



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

August 1, 2011

The Cassia County Board of Commissioners met this day with Commissioner Paul Christensen and Vice Chairman Bob Kunau, Board Members; Alfred E. Barrus, Prosecuting Attorney; Joseph W. Larsen, Clerk of the Board, and Kerry D. McMurray, County Administrator, present.

In the absence of Chairman Crane, Vice Chairman Bob Kunau conducted the meeting.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The Minutes for July 25, 2011, were discussed. A motion was made and seconded to approve. Roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Kunau, Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane all voting yea.

PROPOSED AGENDA ADDITION

Information regarding the Western States Wildland Urban Interface Grant from the Mid-Snake Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Committee came in too late for timely publishing on the agenda. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to add said item to the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.

This Idaho Department of Lands grant is for treatment for a fuel break near Gibby farms near the Albion grade. Though funding has not been secured as yet, if it is, the cost is \$88,000 for treatment with \$8,800 match and \$8,800 admin fee totaling \$17,600 in cost to the County. The County would administer payment of bills and submit costs for reimbursement. The work will all be done on BLM ground to mitigate a potential fire hazard liability to adjoining private ground. The grant application deadline is August 5, 2011.

Commissioner Christensen made a motion to partner with the RC&D for this fire preventions plan and have Administrator McMurray be the administrative arm to seek reimbursement for the County, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.

CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the following calendar items:

1. Joint Juvenile Probation Meeting on Tuesday, August 2, 2011 at 8:00 a.m.
2. Judicial Annex Meeting on Thursday, August 11, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. Soil and Water Conservation District request for letter of support for grant.
2. BLM letter from Salazar. Christensen asked for McMurray to draft a letter of opposition of inclusion of any lands due to impact on grazing and construction of power lines.

COUNTY EXPENDITURES

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Report dated July 29, 2011. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report and the roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Kunau, Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane all voting yea.

CURRENT EXPENSES	104	\$15,340.67
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$6,378.84
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$2,920.52
COUNTY ROADS & BRIDGES FUND	107	\$5,966.00
AMBULANCE SERVICE	110	\$13,916.67
COMMUNITY COLLEGE FUND	113	\$81,000.00
REVALUATION FUND	114	\$414.00
ASSESSOR TRUST FUND	123	\$202.59
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$33,773.33
PHYSICAL FACILITIES FUND	144	\$799.19
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$4,624.37
	TOTAL	\$165,336.18

SNOWMOBILE COMMITTEE – CHUCK LARSON

Chuck Larson, Snowmobile Committee Chairman met with the Board regarding snowmobile grooming at Mt. Harrison. Woody Anderson from the Pomerelle Ski Resort presented to the Board the prospects of them performing the grooming of trails on Mt. Harrison. Commissioner Christensen felt it would be appropriate to consider this prospect in lieu of the money expended in hauling the groomer to Pomerelle from Heglar.

A roll off flatbed truck that was used for transporting the groomer hasn't been used for ten (10) plus years but has been provided for use by Blaine County. The title is in the name of Cassia County and it needs to be designated as surplus property before it can be sold. Commissioner Kunau mentioned that it should have some value for scrap. McMurray said we don't want to insure and license the vehicle where we are not using it. Barrus recommended to propose a salvage cost to Blaine County for their purchase of the truck. McMurray indicated that the process to change ownership should be borne by them. It was suggested that Larson talk with Parks and Recreation and Blaine County regarding this matter.

The grooming coordinator position and attendant job description needs to be posted with Job Service and at the Courthouse. Kraig Frank has expressed interest and has been involved in the process and schooling.

