

## 06-19 and 06-20-2018 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 Commissioner Aaron Anderson.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the minutes for the June 5, 2018 meeting. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Stuart Bower discussed with the board the RT Communications line that needs to be moved from the right of way on Lane 4 because it has been clipped by the crew several times during the past few years. Discussion was also held on TCT – Tri County Telephone regarding a line that has been placed where a cattle guard was replaced and the vault of the cattle guard is where the line is located. When the permit was approved TCT was going to bore the line along the right of way and due to issues with hard rock they moved the placement of the line to where the cattle guard is now located. County Attorney John Worrall entered the meeting and approval was given for Stuart to meet with TCT representatives and have the line moved to the original location. Stuart will meet with the TCT representatives to see if this can be accomplished. Stuart reported that he has had several complaints about the railroad crossing on Lane 4 and he has found out the crew can not work on the roadway by the crossing without Burlington Northern personnel on site for flagging. A letter will be sent to Burlington Northern regarding the issue with the crossing. Stuart has been DOT inspecting the belly dump trailers and at this time it is estimated that \$2600.00 will be needed for repairs. Approval was given to proceed. The City of Worland will be sent an invoice for gravel that was used.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported to the board he has completed his portion of moving things for the Ten Sleep Library and the rental will not be paid after June on the storage unit. Tom reviewed several invoices regarding the Ten Sleep Library water line issue and felt that the school had some responsibility for these expenses. The board will review the invoices. The landscaping at the Ten Sleep Library will be completed after the storage shed has been moved back to the library area. The public defender area is under construction and things are going well. Completion should be the end of July. Discussion was held on air conditioning in the Victim advocates office. A window air conditioner could be placed in the window or a mini split air conditioner could be purchased for the room. Estimated cost is \$5,000.00. The board would like to see if the air conditioning could be piped from the assistant attorney's office to the advocates office because the air conditioner is big enough to cool both rooms. Dan Frederick will be assisting Tom with a new PA system for the fairgrounds. Approval was given for the County Assessor's office to place flowers and maintain the flowers in the water fountain area that is located on the courthouse lawn.

A WYDOT STIP presentation was given to the board and other interested parties in upcoming projects. Discussion was held on chip sealing a portion of the Lower Nowood in 2020 and adding to the WYDOT project. Also discussed was when WYDOT bids out different products and equipment that the county would get notified of these requests and the county may be able to purchase the product at the same bid price.

A public hearing was opened at 11:07 am regarding the enlargement of the Washakie Rural Improvement and Service District to include the South Worland Water Users landowners. The meeting was taped. Much background information was given on the districts and the usage of water for both and there was one protest filed by the City of Worland regarding the usage of the water that the South Worland Water Users are currently using regarding the ownership of the pipe that moves the water and the possibility of the city losing 160 clients if they are enlarged into the Washakie Rural district. Currently there are 21 taps served by South Worland Water Users that are located with the city limits. Those taps will not be part of the enlargement. Currently South Worland Water Users are purchasing water from the City of Worland. There is a 30 day waiting period to see there are any additional protests filed in regards to the enlargement of the district. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to close the hearing at 11:50 am. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to convene into executive session with County Attorney John Worrall regarding potential litigation. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to reconvene into regular session beginning at 12:18 pm. Motion carried. No decision was made.

Hospital Board member Connie Sweeney, Kip Mathison and Wendy Press Sweeny met with the board to review their budget request for 2018-2019.

The board participated with a conference call regarding past PILT payments that may be due to the county.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the chairman signing the opt-in document for the repayment of PILT to counties. Motion carried.

County Attorney John Worrall discussed with the board the draft contract with the TANF grant and the County Prevention Grant. Discussion was held on the insurance that is being required for the TANF grant with the liability insurance and the property insurance and also discussed was the statistics on the TANF grant regarding drug and alcohol abuse within the county and how much the County Prevention Grant would assist with these issues.

Library Board member Terry Livingston, Library Assistant Shelly Nitchman and book keeper for the Library Julie Cross met and reviewed the 2018-2019 budget request for the library.

