

COMMISSIONER MINUTES

March 21, 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 Commissioner Minutes for March 14, 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.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. University of Idaho AgKnowledge newsletter #265/2011
2. Letter from Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center Director Darwin Johnson requesting issuance of credit card. Commissioner Kunau made a motion to allow application of a credit card, seconded by Commissioner Christensen, followed by a unanimous yea vote.

CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the following:

1. Meeting with the City of Burley this morning
2. Local Emergency Planning Meeting at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, 2011
3. Public Defender Meeting at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 22, 2011
4. Joint Jail Meeting at 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 22, 2011
5. Community Focus Group meeting at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at the Mini-Cassia office.

COUNTY EXPENDITURES

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Report dated March 18, 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	\$15,119.51
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$105.99
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$1,317.44
COUNTY ROADS & BRIDGES FUND	107	\$2,138.51
WEED & PEST FUND	108	\$1.59
911 COMMUNICATIONS FUND	115	\$674.22
COUNTY ELECTION FUND	116	\$155.10
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$10,368.83
PHYSICAL FACILITIES FUND	144	\$1,452.23
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$24.73
	TOTAL	\$31,358.15

CHANGE OF STATUS

Change of Status forms were presented for the following: Mark R. Merrill to be promoted from Deputy – Senior Patrolman to Deputy – Corporal and Arley Ty Cahoon to be promoted from Deputy – Senior Patrolman to Deputy – Corporal from the Sheriff's Office. A Temporary Employee Personnel Action Form was presented for Mackenzie Arritt from Maintenance as a Custodian Assistant. It was moved and seconded to approve the changes of status and temporary employee request. Roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Kunau, Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane all voting yea.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION FEE REVIEW HEARING

Public notice of this hearing was posted as required by Idaho Code. At 9:15 a.m., the Board convened the hearing for Emergency Communications Fee Review. 911 Coordinator Kent Searle and 911 Mapper Todd Quast appeared before the Board to review the emergency communications fee as required by Idaho Code. Searle and Sheriff Kidd wrote a letter to the Board recommending that the current authorized fee of \$1/month be maintained. Searle and Quast reported the advancements and progress that are ongoing along with budget projections and cost reduction procedures to continue with improved 911 services to the County. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to act on their recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.

BOARD OF EQUILIZATIONS MATTERS

At 11:01 a.m. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to go into session to consider Board of Equalization matters, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote. The Assessor's Office presented Deleted Homeowners Exemptions from March 14, 2011. Commissioner Kunau made a motion to accept those exemptions, seconded by Commissioner Christensen, followed by a unanimous yea vote. The Board returned to regular session at 11:05 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:10 a.m. it was proposed by Commissioner Kunau 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 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 accepted and signed the following: Certificate of Denial on Case # 2011-009; Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits on Case # 2011-043 & # 2011-044; Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision on Case # 2010-156; Certificate of Approval for Additional Treatment on Case # 2011-014, # 2011-007, and #2011-011. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 10:33 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:50 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)(f) with Commissioner Crane voting yea, Commissioner Christensen voting yea, and Commissioner Kunau voting yea. The purpose and general tenor of the meeting was to discuss

pending litigation. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 10:55 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:49 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)(b) with Commissioner Crane voting yea, Commissioner Christensen voting yea, and Commissioner Kunau 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 12:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:02 p.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)(f) with Commissioner Crane voting yea, Commissioner Christensen voting yea, and Commissioner Kunau voting yea. The purpose and general tenor of the meeting was to discuss pending litigation. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 12:05 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS

1. 911 Coordinator Kent Searle presented applications to the Board for consideration to the BLM for Transportation and Utility Systems and Facilities on Federal Lands and a Communication Site Technical Data Report regarding the Granite Pass Communication site. Commissioner Kunau made a motion to have the Board accept and sign those applications, seconded by Commissioner Christensen, followed by a unanimous yea vote.
2. The Board reviewed price quotes from All Wireless Communications for Cassia 911 Emergency Services for the Granite Pass equipment. The repeater equipment with the WSCA discount totaled \$3919.10. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to approve up to \$10,000 to E911 for the Granite Pass site for this equipment, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yea vote.
3. The Board considered a letter to the City of Burley mayor, Robert T. Greenman, withdrawing a previously proposed contract for law enforcement services between the City of Burley and Cassia County for the current fiscal year. The City of Burley had concern over language in the contract outside of the present year. A new contract with changes proposed by the County for the consideration of the City of Burley requires the mutual written agreement between both parties by no later than the third Friday in May of 2011 to facilitate County budgeting. Commissioner Kunau made a motion to accept and sign the revised contract for law enforcement services and the letter to Mayor Greenman regarding that agreement, seconded by Commissioner Christensen, followed by a unanimous yea vote.
4. The Board Commissioner Christensen questioned a gift card purchase by the Sheriff's Office. The question was raised whether that purchase may have been for a retiring law enforcement officer who may also have received their service weapon which would not be in compliance with the County Personnel Employment Manual. Christensen requested a hold on that payment pending further review.
5. It was requested by the Board that a courtesy map of Cassia County distributed by the Sheriff's include a disclaimer that the map is an unofficial Cassia County map.
6. The Board reviewed a Conciliation Agreement with the Idaho Department of Labor's

Idaho Human Rights Commission. A motion was made by Commissioner Christensen to sign and approve that agreement, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yeas vote.

7. The Board discussed with Sheriff Kidd considerations regarding adult misdemeanor probation officers carrying a weapon. This matter will be followed up with the Mini-Cassia Joint Jail Executive Board at its next meeting.
8. The Board reviewed the schedule for the road and bridge personnel for the week from Supervisor Sam Adams.
9. Arlo Lloyd presented 1125 East Road in Road that he would like to have designated as an official road. Barrus cited Idaho Code 40-203A(2) detailing the costs of a survey report and litigation report to Lloyd's attorney Matt Darrington to determine if they want to have the road validated. Lloyd wanted the Board to review the evidence and Barrus explained it must happen through the statutory requirement of a petition for a hearing. Barrus signed a letter of explanation to Darrington and provided Lloyd a copy.
10. The Board presented a letter of support to the Idaho Emergency Medical Services Grant Committee on behalf of the Oakley Quick Response Unit asking for support of their grant application. Commissioner Kunau made a motion to accept and sign that letter of support, seconded by Commissioner Christensen, followed by a unanimous yeas vote.
11. Six (6) CSI Residency applications were presented to the Board. Commissioner Christensen made a motion to accept and sign those applications, seconded by Commissioner Kunau, followed by a unanimous yeas vote.

LUNCH

At 12:20 p.m. the Board departed for lunch at The Upper Crust, where they discussed County road and general personnel policies.

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, March 28, 2011.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Gary Fowler, Arlo Lloyd, and Stacey Hughey – The News Journal

ATTEST:

/s/
Joseph W. Larsen, Clerk

APPROVED:

/s/
Dennis Crane, Chairman