



Cassia County Board of Commissioners

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Monday, February 24, 2014

The Board of Cassia County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, February 24, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Chambers of the Cassia County Courthouse.

THOSE PRESENT:	County Commissioners:	Dennis Crane, Chairman Paul Christensen Bob Kunau
	Clerk of the Board:	Joseph W. Larsen
	Prosecuting Attorney:	Al Barrus
	County Administrator:	Kerry D. McMurray
	Others:	Ruthe Hobbs Winston Inouye, MCCA Darwin Johnson, MCCJC Jay Lenkersdorfer, The News Journal Laurie Welch, Times News – The Voice

1) 9:01 AM AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

9:01 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO ADD TO THE AGENDA A SHORT ANNOUNCEMENT BY SCOUTING OFFICIAL ROD SMITH. NOTICE CAME TOO LATE BE INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- i) Rod Smith announced to the Board that Chairman Dennis Crane has been selected to receive the Silver Beaver Award, the highest award presented by the Boy Scouts of America.
 - ii) Those present applauded and congratulated Chairman Crane.
- 2) 9:00 AM CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, REVIEW CALENDAR, MINUTES, CORRESPONDENCE, PERSONNEL, CSI RESIDENCIES, COUNTY PAYABLES, COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE, BUILDING AND GROUNDS MATTERS, GATEWAY MATTERS, BEER AND LIQUOR LICENSES
- a) 9:04 AM CALENDAR
 - i) Public Defender Meeting at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 24, 2014, in the Commissioner's Chambers

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- ii) Joint Jail Meeting at 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 24, 2014, in the Commissioner's Chambers
 - iii) A meeting with Commissioners from several southeastern Idaho counties regarding the Gateway West Transmission Line project will be held in the Bannock County Commissioner's Chambers in Pocatello at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 24, 2014.
 - iv) The Joint Minidoka and Cassia County Republican Central Committee Lincoln Day Celebration will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 1, 2014, at Morey's in Burley.
 - v) Commissioner Christensen briefed the Board about a meeting with the City of Burley regarding Solid Waste.
 - vi) A Mid-Snake Resource Conservation and Development meeting involving Commissioner Kunau will be held on Friday, February 28, 2014
 - vii) The Cassia East and West Soil Conservation District will have their awards banquet at 6:00 p.m. Thursday, March 6, 2014, at the Burley Best Western.
 - viii) A Region IV Development Meeting for Commissioner Kunau will be held on Thursday, March 6, 2014, at the Idaho Department of Labor Building in Twin Falls.
- b) 9:05 AM CORRESPONDENCE
- i) Brochure regarding a seminar that will be held in Boise regarding legal and practical issues of easements in Idaho
 - ii) Brochure from the National Association of Counties indicating that April is "County Month"
 - iii) Notice of a Division IV Spring Meeting of the Soil and Water Conservation District at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 12, 2014, to be held at the Burley Inn
 - iv) Notice of an issue regarding eminent domain that will be heard by the legislature on attorney liability for backing out of eminent domain lawsuits.
- c) 9:17 AM PERSONNEL
- i) CHANGE OF STATUS
 - (1) SHERIFF'S OFFICE
 - (a) Intermediate POST Certification for Deputy Patrolman Brynn A. Reusze with an increase in rate of pay beginning February 24, 2014
 - (2) MINI-CASSIA CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER
 - (a) POST Level II Detention Certification for Jason Loveless with an accompanying increase in rate of pay
 - (b) Hiring of Edna Popoca Guadarrama as a Detention Deputy with an increase in rate of pay for physical fitness and bi-lingual language
 - (c) Promotion of Tina Cranney from Senior Detention Deputy to Detention Corporal with an increase in rate of pay
 - (d) Grade Change for Caitlin Reynaga from Jail Technician to Administrative Assistant with an increase in rate of pay
 - (3) EXTENSION OFFICE
 - (a) Hiring of temporary secretary Dena Jarolimek as a full time secretary for the Extension and Weed and Pest Control offices
 - (4) CLERKS OFFICE
 - (a) Promotion and Grade Change from part time to full time Elections Deputy for Hilaree Whitehead with an increase in rate of pay
 - ii) An Employee Time Sheet for Fairground employee Cory Parish was reviewed by the Board.

