

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 December 6, 2004 were discussed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes with amendments to include the parcel numbers of the property's whose taxes were paid from the Widow's Benefits, 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 Christmas card from ICRMP.
2. A Christmas card from JUB Engineers Inc.
3. A letter from the Cassia County Prosecuting Attorney Re: Canyon View Medical bill for Robert Thomas.

DESIGNATED EXAMS

Dr. Eric Jones met with the Board of Commissioners to discuss inviting Dr. James Tyson to submit his application to assist with providing designated exams. The effort is to have more qualified examiners that the Courts may use for referring people for designated exams.

SOLID WASTE SERVICE BILLING

The Board reviewed the initial solid waste service bill from the Southern Idaho Solid Waste Department. It was moved and seconded to pay the semi-annual sold waste bill of \$281,298.50 and voting was unanimous by the Board.

DENNY CURTIS PROPERTY

Brian Tibbets and Denny Curtis met with the Board and reviewed all of the forms, the County Quitclaim Deed, Appraisal Summary, Warranty Deed, Buyer's Statement and the Closing Instructions to Land Title and Escrow, Inc., to transfer the property currently owned by Denny Curtis to the ownership of Cassia County, and to then transfer ownership of the property from Cassia County to the City of Burley. It was moved and seconded to sign the necessary forms to complete the transaction and voting was unanimous by the Board.

ICRMP

The Board reviewed the ICRMP Board of Trustees 2004 County Election Results.

CONFLICT PUBLIC DEFENDER'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the Dennis Byington Conflict Public Defender Report for October 2004.

COLLECTION OF SPECIAL FEES CERTIFIED TO PROPERTY TAX ROLL

County Treasurer Gayle Erekson discussed setting a charge of \$1.50 per parcel for handling the billing for Declo Irrigation, Southwest Irrigation, Magic Valley Ground Water and Forest Fire Protection. A public hearing will be scheduled for discussion and for consideration of the charge per parcel.

TAX MATTER

County Treasurer Gayle Erekson presented a request to the Board for a tax hardship cancellation of taxes for Max and Shawna Durfee. Mr. And Mrs. Durfee also appeared before the Board to request that their tax bill of \$318.88 be cancelled because of financial hardship. Proceedings of the hearing are on tape labeled Durfee Tax Hardship Hearing. Upon giving consideration to the matter and investigating the facts, the request was denied.

CONNOR CREEK-ALMO ROAD STATUS UPDATE

Jim Leichter and Rob Hegstrom of JUB Engineers appeared before the Board to update the Board regarding the Connor Creek-Almo Road. They have submitted a secondary design to the Shoshone office of the Idaho Department of Transportation. Also the description of property that is now owned by the County, for the Wetlands to be developed, needs to be amended to include property running along the creek. The State also needs to obtain water rights for the wetlands. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Christensen to allow JUB Engineers, Inc. to work with the Grantor of the property, to amend the legal description and obtain the necessary water rights. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT

After review a motion was made and seconded to sign the Law Enforcement Service Agreement between Cassia County and the City of Burley. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

IRS REIMBURSEMENT RATES

Reviewed new IRS Reimbursement Rates for mileage for 2005. Mileage has increased from .375 cents per mile to .405 cents per mile. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the new rate starting January 1, 2005. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

COUNTY FAIRGROUND

The Board reviewed Storage agreements for the Fairgrounds. A motion was made to sign the agreements. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

CASSIA COUNTY FAIR BOARD ANNUAL MEETING

Jack Funk, President, presented the annual report to the Board. There was discussion of looking into the availability of vacant properties near the fairgrounds. Elections were held and Mr. Funk will remain as President and Don Allen Knopp will serve as Vice-President for the coming year.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

There was discussion about pop machines and candy machines in the building. It was proposed that candy machines be removed due to lack of use and the pop machines be moved to the second floor. The matter will be revisited at a later date.

There was also discussion of a by-county board to deal with the Industrial Park

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting and election of officers was held. The officers will remain the same for the coming year, President Gary Jones, Vice-President Tom Ottley and Heber Carpenter as Secretary. There was discussion of some of the changes that are being done to the design of the road and other issues regarding the second phase of the road. They also discussed the possibility of the road being designated a state highway. There was also discussion of appointments to the board. Gary Jones and Steve Ward were reappointed to the Board as of September 2004.

CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed five (5) changes of status forms, two (2) for the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center, one (1) for the Cassia County Sheriff's Office, one (1) for the District Court, and one (1) for the Public Defender. It was moved and seconded to approve the changes of status and voting was unanimous by the Board.

COUNTY EXPENDITURE

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Report dated December 10, 2004. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

CURRENT EXPENSES	104	\$32,720.95
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$42,432.81
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$5,401.03
COUNTY ROADS (UNORG) FUND	107	\$5,833.96
WEED & PEST FUND	108	\$7,520.15
AMBULANCE SERVICE	110	\$8,575.00
REVALUATION FUND	114	\$69.90
911 COMMUNICATIONS FUND	115	\$4,867.79
COUNTY SNOWMOBILE FUND	118	\$2,166.39
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$93,666.76
D.A.R.E. TRUST	137	\$76.17
PHYSICAL FACILITIES FUND	144	\$7,492.43
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$2,726.07
WIDOW'S BENEFIT FUND	198	\$685.24
	TOTAL	\$214,234.65

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:30am 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 11:50am and voting was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session the Board Signed Certificate of Approval for Case #204105 and Case #204163. Signed Order of Reimbursement for Case #204100 and Case #204105. Signed Order on Appeal Affirming Denial of Benefits for Case #204101. Signed Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits for Case #204156, Case #204157, Case #204158, Case #204159, Case #204160, Case #204161, and Case #204162.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, December 20, 2004.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Renee Wells, SIP; Chip Thompson, Times News; Dean Draper, CC Fairboard; Bruce Bowen, CC Fairboard; Wallace Keck, CC Road Board; Tom Ottley, CC Road Board; Dennis James, CC Road & Bridge; Sam Adams, CC Road Board; Kent Durfee, CC Road Board.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

Dennis Crane, Chairman