



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES

July 11, 2011

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

PREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The Minutes for July 1, 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.

CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the calendar.

1. Jail meeting in Rupert at 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 12, 2011
2. IAC District Elected Officials meeting at the City of Burley Council Chambers at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13, 2011
3. County Auction at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 14, 2011
4. Legacy Project at the Burley Public Library at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 12, 2011

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. Planning & Zoning
2. Northwest Pipeline map showing pipeline in Cassia County from Williams
3. Gateway Transmission Line Project
4. West Cassia Soil and Water Conservation District Meeting and dinner on Friday July 15, 2011, at the Lloyd Cox Event Center at 3:30 p.m.
5. Summer Garden Party 6:00 p.m. Saturday
6. Bonneville Power Administration July 2011 Journal publication

COUNTY EXPENDITURES

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Report dated July 8, 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	\$5,180.24
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$8,094.04
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$3,347.23
COUNTY ROADS & BRIDGES FUND	107	\$1,233.19
WEED & PEST FUND	108	\$6,747.28

SOLID WASTE FUND	109	\$338,907.50
911 COMMUNICATIONS FUND	115	\$4,894.46
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$40,056.61
TAXING DISTRICTS FUND	132	\$1,974.06
PHYSICAL FACILITIES FUND	144	\$240.75
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$1,812.71
	TOTAL	\$412,488.07

CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed two (2) change of status forms. The Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center presented Michael Dean Higley as a new hire as a Detention Officer and Loren DeVon Smith as a new hire as a Jail Technician. It was moved and seconded to approve the changes of status and roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Kunau, Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane all voting yea.

QUARTERLY MINI-CASSIA CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER TOUR

The Board conducted a quarterly jail tour at 8:00 a.m. The tour was conducted by director, Darwin Johnson. Johnson indicated that were hoping to house more State inmates. He also indicated that they were working on problems enumerated in the recent ICE inspections and that most had been rectified. They had one inmate walk away from work release who was later apprehended. They had received just a few complaints regarding access to the law library, no complaints about food, and no reports of sickness or infection. Administrator McMurray asked required questions regarding conditions at the jail and the quarterly report was prepared.

REAL PROPERTY MATTERS – JAY BLACK

Jay Black and his son-in-law, Robert Davis presented to the Board the prospects of exchanging a crescent-shaped parcel belonging to the County for a parcel belonging to Black adjacent a County maintenance building. The County’s parcel is approximately 235 feet wide at the widest point and ¼ of a mile long. Black’s parcel he wished to exchange is approximately 3.3 acres and is 300 feet to the west and 400 feet to the south of the County building. Black’s reasoning for the exchange was his desire to put a pivot in his field near the crescent-shaped parcel and that he is limited by BLM ground. He presented an aerial photo showing details of the proposal. Administrator McMurray reviewed the statute and indicated that equal value must be established to make the trade. Road and Bridge Supervisor, Sam Adams was in favor of that exchange. Prosecuting Attorney indicated that they would need a survey and the legal description on both parcels The County will share the expense of a survey with Black. A motion will be entertained once the legal survey is conducted.

GRADER PURCHASE PRESENTATION – COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE

Cesco presented a quote for the Board’s consideration of a 2011 John Deere 772G Motor Grader with six (6) wheel drive. The quote includes \$245,000.00, a \$450.00 Administration Filing Fee, and Trade Allowance of \$100,000. The financed principal would be \$153,869.00 at a 3.55% Finance Rate, resulting in payments of \$21,703.00 annually for seven (7) years. This includes a one (1) year warranty with unlimited hour usage. Bob Nemec, Cesco Vice President

