

03-17-2015 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, Dale Wagner and Clerk to the Board Mary Grace Strauch. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the minutes for the March 3, 2015 meeting. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth reviewed with the board the MOU with WYDOT regarding Road 54. The public forum was well attended. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve the MOU as presented between WYDOT and Washakie County regarding work to be completed on Road 54. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth discussed with the board several estimates received for a pickup truck for the road and bridge. Low estimate was with Fremont Chevrolet in the amount of \$28,609.72. A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the purchase of the vehicle with funds coming out of the road fund, road and bridge budget and the courthouse new equipment budget. Motion carried. Randy reported that they will begin work on the Sesame Street this week. Discussion was held on the Lower Nowood Pit and an agreement with the Town of Ten Sleep regarding usage of the pit. Discussion was held on accepting bids for the scraper and a pickup truck. Randy will get an appraisal on the scraper before advertising. Randy will receive a price on sand/salt mix for 2000 ton from McGarvin Moberly. Randy reported that the BLM has given approval and will pay for the cattle guards on Cottonwood and the county will maintain. Randy will be attending the WACERS meeting in April.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported that the asbestos tiles are being removed from the library area where the new bathrooms will be built. After the sewer tap has been placed the city would like to put cement in that area so will take care of that portion for the county. Tom reported that he will be making weekly inspections at the septage site to keep the honey monster cleaned properly. Tom has received an estimate from Handford Sprinkler's for underground sprinklers to be placed on a portion of the grassy area by the stage at the fair grounds. Estimated cost is \$5,741.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the estimate with the understanding that Tom's rotation policy will be used regarding different local entities to do the work needed by the

county. Motion carried. Tom reported that the kitchen at the fair grounds will be completed by August.

Public Health Nurse Amanda Heinemeyer and State Nurse Practitioner Linette Johnson reviewed with the board her monthly narrative for February. Amanda reported the 20 people have signed up for the wellness testing. A draft agreement has been received by public health regarding EBOLA funds. Approval was given for the removal of the flower bed in the front area of the public health building and decorative rock will be placed.

Homeland Security Director Kimball Croft gave a report to the board on the island located in the river by the Big Horn Ave Bridge. Kimball stated that three things are needed in order to proceed: To find ownership of the island, to show a benefit of why the island should be removed with an explanation of why the island will not form again and how the island will be removed. The board suggested that Kimball research by aerial photos to see when the island was actually formed and wait for a response from the State Lands office regarding any information they can bring forward regarding the island. Approval was given for Kimball, David Anderson Planner and Randy Chenoweth Road and Bridge Superintendent to attend a training session for grants available for road work if their schedules allow. Also reviewed was the estimated precipitation for April through August. Approval was given for Kimball to purchase a new phone. Funding is available through the Homeland Security budget. Approval was given for Kimball to meet with several groups regarding the final \$3000 funds available with a Homeland Security Grant to possibly purchase high powered flashlights for the ambulance service.

A phone call was placed to Jennifer Jorgensen to discuss a reduction in rental fee for the arena at the fairgrounds for a barrel racing event in July. Jennifer would like the fee reduced to \$100.00 per day and she has several people that are qualified to drive the tractor for the grooming of the arena. Discussion was also held on the possibility of using several camping spots if needed. A letter with names of those that will be driving the tractor must be received for insurance purposes. The information received was taken under advisement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to convene into executive session with County Attorney John Worrall and Insurance Broker Tom Davis beginning at 10:57 am as per state statute 16-4-405 to discuss personnel and possible litigation. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to convene into regular session beginning at 11:42 am. A letter will be written to Insurance Broker Tom Davis regarding several questions to be asked of the reinsurance company and the health insurance carrier. Motion carried.

