

The Cassia County Board of Commissioners met this day with Chairman Dennis Crane, Paul Christensen and Clay Handy, Board Members; Alfred E. Barrus, Prosecuting Attorney; Larry Mickelsen, Clerk of the Board, and Kerry D. McMurray, County Administrator, present.

PREVIOUS WEEKS= MINUTES

The minutes for October 20, 2003 were discussed. A motion was made and seconded to approve and proceed with publication of an appropriate synopsis. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the calendar for November 2003.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. A newspaper article in the Capital Press Re: Bio refinery to locate in Oregon
2. A newspaper article in the Times News Re: Idaho misses ethanol opportunity.
3. A thank you card from the Golden Heritage Senior Center Re: carpet replacement.
4. A thank you card from the Earl Carlson Family for the plant for the funeral.
5. An invitation to attend the Idaho Energy Conference in Boise, 5-7 Nov 03. Commissioner Christensen will attend.
6. An Invitation from the Department of Energy Re: Invitation to Public Meeting
7. A letter from the State Bureau of Disaster Services announcing receipt of a 2003 supplemental grant from the FEMA.
8. A letter from the State Bureau of Disaster Services Re: 2003 CERT grant guidance and the deadline for application. Sheriff Higen is looking into this and will keep us posted.
9. A letter from U.S. Representative Mike Simpson Re: His continued support for full funding of PILT.
10. A letter from Scott Nannenga, USFS and Wendy Reynolds, BLM Re: Waterline Development – Coal Banks – File Code: 1950-1

COUNTY SURVEY – ANNUAL REPORT

Steve Pearson presented a map reflecting the status of surveying throughout Cassia County, with the exception of Forest Service lands. Discussed “control marks” used by the Bonneville Power Association throughout the county. Discussed surveying of a right of way in Albion with Mayor Don Danner. It was moved and seconded to authorize Steve Pearson to use some of the allocated surveying funds to finalize the Albion plat and voting was unanimous by the Board.

ALBION FIRE HOUSE

Albion Mayor Don Danner discussed the building fees for the Albion Fire House. It was moved and seconded to waive the building fee for the Albion Fire House and voting was unanimous by the Board. Mayor Danner discussed the relationship between the Albion QRU and the Albion Fire House.

SOUTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY ACTION

Ken Robinette of the South Central Community Action Group presented their annual report and discussed their involvement and assistance to families in Cassia County and throughout Magic Valley. He requested financial assistance from the county equal or greater than the \$2000 that was contributed in 2002, which was taken under advisement by the Board.

Olin Gardner discussed AmeriCorp and the involvement they have and the assistance they provide to the community.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Brent Lee discussed the Mini-Cassia Development Commission and their benefit to the community. They will double their budget from \$60,000 to \$120,000 during the next year, with the monies coming from the cities, counties and businesses with whom they are involved. They will advertise for a new executive director to be selected during the upcoming year. He discussed an upcoming plan to make quick decisions relative to new businesses interested in moving into the area.

CSI PRESENTATION

Dr. Jerry Beck and Mike Mason of College of Southern Idaho discussed the growth of CSI and the impact they have had within Cassia County. They discussed the types of courses offered and stated they will not bill the county for courses that are not for academic credits. It was moved and seconded for the county to adopt the \$3000.00 limit, rather than the 6 semester cap and voting was unanimous by the Board. Former Governor John Evans explained his involvement with CSI in the past and stated that we have made the correct decision to provide further assistance for the students.

JAIL PSYCHOLOGIST CONTRACT

It was moved and seconded to sign the Jail Psychologist contract with LoriLee Critchfield and voting was unanimous by the Board.

JUROR EVALUATION SHEETS

The Board reviewed the juror evaluation sheets from the recent District Court civil trial.

CONFLICT PUBLIC DEFENDER CONTRACT

The Board reviewed the Public Defender contract with Clayne Zollinger. Mr. Barrus will send a letter to Mr. Zollinger requesting information on his involvement and the clientele he has represented this past year, prior to signing the new contract.

CANYON VIEW LETTER

The Board reviewed a request for funds from the Canyon View of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center for Psychiatric and Addiction Services. The Boards decision was to take the matter under advisement and monitor the developments, prior to making a contribution to Canyon View.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS

The Board reviewed the proposed amending ordinance, No. 2003-11-01, on the emergency communications systems regulation, which reworded some terms and explained the \$1.00 surcharge per access line, trunk line, network access register, dedicated radio signal or equivalent. It was moved and seconded to sign County Ordinance No. 2003-11-01 and voting was unanimous by the Board.

AMBULANCE SERVICE REQUEST

The Board discussed the ambulance service request for proposal (RFP) Kerry McMurray has prepared for publication on November 7, 2003. It was moved and seconded to sign the RFP and voting was unanimous by the Board.

ANNEX REMODELING

County Assessor Marty Holland and Maintenance Supervisor Sharon Higgins discussed the status of the remodeling and moving into the County annex building. Upon inspection of the remodeling project there were many items that need to be repaired before the building can be accepted.

COUNTY EXPENDITURE

The Board reviewed the County=s Payables Approval Report dated 10/24/2003. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

CURRENT EXPENSES

104

\$39,067.50

INDIGENT FUND	105	\$48.41
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$1,125.30
COUNTY ROADS (UNORG) FUND	107	\$596.30
JR COLLEGE TUITION FUND	113	\$44,500.00
COUNTY BOAT LICENSE FUND	117	\$562.63
COUNTY SNOWMOBILE FUND	118	\$15.00
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$8,550.50
PHYSICAL FACILITIES FUND	144	\$104.94
	TOTAL	\$94,570.58

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:45 a.m. it was proposed by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Christensen that the Board convene in Executive Session under Idaho Code Section 67-2345(1)(d) with Commissioner Christensen voting yea, Commissioner Crane voting yea, and Commissioner Handy voting yea. The purpose and general tenor of the meeting was to discuss medical indigent matters. Following the discussion, it was proposed and seconded that the Board return to regular session at 12:05 p.m. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session the Board signed Certificate of Approval for Case #203114, Case #203126, and Case #203144. Signed Order of Dismissal for Case #203085, Case #203129, Case #203134, and Case #203138. Signed Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits for Case #203147. Signed Order of Reimbursement for Case #203114 and Case #203126.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, November 10, 2003.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Renee Wells, SIP; Lorraine Cavener, Times News; Todd Quest, Desert West Land Surveys; Donna Bush, Deputy Auditor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

Dennis Crane, Chairman