12:16 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE SAID CHANGE OF STATUS REQUESTS AND A TIME SHEET AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- d) 9:17 AM JUNIOR COLLEGE RESIDENCY APPLICATIONS
 - i) The Board reviewed 14 Junior College Residency applications; six from CSI, five high school dual credit from CSI, and three high school dual credits from CWI.

9:17 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER KUNAU MOVED TO APPROVE 14 JUNIOR COLLEGE RESIDENCY APPLICATIONS AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- e) 12:20 PM COUNTY PAYABLES

CURRENT EXPENSES	104	\$15,142.11
DISTRICT COURT FUND	106	\$225.09
COUNTY ROADS & BRIDGES FUND	107	\$5,472.54
WEED & PEST FUND	108	\$36,200.33
REVALUATION FUND	114	\$1,186.31
911 COMMUNICATIONS FUND	115	\$600.00
COUNTY SNOWMOBILE FUND	118	\$141.12
ASSESSOR TRUST FUND	123	\$139.28
JUSTICE FUND	130	\$59,712.52
PHYSICAL FACILITIES FUND	144	\$1,133.12
CASSIA COUNTY BENEFITS TRUST	148	\$86,146.48
ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION	149	\$1,275.49
	TOTAL	\$207,374.39

12:20 PM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE COUNTY PAYABLES DATED FEBRUARY 24, 2014. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- f) 9:40 AM COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE
 - i) Road damage as a result of the last storm is being repaired.
 - ii) Road grading is also being done.
- g) 9:43 AM BUILDING AND GROUNDS MATTERS
 - i) There was a power outage in the Cassia County Judicial Center (CCJC).
 - ii) Construction is progressing with the courthouse remodeling project.
 - iii) The Board discussed progress on possibly moving the far north flag pole at the CCJC as it is hitting the building structure when the wind blows. The architect, LCA Associates should be responsible for the costs of doing that according to Commissioner Kunau.
 - iv) The rain gutter problem with water drainage and possible ice in the walkway of the entrance of the CCJC was also discussed.
 - v) Discussion of placement of inter-department mail at the courthouse as well as the CCJC was discussed and will be reviewed further.

- h) 9:40 AM GATEWAY MATTERS
 - i) The Board will be going to Pocatello tomorrow to meet with other counties regarding the Gateway West Power Line situation.
 - ii) Chairman Crane talked to Commissioner Hoagland from Owyhee County and they will send information from what they did with a similar corridor.
- i) 9:41 AM BEER AND LIQUOR LICENSES
 - i) The Board went on the record at 9:41 a.m. to discuss an application for a Beer and Liquor License for Bobcat Corner.
 - ii) Chairman Crane said that the application and review has been appropriately completed.

9:42 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER KUNAU MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION AND ISSUE A RETAIL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE TO BOBCAT CORNER. COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- iii) The Board went off the record at 9:43 a.m.
- 3) 9:35 AM BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (BOE)
 - a) There was not BOE today.
- 4) 9:10 AM CONFLICT PUBLIC DEFENDER REPORT – JANUARY 2014
 - a) The Board reviewed the January 2014 Conflict Public Defender Report.
- 5) 9:10 AM AMBULANCE REPORT – JANUARY 2014
 - a) The Board reviewed the January 2014 Ambulance Report.
- 6) 9:10 AM VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER REPORT – JANUARY 2014
 - a) The Board reviewed the January 2014 Veterans Service Officer Report.
- 7) 9:37 AM DELIBERATE ON 2014 BOOKMOBILE SERVICE CONTRACT
 - a) The Bookmobile Service contract between the County and the Box Elder County, Utah, County Library provided administrative and organizational services and resources to the small communities of southeastern Cassia County.
 - b) Costs for providing such services for 2014 is \$5,797.00; half paid in January and half in July.
 - c) McMurray indicated that there are sufficient funds to cover the expense for 2014.

