

# COMMISSIONER MINUTES

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June 29, 2009

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 22, 2009 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/July 2009.

## CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. A Medical Overview guideline from the IDOC.

## COUNTY PURCHASE REQUEST

Dan Renz, of the Drug Enforcement Task Force met with the Board with a request to purchase a new vehicle using seized assets revenues. There will not be a vehicle for trade-in. It was moved and seconded to approve the purchase of a Pontiac G6 for \$19,398.00 and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

## JUNKYARD MATTERS

Melissa Price met with the Board discussed junked vehicles on property owned by Gary Arguello. Auto Wrex has agreed to remove the junked vehicles at no cost to the county; Gibson Auto will charge \$50.00 per vehicle plus the county would need to provide title. Ms. Price was asked to visit with Auto Wrex to ensure their continued involvement in this matter. Mr. Barrus stated that we need to get a writ of assistance and have a deputy sheriff accompany anyone who is involved in removing the vehicles.

Melissa visited the Cole's canal property to check on progress on removing the junk from the property. The Cole's have attempted to file a restraining order to prevent the clean-up of their property, although no order has been issued. The county will continue to move forward in getting the junk removed and the area cleaned up.

## COUNTY EXPENDITURE

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Report dated 6/26/2009. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

CURRENT EXPENSES	104	\$4,643.45
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$8,685.93
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$565.93
ASSESSOR TRUST FUND	123	\$126.79
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$11,471.03
MINI-CASSIA DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE	136	\$888.19
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$248.83
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$26,630.15</b>

## CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed one (1) change of status form for the Auditor's Office. It was moved and seconded to approve the changes of status and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

## **COUNTY MUSEUM BUDGET**

No one from the museum budget committee met with the Board this week.

### **GATEWAY TRANSMISSION LINE MATTERS:**

a) The Board discussed various routes and other matters that should be considered by those involved in choosing the routes for the Gateway Transmission Line.

b) The Board considered the request to appoint Kris Ward to the Gateway Task Force. It was moved and seconded to approve the appointment of Kris Ward to the Gateway Task Force and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board. Mr. McMurray will send her a letter informing her of her appointment to the Task Force.

c) The Board reviewed a letter to the Western Electric Coordinating Council. After review, it was moved and seconded to sign and execute the letter to the WECC and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

### **ORDER OF ANNEXATION**

The Board considered an Order of Annexation to the Albion Fire Protection District. It was moved and seconded to sign and execute the Order of Annexation and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

### **SOLID WASTE FEES**

The Board gave consideration and discussed the Solid Waste Fees for commercial operations. The Board will establish a minimum fee for commercial enterprises that have an excessive amount of solid waste.

### **MIDDLE SNAKE REGIONAL WATER RESOURCE COMMISSION**

The Board gave consideration to the budget for the Middle Snake Regional Water Resource Commission for \$1,881. The Board moved to approve the ballot for the proposed budget and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

### **ITD BRIDGE INSPECTION REPORT**

The Board reviewed a packet that was the ITD Bridge Field Inspection Report. It was thought to concern County Road & Bridge, but after review seems to apply to Burley Highway District. The information will be sent to a party of actual interest.

### **COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE / BYWAY MATTERS**

The Board reviewed and discussed County Road & Bridge and Byway construction matters.

### **WIND ANEMOMETER APPLICATIONS**

The Board reviewed Wind Anemometer Applications for Michael Wheeler of Raft River and Scott Nichols of U.S. Geothermal. There will be no cost to the county for the installation. It was moved and seconded to approve the applications and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

### **IDF&G YELLOWSTONE TROUT RESTORATION**

The Board reviewed an Idaho Fish & Game proposal letter to restore Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout into Six Mile Creek in the Raft River Drainage. The letter will be given to the FLAG Committee for their review and consideration.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 9:57am 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 10:09am.

Following Executive Session the Board signed the letter of Contract Termination.

**MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS**

Dr. Dean met with the Board to discuss mental illness. He proposed to be contracted as a Designated Examiner for the County. He is willing to purchase all of the equipment necessary to conduct video conferencing, to communicate with those needing counseling. The video conferencing equipment will be leased to the County and may be placed in a location that will be accessible to law enforcement on a 24/7 basis. Mr. Barrus will discuss the matters with the Judges and others who may be involved in approving this procedure.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 10:42am 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 11:07am.

Following Executive Session the Board Denied Case # 2009066; Signed 3 Assignments; Signed Release of Lien for Cases # 208137, 2009019, 2009033, and 2009048; Signed Notice of Lien for Cases # 2009072, 2009073, and 2009075; Approved Cases # 2009056 and 2009074; Signed Order of Reimbursement for Case # 2009056; Presented Case # 2009072.

**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

At 11:15am it was proposed and seconded to convene as the County Board of Equalization. Roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> parcel it was proposed and seconded to keep the values as determined by the Assessor's Office and on the 2<sup>nd</sup> parcel, it was proposed to lower the value of the property by \$500,000 as per recommended by Assessor Marty Holland; and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board. Notices will be sent to the property owners.

Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 11:25am.

**MCCJC QUARTERLY REVIEW**

The Board met with the Minidoka County Board to conduct the quarterly jail inspection of the MCCJC, as required by Idaho Statute. The Board heard a report from Jail Administrator Rob Neiwert and ate lunch at the Detention Center. After review and inspection, it was determined that there were no deficiencies with the facility or in the operational procedures employed by the MCCJC.

**RECESS**

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, July 6, 2009.

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

Margi Owens, Weekly News Journal; Eric Ludlow, assisting with the law clerk duties.

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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Larry A. Mickelsen, Clerk

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Dennis Crane, Chairman