

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 March 15, 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 March/April 2004.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. A letter to Riedesel & Associates from the State of Idaho Transportation Department Re: Cassia County transportation Plan; KN9035; Agreement No. 5679. It was moved and seconded to sign the professional services agreement with Riedesel & Associates Inc. and voting was unanimous by the Board.

2. A letter from Dave Shirley, representing the Oakley Highway District, Re: county road sign installation. Mr. McMurray will follow-up on this agenda items.

SOUTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP

Mr. McMurray read a letter from the Board of Commissioners supporting the request for funding of the South Central Community Action Partnership (SCCAP). It was moved and seconded to sign the letter and send it to the USDA Rural Development Housing Preservation Grant Program and voting was unanimous by the Board.

RESOLUTION #2004-03-09

Mr. Ken Robinette of the SCCAP discussed the assistance provided the citizens of Cassia County and the need for financial assistance in providing housing for homeless families with children. It was moved and seconded to sign the resolution to declare public support for the SCCAP and voting was unanimous by the Board.

IDAHO POWER

The Board reviewed a letter from Idaho Power Re: the 15.9-megawatt power generation facility at the JR Simplot facility in Pocatello.

MENTAL HEALTH CASES

Dr. Brek Pilling reported on the number of cases he has handled since his contract started on February 1, 2004. The County has realized a considerable savings because he was able to treat many of the patients on an outpatient basis and they did not have to be sent to Canyon View.

CASSIA COUNTY WINE ORDINANCE

Kerry McMurray led the discussion Re: the Cassia County Wine Ordinance draft proposal with the Board. With some minor modifications, the ordinance will be prepared for signature on Monday, April 5, 2004, after which it will be sent to the Idaho State Police for their approval.

PARKING LOT REPAIRS, ETC.

The board discussed the parking lot on the south side of the Law Enforcement Building Re: the changes that need to be made. Discussed general building and parking concerns.

NOXIOUS WEEDS

The Board reviewed an Order Creating Area for Extermination of Noxious Weeds, Designating what are Noxious Weeds, and Providing Manner for Eradication; and a Notice to Comply with Order for Extermination of Noxious weeds. It was moved and seconded to sign the

Order and the Notice and voting was unanimous by the Board.

CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed 1 change of status form from the Cassia County Sheriff's Department. It was moved and seconded to approve the changes of status and voting was unanimous by the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:42am 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)(a) 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 personnel matters. Following the discussion, it was proposed and seconded that the Board return to regular session at 10:15am. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session the Board took the matter under further advisement.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:20am 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 10:59am. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session the Board will have those refusing to give their income tax refunds to the County, reappear before the Board to explain their reasoning for not doing as they committed to do. Took Case #203060 under advisement waiting for information from Medicaid. Case #203167 was given a two-week extension for insurance research. Signed Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits for Case #204031, Case #204032, Case #204033, Case #204034, Case #204035, and Case #204036. Signed Release of Medically Indigent Lien for Case #203049. Signed Stipulation for Enlargement of Time Limitations for Case #203162 and Case #204009. Signed Subordination Agreement recorded as Instrument #275560. Denied Case #204016, Case #204018, Case #204033, and Case #204034. Approved Case #203155, Case #204020 and Case #204021.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, April 5, 2004.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY=S MEETING

Laurie Welch, SIP; Chip Thompson, Times News; Stephen Pitts, Canyon View; Steve Frieburger, Riedesel and Associates.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

/s/
Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

/s/
Dennis Crane, Chairman