9:38 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE CONTRACT WITH BOX ELDER COUNTY, UTAH FOR BOOKMOBILE SERVICES AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 8) 9:38 AM SIGN LETTERS OF INTENT TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO EAST AND WEST SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS
 - a) The matter of increasing payments from \$3000.00 to \$5,000.00 was discussed and approved last Board Meeting.
 - b) As a formality, the Board needed to approve the budgeting of those funds for FY2015

9:39 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER KUNAU MOVED TO APPROVE THE FUNDING OF \$5,000.00 EACH TO BOTH THE EAST AND WEST SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS. COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 9) 9:23 AM MCCA REPORT WITH WINSTON INOUYE
 - a) Inouye reviewed with the Board projects currently in the works to enhance commerce in the area.

- b) Inouye is serving on the Idaho Freight Advisory Committee and was recently nominated to be a liaison to the Idaho Transportation Board.
 - c) Clint Crane is a new Board Member replacing Jeff Harper, the current chairman of the Board.
 - d) Commissioner Christensen talked of inviting Inouye to a SEIDO meeting.
- 10) 9:45 AM DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING
- a) JAY HEWARD – SHERIFF
 - i) Not Present
 - b) PATTY JUSTESEN – TREASURER
 - i) Justesen presented the Statement of Treasurer’s Cash; the Capital Surplus, Certificate of Compliance annual report, and the 2013 Urban Renewal report for the Board’s review.
 - ii) They ended up this tax drive with only one Warrant of Distrainment and one tax deed sale. Barrus asked how notices are coming and whether or not they have been received back. Justesen is currently working on that. Barrus indicated that environmental issues need to be noticed when the tax deed property goes to sale and any prospective purchase needs to be subject to the property being sold as it is.
 - c) DWIGHT DAVIS – ASSESSOR
 - i) Davis indicated that spending in his department is In line with what was budgeted.
 - ii) Industrial and personal property will be getting back
 - iii) They are 50% complete with another 50 days remaining for Circuit Breaker.
 - iv) Their office is currently reviewing all homestead exemptions.
 - d) JOE LARSEN – CLERK
 - i) Larsen reported on the recent training of all election personnel from the Secretary of State’s office that took place last week in Idaho Falls.
 - ii) He reported also on the use of the new election tabulators that will be used with the Early Voting that beings today as well as at each polling place on the March 11, 2014 election.
 - iii) The Auditor’s Office is about finished with the independent audit.
 - e) AL BARRUS – PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
 - i) Barrus addressed his budget with the Board.
 - ii) Things are going well in their office.
 - f) KERRY MCMURRAY – ADMINISTRATOR
 - i) McMurray told the Board that purchases of materials and labor related to the ongoing construction of the CCJC and the courthouse has made some expense line items go over the budget. That will be rectified after opening the budget to allow remaining FY2013 balances related to ongoing construction to be transferred to FY2014 according to Idaho Statute.
 - ii) The Building Department has remained steady with ten permits issued with property values of \$2,300,000.00.
 - iii) A Planning and Zoning hearing was held on an agricultural kill plant southwest of Burley.
 - iv) McMurray indicated that the new Planning and Zoning members are good participants.
 - g) AMBER PREWITT – ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION
 - i) Prewitt reported that everything is going well.
 - ii) Probation Officer Mike McDaniel’s last day of work was last Friday.
 - iii) The starting wage of a replacement probation officer will be \$12.00 an hour.
 - iv) There will be one employee going to POST this year along with the new person that will be hired.
 - v) There has been some training recently in arrest and defense techniques.

