

COMMISSIONER MINUTES

#548

February 27, 2006

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

PREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The minutes for February 21, 2006 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 and March 2006.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. A letter from Idaho Parks and Recreation RE: the Waterways Improvement Fund and requesting input from the County regarding retaining the fund in its current form.

OREGON TRAIL RECREATION DISTRICT

Dennis Dexter met with the Board to discuss the proposed election for the Oregon Trail Recreation District. The members of the Board of Commissioners expressed the concerns of the citizens of the County regarding the potential to raise property taxes in some of the taxing districts. At the conclusion of the discussion and after all questions had been satisfactorily responded to, it was moved and seconded to approve the election for the 23rd of May 2006 and voting was unanimous by the Board.

CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed six (6) Change of Status forms for the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center. It was moved and seconded to approve the changes of status and voting was unanimous by the Board.

INMATE PHONE SYSTEM

The Board reviewed the proposed Inmate Phone System Contract. After discussion, it was moved and seconded to sign and execute the contract and voting was unanimous by the Board.

CELL PHONE RESOLUTION 2006-02-3

The Board reviewed the resolution regarding cell phone reimbursement for the County Commissioners. It was moved and seconded to sign and execute the resolution and voting was unanimous by the Board.

TRUCK PURCHASE

The Board reviewed the letter authorizing purchase of the truck for the County Roads and Bridge Department through Northwest Equipment, "piggy backing" on the State of Idaho bid. This is being pursued under the CMAQ grant. Upon review, it was moved and seconded to sign and execute the letter and voting was unanimous by the Board.

COUNTY BOATING PROGRAM

The Board reviewed the Fiscal Year 2005 County Boating Program Financial Review. There were no discrepancies noted.

DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING

Assessor: Marty Holland reported that they are busy doing personal property taxes. He reported that the State Legislature is working on property tax bills that may impact the County.

Detention Center: Dennis Dexter reported that there are currently 164 inmates. 54 from Cassia County, 67 State inmates, 32 from Minidoka County, 3 for the US Marshall, 8 from other jurisdictions.

Sheriff's Department: Sheriff Jim Higen reported that they have a new full-time dispatcher, Miranda Slack. He has discussed policy items with the County Attorney, Al Barrus. Captain Cary Bristol reported on the development of the Emergency Operations Plan which will be completed in March. Sheriff Higen reported that there is a grant request in process of being written and will be presented to the Board very soon.

Treasurer: Gayle Erekson reported that collections are completed and things are going well.

Janitorial/Maintenance: Sharon Higgins reported that the Fire Department completed the annual fire inspection and we had no deficiencies. She requested that the carpet in the Assessor's office be changed.

County Fair and Rodeo: Corey Parrish reported that things are going well.

Weed Department: Gordon Edwards reported that they are getting their web page up with the University of Idaho. They want to link with the County website, which will cause no problem. There will be ads regarding noxious weeds to assist the citizens with weed control. There was a 2 day workshop in Boise to assist with weed and pest control. He reported on the bird seed manufacturers that have not been up to code and the steps taken to make corrections in their procedures.

County Administrator: Kerry McMurray the P&Z has been very busy working through CAFO applications. Contractor registrations have been working quite well, with one exception.

Clerk: Larry Mickelsen questioned the status of the contract with DL Evans Bank, Inc regarding the direct deposit for the County employees. The contract has been submitted to Diane Alvey of DL Evans and we have not yet heard from the bank legal officials.

County Attorney: Al Barrus reported that they are very busy, even more so than last year. If things don't change, the County will have more felonies filed this year than ever before. There is a pending trial that is costing the County a lot of money because of the need to have expert witnesses brought in via air travel.

RESOLUTIONS 2006-02-4, 2006-02-5 AND 2006-02-6

The Board reviewed Resolutions #2006-02-4, #2006-02-5, and #2006-02-6, Resolutions Requesting a Site Suitability Determination by a State Site Advisory Team for A Large Confined Animal Feeding Operation in three (3) separate locations within the County. It was moved and seconded to sign and execute the resolutions and voting was unanimous by the Board.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

At 10:25am it was proposed and seconded to convene as the County Board of Equalization. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

It was proposed and seconded to delete the Home Owners exemptions on the following parcels: (see parcel numbers on the attached list). Voting was unanimous by the Board. Notices will be sent to the property owners

At 10:30am it was proposed and seconded to return to regular session. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

ANNEX TOUR

The Board conducted a tour of the Assessor's office and reviewed the Assessment Rolls. There were no deficiencies noted and all appeared to be in order. The Board also visited the dispatch office to review desk area renovations and floor tiling, and noted that all was in order and the dispatchers were able to properly handle all of the incoming calls.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:07am proposed by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Crane that the Board convene in Executive Session under Idaho Code Section 67-2345(1)(d) with 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 11:23am. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session, the Board approved Case #205029 keeping \$800.00 of the income

tax return. Signed Order of Reimbursement for Case #205110 and 205147. Signed Order of Dismissal for Case #206016. Signed Certificate of Approval for Case #205110 and #205147. Signed Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits for Case #206018, #206019 and #206020

COUNTY EXPENDITURE

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Report dated February 24, 2006. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report. Voting was unanimous by the Board.

CURRENT EXPENSES	104	\$7,795.16
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$283.50
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$2,128.97
WEED & PEST FUND	108	\$27.01
HISTORICAL SOCIETY FUND	112	\$5,000.00
REVALUATION FUND	114	\$159.90
911 COMMUNICATIONS FUND	115	\$364.29
COUNTY SNOWMOBILE FUND	118	\$4,415.69
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$19,495.06
PHYSICAL FACILITIES FUND	144	\$1,730.88
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$191.04
	TOTAL	\$41,591.50

U.S. FOREST SERVICE

Scott Nannenga reported regarding the "Goose Creek" pipeline, that the Oakley Canal Company and Bruce Bedke have submitted protests about the proposed pipeline. The protests are related to the US Government not having any rights to the water. Scott feels that the solution will be simple to resolve. The need for processing the proposed pipeline has been delayed until the protests are settled. He mentioned that the snowmobile grooming issues have been settled, with the funding coming to the County and credited to the County Road's account. There is a proposed land sale for US Forest Service land parcels in the Sawtooth National Forest. Scott discussed the various parcels that are on the list of parcels for sale.

AMALGAMATED SUGAR COMPANY

The Board toured the facilities of the Amalgamated Sugar Factory in Paul, Idaho with the Minidoka County Commissioners.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, March 6, 2006.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Renee Wells, SIP; David Ryzak

ATTEST:

/s/Larry A. Mickelsen

Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

APPROVED:

/s/Dennis D. Crane

Dennis Crane, Chairman