

OFFICIAL MINUTES

November 17, 2015

The Weston County Commissioners convened at 9:00 a.m., Chairman Bill Lambert presiding. Present were Commissioners: Tony Barton, Tracy Hunt, Randy Rossman, Marty Ertman, County Clerk Cheryl Kregel and Administrative Assistant Dan Blakeman.

Good of the Order

Commissioner Barton gave the invocation and Commissioner Rossman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Rossman moved and Chairman Lambert seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Discussion Items

Discussion was held concerning the timeliness of the Commissioners' minutes. A request for an opinion as to the statutory requirements was asked of the County Attorney. No action was taken.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Commissioner Rossman moved and Commissioner Barton seconded to approve the consent agenda including the minutes from November 3, 2015. Motion carried.

Discussion Items

A discussion was held concerning privacy concerns of the restroom located in the basement of the Courthouse.

The meeting recessed at 9:18 a.m. and resumed at 9:28 a.m.

Contract Engineer

Jerry Hunt, Contract Engineer, updated the Commissioners on the Road & Bridge shop floor and the EOC roof. Commissioner Hunt moved and Commissioner Rossman seconded to have Chairman Lambert sign the Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed for the HVAC system to be installed by Powder River Heating/Air Conditioning. Motion carried.

Rare Elements Resources

Mike Finn, Rare Elements Resources, updated the Commissioners on the progress of their continuing projects.

The meeting recessed at 10:12 a.m. and resumed at 10:25 a.m.

County Attorney

William Curley, County Attorney, updated the Commissioners on the purchase agreement with Pinnacle Bank. Commissioner Barton moved and Commissioner Hunt seconded to authorize Chairman Lambert to sign the revised contract between the Forest Service and Weston County of the office space of the Extension office. Motion carried. Also updates on the easement for Upton/Fairview Road and progress on Title 25 with Campbell County Hospital. Also presented by Commissioner Ertman, a revised copy of the By-Laws for Mallo Camp for the Commissioners and Attorney Curley to review.

Budget Amendment Hearing

Commissioner Rossman moved and Commissioner Ertman seconded, to hold a budget amendment hearing on Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. to consider increasing the general fund portion of the FY budget by \$141,000.00 for unanticipated insurance monies from the Weston County Event Center. Monies will be allocated into two expenditure accounts: 100.00.20.0099000.0000, Gen. Misc. Financial Admin and 100.00.20.0317000.0000, Gen Misc. Courthouse Preservation Fund. Motion carried.

Weston County Library

Brenda Ayres, Director for the Library, meet with the Commissioners on purchasing a new copy machine. Ms. Ayres had 3 quotes from Top Office Supply of Sheridan. Discussion was heard on various types of copiers and printers. Ms. Ayres will be researching more on the copier/printers and revisit the Commissioners.

Discussion Items

Commissioner Ertman and Administrative Assistant Dan Blakeman provided the Commissioners with spread sheets on the new Michael Madden Matrix for direct county funding. The WY County Commissioner Association would like our opinion on this formula. The BOCC will revisit the discussion at 1:00 p.m.

Old Business

Commissioner Barton updated the Commissioners on the specs for the Weston County Youth Exhibit building. The Commissioners had asked Homeland Security Coordinator, Scott Rager to bring before them a job description. He gathered information on his duties and what other counties have adopted. The Commissioners will review the information and will meet with Mr. Rager at the next meeting. Also presented to the Commissioners was a Grant for \$37,369.00 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and will be addressed at 1:00 p.m.

New Business

The Commissioners discussed the possibility of bringing Michelle Pierce of the U.W. Extension Office to do a Board Training. County Clerk Cheryl Kregel will contact Ms. Pierce to make sure the date of January 21, 2016 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. works and update the Commissioners. Also, the new Board Appointments will be coming up in January and will be advertised throughout the month of December.

Visitor Comments

Chairman Lambert opened the floor to morning visitor comments. Ted Ertman, member of the Mallo Camp Board, wanted input from the Commissioners on the new By-Laws for the Mallo Camp Board before they approve them. Also informed the Commissioners that the Mallo Camp Board's EIN number has been closed.

The meeting recessed at 12:00 p.m. for lunch and resumed at 1:00 p.m.

Discussion Items

Discussion on the new Michael Madden Matrix for direct county funding was discussed. Commissioner Ertman will contact WCCA to let them know it will be ok with the BOCC. Commissioner Rossman moved and Commissioner Hunt seconded, to authorize Chairman Lambert to sign the Grant for \$37,369.00 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), State Homeland Security Program (SHSP). Motion Carried.

Administrative Assistant

Dan Blakeman, Administrative Assistant brought Resolution 15-06 before the Commissioners. Commissioner Barton moved to approve and authorize the signature of Chairman Lambert for the application of Resolution 15-06 for the MRG Grant in the amount \$275,000.00. The grant is for updating the Courthouse's fire alarm system and installing a fire sprinkler system to bring our Historical Courthouse up to code and Commissioner Rossman seconded. Motion carried. Updates on snow removal for the courthouse and surrounding grounds, update on grants, proposed uses for the new building and Randy Hein of Hein|Bond will be inspecting the Courthouse for upcoming construction.

Legislature Update

Wyoming State Representatives Hans Hunt and State Senator Ogden Driskill were invited by the Commissioners to discuss issues that will be discussed during the Legislative Session in February. The views of Mr. Hunt and Mr. Driskill on topics such as possible cuts in the budget, and the new direct funding matrix presented by Representative madden were heard.

Weston County Event Center

The Commissioners toured the Weston County Event Center to see the progress that has been taking place.

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Attest: County Clerk
Cheryl Kregel

Bill Lambert
Chairman