- h) DARWIN JOHNSON – MINI-CASSIA CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER
 - i) Johnson reported that things going well at the jail.
 - ii) Their census numbers are down. There are 55 Cassia holds, 36 Minidoka holds, and 56 paid offenders from other agencies.
 - iii) He said there were Issues with their security upgrade and a couple of proposals are out for correcting that.
 - iv) They are hoping to compete the purchase kitchen equipment.
 - i) GORDON EDWARDS – WEED AND PEST CONTROL
 - i) Edwards reported on the trip to Elko, Nevada regarding elk problems. The Idaho Fish and Game needs to correlate programs that are already in place in Nevada. The new director for Fish and Game was present at the meeting.
 - ii) Edwards reported that spending is at about 15% of their budget. However, they are just getting ready to apply ground sterilant and are getting bids out to chemical companies.
 - iii) Lake Walcott may not have any weed control done there as there will not be funds. Some weeds not contained there could create problems with canal companies. Since grazing has been removed from that area it has allowed the weeds to get out of control. The Board will work with Minidoka County to help with the situation.
 - j) CRAIG RINEHART – CORONER
 - i) Rinehart reported that things were quiet this month.
 - ii) They are in line with their budget and have only had one autopsy this year so far.
 - k) JOEL PACKHAM – EXTENSION AGENT
 - i) Packham reported that they have just hired Dena Jarolimek to replace Linda Cutler.
 - ii) They have also just finished estate planning classes here as well as other classes.
 - iii) Packham confirmed that they will begin using Quickbooks to do their accounting as recommended by the County independent auditor.
- 11) 10:40 AM DELIBERATE ON MCCJC MATTERS
- a) INCREASE OF INMATE WORKER PAY
 - i) MCCJC Director, Darwin Johnson presented to the Board a letter requesting an increase in rate of pay for inmate kitchen workers from \$50.00 to \$75.00 a month.
 - ii) The letter was read by Commissioner Crane.

10:42 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO INCREASE INMATE KITCHEN WORKER PAY TO \$75.00 PER MONTH. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- b) FOLLOW UP ON KITCHEN EQUIPMENT BID APPROVAL FOR PURCHASES
 - i) Commissioner Kunau read a letter from Johnson regarding costs of replacing equipment in the MCCJC's kitchen.
 - ii) They are cutting out items that they can get by without and will recommend those additional items be placed in next year's budget (freezer and skillet).

10:45 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A STEAMER, CONVECTION OVEN, AND MIXER TOTALING \$23,935.00. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- c) APPROVAL FOR TRAINING FOR LOCK SERVICES
 - i) Commissioner Kunau read a letter from Johnson regarding costs of MCCJC Maintenance Supervisor, Marshall Worthington being sent to two training courses for jail lock services. The total cost would be approximately \$4,983.00 for both classes.
 - ii) A two weeks' period of time is required to complete those classes.
 - iii) Johnson discussed the cost of tools which is included in the cost of the training.

10:51 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE MCCJC MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR MARSHALL WORTHINGTON ATTENDING TWO COURSES FOR JAIL LOCK TRAINING. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- d) MODIFY SECURITY SYSTEM UPGRADE PACKAGE
 - i) Commissioner Kunau read a letter from Johnson regarding two bids received from Professional Systems Technology, Inc. for costs related to the completion of their security system upgrade.
 - ii) The first bid was to install transformers behind every speaker to restore the paging system that was disabled by cut wires from the previous security system installer totaling \$2,898.96.
 - iii) The second bid is for a switch replacement to facilitate timely transmission of information to the monitors. After the new monitors were installed it created a bottleneck delaying that transmission. Option one is to replace the GE CPU module with a built in switch using the same older technology that is being phased out at \$4,621.45. Option two is to replace the GE CPU with a faster processor and more memory at \$4,219.78.
 - iv) The security system is in an upstairs cabinet at the MCCJC and it eventually have to be replaced. The newer system with option 2 is compatible with the old system and will transfer to new equipment when the electronics and cameras eventually need to be replaced.
 - v) They will be here the first of next month to finish the project.

