

04-07-2020 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

The Board of County Commissioners met at the above date beginning at 1:00 p.m. Those present were Chairman Fred Frandson, Members Aaron Anderson and Terry Wolf, Clerk to the Board Mary Grace Strauch. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Planner David Anderson. This meeting was closed to the public due to the Coronavirus. Public participation was available through the county's conference phone toll free call in line. All present at the meeting maintained the six feet distance as is needed for social distancing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the minutes for the March 17, 2020 regular meeting and the March 20, 2020 special meeting. Motion carried.

Vouchers for March 2020 were paid as follows:

County Attorney John Worrall was on by conference phone. Discussion was held on camping areas and state owned lands in regards to out of state people that have come to Washakie County due to the Covid 19 pandemic and if there were any restrictions the county could enforce to not allow this camping to take place. A draft letter will be prepared by the county attorney to the county public health officer to ask for guidance from the state public health officer on this issue. Discussion was held on having a quarantine period if any out of state individuals do camp in the area. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to work with the county health officer and the state, letter to be signed by the county health officer and the board, to express the concerns about potential out of state campers overwhelming local resources and if they do not follow the directive of a 14 day quarantine. Motion carried.

Planner David Anderson was present to open the bids for the Road 54 repair work. One bid was received in the amount of \$158,758.14 with Nowood Construction. Clay Cheeney with Nowood Construction called into the meeting to discuss the bid. The bid price could be reduced depending on the amount of work the road and bridge could provide. David will review all of the bid paperwork and report back to the board. Discussion was held on the emergency repair that is also needed between Road 54 and Road 79 intersection and combining that with the Road 54 bid.

Planner David Anderson was present to open bids for the Road 47 slope stabilization project. There were two bids received for this project. Mountain Construction \$984,000.00 and GSI \$515,450.00. These bids were taken under advisement.

Planner David Anderson presented the DR Subdivision plat. This is a five lot minor subdivision that has been approved by the planning commission. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to authorize the chairman to sign the plat as presented. Motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 2:20 pm to allow the board to conduct interviews for a road and bridge employee.

The meeting reconvened at 4:10 pm.

County Attorney John Worrall discussed with the board the possibility of patients from Wyoming Behavioral Institute (WBI) possibly being housed at the lighthouse.

County Planner David Anderson met with the board and Clay Cheeney called into the meeting to discuss the emergency repair that is needed on Road 54. If the road and bridge could furnish trucks to haul gravel that would reduce the overall price of the project. Clay would like to know how many trucks the county could supply so that he will have enough people available to complete the job by the end of the month. The road and bridge crew could keep track of their hours and that amount would be deducted from the original bid price. Also discussed was traffic control signs that the county could possibly provide. David reported that the bid paperwork is in order. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to accept the bid from Nowood Construction for the repair of Road 54 with the assistance of the road and bridge crew with hauling gravel to reduce the price. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the emergency repair between Road 54 and Road 79 to Nowood Construction in regards to the additional square footage and additional yardage of material that is needed with the quoted numbers received from Nowood Construction and Clay will notify the board and planner when the funds have been paid out for the original bid project. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to extend the closure of all county facilities through April 30, 2020. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Ratify chairman signing Modification of Grant Agreement with U.S. Forest Service and Washakie County Sheriff's Department.
2. Accept monthly reports from County Clerk \$6,060.50, Clerk of Court \$1,222.21, Circuit Court \$2,442.20, Sheriff's Dept. \$11,601.76, Treasurer's Office Trial Balance and Cash Balance.
3. Authorize chairman to sign Grant Agreement with Dept. of Health and Washakie County and Washakie County Ambulance.
4. Ratify chairman signing AirMedCare agreement for a three year extension.

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

A phone call was received from Cloud Peak Counseling CFO Jackie Robertson regarding the lighthouse and availability of space for WBI patients.

A phone call was placed to County Attorney John Worrall to further discuss availability of housing for WBI patients.

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

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Mary Grace Strauch
Clerk to the Board

Fred W. Frandson, Chairman
Washakie County Commissioners