

08-02-16 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the minutes for the July 19, 2016 Commissioner Meeting. Motion carried.

County Attorney John Worrall, Assessor Kathy Treanor, Nowood Watershed District Representatives John Joyce and Terry O'Donnell. John Worrall reported that he had been in contact with the watershed district attorney and felt that the information that Big Horn County was seeking would be received soon and confirmation was made that Big Horn County would be approving the assessment today. Mr. Joyce reported that a NEPA study is needed to be completed and that could take up to 18 months or longer. Kathy stated that no other information was needed for the county to assess landowners. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve the assessment for the Nowood Watershed District. Motion carried.

Assessor Kathy Treanor presented the levys for 2016. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve the levys as presented for 2016. Motion carried.

Vouchers were paid as follows for July 2016.

Washakie Medical Center CEO Jay Stallings, Western Region President Jim Fernando, Building Maintenance Director Mark Schlattmann, Hospital Board of Trustee members Kip Mathison, Dan Scheurman, Dean Carrell, Gil McEndree, Wendy Sweeny and County Attorney John Worrall met to discuss the construction progress with the hospital remodel. Jay reported that Banner Health will be providing \$500,000 for the integrated video system. There was discussion that there would be bond funds to use for this purpose through the legal fees. It was found that the legal fees had already been spent at the very beginning of the project. There was a possibility that funds would have been needed from the hospital board or the county but Banner Health has provided all of the funding the video equipment. The hospital will now have state of the art equipment for the operating room.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve draw down request No. 16 in the amount of \$1,211,222.63 regarding the hospital remodel. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to contract for 2500 gallons of propane for \$1.33 with Big Horn Coop and to have all tanks filled before August 31, 2016 for the .99 cent price. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve purchasing a copier for the Worland Library from the Office Shop in the amount of \$3,995.00. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve the Family Planning meal reimbursement policy. Motion carried.

Fire Chief/Warden Chris Kocher reviewed with the board maps of the burn area of the Hatchery Fire that was located in the Big Horn Mountains. The fire has been 100% contained and all entities worked well together to fight the fire. An update on the Firewise grant funds was given. Additional money will be received and a contract will be sent to the board for approval.

Homeland Security Director Mike Orona reported that further discussion with entities is needed in regards to communicating what is needed from Mike in an emergency situation. There will be a meeting held in the near future to discuss this with emergency personnel. Mike reported that he is scheduled for training in Cheyenne the first week of September. Mike asked for an exemption in the policy to carry a firearm. The board would like to meet with the county attorney and sheriff before making this decision.

Approval was given to proceed with funding run out claims for four months with MBA of Utah and re evaluate at that time to see if additional time is needed for claim processing.

CONSENT AGENDA

Authorize chairman to sign Modification to Grant Agreement with Big Horn National Forest.

1. Authorize chairman to sign Community Juvenile Services Board contract with Youth Alternatives in the amount of \$45,000.00.
2. Accept monthly report for Sheriff's Dept. \$987.88, Clerk of Court \$1284.50, County Clerk \$10,745.00, Circuit Court \$9565.99.
3. Authorize chairman to sign right of way renewal grant for surveying instrument calibration base line.
4. All commissioners sign letter to Cloud Peak Counseling regarding a new contract.

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

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth and Planner David Anderson met with the board to discuss the meeting that was held in regards to the Winchester Bridge. The construction of the new structure will be paid for with BROS funds and 9.51% funding from the county road funds. There are no estimates on the cost of the bridge or no estimate on the timeline on replacement of the bridge at this time. Discussion was held on the possibility of a gravel pit being located on private land and that additional crushing could be done on the Dry Farm Pit. The board would like to advertise for bids to crush 5000 yards from the Dry Farm Pit and to start the process on receiving confirmation to move forward with a pit on private property. A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to authorize up to \$1500.00 to dig test holes on the private property with Nowood Construction after landowner approval is received. Motion carried.

Public Health Nurse Amanda Heinemeyer reviewed with the board the costs for tables and chairs for the homeland security building. A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to authorize approval of the purchase upon approval from the Dept. of Health to spend Ebola grant funds in the amount of \$7,173.00. Motion carried. Further discussion was held on a wellness program for county employees. Several phone calls were made regarding companies to assist with reading the blood draw results. A decision will be made at a later date.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth reviewed with the board the regulations regarding the use of state county road funds for projects and a timeline on advertising. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to authorize the advertising bidding the crushing on both sites and to have Randy work with Planner David Anderson on the advertising and a timeline to have the crushing competed upon approval of the county attorney. Motion carried.

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

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Mary Grace Strauch
Clerk to the Board

Aaron Anderson, Chairman
Washakie County Commissioners