10:54 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE INSTALLATION OF TRANSFORMERS IN THE PAGING SYSTEM FOR \$2,898.96 AND THE NEW GE CPU PROCESSOR WITH THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY FOR \$4,219.78 AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12) 10:39 AM DELIBERATE ON RE-NOMINATION OF DOUG PICKETT TO DISTRICT #3 ANIMAL DAMAGE CONTROL BOARD

- a) The Board discussed the re-nomination of Doug Pickett to the Animal Damage Control Board.

10:39 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE RE-NOMINATION OF DOUG PICKETT TO THE ANIMAL DAMAGE CONTROL BOARD AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13) 10:58 AM DELIBERATE ON MINI-CASSIA DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

- a) Barrus reviewed the MOU and it is the same as what has been done in the past.

11:07 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER KUNAU MOVED TO SIGN THE MINI-CASSIA DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE MOU AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 14) 10:59 AM REVIEW MINIDOKA RESOLUTION AND EXECUTE JOINT RESOLUTIONS NO. 2014-02-10B
- a) This Resolution is a joint agreement between Minidoka and Cassia Counties to adopt costs of diversion fees through the Mini-Cassia Juvenile Probation Office to recover reasonable costs of those services.
 - b) The amount established by the Resolution is to establish those costs at \$150.00 per month.
 - c) The signing of this copy is a duplicate copy that had already been approved by the Board so that both Counties would have a signed copy of the Resolution.
- 15) 10:52 AM DELIBERATE ON RESOLUTION NO. 2014-002 DECLARING SURPLUS COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE PROPERTY
- a) McMurray indicated that the Road and Bridge Department had 20 barricade units and a pickup truck they no longer needed
 - b) Their desire was to declare those items as surplus and sell them.

11:06 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE AND SIGN RESOLUTION NO. 2014-002 DECLARING THE ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT ITEMS AS PRESENTED AS SURPLUS. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 16) 10:52 AM DELIBERATE ON RESOLUTION NO. 2014-003 DECLARING SURPLUS VEHICLES AT CASSIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (CCSO)
- a) The Board discussed the vehicles that were included in the Resolution to be declared surplus.
 - b) One vehicle will be crushed as it had been involved with methamphetamine processes and may not be safe.

10:53 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER KUNAU MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2014-003 DECLARING CCSO VEHICLES AS SURPLUS. COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 17) 10:55 AM DISCUSS SNOWMOBILE ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERSHIP UPDATE
- a) The Board received a letter from Sheriff Jay Heward resigning from the Snowmobile Advisory Board as he does not have the time to do that with his sheriff duties.
 - b) Someone from Cassia County needs to be selected to replace Heward.

18) 11:15 AM INDIGENT MATTERS

11:15 AM EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING MEDICAL INDIGENT MATTERS UNDER IDAHO CODE SECTION 67-2345(1)(D). COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS WITH CHAIRMAN CRANE, COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN, AND COMMISSIONER KUNAU VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

Welfare Director Susan Keck presented the following cases for review and approval of the Board:

- a) Keck briefed the Board regarding a tax refund assignment request for: 2101052

MOTION: COMMISSIONER KUNAU MOVED TO APPROVE THE MEDICAL INDIGENT ACTION REQUESTED FOR RELIEF OF TAX FUND ASSIGNMENT REGARDING CASE NO. 2101052. COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- b) Tax Refund Assignment Request: 2012052
- c) Certificate of Denial: 2014003, 2014002
- d) Certificate of Approval: 2014002 (partial approval and partial denial), 2013007

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- e) Order of Dismissal: 2013096
- f) Notice of Lien and Application for Medically Indigent Benefits: 2014014, 2014015, 2014016
- g) Release of Medically Indigent Lien: 2010114, 2012040, 2013078, 2013100, 2013096
- h) Finding of Facts, Conclusions of Law, and Decision: 2013007, 2013074

11:27 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MEDICAL INDIGENT ACTIONS AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. THE BOARD RETURNED TO REGULAR SESSION AT 11:28AM.

