

## 07-21-2014 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

The Board of County Commissioners met at the above date beginning at 10:30 a.m. Those present were Chairman Aaron Anderson, Members Ron Harvey, Terry Wolf and Clerk to the Board Mary Grace Strauch. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Terry Wolf. Guest present was Jim Butterfield.

A motion was made by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the minutes for the June 30, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to hire Tracy Copenhaver of Copenhaver, Kuth, Kitchen & Kolpitcke LLC of Powell, as outside counsel regarding issues such as executive sessions, what is a public information and what is confidential information. The motion was amended by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to add any other issues identified in the June 30, 2014 letter that was sent to the County Attorney by the Board. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on releasing several letters to daily news publisher Lee Lockhart. Approval was given to proceed. Discussion was also held on the need to update the policy and procedures in regards to the recording and release of executive session minutes.

Discussion was held on the draft RFP that Financial Advisor Will Douglas has been preparing and several issues that Freudenthal and Bonds have with the bond RFP language and Will Douglas.

A motion was made by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to convene into Washakie County Board of Equalization and into deliberations with Hearing Officer Ed Luhm beginning at 11:00 am. Motion carried.

The Board of Equalization reconvened into regular session beginning at 11:22 am.

A motion was made by Board of Equalization Member Terry Wolf and seconded by Board of Equalization member Ron Harvey to approve the Findings of Facts, Conclusions of Law and Order regarding Johnnie and Kathie Bair and Duke and Mary Jones. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Board of Equalization member Ron Harvey and seconded by Board of Equalization member Terry Wolf to approve the Findings of Facts, Conclusions of Law and Order regarding the Helmut Mueller Limited Partnership, Joseph Matuschka, Chicago Properties, LTD PTN, Jerome P and John P. Glunz with corrections made in deliberation. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the minutes of the Board of Equalization tax protests that were held on July 9, 2014 with several corrections. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Chris Kocher met with the board to discuss a fireworks permit for fireworks to be held during the county fair. The board gave approval to have the fireworks on county property but because the land is located within the city limits approval will be needed by the City of Worland. Chief Kocher will meet with Chief Gabe Elliott regarding the fireworks. Chris updated the commissioners on the July 4 events. All went well regarding fireworks being held at gravel pit area.

Planner David Anderson reviewed with the board the Tonka Vista III final plat. There is no utility easement along the canal area. A motion was made by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the Tonka Vista III plat as presented. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the speed limit study. David will prepare resolutions for several county roads for approval at the next meeting. David reported that WYDOT has been reviewing the bike path bid process and bids are being sought for the project at this time.

Homeland Security Director Kimball Croft met with the board to review upcoming events and training courses that will be held. Kimball asked that when the roof is replaced at the hospital he would like to have the antenna removed and saved for further use. Kimball will contact maintenance personnel at the hospital to further discuss. Kimball reported that he has several rough sketches of the proposed new building where he will move to.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to reconvene into Board of Equalization with Hearing Officer Ed Luhm and to deliberate further regarding the tax protests. Motion carried. The meeting reconvened at 3:00 pm.

Public Health Nurse Manager Amanda Heinemeyer was congratulated on her being hired as the new public health nurse. Amanda reviewed the June monthly statistics with the board. Amanda reported that the medicare funds have been received. Amanda also reported that a new freezer has been purchased for storage of drugs that could not be stored in the current freezer area. Amanda will be working with Kimball and the board in regards to the supplies that are currently housed at homeland security and will be moved to the new building.

A phone call was placed to attorney Steve Freudenthal regarding the revenue bonds for the hospital remodel. Commissioner Anderson reported to Steve that Will Douglas has resigned as financial advisor regarding the revenue bonds. Steve apologized to the board about the issues that have arisen with Will and a new potential financial advisor has been contacted and will meet with Steve and Barbara Bonds after July 26. In moving forward with the project an extension to the lease is needed as soon as possible and Steve will be working on that issue.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer met with the board to discuss the issue of the possibility of needing a panic bar placed on one of the doors at the crisis center. Tom will

