

## 11-07-2017 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 Commissioner Aaron Anderson.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to approve the minutes for the October 17, 2017 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Vouchers for October 2017 were paid as follows:

County Attorney John Worrall reviewed with the board the MOU regarding extraterritorial jurisdiction with the City of Worland police and sheriff's department. John will further review the wording in the document before approval is given to sign. Discussion was held on combining the Worland and Ten Sleep Solid Waste Boards. John will begin to review the legal aspects of joining the two districts.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to convene into executive session beginning at 10:26 am with County Attorney John Worrall to discuss possible litigation. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Frandson and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to reconvene into regular session beginning at 10:40 am. Motion carried. No decision was made.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Stuart Bower reported to the board that a new fuel pump and parts will need to be purchased for the grader. Estimated cost is \$6,800.00. This grader has 8000 hours. Discussion was held on receiving prices for a newer used grader and the trade in value. Stuart will work with Mark Lungren on getting prices for striping the roadways next spring. The crew will work on fire signs on West River Road. Stuart will get prices on an electrical driver and hydraulic driver and a flatbed trailer to haul the skid steer and other equipment. Prices will be checked with WYDOT regarding the use of their used delineator posts for the county to use.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported that the search and rescue fence had been completed. The secure hold will be complete by the end of the month. Discussion was held on protective covers for the sprinklers in the secure hold rooms along with a shut off valve if the sprinklers are activated by a patient.

A budget hearing was opened at 11:30 am regarding the Firewise Grant. The grant is from the Wyoming Forestry Division. Amount of the grant is \$259,000.00. There was no one present for the hearing. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner

Frandsen to close the hearing at 11:31 am. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Frandsen and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to increase the budget for the grant in the amount of \$259,000.00. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on moving forward with an interim director for the next 6 months. Discussion was held on forming a committee of the interim director, 3 EMT's, Administrative Assistant Sandy Beck, the medical director and one commissioner to begin to look at possibly privatizing the ambulance service or hiring a full time ambulance director that will not be allowed to have another job. The committee will look at both options. This will allow for enough time to either put in place the director or privatizing the service by July 1, 2018.

County Attorney John Worrall advised the board not to sign the MOU regarding the extraterritorial jurisdiction until the wording in the document has been reviewed by the city attorney.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandsen and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to appoint Wendy Press Sweeny to the Worland/Ten Sleep Visitors Council. Motion carried. Term to expire on June 30, 2020.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frandsen and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to convene into executive session beginning at 1:56 pm with Assistant Ambulance Director Gard Ferguson to discuss personnel. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandsen to reconvene in to regular session beginning at 2:27 pm. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandsen to establish Gard Ferguson as the Interim Director for the ambulance service, establish a committee to discuss the future of the ambulance service consisting of the interim director, 3 EMT's, Administrative Assistant Sandy Beck, the medical director and one commissioner. Motion carried.

County Attorney John Worrall reported that he and City Attorney Kent Richins will be rewording the MOU with the City of Worland police and have a draft document available by the next meeting.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Authorize chairman to sign U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs Lease Agreement regarding the lease of the VA Clinic in the amount of \$1100.00 per month.
2. Authorize chairman to sign Homeland Security Grant SHSP in the amount of \$24,430.00.
3. Accept monthly reports from Sheriff's Department \$1,397.50, County Clerk \$9,627.75, Clerk of Court \$1,003.35, Circuit Court \$8060.00.

4. All commissioners sign letter to all EMT's regarding serving on the ambulance committee.
5. All commissioners sign letter to payroll clerk regarding hiring Keith Bower with the Road and Bridge crew.
6. All commissioners sign letter to those that did not get interviewed for the road and bridge position.

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 Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Frandson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

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Mary Grace Strauch  
Washakie County Clerk

Terrence D. Wolf, Chairman  
Washakie County Commissioners