

February 1, 2011

The regular meeting of the Weston County Commissioners convened at 9:15 a.m. with Chairman Tom W. Bruce presiding. Present for the meeting were Commissioners: Tom W. Bruce, Martha Ertman, Randy Rossman, and County Clerk, Mamie C. Krank. Commissioner Lenard D. Seeley joined the meeting at 9:25 a.m. and Commissioner Jerry Shepperson joined the meeting at 10:16 a.m.

**Good of the Order**

Commissioner Rossman gave the Invocation and Commissioner Ertman led the delegation in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approve Minutes**

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting as published, and the minutes of the Special Meeting held January 26, 2011. Carried.

**Accept Collections**

A Motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman to accept the collection of the County Clerk in the amount of: \$7,953.50. Carried.

**Wildlands Issue**

The Wyoming County Commissioners Association (WCCA) is seeking contributions from Counties to assist with the legal costs related to Secretary Salazar's Order 3310 (Designation of Wildlands). Commissioner Rossman made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the WCCA to fight against Secretary Salazar's Order, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, motion Carried.

Commissioner Seeley joined the meeting.

**Homeland Security Grant LETPA-Coroner**

The Commissioners received a grant award for the Department of Homeland Security Law Enforcement & Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA), County Coroner's Office, in the amount of \$6,433.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to sign the grant award and advertise a Budget Hearing for March 1, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. Carried.

**Right of Way Consent Forms**

The Commissioners received ROW Consent Forms and a letter from Fran Lehman for upcoming projects on Breakneck Road, Musser Road, and the Upton Fairview Road. A motion was made by Commissioner Seeley to have Chairman Bruce sign the forms, seconded by Commissioner Rossman. Motion carried.

**Board Appointments**

The hour being 10:00 a.m. Chairman Bruce opened a hearing to consider Board Appointments.

**Central Weston County Solid Waste District (Osage Dump):** A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Seeley to appoint William McCollom and re-appoint Jim Eutsler and Rollie Dollison to three-year terms on the Central Weston County Solid Waste Board. Motion carried.

**Fair Board:** A motion was made by Commissioner Seeley to appoint Curtis Rankin to an unexpired five-year term, replacing Dick Rich, on the Fair Board, seconded by Commissioner Ertman. Motion carried. The hour being 10:15 a.m. Chairman Bruce closed the Board Appointment Hearing.

Commissioner Shepperson joined the meeting.

**Weston County Development Board**

An invitation was extended to the Board of Commissioners to attend a meeting held by the Weston County Development Board on February 9, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. at the Upton Community Center. After discussion it was concluded that Commissioner Ertman and Commissioner Shepperson would attend the meeting. No action was taken.

The meeting recessed at 10:55 a.m. and reconvened at 11:05 a.m.

#### **Homeland Security**

Doug Jorrey, Homeland Security Coordinator, presented the Department's report on current and projected projects. No action was taken.

#### **Painted Hills Road**

Doug Jorrey, Fran Lehman, Ray Pacheco and Tina Conklin were present to discuss issues with the name of a County Road. The discussion included current problems, possible solutions, and procedures. No action was taken. This issue will be revisited with the County Attorney present.

#### **Sheriff's Department**

Bryan Colvard, Weston County Sheriff introduced a new employee, Lawrence Dean Emmert, who was hired as a Jailer/Administrator for the Sheriff's Department. County Clerk, Mamie C. Krank, administered an oath of office to Mr. Emmert. Sheriff Colvard presented the Sheriff's Department report. The leak in the Sheriff's Department roof previously reported to the Commissioners is still under investigation. Sheriff Colvard indicated that there may be money available through a grant for the needed repairs. No action was taken.

The meeting recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 1:32 p.m., all present except Chairman Bruce, who traveled to Cheyenne on County business to testify before legislative committees. Vice Chairman, Jerry Shepperson presided over the remainder of the meeting.

#### **SLIB Grant Application-Law Enforcement (EOC)**

Ray Pacheco, County Growth & Development Coordinator presented the Commissioners with a State Loan & Investment Board (SLIB) Mineral Royalty Grant application in the form of a Resolution. The application is for the Law Enforcement Emergency Operations Center (EOC), in the amount of \$699,000.00. After reviewing, Commissioner Rossman made a motion authorizing Vice Chairman Shepperson to sign the application, seconded by Commissioner Ertman. Carried.

#### **SLIB Grant Application-Courthouse Boiler**

Ray Pacheco, County Growth & Development Coordinator presented the Commissioners with a State Loan & Investment Board (SLIB) Mineral Royalty Grant application in the form of a Resolution. The application is for the replacement of the Courthouse Boiler, in the amount of \$75,000.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Seeley, authorizing Vice Chairman Shepperson to sign the application. Motion carried.

