The regular meeting of the Weston County Commissioners convened at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Seeley presiding. Present for the meeting were Commissioners: Lenard D. Seeley, Jerry Shepperson, Randy Rossman, Tracy Hunt, Marty Ertman and County Clerk, Mamie C. Krank.

## **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

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

## **Approve Minutes**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held April 15, 2014, as published. Carried.

## **Accept Collections**

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to accept the collections of the County Clerk in the amount of \$12,533.75. Carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to accept the collections of the District Court Clerk in the amount of \$1,179.60. Carried.

The meeting recessed at 9:50 a.m. and reconvened at 9:57 a.m. with all present.

## **Public Transportation**

Scottie Murray, Safe Ride, met with the Commissioners and discussed Fiscal Year 2015 grant funding for public transportation in Weston County. Mr. Murray stated that the grant funding will be used to purchase an ADA compliant van and requested \$5,383.40 from both Weston County and the City of Newcastle to be used for the required twenty percent matching funds. The public transport service would go to Upton, Osage and Newcastle weekly. No action was taken.

## **Bureau of Land Management**

Rick Miller and Tracy Pinter, BLM, met with the Board and discussed the Northern Long Ear Bat (NLEB) and white nose syndrome, a fungus that decimates bat populations. NLE Bats have been caught in northern Campbell and Crook Counties, although their existence in Weston County is undetermined. Ms. Pinter related that the US Fish & Wildlife is concerned about the forested areas around caves and mines which are hibernation areas for the NLE Bat. The final ruling to determine if the bat should be listed as endangered is expected from the US Fish & Wildlife Service in October of 2014. Mr. Miller distributed literature on the NLE Bat along with a map showing possible habitat in Campbell, Crook and Weston Counties. No action was taken.

The meeting recessed at 10:50 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m. with all present.

# **Heath Anderson Single Land Division**

Heath Anderson met with the Board to discuss a possible single land division. Chairman Seeley questioned if the Planning & Zoning Board had approved the division. Mamie C. Krank, County Clerk, stated that the single land division had been approved by the Planning & Zoning Board and all paperwork was in order. A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to approve the Heath Anderson Single Land Division as presented. Carried.

The meeting recessed at 11:04 a.m. and reconvened at 11:12 a.m. with all present.

## **County Road Fund**

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to approve and sign a County Road Fund Eligibility Form for the local match to the Buffalo Creek Road Project in the amount of \$5,000.00. Discussion ensued, carried.

## **Buffalo Creek Traffic Study Budget Amendment Hearing**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to set a Budget Amendment Hearing for May 20, 2014, at 9:45 a.m., to consider the transfer of

\$5,000.00 from the County Road Fund into the General Fund to be used as the local match portion of the Buffalo Creek Traffic Study grant. Carried.

### **Road Crossing Permits**

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to consent to assign road crossing permits between Weston County and MGCT Inc. MGCT Inc. would like to assign the permits to Cheyenne Light, Fuel and Power Company (CLFP), a subsidiary of Black Hills Corporation. The permits are on record in the County Clerk's Office on the following books and pages: 116-535, 116-538, 351-312, 351-315 and 351-318. Discussion ensued, carried. The recorded votes were as follows: Yea: Commissioner Rossman, Shepperson and Hunt; Nay: Commissioner Ertman.

## **Easement Application – Breakneck Road**

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to approve and allow Chairman Seeley's signature on an application for easement to the State of Wyoming to maintain access to Breakneck Road (County Road #65). The motion further approved the payment of \$44.00 for the easement and application fees. Carried.

#### WYDOT

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to sign a letter to the WYDOT and appropriate \$5,000.00 to be placed in a WYDOT account for the purchase of reject materials for use on Weston County roads. Carried.

## **Weston County Event Center**

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Hunt, to approve and sign Amendment #2 between Weston County and the Wyoming Business Council for a service agreement extension through June 30, 2017, for the Weston County Event Center. Discussion ensued, carried.

### **Weston County Event Center**

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to approve an agreement between Weston County and Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates (WJE) as architect for remediation of the Weston County Event Center. Carried.

The meeting recessed at 11:51 a.m. and reconvened at 1:32 p.m. with all present except Commissioner Hunt.

## **BFY2015 Consensus Projects**

The Commissioners discussed various projects for the 2015 Biennium Funded Consensus Grant.

Commissioner Hunt rejoined the meeting at 1:37 p.m.

The Board prioritized the Consensus Projects chosen as follows: 1. Courthouse Improvements \$150,000.00; 2. Youth Exhibit Hall Improvements \$100,000.00; 3. Solid Waste Projects \$300,000.00; 4. Mallo Water Tank Project, Phase II \$60,000.00 5. Upton Fairview Road, Phase I \$400,000.00. Secondary Projects were as follows: Law Enforcement EOC Phase III, County Shop Fence, Upton Fairview Rd Phase II, Mallo Camp Cabin and Various County Roads. The Consensus Meeting will be held May 12, 2014 at 5:30p.m. at the Newcastle City Council Chambers.

The meeting recessed at 2:52 p.m. and reconvened at 3:00 p.m. with all present.

