

06-04-2019 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the minutes for the May 21, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

A sealed bid was received from Andrew Getzfried and Kathrine M. Cogull for a parcel of county owned property located in T48N –R92W Sec. 20. The bid amount was \$8,000.00. No other bids were received. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to accept the bid as presented. Motion carried. The board would like to have payment for the property within 30 days.

Vouchers for May 2019 were paid as follows:

Road and Bridge Superintendent Keith Bower reported that the crew will be getting all of the grading completed and they will continue to work on Friday to get all the roads finished. Keith will be meeting with Jerry Kienlen to review the Cherry Creek Road work that needs to be completed. The slab marker on Lane 17 will need to be repaired after the heavy rains. Additional work needs to be completed on several areas of the Rome Hill Road. Additional work will also be needed on Road 82.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer, Library Director Karen Funk and Library Board member Teresa Livingston met with the board to discuss the placement of several picnic tables at the Ten Sleep Library. The board approved Tom placing the tables as the Maintenance personnel at the Ten Sleep school does not have the time to complete this task. Tom reported that the old sand bags from 2017 will be taken care of in July. There is sand and bags available for use if needed this spring. The PA system is in the process of being completed for the arena. Tom will be working on the crow's nest. The PA system will not be stored in the crow's nest and will be checked out when needed. Tom will be working on the rock veneer at the Ten Sleep Library and will continue to put up cabinets and the shelves have been stored. Discussion was held on custodial personnel and yard work that could possibly be contracted. Also discussed was the fairgrounds entrance and exits.

Planner David Anderson reported that he had discussed with Steve Tharp the possibility of there being an issue with wetlands regarding placing a drainage pipe along the bike path at the intersection of Lane 14 and Airport Road. After reviewing the 2014 minutes regarding the placement of the fence if there is any damage to the bike path due to the cattle and the fence being located too close to the path that Mr. Tharp would take all responsibility in any repairs that were needed and that the county would not be assisting with the drainage pipe that he wants

installed. Also discussed was the deterioration of the gabions in another area of the bike path. David will look into the possibility of WYDOT having an engineer that could view the area and offer suggestions on fixing the gabions.

Fire Chief/Warden Chris Kocher has received one bid for the 2018 Firewise Grant Coordinator. Bid is for \$162,962.00 with Technical Forestry Services. This bid was taken under advisement and Chris will review the information and report back to the board.

Fire Chief/Warden Chris Kocher returned to the meeting and all is in order regarding the coordinator bid. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to accept the bid proposal as submitted and to allow the chairman to sign any documents needed for the award of the coordinator after the county attorney has reviewed the documents. Motion carried.

Ambulance Director Luke Sypherd met with the board and reviewed his 19-20 budget request. Discussion was held on matching funds for several grants that are currently available.

Sheriff Steve Rakness discussed with the board the new law that has passed to allow search and rescue members to receive retirement. By-laws will need to be created regarding how many meetings will need to be attended by members and the reporting process that will be involved with the county clerk's office. The search and rescue team are currently working on these by-laws and will send them to the county attorney and commissioners to review.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to convene into executive session beginning at 2:36 pm with County Attorney John Worrall to receive legal advice. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to reconvene into regular session beginning at 3:25 pm. Motion carried. A letter will be drafted and sent to Steve Tharp regarding the fence, proposed drainage pipe and damage to the bike path.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Keith Bower called into the meeting and discussed the road damage on North Hillcrest, which is a county road. Keith reported that 100 feet of the roadway needs to be cut out and replaced. Keith will put this project on the list of roads to be completed this summer.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported that Heather Shryack will be retiring on October 1, 2019. Discussion was held on lawn care and snow removal, additional part time or full time employees. Tom will receive estimates on lawn care and snow removal.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Authorize chairman to sign Annual Compensation Agreement with 4-H Youth Development Program.

2. Accept bond from David L. McKamey, Highland Hanover Irrigation District Treasurer, in the amount of \$150,000.00.
3. Accept bond from Dan J. Madden, Highland Hanover Irrigation District President, in the amount of \$5,000.00.
4. Accept bond from John W. Snyder, Jr, Upper Bluff Irrigation District President, in the amount of \$5,000.00.
5. Accept bond from Greg Lungren, Upper Bluff Irrigation District Treasurer, in the amount of \$100,000.00.
6. Accept bond from John W. Snyder, Jr, Bluff Irrigation District President, in the amount of \$5,000.00.
7. Accept bond from Caleb Kienlen, Bluff Irrigation District Treasurer, in the amount of \$100,000.00.
8. Authorize chairman to sign service agreements with FURTHER and WEBT regarding the HRA funds for employees.
9. Accept monthly reports from Clerk of Court \$1,080.20, County Clerk \$11,047.75, Sheriff's Dept. \$3,159.58.
10. Approve mowing of right of way in the Ten Sleep area with Nowood Construction \$9,000.00 to mow twice.
11. Approve mowing the right of way in the Worland area with JD's Pumping \$8,000.00 to mow twice.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf 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 Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

(Seal)

Mary Grace Strauch
Clerk to the Board

Fred W. Frandson, Chairman
Washakie County Commissioners