11:31 AM EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN MOVED TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING PERSONNEL MATTERS UNDER IDAHO CODE SECTION 67-2345(1)(A). COMMISSIONER KUNAU SECONDED THE MOTION. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS WITH CHAIRMAN CRANE, COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN, AND COMMISSIONER KUNAU VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THE BOARD RETURNED TO REGULAR SESSION AT 11:39 AM.

19) 11:11 AM DELIBERATE ON PAYPORT AGREEMENT FOR EXTENSION OFFICE

- a) The request of the Extension office was for having the option to use Payport for credit card processing. A contract was presented to the Board to consider. This will ease their burden on travel and would like to use credit cards in lieu of required travel otherwise.
- b) McMurray pointed out that additional liability could come from the use of e-checks in the event of non-sufficient funds.
- c) It was determined that exposure should be minimal to the County.

11:15 AM

MOTION: COMMISSIONER KUNAU MOVED TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE CONTRACT WITH PAYPORT TO ALLOW THE EXTENSION OFFICE TO PROCESS CREDIT CARDS AND E-CHECKS. COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

20) 11:30 AM BLM/USFS

- a) SCOTT NANNENGA – FOREST SERVICE RANGER
 - i) Nannenga said that the drought situation has been discussed as well as the possible effects on grazing reductions.
 - ii) Magic Mountain is discussing putting in a new ski lift that is partially in Cassia County.
 - iii) He reported on the Sublett Guard Station that burned down.
 - iv) Chairman Crane reported to Nannenga on discussions with neighboring counties in Elko, Nevada regarding correlation of hunting permits to alleviate elk depredation issues.
- b) MIKE COURTNEY – BLM DIRECTOR
 - i) Courtney indicated that some wells may be affected by the drought.
 - ii) A letter from the BLM was sent to grazing permittees regarding drought awareness.
 - iii) Sage Grouse trapping will be taking place. GPS collars will be placed on the Sage Grouse to obtain information to make better management procedure decisions. The trapping happens in the nighttime hours and involves using speakers with some loud noises. Courtney wanted to make the Board aware of that.
 - iv) A study is beginning to look at the effects of grazing on Sage Grouse.
 - v) There will be a hearing in Pocatello regarding the EIS with Western Watershed.

21) 12:00 PM REVIEW COSTS PROVIDED BY CITY OF BURLEY REGARDING USE OF TIF FOR MCCAINS

- a) Barrus indicated that the County was to receive a report.

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- b) Budgeted costs are broken out from City of Burley Administrator as was requested according to McMurray.
 - c) We haven't seen yet what Randy Stone said would be forthcoming according to Barrus.
- 22) 12:00 PM DISCUSS WATER CALL AND ITS IMPACT IN OUR AREA AND DISCUSSION OF WHAT ACTION BOARD COULD TAKE TO BE OF ASSISTANCE
- a) Southwest Irrigation District Board Meeting was attended by Commissioners Kunau and Christensen.
 - b) They wanted Barrus to contact Bill Parsons about involvement with County support or to be of assistance with the matter.
 - c) The Board discussed water rights and changes that should involve reductions of rights.
- 23) 12:10 PM DISCUSS TRAIN BLOCKING VEHICLE TRAVEL FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME
- a) Commissioner Christensen addressed the issue of trains stopped near Maglaughlin's Gas and Grocery on West Main while the train personnel went into the convenience store.
 - b) Barrus expressed concern about how to approach the railroad and felt the news media may be the best route to inform them of the situation of trains blocking intersections for long periods of time and during the noon hour. He felt more research should be done.
- 24) 12:40 PM ADJOURNMENT

APPROVED:

/s/ _____

Dennis Crane, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

/s/ _____

Joseph W. Larsen, Clerk of the Board