

COMMISSIONER MINUTES

#595

January 4, 2010

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

AMBULANCE SERVICE PROVIDER

Wednesday, December 30, 2009 was the deadline to receive bids for ambulance service however, no bids were received. The County will proceed with negotiations with providers, including IHC.

CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the calendar for January 2010.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. An invitation from Jana Kemp to attend a formal announcement that she is running for Governor of Idaho.
2. A thank you card from Amy Kramer.
3. A letter from the USDA with a Forest Plan Amendments Proposal.
4. A letter from Early Childhood Coordinating Council.

CSI

The Board reviewed and signed CSI Residency Certificates.

CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed 2 change of status forms from the Sheriff's Office. It was moved and seconded to approve the changes of status and roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane both voting yea.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board signed the Professional Land Surveyor Services Contract with Steve Pearson that was previously reviewed and approved.

COUNTY ROAD MATTERS

Samuel Adams is keeping Commissioner Crane updated and reported all is well. Bill Wickel has not provided any further information regarding the pipeline.

REVIEW FINDINGS OF FACT & CONCLUSION OF LAW

Kerry McMurray presented the Findings of Fact & Conclusion of Law to the Board regarding weed control and a related tax lien assessed against a property owner. Upon review, Commissioner Christensen signed the finding and the Board will hold for Commissioner Handy's review and signature.

GATEWAY WEST PROJECT MATTERS

The Board discussed the Gateway West Project and issues that the Task Force is working on. There will be a telephone conference tomorrow.

OPREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The Minutes for December 21, 2009 were discussed. A motion was made and seconded to approve and proceed with publication of an appropriate synopsis. Roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane both voting yea.

COUNTY EXPENDITURE

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Reports dated December 29, 2009 and December 31, 2009. A motion was made and seconded to approve the reports and the roll

call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane both voting yea.

CURRENT EXPENSES	104	\$2,682.43
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$184.00
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$699.40
COUNTY ROADS & BRIDGES FUND	107	\$500.00
WEED & PEST FUND	108	\$7.04
COUNTY SNOWMOBILE FUND	118	\$1,250.16
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$3,560.25
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$520.19
	TOTAL	\$9,403.47

CURRENT EXPENSES	104	\$3,712.02
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$1,895.47
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$74.62
911 COMMUNICATIONS FUND	115	\$28,569.46
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$5,766.80
D.A.R.E TRUST	137	\$3,274.64
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$446.65
	TOTAL	\$43,739.66

OTHER MATTERS

Gary Turner addressed the Board to discuss the responsibilities of public office and his opinion of the County Commissioners obligation to the community, citing the Jackson area as a hotbed of controversy. He stated that there are a few issues that have not yet been clarified and hopes the Commissioners would look into opportunities to strengthen relationships between the government body and the public. Commissioner Crane stated that he keeps in contact with people in the Jackson area and feels that things are moving in a positive direction. Commissioner Christensen expressed the good job that Kent Searle is and has been doing with respect to 9-1-1 issues.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:55 am it was proposed by Commissioner Christensen and seconded by Commissioner Crane that the Board convene in Executive Session under Idaho Code Section 67-2345(1)(b) with Commissioner Crane voting yea and Commissioner Christensen 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 9:58 am. Following Executive Session the Board signed the change of status form for the Assessor's Office.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:59 am 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, the Board returned to regular session at 10:06 am. Following Executive Session the Board signed stipulation for enlargement of time limitations for case # 2009111, released case # 207115, 2009140 and 2009139, heard case # 2009128 and 2009127, signed certificate of approval for additional treatment for case # 2009115 and denied case # 2009124, 2009138 and 2009136.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:07 am it was proposed by Commissioner Christensen and seconded by Commissioner Crane that the Board convene in Executive Session under Idaho Code Section 67-2345(1)(b) with Commissioner Crane voting yea and Commissioner Christensen 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 10:20 am. The matter was taken under advisement.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Board met with Auditor Cara Petterson and suggested that she attend the IAC meetings in February. Also discussed was the Deputy Clerk opening in the courts that was published last week. The Board will hold off on hiring until next Monday's meeting when Commissioner Handy will be present to discuss the position.

DEQ UPDATES

The Board met with Bill Allred of IDEQ. They discussed various matters regarding nitrate levels and groundwater. The Board will hold meeting and invite the public through public service announcements to help clarify the University of Idaho's findings and answer questions and concerns.

LUNCH

At 12:00 pm the Board departed for lunch at Stevos, where Kerry McMurray, County Administrator reported on personnel issues throughout the County during their working luncheon

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, January 11, 2010.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Margi Owens, Weekly News Journal; and Neil Robertson.

ATTEST:

/s/ Wendy L. Marr

Wendy L. Marr, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED:

/s/Dennis D. Crane

Dennis Crane, Chairman