

08-06-2013 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

The Board of County Commissioners met at the above date beginning at 9:00 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 County Assessor Kathy Treanor.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the minutes for the July 16, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

County Assessor Kathy Treanor reviewed with the board the tax levies for 2013. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to approve the levies for the general county, library, hospital, fair, special districts, schools and conservation district as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was held with County Assessor Kathy Treanor regarding a property tax issue regarding agricultural land classification notices that were sent to landowners in January. Discussion was held on a process that is available to ask for abatement to a tax and a letter will be written to the landowner regarding this issue.

Discussion was held on assistance that would be received from ERG regarding an on the ground inventory of lands with wilderness characteristics for Big Horn, Hot Springs, Park and Washakie County.

Vouchers for July 2013 were paid as follows:

Road and Bridge Working Superintendent Randy Chenoweth reviewed with the board the fair week work that was provided by the road and bridge crew. The crew continues to work on the roads as time permits. Discussion was held on damage to several roads in regards to irrigation sprinklers spraying on the roadways and erosion in several areas. The board will discuss this issue with landowners. Discussion was held on corral panels being located in the county right of way in Road 12 North of Worland. The board will look into this issue. Also discussed was a right of way easement with Washakie Pipeline LLC and Lane 4. Randy would like to have added to the easement that slurry work must be completed on the roadway after the line has been placed. The crew will work on cold mix patches along Road 54. This project will use approximately half of the asphalt that is available. Approval was given to proceed. Reiman Corp. will be using the Ten Sleep road and bridge shop to store equipment while working on a bridge in the area. Discussion was held on if several county pits needed to be reclaimed or turned back to the property owner. The specifications will need to be reviewed before a decision is made by the board. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to approve hiring one part time person for the remaining summer season for the road and bridge. Motion carried. Randy will be ordering two new tires for the road

graders. Repairs will be made to the older International truck. A wash out on the Lower Nowood will be addressed by the crew this week. Discussion was held on repairs needed on the Winchester Bridge.

After further discussion with Randy approval was given by the board to allow the additional pay for Randy regarding the Working Superintendent position beginning July 1, 2013, which will be reflected in the August pay period. Further discussion will be held with the County Attorney regarding the job title.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported that the fair went well. Tom will be working on the rock catcher at the sewage treatment center. Several sewer issues have been corrected at the Public Health building. Tom will continue to work on projects throughout the summer and fall.

Homeland Security Director Kimball Croft reviewed with the board the Homeland Grant # 13 distribution form that must be sent to the Homeland Security office. The percentages can be adjusted as needed if other issues arise regarding what the grant will cover. Also reviewed was a Memo of Understanding with the State Dam Engineering Department regarding a tabletop demonstration to be held regarding the Meadowlark Dam. Discussion was held on where the table top would be held and food that would be available for the exercise and reimbursements. Food is allowed to be paid through a Homeland Security Grant. The tentative date for the exercise is October 4, 2013.

John Nielsen met with the board to discuss issues with the irrigation on Lane 12. Discussion was held on building a rounded dam to place in the pipe so that additional water can be held back for irrigating. John will work on getting this dam built to see if that corrects the issue.

Planner David Anderson reviewed with the board Resolution No. 305 regarding the adoption of Road 8, which is located at the Septage Waste Site. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to approve Resolution No. 305 as presented and create the county roadway. Motion carried. Further discussion was held on the gravel pits that need to either be reclaimed or given back to the property owners. Approval has been received from DEQ to continue to monitor the erosion on the Cherry Creek pit. David will continue to work with the BLM regarding their requirements on the erosion after the DEQ has completed their report. David reported that he had sent a letter to landowners on West River Road regarding a nuisance issue. David will monitor the situation and report back to the board. Discussion was held on the water issue on Airport Road. At this time it does not appear to be a problem because the water has receded. David will continue to monitor the area. David received a call from a resident along Washakie Ave regarding having the ditch area cleaned in the near future. David will have the individual contact the drainage district regarding the issue. David continues to work on the possible parking lot for the bike path and he is in the process of completing the survey work regarding a portion of Lane 6, and the vacation of portions of Lane 14.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve bond for Tracy A. Glanz, City of Worland Clerk/Treasurer, in the amount of \$500,000.00.
2. Authorize chairman to sign Wyoming Health Council contract with Washakie County Family Planning.
3. 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, Hanover Irrigation District, South Circle Estates.
4. All commissioners sign agreement with Worland Senior Center regarding funding for 2013/2014.
5. All commissioners sign agreement with Ten Sleep Senior Center regarding funding for 2013/2014.
6. All commissioners sign WYDOT Acceptance Certificate regarding the Manderson-Ten Sleep Nowood Slide completion.
7. Approve bond for John W. Snyder, Jr., Upper Bluff Irrigation District Treasurer, in the amount of \$10,000.00.
8. Authorize chairman to sign contract with TY Pickett and the Washakie County Assessor's office.
9. Authorize chairman to sign service agreements with RT Communications regarding internet service for several connections.
10. Approve bond from Gregory A. Hammons, Worland/Ten Sleep Visitor's Council Treasurer, in the amount of \$20,000.00.
11. Approve bond for Tommy Ray Newell, Worland/Ten Sleep Visitor's Council General Manager, in the amount of \$20,000.00.
12. Accept monthly reports from Sheriff's Dept. \$1,360.00, County Clerk \$13,098.00, Clerk of District Court \$1,968.00, Treasurer's office Trial Balance and Cash Balance.
13. Authorize chairman to sign Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$6,000.00.
14. Approve bond for Rolly Redland, Predatory Animal Control District President, in the amount of \$5,000.00.

15. All commissioners sign letter thanking Amy Davidson for serving on the Worland/Ten Sleep Visitors Council.
16. Approve bond for Connie Gill, Worland Library Treasurer, in the amount of \$10,000.00.
17. All commissioners sign letter to Debbie Axtell regarding the process for a tax abatement.
18. Authorize chairman to sign Right of Way Easement with Washakie Pipeline LLC to cut Lane 4 and slurry in the cut areas.
19. Authorize chairman to sign draw down request No. 11 regarding the Fairview Site Project in the amount of \$101,003.00

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

County Attorney Marcy Argeris met with the board to discuss the road and bridge superintendent position and adjusting the job description and changing the job title to fit the needs of the position. Several additions were made to the job description by the board. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to continue to do updates to the job description for the road and bridge superintendent and present to Randy Chenoweth contingent upon a final review by the board and County Attorney. Motion carried.

Discussion was held with Planner David Anderson regarding property North of Worland and a cattle corral where panels have been placed within the county right of way. David will contact Sheriff Steve Rakness for assistance and survey the area and mark the right of way and discuss the issue with the landowner.

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