

COMMISSIONER MINUTES

#594

December 14, 2009

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; Wendy L. Marr, Deputy Clerk of the Board, and Kerry D. McMurray, County Administrator, present.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S MINUTES

The Minutes for December 7, 2009 were discussed. A motion was made and seconded to approve and proceed with publication of an appropriate synopsis. Roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Handy, Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane all voting yea.

CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the calendar for December 2009.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the following:

1. A Christmas card from Idaho Housing and Finance Association.
2. A booklet from NACO.
3. A letter regarding State of Idaho Surplus.

GATEWAY WEST TRANSMISSION LINE

The Board heard an update from the Gateway West Transmission Line Taskforce regarding various matters. An invoice from Power County was presented for \$2,034.50 for half the cost of legal fees of Doug Balfour and paralegal services. The Board will hold a teleconference call with the Commissioners of Power County at 12:00pm.

COUNTY EXPENDITURE

The Board reviewed the County's Payables Approval Report dated December 11, 2009. 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	\$17,272.54
INDIGENT FUND	105	\$11,005.49
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$3,350.21
COUNTY ROADS & BRIDGES FUND	107	\$1,557.12
WEED & PEST FUND	108	\$4,227.62
SOLID WASTE FUND	109	\$337,997.00
AMBULANCE SERVICE	110	\$13,258.34
REVALUATION FUND	114	\$669.61
COUNTY ELECTION FUND	116	\$944.99
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$5,337.32
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$47.84
	TOTAL	\$395,668.08

CSI

The Board reviewed and signed CSI Residency Certificates.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Board discussed the employee holiday schedule for Christmas and New Year's. The Board will take the matter under advisement.

FEDERAL PRISON SITING

The Board discussed that the Federal Prison Siting for Cassia County has not been put into the present budget. The plan made by the Commissioner's was to give it a few months to see if funding would be included in the budget. Upon discussion a motion was made and seconded to have Kerry McMurray write a letter to DVP Solutions, LLC and New West Strategies giving notice of intent to terminate the contract. Mr. McMurray will also contact the Commissioner's of Minidoka County and inform them of the decision; he will also copy US Geothermal.

COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE

The Board reviewed an invoice from DPV Solutions for a monthly consulting fee of \$5,000.00. Upon review a motion was made and seconded to approve and pay the invoice.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:39 am it was proposed by Commissioner Christensen and seconded by Commissioner Handy that the Board convene in Executive Session under Idaho Code Section 67-2345(1)(a) with Commissioner Crane voting yea, Commissioner Christensen voting yea, and Commissioner Handy voting yea. The purpose and general tenor of the meeting was to discuss personnel matters. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 9:56 am.

CHANGE OF STATUS

The Board reviewed eight change of status forms; six from the Sheriff's Department, one from Planning and Zoning and one from the District Court. It was moved and seconded to approve seven of the changes of status forms, roll call vote was unanimous with Commissioner Handy, Commissioner Christensen and Chairman Crane all voting yea. They will hold the one from the District Court and discuss it at the next Commissioner meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:05 am 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. Following the discussion, the Board returned to regular session at 11:21am. Following Executive Session the Board held a hearing on case # 2009109 and 2009099, denied case # 2009114 and 2009125, signed notice of lien for case # 2009135, 2009134, 2009133 and 2009132, released case # 206129, approved 2009122 and heard case # 2009131 and 2009115, signed stipulation for enlargement of time limitations for case # 2009100, signed six assignments and certificate of approval for additional treatment for case # 2009098. At 11:00 am Commissioner Handy stepped out of Executive Session and returned at 11:21 am. The Commissioners will take the cases under advisement.

PAYROLL MATTERS

The Board reviewed a payroll withdrawal form from AFLAC. Upon review a motion was made and seconded to sign the payroll account acknowledgment.

IAC CAPITAL CRIMES DEFENSE PROGRAM

The Board reviewed the IAC's Capital Crimes Defense Program Election Results. Commissioner Paul Christensen was elected for our district.

RESOLUTION 2009-030

The Board reviewed Resolution No. 2009-030 setting standard mileage reimbursement rates used to calculate the costs of operating a private automobile for Cassia County business at .50 per mile. After review and discussion, it was moved and seconded to sign and execute Resolution No. 2009-030 and roll call vote was unanimous by the Board.

PLANNING & ZONING

The Board discussed regulations regarding the proposed chicken farm. The Planning and Zoning Commission will be holding a public hearing on the matter on Thursday, December 17, 2009 at or after 2:00 p.m. The Board will attend a holiday luncheon with the P&Z Commission on Thursday at 12:30 pm at City Hall, where the Commission will be recognized for their diligence and solid volunteer work for the past year.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Board reviewed a letter from Susan Keck recommending that copies of The Foundation Years be given to members of the Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission for their public service to Cassia County. Upon review a motion was made and seconded to present the books at their upcoming annual banquet.

At 12:00 pm the Board held a conference call with the Commissioner's of Power County regarding the Gateway Project. The two Boards will communicate more carefully on legal billing issues in the future.

LUNCH

The Board departed for a working lunch at the Upper Crust, where Kerry McMurray, County Administrator reported on general operational matters and personnel issues during their working luncheon

RECESS

Meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Monday, December 21, 2009.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S MEETING

Margi Owens, Weekly News Journal; Laurie Welch, Times News; Douglas Pickett, Kent Searle and Brent Stoker, Gateway Taskforce.

ATTEST:

/s/Wendy L. Marr

Wendy L. Marr, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED:

/s/Dennis D. Crane

Dennis Crane, Chairman