Attorney Barbara Bonds, Financial Advisor Terry Casey, Washakie Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees Anna Venable, Wendy Sweeny, Gil McEndree, Sherry Stottler, Washakie Medical Center CEO Jay Stallings, CFO Jennifer McMillan, County Attorney John Worrall, and ANB Bank Community Lead President Duane Whitlock met with the board and a TEFRA Hearing was opened with a motion made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner at

1:30 pm regarding the purchase of revenue bonds for the hospital remodel project. Motion carried. Also available was conference calling for any interested parties for the hearing. There were none. By Federal Internal Revenue Service Regulations this hearing must be held before any decision is made regarding the purchase of revenue bonds. The project is a 23.4 million dollar project to for new facilities to be located at the Washakie Medical Center. These bonds are for a 15 year fixed rate of financing. There were no comments made at the hearing by anyone present. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to close the hearing at 1:40 pm. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to convene into executive session beginning at 1:41 pm with Attorney Barbara Bonds, Financial Advisor Terry Casey, Washakie Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees Anna Venable, Wendy Sweeny, Gil McEndree, Sherry Stottler, Kip Mathison, Dan Scheuerman by phone, Washakie Medical Center CEO Jay Stallings, CFO Jennifer McMillan, County Attorney John Worrall as per state statute 16-4-405 regarding confidential information. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to convene back into regular session beginning at 3:03 pm. Motion carried. A decision will be made at this meeting regarding the purchase of revenue bonds.

Planner David Anderson presented the Hanson Subdivision plat for approval. The planning commission has approved the plat as presented and David recommends approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve the Hanson Subdivision plat as presented. Motion carried. Discuss was held on the search and rescue site plan and application that must be presented to the City of Worland this day. There were no changes. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and second by Commissioner Wagner to approve site plan application and the \$200.00 fee for the application. Motion carried. David reported that he replaced the broken part at the septage site printer. He will see if a local computer company can repair the old part. Commissioner Wagner will be able to attend both the proposed zoning change hearing and the exemption hearing for the search and rescue building.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported to the board that he did not have any issues with reducing the fee for the arena for the barrel racing in July. He would like to see a higher deposit given for cleaning. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to reduce the fee for the arena to \$100.00 per day and increase the cleaning deposit fee to \$500.00 for Jennifer Jorgensen for an event to be held July 11 and 12. Motion carried. Tom reported that he has asked the 4-H shooting sports teams and area shooters to purchase a new curtain to protect the new doorway after it has been placed at the fairgrounds.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Authorize chairman to sign VOA/OJJD draw down request in the amount of \$2,065.51.

2. All commissioners sign letter to Debbie Amick thanking her for serving on the Ten Sleep Solid Waste Board.
3. Accept monthly report for Circuit Court \$9,716.37, Trial Balance and Cash Balance for the month of February.
4. Authorize chairman to sign Certification Statement regarding preference for resident contractors with the RIMS and Search and Rescue Building Grants.
5. Authorize chairman to sign Family Planning Expense/Revenue report for February 2015.
6. Authorize chairman to sign invoice for two belly dump trailers. Estimated cost is \$44,000 for both.
7. Approval given to proceed with a grant application for the LEPC for the coming Fiscal year.
8. All commissioner sign letter accepting the estimate for the 2015 GMC pickup purchased from Fremont Chevrolet.
9. All commissioners sign letter to insurance Broker Tom Davis regarding questions for the reinsurance company and the health insurance provider.

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

Attorney Barbara Bonds, Financial Advisor Terry Casey, Washakie Memorial Hospital Board Trustee Kip Mathison, Washakie Medical Center CEO Jay Stallings, CFO Jennifer McMillan, ANB Bank Community Lead President Duane Whitlock, Vice President and Senior Lender Connie Clark, and County Attorney John Worrall met with the board to announce that ANB Bank of Worland has presented the best proposal for the revenue bonds to be purchased for the remodeling of the Washakie Medical Center facility. A recommendation from Financial Advisor Terry Casey and Attorney Barbara Bonds has been received. Discussion was held on future closing dates for the bonds. A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to accept the bid price from ANB Bank to finance the remodel project at the Washakie Medical Center. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to authorize Chairman Anderson to sign documents to establish a Contractor and Engineering firm for the remodel project for the hospital after approval has been received from legal counsel. Motion carried.

A phone call was placed to Jennifer Jorgensen regarding reducing the fee for the arena rental. An events contract will be sent to her to complete along with instructions on all other information that is needed to proceed.

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

Aaron Anderson, Chairman
Washakie County Commissioners