further investigate this issue because the Fire Marshall approved the building before occupancy and it was not needed at that time. Tom reported that the fairgrounds are ready for the upcoming fair and the electrical work is completed for the upcoming barbecue. Discussion was held on projects for the fair building regarding energy savings grants. Road and Bridge crew will continue to water the parking lot as needed during fair and clean up after the pig wrestling and tractor pull in the arena area.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth and Planner David Anderson met with the board to discuss alternate dates regarding the Upper Nowood Road project completion date. Currently the completion date is the end of August and Randy and David would like to move that date so that others could bid on the project. Approval was given to move the completion date to November 17, 2014. Discussion was held on the road to the septage site. A portion of the road is adjacent to an oilfield lease and there is an issue with being able to drag the lease without damaging the road way. David will review the right of way and the road will be adjusted.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth reported that the issue with the sprinklers on Washakie 10 was due to the fact that the computer was not working properly on the sprinkler and it has been repaired. There are still several other issues regarding the sprinklers on other county roads. Randy will meet with city representatives in regards to several sprinkler issues on city streets also and then have the city and county attorney meet regarding a letter to the landowners. Discussion was held on the Tie Down seepage. Randy will discuss this issue again with the canal board to see if the work will be completed this fall. Randy reported that Ryan will working on the Dry Farm Road for the next several weeks. A motion was made by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to hire a full time road and bridge employee and to do away with all part time employees. Motion carried. Randy reported that the weeds have been sprayed along the bike path and they will be mowed soon.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Accept monthly reports for Sheriff's Department \$1,380.00, County Clerk \$12,572.50, Clerk of Court \$1,611.00, Circuit Court 9,701.00, Treasurer's Office Trial Balance and Cash Balance.
2. All commissioners sign Lease Agreement with Cloud Peak Counseling for rent at the crisis center.
3. Authorize chairman to sign Cooperative Agreement with Dept. of Family Services, Child Support and Washakie County Clerk of District Court.
4. All commissioners sign agreement with City of Worland regarding rent of the Law Enforcement Center.

5. All commissioners sign agreement with Worland Senior Center, Ten Sleep Senior Center, Crisis Prevention and Response and Children's Advocacy Project Inc. for funding for the 2014/2015 fiscal year.
6. Authorize chairman to sign Contract for Services with Wanda Richard regarding the Coroner Homeland Security funds.
7. All commissioners sign Dispatch User's Agreement with the City of Worland and Worland Fire Protection District No. 1.
8. Authorize chairman to sign OJJDP grant draw down request in the amount of \$106.71.
9. Authorize chairman to sign Homeland Security Draw down request in the amount of \$6,283.93.
10. Authorize chairman to sign Homeland Security draw down request in the amount of \$11,250.00.
11. Authorize chairman to sign Contract with Independent Contractor for Nurse Practitioner Services for Family Planning Clients at Washakie Family Planning.
12. Approve Assessment rolls for the following districts: Worland Drainage District, Worland Bench Drainage District, Highland Hanover Irrigation District, Bluff Irrigation District, Upper Bluff Irrigation District, Colter Drainage District, Big Horn Canal, Gooseberry Creek Irrigation District, Upper Hanover Irrigation District, South Circle Estates.
13. Authorize chairman to sign Family Planning Expense/Revenue report for June 2014.
14. Authorize chairman to sign Contract between State of Wyoming an, Dept. of Family Services and Washakie County regarding funding for Community Juvenile Services.
15. All commissioners sign letter to Amy Davidson regarding the terms for the Worland/Ten Sleep Visitors Counsel.
16. All commissioners sign letter to Attorney Tracy Copenhaver regarding outside counsel issues.
17. All commissioners sign a letter to Pubworks regarding software that was not received when it was purchased.

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

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

The motion to adjourn the meeting was rescinded by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey due to the fact that the budget hearing will be held beginning at five o'clock and the budget adopted directly after the hearing. Motion carried.

Those present for the budget hearing were Jim Butterfield, Amanda Heinemeyer, Wendy Frederick, Travis Filler, Dale Wagner, Randy and Le Ann Chenoweth, Ruth Bower, Gene Cliame, Ron Sopko and County Assessor Kathy Treanor.

The hearing was opened at 5:00 pm. Comments were received from Ron Sopko representing the Aquatic Center board and funding and Dale Wagner regarding budget line item clarification. The board took the information under advisement.

The budget hearing was closed at 5:17 pm.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to adopt the 2014/2015 budget with no additional changes being made to the current requests. Motion carried.

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

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Mary Grace Strauch  
Clerk to the Board

Aaron Anderson, Chairman  
Washakie County Commissioners