

01-03-2017 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

The Board of County Commissioners met at the above date beginning at 9:00 a.m. Those present were Chairman Aaron Anderson, Members Terry Wolf, Fred Frandson and Clerk to the Board Mary Grace Strauch. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Anderson.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve the minutes for the December 20, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to appoint Commissioner Wolf as chairman for the next two years. Motion carried.

Vouchers for December 2016 were paid as follows:

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to remove the existing fair board members from the fair board checking account and approve allowing the county clerk to be placed on the checking account. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to allow the county clerk to pay several outstanding invoices in regards to the Washakie County Fair board. Motion carried.

Youth Alternatives Director Sarah Garcia and Grant Writer Anna Venable met with the board to discuss the letter of resignation from Anna effective January 31, 2017. Discussion was held on several grants that will need to be completed by the new part time person. Advertising will begin for the part time grant writing position.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth discussed with the board the issue of snow drifts at the septage site. An estimate will be received on snow fence for the area and the crew will continue to take care of the snow as needed. Approval was given for repairs on the grader and the barriers have been placed on Lane 10.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve the following to the Planning Commission: Ron Harvey, Chris Schmeltzer and Laura Schwarz Krenning. Motion carried.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported that Johnson Controls will be working on several of the heating units. Discussion was held on clean up at the old Homeland Security Building. Tom will have items removed from the basement as soon as possible. The board would like to have Tom place blinds on the windows at the new Homeland Security Office.

Homeland Security Director Jeff Schweighart is currently monitoring the possibility of ice jams at the river. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve Resolution No. 330 regarding the Region 6 Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried. There will be an LEPC meeting on February 8 for the virtual tabletop presentation.

Weed and Pest Director Jarrod Glanz was present to review the applications for the weed and pest board. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve the applications for the next four years as follows: Tom Brewster Rural North Ten Sleep, Harley Bower City of Worland, Rick Six Rural South and Brandon Greet Rural South Ten Sleep. Motion carried.

Chamber of Commerce Director Jenn Rasmussen and Board member Justin Smith met with the board to discuss what to do with the Chamber of Commerce building. There are issues with water damage and possible mold. Discussion was held on what the plans are for the chamber in the future and where they may want to move to. The board will make contact with the museum and see if there is a possibility of moving the chamber to the museum. Discussion was held on the marquee sign and the water fountain.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to appoint Chris McGee to the Washakie County Library Board. Motion carried.

Representative Mike Greear, Nathan Winters, Senator Wyatt Agar, Cloud Peak Counseling Director Mark Russler, Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer met with the board to discuss first any items of the Lighthouse that need to be removed from the basement. After hearing of none Tom left the meeting. Further discussion was held on the funding for the remodel project and availability of some funds from the "gatekeeper" legislation. Also discussed was receiving letters of support from the surrounding counties for the possibility of secure holds.

Grant Writer Anna Venable and Youth Alternatives Director Sarah Garcia returned to the meeting to review the grant writing job description.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to convene into executive session beginning at 2:45 pm with County Attorney John Worrall to discuss possible litigation. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to reconvene into regular session beginning at 3:49 pm. Motion Carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to request an engagement letter for a forensic audit from Porter and Muirhead in Casper Wyoming for fair board and related records and authorize the chairman to approve the entity and to purchase a hard drive to copy all documents needed for the audit. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Chamber of Commerce Building and the possibility of the mold in the building. A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to authorize the county attorney to write a letter to the Chamber of Commerce to have all property removed from the building by February 1, 2017 and return the keys to the county clerk. Motion carried.

Discussion was held with Attorney John Worrall on the Aquatic Center agreement regarding funds for the center. John is not in favor of the commissioners signing the agreement as it is worded at this time. The finance committee for the center has been working this agreement for over a year and Commissioner Wolf would like to see a final document approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve Requisition No. 21 regarding the hospital remodel in the amount of \$808,919.58. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Authorize chairman to sign Contract with Independent Contractor for Nurse Practitioner Services with Linsey Brooks.
2. Approve bond for Jack L. Stott, Washakie County School District No. 1 Business Manager in the amount of \$100,000.00
3. Accept monthly report from Sheriff's Department \$1,670.00, County Clerk \$8,340.50.
4. Designate the following as bank depositories: ANB Bank, Big Horn Federal Savings & Loan, Pinnacle Bank, Security State Bank, Wyoming Government Investment Fund and Wyoming State Treasurer – State of Wyoming.
5. Designate the Northern Wyoming Daily News as Washakie County's official newspaper for 2017.
6. All commissioners sign letter of support to Cloud Peak Counseling Center.
7. All commissioners sign letter supporting using funding from the gatekeeper legislation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to accept the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

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Mary Grace Strauch
Clerk to the Board

Terrence D. Wolf, Chairman
Washakie County Commissioners