



POWER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Minutes

Commission Chambers

543 Bannock Ave.

American Falls, ID 83211

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Monday, January 27, 2020, 9:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, January 27, 2020, 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
Flor Cardona, Deputy Clerk
Lissette Aguirre, Deputy Auditor
Chelsy Fehringer, Payroll Specialist
Anson Call, Legal Counsel

OTHER PARTIES PRESENT: Treasurer Deanna Curry
Assessor Mary Annen
Ambulance Director Di Jones
Bruce Olenick
Kami Chandler
Christine Nicholson
Ken Stanley
Kirk Adkins
Jon Schutte
Mark Wynn
Karima Tomasino
Lee Dille
Robert Wetzel
Wade Povey
Arwyn Thornton
Jaclyn Taylor
Paula Laggis
Bruce Winder
Joan Murphy
Kerry Hong
Trooper Derek Jubilitz
Judge Robert Naftz
Judge Paul Laggis

III. AGENDA

A. NOTICES/REPORTS

1. **Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) Update:** Bruce Olenick appeared before the Commission and provided an Idaho Department of Environment Quality update. Mr. Olenick advised the Board that there are not any concerns he currently needs to advise the Board about. Mr. Olenick advised there is a new landfill. Mr. Olenick said the target sight is highway 30. The landfill sight is 6 to 7 acres. A few counties are onboard with the new landfill. Commissioner Funk inquired on demolition debris. Mr. Olenick said it is up to the counties to maintain debris. Commissioner Funk said the Power County Landfill is pulling out the concrete and having it sawed. Mr. Olenick advised that they have a commercial building in Oneida County that was burned for demolition. Mr. Olenick advised he wants to pass along a message that proper channels need to be met. Commissioner Funk inquired on the Simplot Land Exchange. Mr. Olenick advised he would like to see the land exchange happen. Mr. Olenick advised that the phosphorus levels have gone down at the Portneuf River.
2. **Lamb Weston Reimbursement of Taxes:** Clerk Sharee Sprague advised she has been in contact with the Idaho State Tax Commission. Clerk Sprague advised when the payment is made by Lamb Weston the County has to pay them immediately or pay penalties unless an alternate agreement is made with the Taxpayer. Clerk Sprague advises that as soon as such payment is made, the Taxing Districts will incur a negative remittance balance until the overpayment is satisfied. Clerk Sprague advises that historically, Lamb Weston pays their tax balance during the first half of June and therefore, the remittance offset would most likely occur on the July remittance check. Clerk Sprague advised the taxing districts can file for a 1305 Levy for any funds for 2 years, so long as each years levy is in excess of \$100.00. Clerk Sprague advised the 1305 levy is exempt from the 3% cap and there is no levy limit. Clerk Sprague advised Allen Dornfest will be at the County May 4, 2020 to answer any questions. Clerk Sprague advised the Commission has directed her to pay Lamb Weston immediately after they pay their taxes to avoid costs and interest. Clerk Sprague recognized the impact this has on all the Taxing Districts and advised she has had to cut \$100,000 the past 2 years from the Landfill and the Ambulance. Clerk Sprague advised the Commission and herself will be meeting with the Legislative Committee. Clerk Sprague advised the budget and levy training will be at the Idaho Central Credit Union building. Clerk Sprague advised she will be doing a filing workshop with the taxing districts.
3. **Travel Policy:** Deputy Auditor Lissette Aguirre updated the Commission on a change with the State travel policy. Ms. Aguirre advised for FY2020 the Commissioners adopted the State Policy dated February 2019. Ms. Aguirre reports that historically, the State Policy has shifted drastically within the year and often times takes a large increase to the mileage rate. The Federal policy has dropped to .575 from .585. The Commission agreed to stay consistent to the current FY2020 County travel policy.
4. **CHS Fuel Cards Update:** Lissette Aguirre, Accounts Payable Clerk presented the Commission with each department vehicles fuel cards and pins needed for the CHS fuel cards. Commissioner Lasley inquired on having one card in each vehicle for a total of 6

cards for the Ambulance. Ms. Aguirre was directed to contact Sheriff Jim Jefferies for direction on Search & Rescue.

B. MOTIONS:

1. **Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda for Monday, January 27, 2020, was presented by Commissioner Funk with a second by Commissioner Anderson. Following audible call of the Board, motion unanimously carried.
2. **Approval of Past Meeting Minutes:** A motion to accept minutes as printed for the meeting held on January 8, 2020, was presented Commissioner Anderson with a second by Commissioner Lasley. Following an audible call of the board, the motion unanimously carried.
3. **Waterways Board:** Commissioner Anderson presented a motion to reappoint Ron Anderson as chairman for a 3-year term, Larry Jones to replace Stan Gortsema for the remaining 2-year term, reappoint John Ellison to a 3-year term on the Waterways Board with a second by Commissioner Funk. Following an audible call of the board, the motion unanimously carried and the Power County Waterways Board members and terms are as follows;

Robert "Pete" Williams	January, 2021
Larry Jones	January, 2022
Ron Anderson	January, 2023
John Elleson	January, 2023

4. **Airport Board:** Commissioner Anderson presented a motion to reappoint Kevin Ramsey for a 4-year term, reappoint Klarin Kooppin for a 4-year term and reappoint Will Rowe for a 4-year term on the Airport Board with a second by Commissioner Lasley. Following an audible call of the board, the motion unanimously carried and the Power County Airport Board members and terms are as follows;

Kevin Ramsey	November, 2023
Will Rowe	January, 2024
Ron Miller	January, 2022
Ralph Breeding	January, 2022
Klaren Kooppin	January, 2024

5. **Guardianship Board:** Commissioner Funk presented a motion to reappoint Annette Colton for a 4-year term and reappoint Terri Kendall for a 4-year term on the Guardianship Board with a second by Commissioner Lasley. Following an audible call of the board, the motion unanimously carried and the Power County Guardianship Board members and terms are as follows;

Annette Colton	January, 2024
Daisy Hernandez	January, 2020
Kim Olson	January, 2021
Gordy Brown	January, 2022
Teri Kendall	January, 2024
Chelsy Fehringer	January, 2022
Elna Neu	January, 2023