

## COMMISSIONER MINUTES

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October 25, 2010

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; Dee Yeaman, Clerk of the Board, and Kerry D. McMurray, County Administrator, present.

### PREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The Minutes for October 18, 2010 were discussed. A motion was made and seconded to approve. Roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Handy, Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane all voting yea.

### CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the calendar for October, 2010.

1. Public Defender and Jail Meeting tomorrow 7:30 a.m.
2. Economic Development tomorrow
3. Hospital Board Wednesday
4. Solid Waste Wednesday

### CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. Letter of Resignation from Clerk Dee Yeaman
2. Invitation to Legislative Reception Nov. 18, 2010 9:30-11:00 South Central Public Health Twin Falls Idaho

### COUNTY EXPENDITURE

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Report dated October 22, 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	\$1,505.15
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$5,250.00
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$13,697.10
COUNTY ROADS & BRIDGES FUND	107	\$2,433.79
WEED & PEST FUND	108	\$3.20
REVALUATION FUND	114	\$606.51
COUNTY ELECTION FUND	116	\$4,363.37
COUNTY BOAT LICENSE FUND	117	\$5,112.60
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$17,973.98
PHYSICAL FACILITIES FUND	144	\$2,999.00
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$3,628.07
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$57,572.77</b>

### CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed 4 change of status forms. It was moved and seconded to approve the

changes of status and roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Handy, Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane all voting yea.

### **CSI**

The Board reviewed and signed the CSI residency forms.

### **VEHICLE FOR WEED DEPARTMENT**

The Board signed the document to purchase the Kubota ATV for use in the weed department. The purchase was approved at the October 18, 2010 Commissioner's Meeting.

### **ROAD FINANCE REPORT**

The Board reviewed the financial report from the auditor's office. Commissioner Handy had some concerns about the report and the Commissioners instructed Mr. McMurray and Commissioner Handy to hold the report for review of the items in question.

### **DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING**

At 9:45 a.m. the Board conducted a Department Head Meeting with reports from the following;

**TREASURER'S OFFICE:** Patty Justesen reported that the certified tax levy is in and they are preparing for the upcoming tax season.

**ADULT PROBATION:** Amber Prewitt reported on the current probationer statistics and reported that they have hired a new officer who will be attending POST on Jan. 7, 2011.

**JAIL** Russ Rasmussen reported that the number of inmates was low. He also reported that they have hired two new officers; Ryan Dixon and Steve Jensen. They have one officer at POST and they are working on a new Jail Management System computer software. Training on the new system will be conducted tomorrow.

**ASSESSOR'S OFFICE** Marty Holland reported that his office was working on the Occupancy Roll and Property Splits.

**MAINTENANCE** Randy Gasaway reported that his department was overseeing the repair of some of the sidewalks at the Court House. He is also getting ready to winterize the grounds.

**EXTENSION OFFICE** Joel Packham reported that his staff was receiving training in the Excel computer program. He also reported that there will be an open house for 4-H program on November 12, 2010 at the Twin Falls Office from 2:30-6:30 p.m.

**CLERK** Dee Yeaman reported on preparation for the general election and also on the ISP citation postings.

**PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE** Al Barrus reported that they have hired two new assistants and also that there are two murder trials scheduled for January 2011.

**ADMINISTRATOR** Kerry McMurray reported that the building department was steady in the number of inspections being conducted. He also reported that Planning and Zoning approved an application for a cell tower at last week's meeting for a site near Sweetzer Pass.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 10:20 a.m. 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. Susan Keck presented case # 2010143, 2010124, 2010118, 2010116,

2010122, and 2010141. The Board signed Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits on case # 2010145, 2010144, 2010143, and 2010142. The Board signed Certificate of Denial on case # 2010124, and 2010118. The Board signed Certificate of Approval on case # 2010116, 2010122, and 2010141. The Board signed Release of Medically Indigent Lien on case # 2010080. The Board signed Order of Reimbursement on case # 2010116, and 2010122. The Board approved a Write Off Request on case # 2010141 for a bus ticket in the amount of \$48.00. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 10:34 a.m..

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### **BLM/USFS**

The Board met with Mike Courtney from the Bureau of Land Management and Scott Nanennga from the Forest Service.

Mike reported that the Cotterell Wind Project was still on hold pending research on Golden Eagle nesting. Geothermal test drilling was scheduled for a site on BLM property near the US GEOTHERMAL project near Naf. Discussion was continuing with ENEXCO on a wind power generation project at Buckhorn Canyon. They are working on a post fire erosion control project at Emery Creek and will probably have to use an aerial seeding method at the site.

Scott reported that the district has hired Becky Nourse as the new Forest Supervisor. She will start sometime in December. He reported that the Sheep Grazing Allotments will be determined on November 14. Scott discussed an issue with the Board concerning electrical power at the snowmobile shelter at Howell Canyon. There has been some misuse of the facility and there was a question as to who is responsible for paying the power bill for the facility. The Board stated that they would contact the snowmobile advisory board to discuss the matter. Scott also reported that they were accepting proposals for a new office/maintenance facility.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Mr. McMurray reported that three seats on the Planning and Zoning Commission would be open at the end of the year. He stated that an application notice would be issued.
2. Mr. McMurray reported on wind anemometers and that Scott Nichols and Mike Wheeler had requested the use of anemometers to determine the feasibility of application on their property. Some discussion followed about small wind generators and the decommissioning of wind farms following the discontinuing of electrical generation. The Board is scheduled to tour the wind farm at LeRoy Jarolimek's farm on Monday November 1, 2010.
3. Following a discussion on the Approval of Expenditures for 911 Radios a motion was made by Commissioner Christensen and seconded by

Commissioner Handy to approve the expenditure in the amount of \$5,990.60.  
Commissioner Crane, Handy and Christensen voted yea.

4. The Board reviewed a change to the Official County Zoning Map which reflects the zone change at what has been known as the old Hobson Beet Transfer Site. A hearing on the zone change was held at Commissioners Meeting on October 18, 2010 and approval made at that meeting. Chairman Crane and Clerk Yeaman signed the Official Zoning Map.
5. Mr. McMurray reported on the side walk repairs at the Court House.

**LUNCH**

At 12:00pm the Board departed for lunch at Shon Hing Restaurant , where the Board had a discussion on election matters.

**RECESS**

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, November 1, 2010.

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

Stephanie Hansen, Weekly News Journal;  
Renaë Wells The Voice

**ATTEST:**

/s/Dee Yeaman

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Dee Yeaman, Clerk

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Dennis Crane

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Dennis Crane, Chairman