

08-15-2017 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 and Fred Frandson, and Clerk to the Board Mary Grace Strauch. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Northern Wyoming Daily News Editor Karla Pomeroy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve the minutes for the August 1, 2017 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth reported to the board that they had completed the first half of the Lime/Brine dust guard on Road 77. The Dry Farm road and pit area have been completed along with Road 82. Discussion was held on sending a letter to WYDOT regarding millings from Tom's Pit. The trees that are hanging over on Sesame Street will be addressed in the next couple of weeks. Also the weeds on Lane 12 ½ need to be addressed.

Washakie Development Director Le Ann Baker, new regional director Amy Quick, Mayor Jim Gill and Wyoming Business Council board member Ron Harvey met with the board to introduce Amy as the new regional director. Her office is located in Cody. She will continue to work with area counties on grants and any questions that arise with business council grants.

Ron Harvey discussed with the board an electrical issue with the hospital regarding the underground sprinklers.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported to the board that the sod will be laid where the Chamber building was located. Estimates to erect a fence at the search are rescue building is as follows: Ron's Sanitation \$3,200.00, O'Donnell Maintenance \$2,800.00. Possible materials that may be needed estimated cost is \$7,500.00 depending on how much of the original chain link fence can be used. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to accept the estimate from O'Donnell Maintenance for \$2,800.00 and proceed with have the fence erected. Motion carried. Tom reported that the handicapped door to the Courthouse had been damaged and will need to be replaced with an updated door in the future. Work continues on the secure hold area. The after school specifications were reviewed. The HVAC will be moved to the closet area and stone for the front of the building that matches the current stone will be added. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to authorize to send the bid specification package to the Wyoming Business Council and begin advertising after approval is received from the business council for the after school project. Motion carried.

The board thanked Tom for his hard work and dedication to working with the fairboard throughout fair week. Commissioner Anderson stated that there are still things that need to be updated at the fair grounds. The county has spent over \$260,000 in the last five years on upgrading buildings etc. at the grounds.

Youth Alternatives Director Sarah Garcia and grant writer Sheri Gunderson reported that the director of the after the bell program in Ten Sleep has taken a job in Worland so a new director will be hired. Discussion was held on having this person do the after school program and also work at the library. Sarah reported that she is working on two pilot programs through the Juvenile Justice Grant.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve a special assessment for the Lower Nowood Improvement and Service District regarding a water line placement. Resolution for the special assessment and maintenance fee was passed by the improvement district board after the county levies were set. Motion carried.

Planner David Anderson, Homeland Security Director Jeff Schweighart, Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth, Resident Engineer Dan McAfee, Superintendent of Public Works Brian Burky, Mayor Jim Gill and County Attorney John Worrall met with the board to discuss moving the sand bar in the Big Horn River. David has estimated the sand to be 18,600 yards. Discussion was held several landowners that the sand could be stock piled on. John will work on agreements with Cloud Peak Investments, Landis Benson and Wade and Janis Jeffries regarding stock piling the sand. There is a 90 foot right of way with WYDOT from the centerline of the bridge. The bid specifications will be for either the contractor hauling off the sand or the county and city trucks assist with hauling off the sand. Discussion was held on removing Russian Olive trees and other debris that may need to be removed for the stock pile. Also discussed were long term solutions so that the sand bar does not build up again. Approval was given to proceed with the bidding process after the agreements with landowners have been completed.

Fire Chief/Warden Chris Kocher, BLM Representative John Elliott, County Attorney John Worrall and Homeland Security Director Jeff Schweighart met with the board to review the proposed resolution for a temporary burn ban during the eclipse event. Discussion was held on wording in the resolution regarding refuse burning and the spark arrester that is needed and the timeframe for burning refuse. Also discussed is if the general public that is passing through the county would even know there was a ban or if it was only going to really affect the county residents. BLM has issued a stage 2 ban on all public lands. A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to pass Resolution No. 333 regarding a temporary burn ban effective August 18, 2017 at 6:00 am until August 23, 2017 at 6:00 am. Motion carried.

Banner Health Representative Brad McCaslin and County Attorney John Worrall reviewed with the board Bid Package # 8 regarding the gift shop furnishings. Estimated cost is \$5,881.00. A

motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to authorize the chairman to sign the bid waiver and order regarding bid package No. 8. Motion carried.

Many area landowners and city and county representatives attended a FEMA/Wyoming Homeland Security presentation regarding the presidential declaration for flooding in Washakie County. The county has not been declared yet but can be added to the declaration if there is enough property damage in the area. Timelines and documentation that will be needed was discussed by all present.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to convene into executive session beginning at 3:45 pm with County Attorney John Worrall by phone. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to reconvene into regular session beginning at 4:35 pm. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to create a personnel questionnaire for employees. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to authorize the chairman to sign the MOU with the City of Worland regarding the sand bar removal. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Accept monthly report for Clerk of Court \$1,305.80, Circuit Court \$8,166.82, Treasurer's Office Trial Balance and Cash Balance.
2. Authorize chairman to sign VOA draw down request in the amount of \$864.08.
3. Authorize chairman to sign Family Planning Expense/Revenue report for July 2017.
4. Authorize chairman to sign Wyoming Dept. of Health WIC contract.
5. All commissioners sign letter to WYDOT regarding the use of millings located in Tom's Pit.

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

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

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Mary Grace Strauch
Washakie County Clerk

Terrence D. Wolf, Chairman
Washakie County Commissioners