

The Cassia County Board of Commissioners met this day with Chairman Dennis Crane and Paul Christensen, Board Members; Alfred E. Barrus, Prosecuting Attorney; Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk of the Board, and Kerry D. McMurray, County Administrator, present. Commissioner Clay Handy was excused from the meeting.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The minutes for October 18, 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 October 2005.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. Notice of the Drug Court graduation on 1 November in the Burley City Hall.
2. A NACo nomination form for the County Leadership in Conservation Award.
3. A notice of the Tom Luna Campaign kick-off for Superintendent of Public Instruction.

USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Robert Lanford met with the Board to discuss USDA Rural Development programs. He made a presentation regarding the Rural Development programs, and the procedures for loan and grant applications.

DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING

Assessor: Marty Holland reported they are working on the sub roll and occupancy and getting ready for the events of next month. They are staying aware of the property tax issues impacting the entire State. Cassia County had a loss, from the tax roll, of over \$7 million, from a change in the valuation of operating property, which causes a major tax shift.

Detention Center: Dennis Dexter reported that Nick Nelson, Detention Officer, is going to work for a Federal Detention Center in Colorado. He introduced 2 new employees, Kenny Alverson and Travis Germann. The jail has 155 inmates: 44 from Minidoka County, 40 from Cassia County, 50 for the State, 10 for the US Marshall and 11 for other jurisdictions.

Sheriff's Department: Sheriff Jim Higen reported that they have 1 opening on the Sheriff's staff. Requested the FY 06 Holiday schedule be developed and released as soon as possible.

Treasurer: Gayle Erikson reported that the levies are in and ready to go. All of the levies are up, so everyone's taxes will be slightly higher. She gave the Statement of Treasurer's cash to the Board for their review.

Janitorial/Maintenance: Sharon Higgins reported that everything is going just fine at this time.

Extension Office: Richard Garrard reported that everything is going along real smooth in his area. Rosie went to the 4H Conference in Northern Idaho and has many good activities for the local 4H clubs. Dale Baker, in Minidoka County, is assisting with the farm management and will have classes this winter.

County Administrator: Kerry McMurray reported that Dee Yeaman passed his test and is now a certified building official. There have been some P&Z issues with dairies in the area.

Clerk: Larry Mickelsen reported on deputy clerk training in Twin Falls on October 26, 2005. Discussed the upcoming direct deposit option that will be available for employee consideration.

County Attorney: Al Barrus reported that things are fine, but the Prosecuting Attorney's office staff is extremely busy.

SANTA HOUSE & CLOCK PLACEMENT

The Board reviewed a request for placement of a large clock and the City of Burley's "Santa House" on County property. Grounds Maintenance Supervisor Sharon Higgins is very concerned about who will accept responsibility for the clock when the Centennial Committee is dissolved. The Gem Community Committee will not dissolve and they may have responsibility for the Centennial Park and the clock. The Board recommended that the Centennial and Gem Community Committees coordinate to make a decision and present their decision to the Board. Dennis Dexter will discuss the placement of the clock and the Santa House with the committees and report back to the Board.

MCCJC CONTRACTS

Dennis Dexter discussed the contract the Detention Center has with Ellen Judd to provide medical services to the jail. The decision was to make a provision in her contract that she is responsible to provide the insurance and the proof of certification.

BID AWARD

The Board reviewed the bids for the Sheriff's Department Motor Vehicles, a Police Cruiser Sedan and a ½ Ton Extended Cab Pickup. The Board's decision was that Bonanza was the lowest responsive bid on the Sedan and Goode Motors was the lowest responsive bid for the Pickup. After review, it was moved and seconded to award the bid for the Sedan to Bonanza Motors and for the ½ Ton Pickup to Goode Motors. Voting was unanimous by the Board. Vehicles will be delivered in 90 – 120 days.

HEARING DATE – GRIEVANCE HEARING

The board reviewed and established Tuesday, November 1, 2005 as the date for the grievance hearing. It was moved and seconded to sign the order and voting was unanimous by the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:48am it was proposed by Commissioner Crane 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 and Commissioner Crane 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 11:03am. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session, the Board Signed Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits for Case #205119, Case #205120, Case #205121 and Case #205122. Signed Order of Reimbursement for Case #205106 and Case #205116. Signed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision for Case #205072. Signed Certificate of Approval for Case #205106 and Case #205116. Signed Certificate of Denial for Case #205113 and Case #205121.

MBA/HEALTH INSURANCE

The Board reviewed the MBA/Health Insurance matters. County Attorney Al Barrus and County Administrator Kerry McMurray have revised the Administrative Service Agreement for the County Health Insurance. It will be further reviewed and modified and then presented to the Board for their approval and signature.

PLANNING & ZONING

The Board reviewed a status report on Planning and Zoning proceedings and potential for appeals regarding building permits that have been issued.

COUNTY EXPENDITURE

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Report dated October 21, 2005. A

motion was made and seconded to approve the report. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

CURRENT EXPENSES	104	\$45,455.33
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$530.39
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$2,858.79
COUNTY ROADS AND BRIDGE FUND	107	\$25,226.91
REVALUATION FUND	114	\$7,636.37
911 COMMUNICATIONS FUND	115	\$549.20
COUNTY SNOWMOBILE FUND	118	\$15.00
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$21,203.70
PHYSICAL FACILITIES FUND	144	\$525.84
	TOTAL	\$106,113.84

U.S. FOREST SERVICE

Scott Nannenga questioned the availability of a map to know which Highway District has responsibility for the roads in the County. He asked if the Board has seen the newspaper articles regarding legal issues affecting permits for various functions that occur in the forests. He reported that the fire season this year was very mild. Grazing was very good this year and the ranchers should do very well.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 1, 2005.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

/s/Larry A. Mickelsen

/s/Dennis D. Crane

Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

Dennis Crane, Chairman