

09-17-2019 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the minutes for the September 3, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

Bids were opened for two county owned pieces of property. The first bid was for property located at T48N-R92W Sec. 20. One bid was received from Andrew Getzfreid and Katherine Coguill in the amount of \$507.15. The second piece of property located at T45N-R94W Lot 1. Two bids were received as follows: Chad and Cheri Frimml \$580.00, Cathie Presley \$1,200.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to accept the bid from Andrew Getzfreid and Katherine Coguill in the amount of \$507.15 to be paid in cash within the next 30 days. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to accept the high bid from Cathie Presley in the amount of \$1,200.00 to be paid in cash within the next 30 days. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Keith Bower reported that a tree had fallen along Washakie Ave and the limb was removed. Keith will be asking Carrell Tree Service to take down the remainder of the tree when they do the trimming of the other trees. Keith will be ordering cattle guards in the near future. Discussion was held on repair work that needs to be completed on North Hillcrest. There is a portion of road that has deteriorated. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to authorize Wild West to patch the 145 foot by 25 foot area on North Hillcrest for the estimated amount of \$9,500.00 with a cost share with the City of Worland. Motion carried. Discussion was held on issues with a few areas of Road 54 and the Landfill Road at the bottom of the hill and the need for roto mill to be placed until the double invert is completed next year. Keith reported that the crew continues to grade roads and the contracted mowing will begin soon. Discussion was held on Road 580 regarding a possible culvert replacement where a Black Hills Bentonite Truck dropped off. This may be an emergency issue. Discussed was the need for an agreement with Black Hills Bentonite regarding maintenance of the roadway.

Commissioner Frandson stated that the estimated cost for engineering on the Lower Nowood slide area would be more than \$20,000. Discussion was held on doing and Request For Proposal (RFP) for the engineering and construction. Keith reported that the rip-rap at the slab

on Lane 17 needs adjusted regarding the flow of the water. Keith will receive prices for the project and report to Commissioner Frandson.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported to the board that the Demo Derby went well and there were no issues with clean up. The issue with the shower stall at the jail is not related to the plumbing. There will need to be some investigating on the structural issue because it is cinderblock and cement construction. Tom will report to the board with an estimated cost when he knows more of the cause. Discussion was held on the groundskeeper applications. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to convene into executive session beginning at 10:00 am with Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer to discuss personnel. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to reconvene into regular session beginning at 10:15 am. Motion carried. Interviews will be set for Monday September 23 beginning at 3:00 pm for all applicants.

Public Health Nurse Amanda Heinemeyer reported to the board that the screen free week had started. There has been one positive case of West Nile Virus in Washakie County. The first flu clinic will be October 4 at the Worland Senior Center. Discussion was held on an upcoming health assessment that will take place on October 2. Discussion was held on e-cigarette and vaping issues around the United States.

Planner David Anderson reported that he has had several interested engineering firms in regards to the bike path. David has found some notes and photos of the gabions as they were placed when the bike path was built. David continues to work on letters to landowners regarding rights of way on Road 17 and 17 ½. Further discussion was held on Road 580 and the issue with the culvert and a safety issue. Commissioner Anderson, David and Road and Bridge Superintendent Keith Bower will view the area this day and there may be a need for the planner to place an ad to receive estimates for a culvert replacement. David will work on an RFP for engineers regarding the Lower Nowood slide area and after the engineering study is completed bids can be taken for the construction of the repair. The board would like the engineer to be able to oversee the construction of the project. There may be rock available from the Paxton Berm project for additional county projects. At this time Wyoming Sugar is in need of rock for a diversion in the river.

Commissioner Frandson reported that the Bureau of Reclamation's response to the issue of the low flow of the river is that this flow is normal flow of operation for this time of year. The bureau will be able to assist Wyoming Sugar with in-flow engineering and the conservation district with NRCS engineers for assistance to Wyoming Sugar. Senators Enzi, Barrasso and Representative Cheney are all aware of the issue and continue to monitor the water flow.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to appoint Alan Barnett to the Predatory Animal Board as a director representing sportsmen for a term of three years. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve a payment to Bobby Brubaker in the amount of \$3039.00 for an access fee for road material from the BLM. Motion carried.

Lee and Gerry Kennedy, WDA Director Le Ann Baker, County Attorney John Worrall, Library Director Karen Funk and Library Board member Theresa Livingston met with the board to discuss the purchase of the Ace Hardware building for the Washakie County Library. The Agreement for the Sale and Purchase of Real Estate would be to purchase the building for \$525,000.00 and to allow the county commissioners 60 days from today to look at the option of purchasing the property north of the Ace Hardware building, which is currently the Ace Hardware rental building for a total price of \$650,000.00. Funds for the Ace Hardware building will become available at the November 5, 2019 meeting. These are funds from the one-cent sales tax. The funds for the purchase of the Ace Rental building will not be one-cent sales tax funds as this building would be used for other county entities. There will be a Lease Agreement with the Kennedy's for a maximum of one year for a rental fee to be paid quarterly in the amount of \$780.00 per quarter for the Ace Hardware building and possibility of \$340.00 per quarter for the Ace Rental building. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to execute the Agreement for Sale and Purchase of Real Estate in regards to the Kennedy Ace Hardware Building. Motion carried. Commissioner Anderson reported that the initial design work has been started and will continue with public input.

Discussion was held with County Attorney John Worrall on the county bidding policy and work that has previously been completed with ERG for a Natural Resource Management Plan. John will look into the current policies and the previous work that has been completed by ERG and report back to the board.

Aquatic Board members William Tempany, Theresa Livingston and County Attorney John Worrall met with the board to discuss the current Joint Powers Board Agreement that the Aquatic Board members are working under. Discussion was held on the endowment and possibility of funds that could be made available for repairs that are needed. Also discussed was the issues with the agreement and the fact that if one of the three entities vote no the issue can go no further. At this time the City of Worland, Washakie County and Washakie County School District No. 1 are the three entities that are involved in the Joint Powers Board agreement. Mr. Tempany will meet with the Washakie County School District No. 1 board in the near future and report back to the board.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Accept report for August from Sheriff's Department \$1,628.25, Circuit Court \$8,615.92, Treasurer's Office Trial Balance and Cash Balance.
2. Authorize chairman to sign Expense/Revenue report for August 2019 with Family Planning.

3. Authorize chairman to sign MOU between Wyoming Supreme Court and Washakie County for equipment with Circuit and District Court.
4. Authorize chairman to sign Quarterly Grant Reimbursement Request Form for September 2019.
5. All commissioners sign letter to Bureau of Land Management regarding a barracks project to house veteran firefighters in the Worland area.
6. Authorize chairman to sign Tumbleweed Propane contract for 7000 gallons of propane at \$1.40 per gallon.
7. All commissioners sign letter to Business Recruitment Manager through WDA.

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

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

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Mary Grace Strauch
Clerk to the Board

Fred W. Frandson, Chairman
Washakie County Commissioners