

## 11-17-2015 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

The Board of County Commissioners met at the above date beginning at 9:00 am. Those present were Chairman Aaron Anderson, Members Terry Wolf and Dale Wagner and Clerk to the Board Mary Grace Strauch. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the minutes for the November 3, 2015 meeting. Motion carried.

City Planner Brian Burkey and Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth presented the Washakie Ave snow Memo of Understanding regarding snow removal. A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the Memo of Understanding as presented which has been already been approved by the City of Worland. Motion carried. Brian will further discuss with the county planner the sewer line placement at the fairgrounds.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth reported that the BLM paperwork regarding the proposed gravel pit will be presented at the December 1 meeting. Randy reported that the Cherry Creek slab has been completed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to hire Stuart Bower for the road and bridge heavy equipment operator position with a starting salary of \$37,840.37. Commissioner Anderson stated his concern over hiring a person from Worland when there was a qualified applicant from Ten Sleep. He felt it would save the county money not to have two employees drive to Ten Sleep each day. Motion carried.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer reported to the board that work will continue on the inside of the new Search and Rescue building. Tom will meet with Planner David Anderson regarding the sewer line placement. Heat tape will be put along the rain gutters on the north side of the new search and rescue building. Tom reported that Johnson Controls fixed the heating system at the courthouse. Estimated cost to renovate the conference building at the fairgrounds for Homeland Security is \$84,000.00. The windows do not need replaced. A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the cost for the remodel and allow Tom to move forward with the project. Motion carried.

Youth Alternatives Director Sarah Garcia reported that the VOA grant amount of this coming year is \$27,708.00. Several other grants have been applied for to assist with the Ten Sleep Youth Learning Center. Discussion was held on a crisis center area for children in need of a safe place to go. A suggestion was a room or place within the new crisis center building.

County Attorney John Worrall met with the board to discuss the air medical transport draft contracts with Eagle Med/REACH and Guardian Flights. Also discussed was the Aquatic Center ballot wording and the joint powers agreement regarding the endowment funds and how they can be utilized. John will review the information and report back to the board.

A phone call was placed to Homeland Security Director Kimball Croft. Kimball reported that Homeland Grant HSG 15 has been approved for \$37,900.00. This is a competitive grant. Items approved were equipment for the new EOC, a storage box, radios and exercises. A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the grant agreement and authorize the chairman to sign. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve the Notice of Interest paperwork to move forward with the Sage Creek/Rail Way Ave. project. Motion carried. A spreadsheet was reviewed of additional equipment for the Homeland Security Building that Kimball will be applying for additional grant funds for. A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve moving forward with the grant applications as needed for the equipment. Motion carried. A letter will be sent to Director Guy Cameron regarding re-allocating funds with the HSG 14 grant.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to open the liquor license hearing at 11:00 am. Motion carried. The hearing notice was read. There was no one present for the hearing. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to close the hearing at 11:02 am. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve the Liquor License applications for RBK Ranches, LLC, Big Horn Mountain Ski Lodge LLC, and a Microbrewery License for Ten Sleep Brewing Company. Motion carried.

Tom Outland and Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth met with the board to review the road viewers report for road Petition No. 105, which would make that Shooting Complex road a county road. The recommendation by the road viewer is to have the petitioners place a culvert within the roadway and then the county will have the proposed roadway surveyed and a plat created before establishing the roadway. The petitioners will need to pay for having the culvert placed not the county. As soon as the culvert is placed the survey work can be completed.

Washakie Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees Dan Scheuerman, Gil McEndree and Wendy Press Sweeny stated to the board that there was not much reduction in costs from the low bidder on the therapy room project. The commissioners feel that the total project needs to be re-assessed and cut back to fit the estimated project costs due to the fact that consensus funds were approved for this project.

Washakie Medical Center CEO Jay Stallings, County Attorney John Worrall, WDA Director Le Ann Chenoweth, representatives from Guardian Flight and Eagle Med/REACH air medical services presented two contracts for services. Discussion was held on what both had to offer the community in regards to having a fixed wing aircraft in Washakie County and how soon that

could happen, how county residents and surrounding residents would be covered. Guardian Flights has done all of their due diligence reporting and can guarantee an aircraft within 120 days of signing the contract. Eagle Med/REACH verbally today stated they could guarantee an aircraft in the area. Guardian Flight covers all county residents and surrounding residents and has aircrafts already located in several cities in the state. Eagle Med/REACH has had a year to make a decision on locating a fixed wing air craft in Worland and has not come through until the last 24 hours when they had the pressure of competition. Those residents that have purchased additional coverage through Eagle Med will continue to have coverage until their term expires. A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to accept the contract for coverage effective this day with Guardian Flight for the Washakie County residents. Motion carried.

Representative Mike Greear, WDA Director Le Ann Chenoweth, County Assessor Kathy Treanor and Tax Appraiser Caryn Agee met with the board to discuss a proposed matrix for over the cap and hardship funding for counties to be reviewed this upcoming legislative session. Discussion was held on how much more fair the proposal was than several years ago and also discussed was how many more proposals will become available as the session gets closer. Washakie County is in support of this concept.

A joint letter to the Governor was approved by the board to be sent by the Wyoming County Commissioners Association.

Discussion was held on another meeting with the Chamber of Commerce board, WDA board and Visitors Council Board in January 2016.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Accept monthly reports for October from Circuit Court \$9,874.00, Treasurer's office Trial Balance and Cash Balance.
2. Accept Washakie County School District No. 1 Basic Financial Statements ending June 30, 2015.
3. All commissioners sign letter to .Gov Domain Registration for a confidential email set up for the law enforcement center.
4. All commissioners sign letter to Homeland Security Office regarding amendment to HSGP grant No. 14.
5. Authorize chairman to sign Volunteers of America Grant agreement in the amount of \$27,708.00.
6. All commissioners sign letter to MBA regarding payment to several hospitals with past due employee notices.

7. Authorize chairman to sign Family Planning Expense/Revenue report for October.
8. Authorize chairman to sign right of way easement with John Ferguson to bore under Road 12.
9. All commissioners sign letter to WDA Boards, Chamber of Commerce Board and Visitors Council regarding a meeting to be set in January.

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

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

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Mary Grace Strauch  
Clerk to the Board

Aaron Anderson, Chairman  
Washakie County Commissioners