and Terry Drown, from Cesco in Jerome indicated that the grader could piggyback with the State of Idaho bid reflecting a 15% increase in savings. The quote offered was based on a quote tendered by CESCO to the State of Idaho. Cassia County will proceed forward with this purchase pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2803 (1). The contract duplicates the price and substance of the grader contract for the State of Idaho. The current grader is ten (10) years old. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:50 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 from attorney James Annest regarding Case # 204148 that the Board took into consideration. The Board requested that Prosecutor Barrus prepare a letter in response for the Board's signature. Barrus prepared said letter which the Board signed and sent. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 9:59 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:25 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. Welfare Director Susan Keck presented and the Board approved the following: Stipulation for Enlargement of Time Limitation on Case # 2011-044 and #2011-058; Certificate of Denial on Case # 2011-066, # 2011-074, and # 2011-037; Certificate of Approval on Case # 2011-078, # 2011-079, and # 2011-037; Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits on Case # 2011-086, # 2011-085, # 2011-084, # 2011-083, # 2011-082, # 2011-081, # 2011-080, # 2011-077, # 2011-087, # 2011-029, and # 2011-065; Release of Medically Indigent Lien on Case # 203153 and # 2011-063; Order of Dismissal on Case # 2011-029; and Order of Reimbursement on Case # 2011-037, # 2011-078, and # 2011-079. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 10:40 a.m.

JOINT BOARDS BUDGET WORKSHOP

At 10:50 a.m. the Board departed for budget workshops and a working lunch with the Minidoka County Board at Connor's Café. The following departments presented their budgets for FY 2012: Veteran's Services (Georgianna Greenwell), Public Defender (Dennis Byington), Misdemeanor Probation (Amber Prewitt), Mini-Cassia Juvenile Detention Center (Trent Bodily), and Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center (Darwin Johnson).

The Joint Boards discussed each of the budgets generally with each department and as recommended by the Clerks of both Boards. They also discussed the potential or possibilities of increases in the A Budget and the advisability of across the board versus merit increases in that regard.

OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS

1. The Board reviewed the Conflict Public Defender report for June 2011, provided by attorney, Clayne Zollinger.
2. 911 Emergency Services had to make an emergency purchase of a repeater for the City of Rocks from All Wireless Communications at \$1164.10 with WSCA discount. The Board was requested to ratify by motion that purchase. Commissioner Kunau made a motion to ratify said purchase, seconded by Commissioner Christensen, followed by a unanimous yeas vote. The Board was also approached for approval to purchase an Avionics Base Station with power supply from All Wireless Communications for \$1847.00. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to purchase said equipment, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yeas vote.
3. The Board reviewed the status of the law enforcement agreement with the City of Burley. Prosecuting Attorney, Al Barrus reported on letter received from the City of Burley dated July 6, 2011, rejecting the proposed law enforcement agreement needs to be done by September 1, 2011. Can the contract model between Ada County and the City of Kuna would serve as a model. Needs to visit with the Sheriff regarding getting a copy of that agreement.
4. The Board conducted a walk-through of the building purchased for the new judicial courthouse annex at 3:00 p.m.
5. Administrator McMurray reviewed County surplus property with the Board. County Extension provided a list of items that will be sold at auction. McMurray recommended that computers be taken to Santos Recycling for scrap to avoid worry about data retrieval from those computer's hard drives.
6. At 9:07 a.m. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to go into Board of Equalization, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yeas vote. The tax situation with the purchase of the new building was addressed by the Assessor's Office and the Board. Taxes had been prepaid for the year 2012 by the previous owner and the property was acquired on June 27, 2011. Following that date, the building will fall under tax exempt status for the balance of the year. Commissioner Christensen made a motion that the status of the building be changed to tax exempt status as of June 27, 2011, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yeas vote. The Board returned to regular session following the motion.
7. The Board reviewed eighteen (18) CSI residencies. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to approve and sign those residencies, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yeas vote.
8. The Board reviewed the following Alcoholic Beverage Licenses: Stinker Station #31, Stinker Station #79, Kiko's Bar, Mike Williams Golf Shop, Farmer's Corner, Walgreen's #13673, Li'L Cinders Smoke Shop, El Dorado 2000, Pizza Hut #2151, The Big Kahuna, Searle's, and Travel Stop 216 and Village of Trees RV Resort. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to approve and sign, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yeas vote.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, July 18, 2011.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Jay Lenkersdorfer and Lisa Dayley, Weekly News Journal; and Laurie Welch, The Times News.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

/s/ _____
Joseph W. Larsen, Clerk

/s/ _____
Dennis Crane, Chairman