



ONEIDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BILL LEWIS, CHAIRMAN – BOB CHRISTOPHERSEN – KEN ELIASON

10 COURT STREET, MALAD, IDAHO 83252

Meeting minutes for December 6th, 2021

The meeting was opened by Commissioner Lewis. All three commissioners were in attendance. Power county commissioners and clerk participated via zoom.

The first topic of discussion was that of public defense and how well the shared public defender, Mike Morrissey was doing at case management etc.

No statistics were available to compare his case load for either county.

A follow up meeting was scheduled for February.

The commissioners from both counties discussed the possibility of sharing a court coordinator. This person would schedule and coordinate the respective drug courts, would be an employee of Oneida County who would then bill Power County on a monthly basis. The State would fund most of the costs including travel/mileage. The suggested wage would be around \$17.68.

Kerry Hong, trial court administrator for the Sixth District, is coordinating the efforts and explained that the person who is hired for this position could live in Pocatello which is about mid point between both counties making it more even in the travel cost. By advertising in Bannock County as well as Oneida and Power Counties enhances the pool of prospective applicants.

Commissioner Christophersen made the motion to approve the joint employee for court coordinator with Power County and that Oneida County would be the host county for financial and payroll purposes.

Commissioner Eliason seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.



Bill Lewis, Chairman



Matthew L. Colton, Clerk