Regular Board Meeting held February 11, 2019.



COMMISSIONER FUNK, Chairman

ATTEST:



SHAREE SPRAGUE, Clerk