County Attorney John Worrall reviewed with the board his budget request for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

Ambulance Director Luke Sypherd reviewed with the board the ambulance enterprise budget. A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to authorize the payment for a new vehicle upon delivery or pick up of the vehicle. Motion carried. Discussion was held on transfers and admitting patients at the hospital and the issues with making transfers that could possibly wait until morning.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to establish a savings account for the Ambulance Enterprise Fund. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to allow the Treasurer and County Clerk to be on the savings account for the Ambulance Service. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the Catering Permit for Gooses Liquor for a Dyno Drags Event on June 30, 2018. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to convene into executive session with Ambulance Director Luke Sypherd regarding personnel at 3:27 pm. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to reconvene into regular session at 3:31 pm. Motion carried. No decision was made.

Phone calls were placed to Rick Lopez with Homeland Security and Eugene Smith with High Focus LLC regarding the possibility of rescheduling the table top meeting and the full scale exercise due to an accident with the Homeland Security Director. Messages were left for both.

The meeting recessed at 4:48 pm.

The meeting reconvened at 8:30 am on June 20, 2018.

A phone call was placed to Rick Lopez with Homeland Security and approval was given by Mr. Lopez to postpone the full scale exercise as long as necessary and the funds would not be lost from the grant.

Sheriff Steve Rakness met with the board to review his budget request for 2018-2019 regarding the Sheriff's Office, Detention and Dispatch Budgets.

A phone call was placed to Eugene Smith with High Focus LLC and the table top and full scale exercise will be postponed until a later date.

County Treasurer Doris Kern met with the board to discuss the reason for creating a savings account for the ambulance service when WYO star can be utilized with a higher interest rate and the funds can be transferred from WYO star to the ambulance checking account as needed. Discussion was held on how the Ambulance Enterprise fund currently operates with the Treasurers office and the transferring of funds into the account as needed when checks are cleared.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson approve draw down request No. 33 in the amount of \$19,367.95 regarding the remodel of the hospital. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to appoint Ron Harvey to the Planning Commission for a three year term, Jody Smith to the Library Board for a three year term, Bill Graves to the Worland Solid Waste Board for a three year term, Michael Collen to the Ten Sleep Solid Waste Board for a three year term. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve Kasey White for the County Commissioner renewal scholarship. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to support the Wyoming County Commissioners Association and the worker's compensation proposed resolution to consolidate county government employees into one employer group. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson that upon consultation with the County Treasurer rather than the Treasurer maintain an ambulance savings account that ambulance funds be placed in a WYO Star account for better liquidity. Motion carried.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Accept monthly report from Treasurer's Office Trial Balance and Cash Balance, Sheriff's Department \$2,290.25.
2. Authorize chairman to sign RAVE Mobile Safety License and Service contract for RAVE alerts.
3. Authorize chairman to sign Modification of Grant Agreement with USDA, Forest Service.
4. Authorize chairman to sign Family Planning Expense/Revenue report for May 2018.

5. Authorize chairman to sign Dept. of Revenue MOU regarding hardware for the CAMA system with County Assessor.
6. Authorize chairman to sign VOA/OJJDP grant draw down request in the amount of \$971.46.
7. All commissioners sign letter to Burlington Northern regarding the Lane 4 crossing and the need for work to be completed on the approaches.
8. Approve the amended estimate from Nowood Construction regarding the mowing of weeds in the county right of way in the Ten Sleep area.
9. All commissioners sign a letter to WDA Board, Chamber of Commerce Board, Worland/Ten Sleep Visitors Council Board for a meeting on July 18, 2018.

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

A phone call was placed to Christine Bekes, Executive Director for the Powell Economic Partnership to discuss the possibility of facilitating several meetings with the WDA, Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Council boards. Discussion was held on upcoming meetings and an agenda and timeline to possibly use for upcoming meetings. The first meeting will be held on July 18, 2018 at the fairgrounds conference room and Christine will assist with several of the meetings.

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

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Mary Grace Strauch  
Clerk to the Board

Terrence D. Wolf, Chairman  
Washakie County Commissioners