

COMMISSIONER MINUTES

#595

March 29, 2010

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

PREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The Minutes for March 22 , 2010 were discussed. A motion was made and seconded to approve. Roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Handy, and Chairman Crane both voting yea.

CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the calendar for April, 2010.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. Letter from David Shirley (Burley Highway Dist.) Re: Howell Canyon Road
2. Invitation to Reduce Underage Drinking Seminar March 30-31
3. Letter from Shirley Hubbard in support of hiring another 911 dispatcher

JAIL BUDGET REPORT

County Clerk Dee Yeaman presented report of jail budget items. Discussion followed.

HIRE DISPATCHER

Sheriff Randy Kidd met with Board to discuss hiring an additional dispatcher. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Crane. Voting was unanimous. After further discussion, it was determined to hold off on approval for hiring of an investigator until additional review and information was available concerning budget and revenue matters.

COUNTY EXPENDITURE

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Report dated March 26, 2010. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report and the roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Handy, Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane all voting yea.

CURRENT EXPENSES	104	\$64,540.86
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$22,925.13
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$2,607.12
COUNTY ROADS & BRIDGES FUND	107	\$2,075.43
JR COLLEGE TUITION FUND	113	\$500.00
911 COMMUNICATIONS FUND	115	\$203.15
ASSESSOR TRUST FUND	123	\$31.05
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$19,198.69
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$307.85
	TOTAL	\$112,389.28

CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed 2 change of status forms. It was moved and seconded to approve the

changes of status and roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Handy, and Chairman Crane both voting yea. (Commissioner Christensen absent)

ELECTION BALLOTS

Elections Clerk Wendy Marr presented to the Board the ballot count for approval. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Crane. Voting was unanimous. (Commissioner Christensen absent)

2010 GRASSHOPPER/CRICKET PROGRAM

Richard Garrard presented to the Board information on Idaho Dept. of Agriculture's 2010 grasshopper/ Mormon cricket abatement program. Discussion followed. A letter from Idaho Dept. of Ag. with forms for Request for Evaluation of Need for Suppression of Grasshoppers or Mormon Crickets in Idaho was presented.

CSI

The Board reviewed and signed CSI Residency Certificates

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

At **9:28** it was proposed and seconded to convene as the County Board of Equalization. It was proposed and seconded to approve homeowner's exemptions. It was proposed and seconded to approve the deleted homeowner's exemptions on the following parcels: (see attached). Roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Handy and Commissioner Crane both voting yea. (Commissioner Christensen absent). Notices will be sent to the property owners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At **9:31** it was 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. The Board met with Amy Kramer who presented case# 2010019, 2010024, 2010023, and 2010020. The Board signed the Release of Medically Indigent Liens on case # 2009113, 2009112, 2010015, 2010027, and 2009130. The Board signed a Certificate of Denial on case# 2010038, 2010018, and 2010016 and Notice of Liens and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits on case# 2010048, 2010049, and 2010045. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at **9:59**.

VACATION/SICK LEAVE

County Administrator Kerry McMurray addressed Board about issues concerning vacation an sick leave. Clerk Yeaman will get list of employees with 200 or greater hours in sick leave bank. Accrual issues were referred to the County Employee Benefits Committee for review and recommendation to the Board on the issues.

COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE

Sam Adams reported on various road issues and requested that the Board approve a speed limit change extending the 35 mph limit ½ mile farther north of Almo than presently located. After discussion by the Board it was determined that a ¼ mile change would be more appropriate than ½ mile. A motion for the ¼ mile change was presented by Commissioner Handy with a second by Commissioner Crane. Voting was unanimous. (Commissioner Christensen absent)

Commissioner Handy led discussion on access to public land issues.

GIS UPGRADE

The Board discussed a \$19,000 upgrade to the GIS system in which the County will be reimbursed by the Idaho Secretary of State Office. Motion was made to accept by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Crane. Voting was unanimous. (Commissioner Christensen absent)

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Board reviewed Idaho PUC notices of application.
2. Board reviewed and unanimously approved language in draft contract regarding Cassia County computerized records.
3. Board reviewed and unanimously approved letter of support for Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program in South-Central Idaho.
4. Board reviewed South Central Idaho RAC Invitation to Meet.
5. Board heard report by County Administrator as follow up to letter regarding Census Bureau .It was determined that the information had been sent to Census Bureau.
6. Board heard report by County Administrator about “Pay Port” for use in County business. Clerk Yeaman reported about “Court Pay”, a program to allow citations to be paid via the internet.
7. Board discussed PMT phone system upgrade. Decision was tabled pending quotes being received from other providers.
8. Board reviewed Resolution # 2010-003 and 2010-004 concerning destruction of permanent and semi-permanent Auditor’s Office Records. A motion was made and seconded to sign Resolution # 2010-003. Voting was unanimous. (Commissioner Christensen absent) A motion was made and seconded to sign Resolution # 2010-004. Voting was unanimous. (Commissioner Christensen absent)
9. Board discussed contract with Box Elder County, Utah for Bookmobile service. It was moved and seconded to execute contract. Voting was unanimous. (Commissioner Christensen absent)
10. Board discussed adoption of “Vision” change to Employee Health Insurance. A motion was made and seconded to approve. Voting was unanimous. (Commissioner Christensen absent)
11. Board discussed County Building Department matters with Commissioner Handy and Commissioner Crane reporting they received considerable input on the subject of merging the County Building Dept. with the City of Burley Building Dept. County Administrator Kerry McMurray will proceed with interviews for the position of County Building Official.
12. Board met with County Assessor Marty Holland to discuss Homeowner’s exemption matters.
13. Board discussed “Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds” and “Facility Bonds”.
14. Board reviewed comment letters to USFS regarding Grape Creek C&H Allotment and Mineral Gulch C&H Allotment. It was moved and seconded to execute letters. Voting was unanimous. (Commissioner Christensen absent)

15. Board reviewed Personal Services Contract with Independent Contractor regarding hiring of Georgianna Greenwell as the Mini-Cassia Veterans Service Officer. It was moved and seconded to execute contract. Voting was unanimous. (Commissioner Christensen absent)

GATEWAY TASK FORCE

Board met with Brent Stoker, Kent Searle, Von Gibby, and Doug Pickett of the Gateway Task Force. The task force is working on review of the recently obtained Administrative Draft Environmental Impact Statement. The County has been asked to work on study groups for LS Power. The Board encouraged the task force members to attend LS Power meeting April 19, 2010 at Fairfield Inn in Burley Idaho to offer input and experience for the benefit of the County as LS determines its siting proposals. General discussion on power line corridor followed.

LUNCH

At **12:18** pm the Board departed for lunch at Perkin's restaurant. The Board had a general discussion about county election matters.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, April 5, 2010.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Laurie Welch, Times News and Chris Maxey, Weekly News Journal;

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Dee Yeaman, Clerk

Dennis Crane, Chairman