#### **SLIB Grant Application-OISD**

Clifford Perkins, Board Member and Joe Wood Jr., Chairperson, for the Osage Improvement & Service District (OISD) presented the Commissioners with a State Loan & Investment Board (SLIB) Mineral Royalty Grant application in the form of a Resolution. The application is for replacement of the water and sewer lines within the OISD, in the amount of \$2,061,500.00. Commissioner Seeley made a motion authorizing Vice Chairman Shepperson to sign the application, to be attested to by Joe Wood, Jr. Seconded by Commissioner Ertman, motion carried.

#### **Accept Collections**

Commissioner Rossman moved to accept the District Court Collections in the amount of \$2,014.50, seconded by Commissioner Ertman. Motion carried.

#### **Porter Muirhead Cornia & Howard, PC (County Audit)**

The Commissioners received copies of the completed audit for fiscal year end June 30, 2010 from Porter Muirhead Cornia & Howard, PC.

### **Big Plum Creek Road**

Ed Wagoner and his family recently purchased land and will be building a house on Big Plum Creek Road, outside of Newcastle. Mr. Wagoner expressed concerns regarding maintenance on that road. Mr. Wagoner stated that he has spoken to Rick Williams, Road & Bridge Foreman, and Rick suggested he speak with the Commissioners. The Commissioners will discuss the issue with Rick Williams.

### **BLM-Sage Grouse**

Nate West and Rick Miller, Field Manager for the Bureau of Land Management made a presentation to the Commissioners on Sage Grouse key areas. The Commissioners were presented with a map showing the proposed key areas for Sage Grouse conservation. The goal is to protect Sage Grouse as a species from becoming listed as an endangered species while still allowing development. No action was taken.

### **Fair Event Center**

Bob Hartley, Newcastle City Engineer met with the Commissioners to discuss annexation of the Fair Event Center Building into the City of Newcastle.

### **Road & Bridge Department**

Rick Williams, Road & Bridge Foreman, gave the department report. County roads and equipment were discussed. The Commissioners mentioned Ed Wagoner had been in to discuss the conditions on Big Plum Creek Road, outside of Newcastle. Rick said he will try to get scheduled maintenance on that road.

### **Musser Road**

Darrell Schlup of Tri-Star Surveying was present along with Rick Williams to discuss progress on the Musser Road. No action was taken.

### **Approve Vouchers**

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to approve the vouchers as presented, with the exception of a voucher presented for payment to Ray Pacheco. Carried. They are as follows:

066 NCPERS, financial admin, \$288.00, AFLAC, payroll ded, \$2,099.08, Blue Cross Blue Shield, financial admin, \$40,580.45, Dept of Employment, financial admin, \$2,583.67, Office of Child Support, payroll ded, \$175.00, Orchard Trust, payroll ded, \$1,445.00, WEBT, financial admin, \$159.70, Weston County Clerk, financial admin, \$38,342.96, WY Child Support, payroll ded, \$514.00, WY Retirement System, financial admin, \$24,497.81, Flash Industrial Painting, contract labor, \$3,500.00, Hermes Consolidated Inc, gas/oil, \$41,219.06, Postmaster c/o Hmland Sec, postage, \$728.08, WEDA, school exp, \$239.00, Newcastle Motors, dry forks/wy gen/new equip, \$63,774.00, Dan Hart Patrol, exp, \$19,687.50, TruGreen-Chemlawn, repair/maint, \$1,213.94, Schutz Foss Architects, fair bldg, \$1,514.03, Hermes Consolidated, gas/oil, \$21,273.92, Dustbusters Inc, congestion mit, \$30,780.19, A&B Welding Supply, repair/maint, \$281.48, Ace Calibration Fire LLC, brd of prisoners, \$420.00, Ad Pro, office supp, \$1,602.70, All Clear Windows, supp, \$42.00, Alltel, comm, \$776.06, Alpha Communications, tower rent, \$133.01, ALSCO, supp, \$191.80, American Solutions for Business, supp, \$299.29, Apex Technology Solutions, software lic, \$1,115.00, Arrow Printing, supp, \$99.41, Becky Hadlock, miles/trvl, \$20.00, Best Business Products, copier maint, \$268.71, Black Hills Plumbing, repair/maint, \$964.38, Black Hills Power, util, \$2,873.50, Black Hills Printing & Signs, officer equip, \$406.80, Bob Barker Co, brd of prisoners, \$204.63, Bobcat Service, supp, \$558.75, Tom W. Bruce, miles/trvl, \$369.00, Buy A Safe.com, supp, \$280.95, Byrand Streeter, contract wages, \$1,020.87, C&J Newcastle Hardware, repair/maint, \$202.91, Cambria Supply, repair/maint, \$886.88, Carmen Carlson, mile/trvl, \$9.00, Casey Thorson, repair/maint, \$980.00, City of Newcastle, util/dispatch/p-defender, \$4,606.65, Culligan Water Conditioning, misc, \$57.00, Decker's Food Center, brd of prisoners, \$58.04, Dixon Bros Inc, gas/oil, \$483.16, Drive Train Industries Inc, repair/maint, \$333.46, Family Dollar Stores, supp, \$21.25, Fastenal Company, repair/maint, \$713.19, Fisher Sand & Gravel, grvl/rd material, \$18,394.02, FOCUS, focus, \$1,125.00, Frontier Auto Glass LLC, repair/maint, \$49.92, Gateway Auto Supply, veh maint, \$1,559.01, Godfrey's Brake Service, repair/maint, \$212.22, Graphic Design, brd of