### **Solid Waste Facility**

Joe Wood Jr., concerned citizen, met with the Commissioners and discussed the Central Weston County Solid Waste District (CWCSWD). Mr. Wood discussed the possibility of Weston County and the municipalities imposing a tax for solid waste disposal. The expansion of CWCSWD boundaries and user fees were also discussed. The Commissioners encouraged CWCSWD to charge higher fees to cover the costs of operation. No action was taken.

## **Mondell Airport**

Byrand Streeter, Mondell Airport Manager; Dan Moudree and John Patik, Mondell Airport Board Members, met with the Commissioners and discussed the Mondell Airport Runway overlay project. Morrison Maierle Inc. bid the project and came in approximately \$50,000.00 under the next highest bid. Mr. Streeter requested the Board sign a task order which for Morrison Maierle Inc. services as engineer for the project. Mr. Streeter explained that task Order #4 is contingent on receipt of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Grant for the project. A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Hunt, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on Task Order #4 for the Mondell Airport Runway Rehabilitation Project, Phase II. Carried.

#### **AWOS**

Byrand Streeter, Mondell Airport Manager, distributed a Certificate of State Grant-in Aid for the Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS) and explained that if signed it would allow for the State to reimburse approximately \$3,298.00 in fees back to Weston County. A motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to sign the Grant-in-Aid form for reimbursement of AWOS funds to the County. Discussion ensued, carried.

### **Road & Bridge Department**

Rick Williams, Road & Bridge Foreman, met with the Commissioners and discussed roads including the Mallo Camp Road, which needs gravel and dust suppression. Mr. Williams updated the Board on the progress of the Old Shop Roof Project, stating materials would be delivered by May 20, 2014 when the work will begin. Mr. Williams discussed the purchase of a beaver tail trailer to haul motor graders which would save wear and tear on the tires and machinery. The Commissioners requested Mr. Williams form a list of road projects to be used as a secondary project for the BFY2015 Consensus Funding.

### **American Lands Council**

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to contribute to the American Lands Council at the bronze level of \$1,000.00. Discussion ensued, carried.

## **Approve Vouchers**

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to approve the vouchers as presented. Carried. They are as follows:

066 NCPERS, financial admin, \$304.00, AFLAC, payroll ded, \$1,678.58, Blue Cross Blue Shield, financial admin, \$57,124.80, Office of Child Support, payroll ded, \$175.00, Orchard Trust, payroll ded, \$1,120.00, WEBT, financial admin, \$185.10, Weston County Clerk, financial admin, \$42,797.59, WY Child Support, payroll ded, \$1,175.00, WY Dept of Workforce Services, financial admin, \$2,960.72, WY Retirement System, financial admin, \$24,814.88, WY Retirement System, financial admin, \$613.98, Hermes Consolidated Inc, oil/gas, \$27,490.70, Schutz Foss Architects PC, maj repairs, \$4,404.62, Stine Electronics, hmlnd sec exp, \$4,000.00, Norco Inc, hmlnd sec exp, \$5,284.83, Golden West Technologies, hmlnd sec exp, \$419.00, Collins Communications Inc, hmlnd sec exp, \$1,781.56, L3 Communications Mobile-Vision, hmlnd sec exp, \$9,490.00, Timberline Services, hmlnd sec exp, \$5,628.84, Municipal Emergency Services Rocky Mts, hmlnd sec exp, \$6,000.00, Hermes Consolidated Inc, oil/gas, \$27,806.35, Ad Pro, supp/brd of prisoners, \$1,817.17, Advanced Drug Testing Inc, misc, \$52.00, All Clear Windows, janitor supp/repair/maint, \$120.00, Alpha Communications, tower rent, \$55.00, Alsco, airport, \$13.00, American Welding & Gas Inc, repair/maint, \$38.86, AT&T Mobility, comm, \$1,018.13, Black Hills Chemical & Janitorial, brd of prisoners, \$177.65, Black Hills Pediatrics, sheriff invstgtns, \$411.00, Black Hills Plumbing, brd of prisoners/repair/maint, \$4,462.00, Black Hills Power, util, \$2,621.85, Black Hills Printing & Signs, officer equip, \$146.48, Butler Machinery Co, repair/maint, \$959.31, Byrand Streeter, contract wages, \$1,071.88, C&J Newcastle Hardware, repair/maint, \$152.49, Cambria Supply, repair/maint/sm tools, \$692.08, Casey Thorson, janitor supp, \$300.00, CDW Government Inc, brd of prisoners, \$714.13, Central WC Solid Waste Dist, cwcswd, \$1,875.00, City of Newcastle, util/dispatch/circuit crt/pub def/landfill/p-hlth exp, \$12,304.98, Clinical Lab of the Black Hills PC, autopsies, \$3,601.00, CLT Flooring & Furnishings, janitor supp, \$29.55, Contractors Supply, repair/maint, \$79.44, Control Solutions, p-hlth exp, \$276.00, Crabby's Health & Safety, misc, \$900.00, Culligan Water Conditioning, misc, \$21.25, Decker's Market, supp/ag exp/p-hlth exp, \$186.55, Delane Haynes, misc, \$247.62, Dixon Bros Inc, oil/gas, \$193.35, Double D Obsolete Parts, repair/maint,

