

COMMISSIONER MINUTES

#579

November 3, 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; Wendy Marr, Deputy Clerk, and Kerry D. McMurray, County Administrator, present. Larry Mickelsen, Clerk of the Board was excused to prepare for tomorrow's General Election.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The Minutes for October 27, 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 November 2008.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:37am 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)(b) 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 employee matters. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 9:00am.

Following Executive Session the Board directed county attorney Al Barrus to advise the employee of the seriousness of the matter and gave appropriate counsel.

HOMELAND SECURITY MATTERS

Sheriff Jim Higen met with the Board to discuss unanticipated grant monies received from Whisper Mountain in the amount of \$2,000.00. It was moved and seconded to amend this year's budget to include the funds. Also discussed was the possibility of boarding an additional 20 – 60 U. S. Marshall's prisoners in the Cassia County jail which could bring additional revenue of \$100,000.00 per year to the county.

BOATHOUSE LEASE

The Board reviewed the redrafted Boathouse lease with the City of Burley. After discussion a motion was made and seconded to sign the lease, then forward to the City of Burley and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

WEST CASSIA QRU

The Board reviewed a Letter of Support for the West Cassia QRU upgrade to Advanced Non-Transport Service which would allow for a more effective response to the citizens of Cassia County. A motion was made and seconded to sign the letter of support and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

COUNTY PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY

The Board decided to postpone the review of the Cassia County Public Records Policy until next week when the County Clerk, Larry Mickelsen would be present.

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE ISSUES

The Board toured the area of the County Road & Bridge Jurisdiction.

CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed 1 change of status form for the MCCJC and 1 for the Motor Vehicle Department. It was moved and seconded to approve the changes of status and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:35am 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 employee matters. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 9:38am.

Following Executive Session the Board took the matter under advisement.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:39am 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, the Board returned to regular session at 9:45am.

Following Executive Session the Board denied case #208121, signed order for reimbursement for case #208109, signed notice of lien for case #208124, 208130, 208125, 208126, 208127, 208128 and 208129, signed release of lien for case #206111 and 201027 and wrote off a balance for case #208041.

CASSIA COUNTY FAIR AND RODEO

The Board reviewed a special events contract for the Cassia County Fair and Rodeo. A motion was made and seconded to sign the contract and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board..

MEETING WITH MIKE WAITE

The Board met with Mike Waite from Idaho Mental Health to discuss the growing number of Mental Health concerns in Cassia County. He explained the various processes involved to properly handle and expedite these cases. Mr. Waite stated that he thought the current system the county was using to handle mental commitment was working very well. They discussed the expense burden on the county for treatment as well as the difficulty in retaining qualified D. E. Examiners due to the high burnout rate and possible solutions. The Board decided that further discussions in the future would be beneficial.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 3:05pm 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, the Board returned to regular session at 3:50pm.

Following Executive Session the Board took the matter under advisement.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, November 10, 2008.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Margi Owens, Weekly News Journal; Lyle Randall

ATTEST:

/s/Larry A. Mickelsen

Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

APPROVED:

/s/Dennis D. Crane

Dennis Crane, Chairman