

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 February 9, 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 February 2004.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. A survey from NACO Re: Active Living Approaches by Local Government.
2. A card from the Heiner family thanking the Board for the plant sent to the Glenn Draper services.
3. A letter to Steve Frieburger of Riedesel & Associates RE: Cost of Application for CMAQ.
4. A letter to Mr. Con Haycock RE: Charges for Ice Melt.
5. A letter from the Idaho Wool Growers Association RE: nomination of Joe Tugaw as director from Cassia County to the District #3 Animal Damage Control Board.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bob Shepard, the newly appointed economic development director introduced himself and his "open mind" policies in assisting communities with their economic development. His web site is www.bobshepard.com and telephone numbers are office 878-0576 and cell 260-0576.

DRAFT EIS – COTTEREL MOUNTAIN WIND ENERGY DEV. PROJECT

The Board reviewed the letter to the BLM Burley Field Office, RE: Cooperating Agency for proposed Cotterel Mountain Wind Energy Development Project. It was moved and seconded to sign the letter and voting was unanimous by the Board.

CITY OF BURLEY CONCERNS

The Board reviewed a letter to Mayor Anderson, City of Burley RE: transportation costs for hauling garbage to the Southern Idaho Regional Landfill. It was moved and seconded to sign the letter and voting was unanimous by the Board.

COBRA

The Board reviewed the MBA COBRA Administrative Service Agreement. It was moved and seconded to sign the contract with MBA and voting was unanimous by the Board.

SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board considered nominating Don Clark as the Cassia County member on the South Central District Board of Health. Commissioner Christensen contacted Mr. Clark and asked him if he was willing to serve on the Board and he accepted the nomination. A letter regarding this nomination was sent to the South Central District Board of Health in Twin Falls.

CITY OF ROCKS ROAD PROJECT

The Board reviewed and executed the supplemental right-of-way contract on Parcel 34, City of Rocks Road Project # PLH-2841(101). It was moved and seconded to sign the agreement and voting was unanimous by the Board.

LETTER OF SUPPORT – CONNER CREEK/ALMO ROAD

The Board reviewed and executed the letter of support for the request to designate Conner Creek to Almo Road as a state highway. It was moved and seconded to sign and send the letter to the Idaho Transportation Board and voting was unanimous by the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:05 am 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 10:15 am. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session the Board moved and seconded that the concerned individual for Case #203114 be allowed to keep 50% of the income tax return to assist a family member with health issues and voting was unanimous by the Board. The Board signed a Stipulation for Enlargement of Time Limitations for Case #203134 and Case #203155. Signed Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits for Case #204018, Case #204019, and Case #204020. Signed Order of Reimbursement for Case #99040, Case #204002 and Case #204007. Signed Release of Medically Indigent Lien for Case #203057. Signed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision for Case #203151. Approved Case #203152 and Case #203153. Signed Order of reimbursement for Case #203152 and Case #203153. Denied Case #204008.

RURAL ADDRESSING SIGNS

The Board discussed obtaining assistance from the local highways districts for rural addressing sign maintenance. Coordination will be made with all concerned parties, including law enforcement and state and local highway districts.

9TH US CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS

The Board reviewed the letter sent to Senator Hatch supporting the nomination of William G. Myers III to the 9th US Circuit Court of Appeals. It was moved and seconded to sign the letter of support and voting was unanimous by the Board.

“ALL CALLS ALL DAY” OFFER

The Board reviewed Sprint’s “All Calls All Day” offer on long distance telephone service. A survey indicates we spend approximately 10 cents per minute now and Sprint’s offer will be approximately 6 cents per minute. Kerry McMurray will “shop around” for pricing from AT&T and others prior to making a decision.

CITY OF OAKLEY

The Board reviewed the City of Oakley’s proposal to annex certain areas adjacent to the city.

MID-SNAKE COMMISSION

The Board reviewed a verbal request from the Mid-Snake Commission to have a County Commissioner present at their meeting on Wednesday, February 18th at 1:00 pm in Twin Falls, to discuss the formation of a recharge district. Commissioner Christensen and Kerry McMurray will represent the County at the meeting.

MENTAL HOLDS

The Board discussed the status of the preparation for the room in the Sheriff’s office for mental holds processing.

FUEL SUPPLIER CONTRACT

The Board reviewed and executed the contract agreement for Triple S Oil Company as

the fuel supplier for Cassia County Sheriff's vehicles.

RESOLUTIONS

The Board reviewed and executed Resolution #2004-02-01 and Resolution #2004-02-02 regarding destruction of Auditor's office records. It was moved and seconded to authorize destruction of the records and voting was unanimous by the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:40 am it was proposed by Commissioner Christensen and seconded by Commissioner Handy that the Board convene in Executive Session under Idaho Code Section 67-2345(1)(d) with Commissioner Crane voting yea, Commissioner Christensen 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 12:00 pm. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session the Board affirmed earlier decisions and denied Case #204013.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, February 23, 2004.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Renee Wells, SIP; Brandon Fiala, Times News; Nick Rokich

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

/s/
Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

/s/
Dennis Crane, Chairman