

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 A. Mickelsen, Clerk of the Board, and Kerry D. McMurray, County Administrator, present.

TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN

Commissioner Crane was excused from the beginning of the meeting. It was proposed by Commissioner Christensen that Commissioner Handy be appointed acting Chairman. Commissioner Handy seconded the motion. Commissioner Christensen voting yea and Commissioner Handy voting yea. Chairman Crane arrived at 10:02am and resumed duties as Chairman of the Board.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The minutes for August 22, 2005 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 August and September 2005.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. A letter from Senator Crapo's office informing Cassia County that the Sheriff's department has been awarded the Edward Burr Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, to assist with paying overtime. Cary Bristol presented the grant award for \$19,453.00 for signature. It was moved and seconded for Chairman Crane to sign the grant award and voting was unanimous by the Board.
2. A letter from the Disabled American Veterans, Mini-Cassia Chapter, inviting the Board to a dedication ceremony for the new transport van on September 17, 2005 at 1:30pm.

COPY MACHINES

The Board reviewed copy machine options for the Judge's chambers. After discussion it was moved and seconded to approve to purchase of a network able multi function print/fax/copy machine for the Magistrate Court Justices use for \$1,200.00 and voting was unanimous by the Board.

DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING

Assessor: Marty Holland reported that most of the Board of Equalization items are completed and his office is finalizing things for the State. Things are busy in the office, but the requests for public assistance have lessened. There were not too many complaints regarding assessments of property and most inquiries could be handled over the telephone. Extensive discussion ensued regarding notice concerning land use planning and the responsibilities of the County and the property owners.

Detention Center: Dennis Dexter reported a total 149 inmates, 49 from Minidoka County and 43 from Cassia County. The balance is from other counties and from the State of Idaho. Mike Fehlman is testing potential employees September 19, 2005 to fill the 2 vacancies on the Detention Center Staff.

Sheriff's Department: UnderSheriff Cary Bristol reported that he had nothing to report because he has been on vacation, and today is his first day back to work.

Treasurer: Gayle Erekson reported on the sales of the Cassia County History and a matter of contradiction regarding credit card payment. We do not accept credit card payments, but the web site indicates credit cards will be accepted. She also gave the Board copies of the quarterly financial report. The County Employee barbeque will be held on September 28, 2005 from 12:00pm to 2:00pm.

Janitorial/Maintenance: Sharon Higgins reported that everything is going normal.

County Administrator: Kerry McMurray reported that the Mini-Cassia Public Defender Office would be in operation on October 1, 2005. Dennis Byington has been selected as the new Public Defender and is in the process of obtaining the necessary staff and equipment for the office.

Clerk: Larry Mickelsen requested that all Department Heads ensure that they review the invoices sent to the Auditor's Office. Department Heads have expressed surprise for expenditures for items purchased by their department, which they have approved without reading the claim to see what the expenditure is for.

COMMISSIONER MEETING DAYS

The Board reviewed the potential to change some of the Board of County Commissioner meetings to Tuesday. Commissioner Handy led a discussion with the Department Heads regarding the potential change. It was moved and seconded for the Board to meet on Tuesday during the 1st, 3rd and 5th weeks, and for the Board to meet on Monday during the 2nd and 4th weeks, and voting was unanimous by the Board. The change to the meeting schedule will begin on October 4, 2005 and will continue for 3 months.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Kerry McMurray explained the options that are available for the employee insurance program. He explained the differences in the HRA and HSA options and the cost share the employees will have. It was moved and seconded to have MBA, with Tim Preston and Kelly Bowen, to serve as the insurance agents for Cassia County and for the County to have a partially self-funded employee insurance program and voting was unanimous by the Board.

INTERMOUNTAIN FACILITY AGREEMENT

The Board reviewed a draft contract between Cassia County and Intermountain Hospital for the provision of mental health services in 2005/2006. It was moved and seconded for the Board to sign the agreement and voting was unanimous by the Board.

JUNK YARD MATTERS UPDATE

Dan Barker reviewed the junkyard matters with the Board. He reported that the Bill Cole and Ralph Hubbard properties are in violation and a letter will come from the County Attorney informing them of their responsibility to meet County ordinances. The Board reviewed the Roy Smith property and he is still in violation of County Junkyard ordinances. The Board will inform him that he has 2 weeks to make significant improvement. The Board reviewed the property of Jamie Alvarado and could see that a little improvement has been made, but is still in violation. Claude Bryant expressed his opinion regarding the County ordinances that control the junkyard issues and requested a permit to sell items from his salvaged automobiles.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Scott Barker reported on the Windland comment period. The BLM has begun compiling the comments for publication. The final findings for the Windland project will be published at the conclusion of the comment period. The evaluation for the Bald Eagle and for Wolves will be conducted after the project begins. This evaluation will not delay the construction once it begins. They have not received comments from the U.S. Fish and Game or the Wildlife Service; their comments will be in near the end of the comment period.

OREGON TRAIL RECREATION DISTRICT

Kim Seeley, Barbara Mai and Donna Bush discussed the petitions for the Oregon Trail Recreation District with the Board. Ms. Mai and Ms. Bush provided guidance received from the Secretary of States Office.

CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed two (2) changes of status forms for the Mini-Cassia Detention Center. It

was moved and seconded to approve the changes of status and voting was unanimous by the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 1:25pm 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 1:55pm. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session, the Board Signed Order of Reimbursement for Case #205036, Case #205047 and Case #205058. Signed Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits for Case #205101, Case #205102 and Case #205103. Signed Order of Dismissal for Case #205021, Case #205046, Case #205079, and Case #205080. Signed Certificate of Denial for Case #205085 and Case #205089. Signed Certificate of Approval for Case #205044, Case #205045, Case #205047, Case #205049, Case #205050 and Case #205058. Signed an Amended Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision for Case #205036.

MAPPING SOFTWARE

Kerry McMurray requested authorization to purchase software necessary to have the mapping system fully operational. The software is “Concurrent License, ARCView Software,” from ESRI Inc., costing \$5,115.44 for the license and \$1,200.00 annually for the maintenance. It was moved and seconded to purchase the software and voting was unanimous by the Board.

MINI-CASSIA PUBLIC DEFENDER

The Board discussed the request of Dennis Byington, the new Mini-Cassia Public Defender. He requested items of furniture and equipment to be able to furnish the Public Defender Office and the proposed staff. He also requested guidance with personnel issues, which will be given by the Mini-Cassia Public Defender Executive Board.

BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSES

The Board approved the following applications for Beer, Wine and/or Liquor Licenses:

<u>County #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Doing Business As</u>
2006-053	Kevin L Williams	Conner Creek Junction
2006-054	Alice Oleta Willett	Shakers LLC
2006-055	Ned E Dansie	Snake River Sports & Marina Inc

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 6, 2005.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY’S MEETING

Renee Wells, SIP; Captain Cary Bristol, Dennis Dexter, Marty Holland, Gayle Erikson, Sharon Higgins, Barbara Mai, Donna Bush, Cassia County; Claude Bryant; Scott Barker, BLM; Kim Seeley, Oregon Trail Recreation District

ATTEST:

/s/Larry A. Mickelsen
Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

APPROVED:

/s/Dennis D. Crane
Dennis D. Crane, Chairman