Larson indicated that their Board stays the same this year but will change next year. The County will get \$20,000 for their grooming fund this year. He presented a bill from Raft River Electric for \$120 to pay for the power line to the warming hut. They pay off a six month voucher. Some minor repair for the groomer is being handled currently.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:40 a.m. it was proposed by Commissioner Christensen and seconded by Commissioner Kunau 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 Kunau voting yea. The purpose and general tenor of the meeting was to discuss medical indigent matters. The Board reviewed a letter regarding Case # 2004-148. The Board reviewed and approved the following: Release of Medically Indigent Lien on Case # 2011-061 and # 99040; Certificate of Denial on Case # 2011-082, # 2011-077, # 2011-089, and # 2011-068; Certificate of Approval on Case # 2011-067 and # 2011-090; Order of Reimbursement on Case # 2011-067 and # 2011-090; and Certificate of Approval for Additional Treatment on Case # 2011-064. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 9:57 a.m.

OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS

1. The Board discussed drafting letters of support for grants sought by the Soil and Water Conservation District. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to support, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.
2. The Board reviewed Resolution No. 2011-018 regarding destruction of public defender semi-permanent records. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to adopt said resolution, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by unanimous yea vote.
3. The Board reviewed letters prepared to be sent to the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality regarding support for the proposed Marsh Creek Riparian Restoration Project and the proposed Almo Creek Streambank and Trout Protection Project. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to approve and send said letters, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.
4. The Board reviewed the South Central Community Action Project Notification of Intent to apply for federal assistance and provided comments. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to approve application for federal assistance indicating it has not adverse effects on Cassia County, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.
5. The Board reviewed eleven (11) CSI Residency applications. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to approve said applications, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.
6. The Board reviewed Alcoholic Beverage Licenses for: Bevan's Sweetheart Manor, Clark's for Shopping, Snake River Queen, Malta Fuel Depot, and Albion Country Store LLC doing business as Creek Side 66. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to approve said licenses, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.
7. The Board reviewed recommendations from the Mini-Cassia Joint Jail Committee regarding the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center purchases of a new medical cart in the amount of \$2296.80, radio purchases and radio conversions from broad to narrow band in the amount of \$5721.00, and the repair of an intox machine in the amount of \$1728.67. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to approve said recommendations, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.
8. The Board reviewed for approval a letter prepared from Recorder Larsen to FamilySearch International/Genealogical Society of Utah regarding digitization of county court records for the time period up to and including 1990 and the removal of metal attachments from probate records currently being digitized. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to approve said letter, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.

9. The Board reviewed County Expenditures.
10. The Board reviewed County building matters. Prosecuting Attorney Barrus said that the Board is who needed to make a decision of as to what would be housed in the new Judicial Annex. The Board determined that the first priority is space devoted to the courts and that a priority list was needed beyond that. Clerk Larsen stressed the necessity for need of space for the Clerks of the court. Administrator McMurray was asked to coordinate a tour of the Jerome facility if possible for the Committee on the Thursday of their next meeting or on the following Saturday. McMurray said that many architects have called saying they have a background on this type of facility. He also indicated that qualifications and interviews should be included for potential architects. Commissioners stressed that needs to be assessed and that priorities should be enumerated.
11. There were no County Road and Bridge matters.
12. Sheriff Kidd proposed the purchase of an additional four wheeler for the Sheriff's department for off-road patrol necessities. As Cassia County is one of nine counties who have a program in place, we are entitled to \$6034.31 from Parks and Recreation in funds that haven't been distributed. Kidd received a quote of \$5700 from Let's Ride for a CAN-AM outlander 400 that could be purchased once those funds are received. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to act on this opportunity to use Parks and Recreation funding to allow said purchase, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, and followed by a unanimous yea vote. The Board discussed with Sheriff Kidd provisions and concerns of the proposed Law Enforcement Agreement with the City of Burley.
13. Auditor Larsen presented to the Board that this fiscal year there is one more pay period that usual that will necessitate a conservative approach to A Budget expenditures for the balance of FY 2011. Larsen also addressed Juvenile Probation budgeting matters preceding the Joint Juvenile Probation meeting to be held on August 2, 2011.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, August 8, 2011.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

McCoy Worthington, Weekly News Journal; Ginger Cooper, The Voice.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Joseph W. Larsen, Clerk of the Board

Bob Kunau, Vice Chairman of the Board