prisoners, \$384.00, Grimm's Pump & Industrial Supply, repair/maint, \$10.70, Hansen & Peck, office exp, \$3,333.33, Hillyard/Sioux Falls, brd of prisoners, \$135.64, Inland Truck Parts, repair/maint, \$220.14, Jenner Equipment, repair/maint, \$44.31, Jerry Shepperson, mile/trvl, \$84.00, KASL, p-hlth exp, \$781.80, KYDT FM, comm, \$5.00, LA Publishing, supp, \$83.70, Lenard D. Seeley, mile/trvl, \$30.00, Lloyd Roberts, repair/maint, \$220.50, Lori Bickford, postage, \$690.99, Mamie C. Krank, school exp, \$485.08, Martha L. Ertman, mile/trvl, \$130.15, MasterCard, school exp, \$1,373.90, Max Masters, gis land records, \$1,700.00, MG Oil Company, gas/oil, \$484.45, Michelle Sweet, mile/trvl, \$8.43, Midwest Cancer Screening, p-hlth exp, \$23.70, Minuteman Lube Center, veh maint, \$166.40, Motorola, comm, \$8,565.00, Nesco, repair/maint, \$282.00, Neve's Uniforms Inc, uniforms, \$901.48, Newcastle Ambulance Service, ambInc, \$2,708.33, Newcastle Equipment Co, repair/maint, \$90.00, Newcastle Motors, repair/maint/hmlnd sec, \$867.32, News Letter Journal, print/publ/supp, \$2,749.69, Oil City Operating Inc, repair/maint, \$105.22, Osage Ambulance, ambInc, \$1,375.00, Pamida, supplies/brd of prisoners, \$618.13, Plainsman, supp, \$96.11, Positive Promotions, p-hlth exp, \$1,027.21, Postmaster c/o Hmlnd Sec, hmlnd exp, \$185.00, Powder River Energy Corp, util, \$1,132.15, Power Plan OIB, repair/maint, \$1,403.38, Randy Rossman, mile/trvl, \$24.00, Rapid Delivery, post/freight, \$41.80, Roadrunner Disposal Service, util, \$55.00, Roger Hesper, mile/trvl, \$303.82, RT Communications, comm, \$1,963.02, Saf-T-Net Inc, hmlnd exp, \$855.50, SDSM&T, school exp, \$150.00, Servall Uniform/Linen Co, repair/maint, \$225.32, Source Gas, util, \$4,207.21, Stephens-Peck Inc, misc, \$70.00, Sundance Equipment Co, repair/maint, \$4,641.95, Susan K. Overman, school exp, \$273.00, Ted Blocker Holsters, officer exp, \$100.50, Top Office Products, supp, \$564.38, Town of Upton, landfill, \$2,500.00, Tri Star Surveying, misc, \$520.50, USDA Forest Service, ag exp, \$3,820.63, Verizon Wireless, comm, \$50.86, VISA, school exp, \$1,086.13, Voelker's Autobody, veh maint, \$396.38, WAOA, repair/maint, \$100.00, WCS, comm, \$174.88, WD Larson Co LTD Inc, repair/maint, \$371.11, West End Water District, util, \$60.00, West Payment Center, law library, \$502.00, Western States Sheriff Assoc, public relations, \$100.00, WC Children's Ctr, child cntr, \$3,750.00, WC 4-H Council, home ec/state fair, \$96.22, WC Gazette, print/publ, \$800.00, WC Health Services, home hlth, \$1,250.00, WC Natural Resource Dist, garden, \$125.00, WC Peace Officers Assoc, public relations, \$225.00, WC Road & Bridge, veh maint/fuel, \$3,005.24, Whiteys Small Engine, repair/maint, \$413.02, WY Automotive Co, repair/maint, \$495.34, WY Dept of Health, p-hlth, \$14,872.90, WY Dept of Transportation, pre employment, \$20.00, WY Health Council, p-hlth, \$744.69, WY Honor Conservation Camp, brd of prisoners, \$1,985.20, WY Machinery Co, repair/maint, \$1,634.01, WY Network, financial admin, \$200.00, WY Public Health Lab, p-hlth, \$72.00, Net Payroll \$133,355.91.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Attest: Mamie C. Krank  
County Clerk

Tom W. Bruce  
Chairman