

02-21-2017 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve the minutes for the February 7, 2017 meeting. Motion carried.

Representative for Repr. Liz Cheney Lindy Linn introduced herself to the board and reported to the board that if they had in issues that needed attention to please contact her.

The commissioners would like to thank all of the road and bridge employees for the tremendous job they did in regards to the ice jam. There response time was greatly appreciated.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth reported to the board that several county roads are now flooding due to snowmelt. The crew will continue to monitor several areas. Discussion was held on having a gate built for both sides of the cement slab on Lane 17 due to the fact that several people have driven through the area and damaged signs and hazard cones. Estimated cost for the damages of the signs and cones is over \$2000.00. Randy will get costs for the gates and report back to the board. The brake system will be checked on a grader. Approval was given to proceed if the cost is under \$10,000.00. Discussion was held on widening a portion of the Septic Site Road and discussion was held on finding chips for several projects. Also discussed were issues with Road 54 and work that is needed in the near future.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer, Mayor Jim Gill, and Superintendent of Public Works Brian Burky met with the board to discuss the sewer line issue at the courthouse. There continues to be back up of either drainage water or sewer water. Discussion was held on the City of Worland possibly putting in a new manhole in the alley by the Pioneer Park and the county boring a new line from the man hole to the courthouse. Brian will work on the manhole portion of the project and Tom will receive prices to have a line bored under 10th Street. There is not anything that can be done until the frost has come out of the ground due to the amount of underground utilities in the area. Commissioner Wolf and Tom will meet tonight at the city council meeting to further discuss.

The commissioners thanked Mayor Gill and the city employees for all of his work done on the ice jam.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported that there is a small roof leak at the Law Enforcement Center that will be repaired and the elevators have been maintained and they are now working fine.

Public Health Nurse Amanda Heinemeyer presented the bad debt list. Contact has been made with as many as possible and some payments have been made. Write off's for the year are \$2800.00. Amanda reported that she will overspend her line item for vaccinations. At this time the entire budget will be monitored and if the entire budget is close to being over spent a budget hearing will be held.

The commissioners thanked Amanda for her many hours spent on the ice jam. All of her hard work was greatly appreciated by them.

Youth Alternatives Director Sarah Garcia and Youth Alternatives Grant Writer Sheri Gunderson discussed with the board what is needed with the environmental study in regards to the enlargement project at the Ten Sleep Library and the Wyoming Business Council Grant. The environmental study questions will be forwarded to the board for their review. Sarah reported that she should find out about the VOA funding in March.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to appoint Bob Eisele to the Predatory Animal Board for a three year term. Term to expire December 31, 2018. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve the minutes and ratify signing the Declaration of Emergency, Incident Commander Delegation of Authority at an Emergency Meeting held on February 11, 2017 and the returning of authority of Delegation to the City of Worland and Washakie County at the February 17, 2017 Emergency Meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to proceed with the repair work needed on the 2012 Ford Sheriff's vehicle with the low estimate from Young's Body shop and other repairs needed in the amount of \$6,509.93. Motion carried.

Banner Health Representative Brad McCaslin, Hospital Board Trustee Kip Mathison, and County Attorney John Worrall met with the board to review the waiver request and low bid for bid package No. 7. John has reviewed all of the documents and all are in order for approval. Discussion was held on the change of scope regarding the remodel project and the additional \$468,000 funding will come from the hospital board funds. All of these expenses will be tracked. John again stated that there will be no more than the \$468,000 spent on the additional project costs. Also discussed was interest accrued on the bond funds. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to authorize the chairman to sign the Contract Commitment/Order and bid waiver and spending an additional \$468,000.00 regarding project costs. Motion carried.

NRCS District Conservationist Laura Galloway, James Bauchert, State Soil Scientist, and Conservation District Director Tori Dietz met with the board to discuss the Emergency Watershed Program (EWP) that is available for landowners that have had structural damage from the recent flooding. All discussed was the possibility of funding for the removal of the island located in the middle of the river or for building a permanent berm along the riverside. At this time the NRCS does not have any funding available for these type of project. Laura requested that the county become a sponsor for the EWP program. The board will have the county attorney review the documents before proceeding. Tori reported that the conservation district does have preliminary design study information available regarding the island.

Victim Witness Coordinator Bob Vines presented to the board a power point presentation regarding Coaching Boys Into Men. This power point will be presented to several area schools and hopefully will begin to be shown and information provided too many schools in Wyoming.

Ambulance Directors Mike Bryant, Gard Ferguson, Fire Chief Norman Mullis, Assessor Kathy Treanor, Grant writer Sheri Gunderson, Planner David Anderson, Sheriff Steve Rakness, Homeland Security Director Jeff Schweighart, Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth, and Fire Chief Chris Kocher met to discuss where county fire marker signs should be placed and how ones that are damaged can be replaced. Discussion was held on possibly updating the subdivision regulations and requiring that the actual home owner place a fire number sign by their home and the county place the sign on the county road. Discussion was held on possibly putting a notice with the yearly tax notice asking homeowners to place a fire number by their home. At this time the board would like Randy to identify areas that need the sign replacement the most and to work from there.

Discussion was held on social media in regards to the ice jam. There were posts on the Sheriff's, Fire District, and Police Face-book pages for public use. It is unclear how or why the public could not access this because all of the pages had many hits on them during the event.

Discussion was held on the possibility of public camping at the fairgrounds during the eclipse, which will be August 21. This is the same weekend as the state BBQ event. At this time the board does not feel there will be any camping available.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth reported that the cost to build the gates for the Lane 17 slab area is \$2,300.00. The board stated that the crew could build the gates and place them.

The board would like Planner David Anderson to assist with the WPLI meetings and take any minutes that are needed for upcoming meetings along with coordinating with maps and other information as needed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve Resolution No. 331 supporting the Coaching Boys into Men/Slay Programs. Motion carried.

A phone call was placed and message left to Ryan Pollihan regarding the interest that has accrued on the hospital bond funds. Commissioner Anderson will report back to the board when he receives an answer regarding the interest funds.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Ratify all commissioners signing letter to WYDOT regarding approving the bid tabulations for the Big Trails section of road work.
2. Accept monthly report from Circuit Court \$6,176.00, Treasurer's Office Trial Balance and Cash Balance.
3. Authorize chairman to sign VOA draw down request in the amount of \$1,512.14.
4. Accept monthly expenditure report for Family Planning for January 2017.
5. Authorize chairman to sign Bad debt list for Family Planning.
6. All commissioners sign letter of support for the Big Horn National Forest Roadless Collaborative.
7. Authorize chairman to sign new agreement with Blue Cross/Blue Shield flexplan.

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

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

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Mary Grace Strauch
Clerk to the Board

Terrence D. Wolf, Chairman
Washakie County Commissioners