

## 12-02-2014 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

The Board of County Commissioners met at the above date beginning at 9:00 am. 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 Sheriff Steve Rakness. Present was commissioner elect Dale Wagner.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the minutes for the November 18, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

Victims Witness Coordinator Mandy Horath presented to the board her letter of resignation from her position as Victims Witness Coordinator for the County Attorney's office effective December 31, 2014. Sheriff Steve Rakness thanked Mandy for her assistance on many cases in Washakie County. The board thanked Mandy for all of her services that she has provided to the community.

Vouchers were paid for November as follows:

Road and Bridge Superintendent Randy Chenoweth reported to the board that further discussion needs to be held with the canal districts regarding the seepage issue on Tie Down Road because the landowner would like to see the canal fixed first before he does any work on his property. Discussion was held on a Lane 1 agreement that Randy has been working on with the Big Horn County Road and Bridge Superintendent. The board will review the agreement before any decisions are made. Discussion was held on several county roads where complaints have been received regarding snow removal. The board would like to see the crew work at getting roads cleared and safe rather than worry about building up comp time. When the weather clears the comp time can be taken. Approval was given for the crew to dig a new pit for the Ten Sleep landfill in the near future. Discussion was held on repairs that have been done on the new snow plow and repairs needed to the 2005 Chevrolet Pickup. Approval was given to proceed with both issues. A motion was made by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to purchase 208 linear feet of cattle guard from True North in the amount of \$33,936.00. Motion carried. The other estimate received from Hout Fencing was \$37,362.00.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer met with the board to review the energy lease grant for insulation at the fair building and lights at the Ten Sleep Library. The cost for the insulation is \$27,089.00 with a energy savings of \$2,755.00. Cost for the new lights is \$8,100.00 with a 40% saving on electricity. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by

Commissioner Harvey to approve both lease grant applications with the Fair building being Priority No. 1 and the Ten Sleep Library Priority No. 2. Motion carried.

Auditor Steve Stine presented the audit report for fiscal year 2013-2014. Steve announced that he would be retiring on December 31, 2014. Discussion was held on a firm in Utah that is still doing audits. To Steve's knowledge there are no local firms that are auditing.

CEO for Washakie Medical Center Jay Stallings, Hospital Board of Trustees Gil McEndree, Anna Venable, Kip Mathison, and Financial Advisor Terry Casey by phone presented an optimum structure of the financing for the Washakie Medical Center project as a private placement structure with a lower interest rate, no debt service reserve fund and a shorter lease term. The county can commit to an equity/cash contribution of \$500,000 but has no other equity that can be committed to the project at this time. Grants will be sought for equipment through the State Lands and Investments Board or other potential grantors. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to authorize Terry Casey to communicate with Banner Health representatives the financial information discussed for approval by the Banner Health board on December 4, 2014 and a letter will be sent by the board to CEO Jay Stallings with the same information. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to convene into executive session beginning at 3:28 pm with Planner David Anderson to discuss a personnel issue. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to convene into regular session beginning at 3:49 pm. Motion carried. David will email his timesheet to the board each month and discussion will be held with the board on comp time earned and taken.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Authorize chairman to sign draw down request for OJJDP/VOA.
2. Accept bond for Mark Dooley, Washakie County Predatory Animal Board Vice President in the amount of \$5,000.00.
3. Accept bond for Rolly Redland, Washakie County Predatory Animal Board President, in the amount of \$5,000.00.
4. Accept bond for Chris Schmeltzer Washakie County Predatory Animal Board Secretary/Treasurer in the amount of \$5,000.00.
5. Authorize chairman to sign Agreement between Washakie County and Roy Decker and Sons regarding the search and rescue steel building.

6. Approve right of way easement with High Plains Power Inc to cross Lane 14.
7. Accept reports from Sheriff's Dept. \$1,571.00, County Clerk \$10,701.25.
8. Authorize chairman to sign exemption application to the Washakie County Assessor regarding several county owned properties.
9. Authorize chairman to sign WAM-WCCA Energy Lease Program grant applications for the Fair building and the Ten Sleep Library
10. Authorize chairman to sign the By Laws of the Board of Trustees of Washakie Medical Center that have been approved by Attorney Steve Freudenthal.
11. Approved the following holidays for 2015: January 1 and 2 –New Years, February 16- President's Day, April 3-Good Friday, May 25-Memorial Day, July 3-Independence Day, September 7-Labor Day, October 12-Columbus Day, November 11-Veteran's Day, November 26 and 27-Thanksgiving, December 24 and 25-Christmas.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Harvey 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 Harvey to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

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Mary Grace Strauch  
Clerk to the Board

Aaron Anderson, Chairman  
Washakie County Commissioners