

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 November 22, 2004 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 December 2004.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. A letter from Dennis Dexter of the Mini Cassia Criminal Detention Center
2. A document from Linda Wright, 5th District Trial Court Administrator, used to evaluate the performance of Magistrate Judge Rick Bollar.
3. A request to send letters to the U.S Secretary of Agriculture Re: the announcement of BSE also known as "Mad Cow" disease prior to final determination of facts.
4. A Christmas card from the staff at D.L. Evans Bank.
5. An invitation to attend a luncheon celebrating the Nativity, at the Rupert West Stake Center on 10 December 2004.
6. Announcement of Idaho Department of Commerce Rural Partner Forum meetings in locations throughout the State during February and March 2005.

TREASURER'S OFFICE MATTERS

The Board met with County Treasurer, Gayle Erekson, to discuss cancellation of taxes for individuals who are claiming financial hardship. It was moved and seconded to use the County Widow's benefit to pay the taxes of \$367.20 for one widow and \$363.04 for a second widow on parcels #RP BHL210080060 and MH BEZ06000007A, and voting was unanimous by the Board. A third request for cancellation of taxes from a husband and wife was not approved. Changing fees for parcels of property were also discussed and a public hearing, to be scheduled, must be held to change any fees. A request for the County's tax ID number was discussed and a response will be sent informing the requester that Cassia County is a public municipality and the ID number will not be sent.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was held on the petition for formation of the Goose Creek Irrigation District. Recording of the public hearing contained on tape labeled "Public Hearing: Goose Creek Irrigation District." The hearing ended at 10:10am and will be continued on December 20, 2004 for further evidence and for making a final decision by the Board.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Board met with Dan Barker of the County Building Department Re: Temporary Placement Permit Fees. Recording of the Public Hearing on tape labeled "Public Hearing: Temporary Placement Permit Fees." Temporary fees will be set at \$50.00 for the permit. It was moved and seconded to establish a fee of \$50.00 for temporary placement of a temporary dwelling and voting was unanimous by the Board. Resolution 2004-12-1 to establish the \$50.00 temporary fee was signed by the Board of County Commissioners.

CASSIA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The Board reviewed the November invoice regarding the Cassia County Transportation Plan. It was moved and seconded to approve payment of \$5,408.76 to Riedesel & Associates, Inc and voting was unanimous by the Board.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE 2005

The Board reviewed the proposed holiday schedule for Cassia County employees for calendar year 2005. It was moved and seconded to approve the schedule, the same as it was last year. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

CARES MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Board discussed the CARES Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Cassia County has with Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. It was moved and seconded to sign the MOU and voting was unanimous by the Board.

REQUEST FOR FEE WAIVER

Scott Moyes met with the Board Re: relocation of manufactured home. Dan Barker explained the discussion he has had with Mr. Moyes regarding the location of the mobile home. The Board's discussion was that it could be considered as a dwelling for people to live in and should have the full fee of \$150.00 paid. It was moved and seconded to collect the full fee for the home and voting was unanimous by the Board.

COUNTY BOOKMOBILE SERVICE AGREEMENT

The Board reviewed the 2005 County Bookmobile Library Service Agreement with the State of Utah. The contract is for \$4,480.00, payable in two (2) equal installments in January and July. The bookmobile library has been used very much by the citizens in the Southern part of the County and is a good benefit. It was moved and seconded to execute the agreement and voting was unanimous by the Board.

McWORK FEES

The board reviewed the proposed resolution to increase McWork fees. A Public Hearing, including the Minidoka County Board of Commissioners, to increase the fees will be scheduled for December 27, 2004 at 9:30am.

EMS REQUEST

Wayne Mullen, President of the Cassia County EMS, met with the Board Re: Disposal of surplus property. He requested that the QRU units be allowed to dispose of the vehicles when they were no longer reliable, and allow the QRU that sold the vehicle, to keep the money derived from the sale for use within the QRU. It was moved and seconded to allow the EMS to sell the vehicles that have been declared surplus and keep the money from the sale for use by the QRU and voting was unanimous by the Board.

DISPOSAL OF VEHICLE

Gordon Edwards of the County Weed and Pest Department has an old vehicle that is no longer being used. It was moved and seconded to declare the vehicle as surplus and the vehicle to be sold and the money returned to the Weed and Pest Department budget and voting was unanimous by the Board.

COUNTY CHRISTMAS BONUS

The Board discussed giving the county employees a Christmas bonus of \$15.00 per employee in the form of a coupon that is redeemable in selected markets. It was moved and seconded to approve the bonus and voting was unanimous by the Board.

SNOW REMOVAL MATTERS

The Board considered the snow removal option for the Courthouse facilities, the County Annex Building, and the Cassia County Law Enforcement building, and reviewed a proposed contract from Contractor Tom Tolness for snow removal services in the entrances of the buildings at a rate of ten dollars (\$10.00) per hour. It was moved and seconded to execute the contract and voting was unanimous by the Board.

PROPERTY TRANSFER

The Board discussed the potential transfer of property from Denny Curtis to the City of Burley. Mr. Barrus explained the steps in the process that have occurred to date. It was moved and seconded to record the deed that will be received for the property from Denny Curtis and issue a new deed to the City of Burley the following week, after receipt of the money to pay for the property, and voting was unanimous by the Board.

CITY OF ROCKS BYWAY

Kerry McMurray discussed the installation of a culvert to provide drainage for the City of Rocks Byway. The new culvert will handle the drainage required in a normal year. Dennis James, Cassia County Road and Bridge Supervisor recommended that the diagonal culvert be replaced under the Byway, as it will enable drainage of water levels during a high water situation. It was moved that the Chairman be authorized to sign a letter to Mike Goodwin of Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation requesting that the diagonal culvert be replaced under the road before paving activities occur, and voting was unanimous by the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:50am 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 12:00pm. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session the Board Signed an Order of Reimbursement for Case #203170 and Case #204102. Signed an Assignment for good and valuable considerations for one (1) case. Signed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision for Case #204106. Signed Order of Dismissal for Case #204009 and Case #204027. Signed Certificate of Approval for Case #204102 and Case #204155. Signed Certificate of Denial for Case #204140, Case #204143, Case #204144, Case #204145, and Case #204147.

LUNCH MEETING

The Board departed at 12:00pm for a lunch meeting with the Minidoka County Board of Commissioners and Magistrate Judge, Larry Duff. The tenor of the meeting was to discuss indigent problems in the Mini Cassia area. Both Boards of County Commissioners went into Executive Session under IC Section 67-2345(1)(d). The meeting concluded at 1:15pm.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, December 13, 2004.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Renee Wells, SIP; Chip Thompson, Times News; William Parsons, Randy Robinson, David Pickett, Steve Hepworth, Nolan Critchfield, and Ron Cranney, all representing the proposed Goose Creek Irrigation District; Kelly Adams; Dan Barker, Cassia County Building

Department; Scott Moyes; Wayne Mullen, Cassia County EMS.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

Dennis Crane, Chairman