

## COMMISSIONER MINUTES

#575

June 16, 2008

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

### PREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The Minutes for June 9, 2008 were discussed. A motion was made and seconded to approve and proceed with publication of an appropriate synopsis. Roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

### CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the calendar for June 2008.

### CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. The scheduled Idaho Transportation Conference on July 24, 2008 in Twin Falls
2. A letter from Lyle & Patricia Randall of Jackson, Re: Your Letter of Response dated May 12, 2008, was read to the Board by Commissioner Clay Handy. (See below)
3. A request from Verizon, asking to promote their business.
4. A letter from District 5 Juvenile Justice Council inviting the Board to a meeting on June 23 and June 24 in Twin Falls.

### WEED CONTROL MATTERS

Gordon Edwards met with the Board and requested authorization to purchase 2 additional 4-wheelers. Bids were received from Cycle City, Let's Ride and Adventure Motorsports. It was moved and seconded to purchase 2 each 2008 Can Am Outlander 650 XT from Let's Ride for \$7,200 each, with the total purchase amount of \$14,400 and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

### CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed three (3) changes of status forms for the Cassia County Sheriff's Office. It was moved and seconded to approve the changes of status and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

### HISTORICAL SOCIETY MATTERS

The Board reviewed a request from the Cassia County Historical Society for the second installment (\$5,000) for the fiscal year 2008. It was moved and seconded to approve payment of the second installment and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

### PUBLIC HEARING – ZONE AMENDMENT

Recorded as Gillette Zone Amendment Request. It was moved and seconded to approve the application for the zone change; File # ZA2008-04-1 and roll call vote was unanimous by the 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>
#2009-001	Elizabeth Cooper	Judy's Café
#2009-002	Shirley Middleton	Nelson Café & Pilot Lounge
#2009-003	Pat Maglaughlin	Maglaughlin Gas & Grocery
#2009-004	James C Lynch	Mr Gas Overland Car Wash
#2009-005	James C Lynch	Mr Gas Quik Pik

**MIDDLE SNAKE REGIONAL WATER RESOURCE COMMISSION**

The Board reviewed the Middle Snake Regions Water Resource Commission’s 2008-2009 budget requests.

**DISTRICT COURT MATTERS**

Kerry McMurray read a letter from Attorney Bill Parsons Re: the adequacy of the Court House facility. After an in-depth discussion, it was moved and seconded to send a reply letter to Mr. Parsons and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

**IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT**

The Board reviewed a letter from the Idaho Transportation Department Re: City of Rocks Backcountry Byway, Stage 1, Key 7615, Parcel 1, BLM Project No. PLH-2841(101). It was moved and seconded to sign and notarize the documents and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 9:53am 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)(f) 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 pending litigation.

Following the discussion, it was proposed and seconded that the Board return to regular session at 10:03am. Roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session the Board it was moved and seconded to authorize payment of \$100.00 to an individual who claimed he was wrongfully arrested because he had the same name as the one who was to be arrested; and have the individual sign a letter of release prepared by County Attorney Al Barrus, and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

**COUNTY EXPENDITURE**

The Board reviewed the County’s Payables Approval Report dated June 16, 2008. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

CURRENT EXPENSES	104	\$5,392.47
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$525.19
COUNTY ROADS & BRIDGES FUND	107	\$850.32
WEED & PEST FUND	108	\$1,760.72
AMBULANCE SERVICE	110	\$79,550.04
REVALUATION FUND	114	\$579.93
COUNTY BOAT LICENSE FUND	117	\$1,121.08
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$38,012.80
COURT BOND FUND	138	\$150.00
COURT RESTITUTION FUND	139	\$800.00
PHYSICAL FACILITIES FUND	144	\$17.19
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$1,538.66
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$130,298.40</b>

**ALBION HIGHWAY DISTRICT MATTERS**

Steve Freiburger presented the items discussed at the last Albion Highway District Meeting. There is a proposal to combine the efforts of the Albion Highway District with the Cassia County Road & Bridge Department. He explained that it takes about 9 weeks to grade the gravel roads just one time for the Albion Highway District and about 22 weeks for County Roads to grade their gravel roads. Entering into a cooperative agreement, between County Roads and Albion Highway District, it would dramatically reduce the time required to grade the gravel roads in the 2 districts.

The County Roads has 2 graders and George Kelley indicated they would try to sell the older one. The 2 districts would work as a cooperative effort to remove snow also. Discussion ensued regarding the time the roads would last if properly graded and packed, compared with proper grading and adding mag chloride. The matters will be given additional thought and discussion by Sam Adams and Steve Freiburger and will make a recommendation that is mutually beneficial to both Districts. There will be another meeting scheduled to appoint another member to the County Roads Board.

#### **MINI-CASSIA VETERANS**

Daryl McCall met with the Board and informed them that there was no need to have the County assist with the purchase of a new van because it was taken care of with grants. He discussed the funeral services and other ceremonies the veterans groups are involved in. There is a proposal to organize a group just to be involved in the ceremonies. The cost will be about \$7,000 for all of the flags and equipment needed. Daryl traveled about 5,000 miles last year in conducting funerals and various ceremonies. They have reached an agreement with the National Guard to help sponsor them and to provide storage and assistance with moving equipment to the ceremonies. Clerk Mickelsen was tasked to investigate if the Veteran's Group could receive some budget considerations. After discussion, it was moved and seconded to approve the expenditure of \$1,500 from the Contingency Fund, to the Mini-Cassia Veteran's Organization at 1901 Miller Avenue, Burley, and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 11:22am 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 11:35am. Roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

Following Executive Session the Board Presented Case #208046; Signed Release of Lien for Cases #201043 and 207126; Signed Notice of Lien for Cases #208058 and 208060; Signed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision for Cases #208020 and 208022; Denied Cases # 208045 and 208047.

#### **SOUTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP**

Ken Robinette met with the Board to discuss the Community Action Programs and the report for 2007. He discussed the Weatherization and Low Income Home Energy Assistance Programs. He also discussed the Living Wage by Household. He discussed the homeless families and the elderly that were served. He discussed transitional housing in the community and the 2 year length of time they can stay in the housing. He discussed the 1070 families in Cassia County that received assistance. Mandy Badger is the representative for the SCCAP in Burley.

#### **RANDALL LETTER**

The Commissioners discussed the response letter from Lyle and Patricia Randall dated June 11, 2008. Commissioner Handy asked questions of Lyle Randall regarding mail delivery and the emergency response. Commissioners Handy and Christensen discussed the emergency response and the improvement that has resulted from the training that has occurred. Commissioners Handy and Christensen discussed the outstanding volunteer efforts of Kent Searle. Commissioner Handy led the discussion related to emergency response and mail delivery.

#### **BUDGET HEARINGS**

The following preliminary budgets were discussed with the Board: County Commissioners, County Building, County Annex, Board of Health, Planning & Zoning, General, Elections, County Administration, Veterans Service Officer, Indigent Fund, Ambulance Service, Public Defender, Mini-Cassia Misdemeanor Probation Office. Additional budgets will be discussed at the next meeting.

**RECESS**

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, June 23, 2008.

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING**

Lyle Randall, Jackson; Zane Gillette, Stacy Gillette, Gillette Sheep; Tom Ottley, Kent Durfee, Cassia County Road Board; George Maas, Chuck Driscoll, Jim Jensen, MC Veterans.

**ATTEST:**

/s/Larry A. Mickelsen

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Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Dennis D. Crane

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Dennis Crane, Chairman