\$384.59, Double Star Computing, supp, \$177.99, Election Systems & Software Inc, repair/maint, \$4,673.00, Fastenal Company, repair/maint, \$70.72, Freedom To Choose, sheriff invstgtns, \$435.00, Frontier Home Ranch & Hardware, repair/maint, \$372.55, Gateway Auto Supply, repair/maint, \$111.22, Godfrey's Brake Service, repair/maint, \$576.21, Golden West Technologies, new equip/comp software/hmlnd sec exp, \$8,049.05, Great Western Tire Co, repair/maint, \$14,623.60, Grimm's Pump & Industrial Supply, repair/maint, \$261.40, Hansen & Peck, office exp, \$4,250.00, Health Education Associates, p-hlth exp, \$580.40, Hillyard/Sioux Falls, janitor supp, \$49.00, Jerry Shepperson, mile/trvl, \$126.00, Jodi Brooks, wic, \$10.81, KASL, p-hlth exp, \$706.80, Kreisers Inc, wic, \$70.85, Larry Honebrink, maj repairs, \$6,000.00, Lea Mitchell, coroner exp, \$100.00, Lenard D. Seeley, mile/trvl, \$298.50, Lichen Research Center, comp software, \$1,000.00, The Little Print Shop, p-hlth exp, \$191.75, Lori Bickford, p-hlth exp, \$810.69, Mallo Camp, mallo camp, \$20,900.00, MasterCard, brd of prisoners/school exp, \$1,060.66, Max Masters, gis land records, \$1,900.00, MG Oil Company, oil/gas, \$269.40, Mining Electrical Service, maint, \$445.80, Minuteman Lube Center, veh maint/fuel, \$181.00, Natrona Co. Attorney/Legal Dept, invol commit, \$1,844.88, Neve's Uniforms Inc, uniforms, \$92.73, Newcastle Ambulance Service, amblnc/jail medical, \$2,188.33, Newcastle Equipment Co Inc, repair/maint, \$84.00, Newcastle Motors, repair/maint, \$340.21, News Letter Journal, supp/print/publ/p-hlth exp, \$4,732.75, Northern WY Mental Health, mntl hlth, \$2,500.00, Nutrition Matters Inc, wic, \$117.00, Osage Ambulance, amblnc, \$4,375.00, Outlaw Motors, repair/maint, \$32.00, Positive Promotions, p-hlth exp, \$318.67, Powder River Energy Corp, util, \$1,128.02, Power Plan OIB, repair/maint, \$107.78, Preventive Health & Safety Division, p-hlth exp, \$14.00, R&S Northeast LLC, p-hlth exp, \$174.07, Randy Rossman, mile/trvl, \$36.00, Rapid Delivery, post/freight, \$12.00, Rick Williams, repair/maint, \$40.79, Ringer Law PC, spec attny, \$378.00, Roadrunner Disposal Service, util, \$60.00, RT Communications, comm, \$1,958.84, Secretary of State, brd of prisoners, \$30.00, Servall Uniform/Linen Co, repair/maint, \$225.44, ShopKo, brd of prisoners, \$566.95, Source Gas, util, \$1,673.75, Timberline Services, rd constr, \$21,923.56, Top Office Products, supp/brd of prisoners/ag exp/p-hlth exp, \$2,079.62, Tri Star Surveying, rd constr, \$1,080.00, Uber Geek Computers, ag exp, \$20.00, Uline, brd of prisoners, \$184.84, Ultra Max, equip/ammo, \$1,740.00, Upton Ambulance, amblnc, \$4,375.00, Upton Chamber of Commerce, chmbr, \$500.00, Urbin Law Office LLC, spec attny, \$71.05, USDA Forest Service, ag exp, \$6,371.02, UW-Admin Business Office, ag exp, \$9,828.00, Verizon Wireless, phlth exp, \$129.74, Vicki Hayman, ag exp, \$206.53, VISA, school exp/ag exp/p-hlth exp, \$590.68, WCS, comm, \$193.23, Wesco Gas, airport, \$1,001.91, West Payment Center, law library, \$301.43, WC 4-H Council, ag exp, \$30.31, WC Health Services, home hlth/jail medical, \$1,801.76, WC Humane Society, humane soc, \$750.00, WC Road & Bridge, veh maint/fuel, \$3,981.04, WC Sheriff's Office, post/freight, \$34.53, Weston Engineering Inc, engineer srvs, \$1,000.00, Whirlwind Services, janitor supp, \$735.00, Woody's Food Center, brd of prisoners, \$192.14, WY Automotive Co, repair/maint/oil/gas, \$826.85, WY Dept of Health, p-hlth exp, \$15,926.90, WY Dept of Transportation, new equip, \$2,202.59, WY Honor Conservation Camp, brd of prisoners, \$1,548.75, WY Network, financial admin, \$208.05. Net Payroll, \$134,161.47.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Attest: Mamie C. Krank County Clerk Lenard D. Seeley Chairman