

December 21, 2010

The regular meeting of the Weston County Commissioners convened at 8:55 a.m. with Chairman Tom W. Bruce presiding. Present for the meeting were Commissioners: Tom Bruce, Randy Rossman, Alan Todd, Jerry Shepperson and County Clerk-Elect, Mamie C. Krank. Commissioner-Elect Marty Ertman was also present for the meeting. Not present were Commissioner Glen Hutt and County Clerk, Paulette Thompson.

Good of the Order

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

Website Advertising

Bob Bonnar from the News Letter Journal joined the Commissioners meeting to present an opportunity for advertisement of the County's website on the newspaper's circular bag. The cost of the advertisement would be \$22.50 per week for a period of one year. After discussing the issue the commission decided to wait and revisit the need for website advertisement next year.

Approve Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting as published. Carried.

Mallo Camp Flood Project

A Grant Draw Down request was presented and signed by Commissioner Bruce for the Mallo Camp Flood Project. A voucher was also presented for the Commissioners approval. Because of a conflict Commissioner Shepperson did not participate in discussion or sign the voucher for work done on the Mallo Camp Flood Project.

FY2009 CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality) Completion Certificate

With the FY2009 Congestion Mitigation Grant now complete, a certificate of completion was signed by Chairman Bruce with approval of the board and will be mailed to the Wyoming Department of Transportation.

Weston County Event Center-Contracts/Notice to Proceed

The Board of Commissioners received (3) copies of a Notice to Proceed that was granted to Paul Reed Construction. The Weston County Event Center will be located at the Weston County Fairgrounds. With approval of the Board Chairman Bruce signed the notices.

Weston County Homeland Security Coordinator

Chairman Bruce read aloud a letter received from Doug Jorrey requesting he be reappointed to the position of Homeland Security Coordinator. The issue was discussed and a motion made by Commissioner Shepperson to recommend Mr. Jorrey for reappointment, seconded by Commissioner Rossman. Carried. A letter was drafted to Governor-Elect Matt Mead and signed by Chairman Bruce recommending Doug Jorrey for the position.

Painted Hills Road Name Issue

Doug Jorrey, Fran Lehman, Ray Pacheco and Brianne Watkins were present to discuss an issue with the name of a County Road. Doug presented a map showing the current issues and/or problems with the 2.9 mile stretch of road and possible solutions. Commissioner Shepperson moved to accept option 1B offered by the group. Commissioner Shepperson withdrew his motion until further investigation and options could be explored. Discussion ensued. Ray Pacheco stated that he has spoken with the County Attorney's Office regarding the issue. The Commissioners agreed that more information was needed and asked the group to continue collecting it. This issue will be revisited in an upcoming meeting.

Law Enforcement-Furnace Replacement Project

Ray Pacheco presented the contract previously granted to Black Hills Plumbing & Heating, Inc. to be signed for the furnace replacement project at the Law Enforcement Center. Commissioner Shepperson moved to sign the contract as presented, seconded by Commissioner Rossman. Carried.

Mallo Camp Retrofit Project-Furnaces 2010

Ray Pacheco presented two bids received for the Mallo Camp Retrofit Project-Furnaces 2010. The first from Powder River Heating and Air Conditioning Inc. in the amount of \$18,030.00 and the second from Black Hills Plumbing & Heating, Inc. in the amount of \$18,783.00. After reviewing the bid packets, the Commissioners would like more information from each bidder to compare any warranties provided. Ray Pacheco will contact each contractor and report back to the Commissioners.

The meeting recessed at 10:17 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

Treasurer's Office Small Copier Request

County Treasurer Susan Overman met with the Commissioners to request purchasing a small copier for her office. The Commissioners reviewed her budget and said that it looked like she would have enough money to make the purchase. Susan Overman also commented that there were some old tax records in the basement that would be better stored at the State Archives in Cheyenne. The Commissioners discussed the issue and agreed.

Partial Vacation of Cambria Estates-Jim Coy

Chairman Bruce read aloud the viewers report presented and written by Commissioner Rossman. Jim Coy is requesting a partial vacation of an existing easement across a portion of his land in Cambria Estates. Commissioner Shepperson moved to accept the viewer's report, to proceed with the partial vacation of a road in Cambria Estates owned by Jim Coy and to set the hearing date for January 18, 2011, at 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Shepperson also moved that the Notice of Partial Vacation needs to be advertised in the legal newspaper the Weston County Gazette three times and in the News Letter Journal one time. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rossman. Discussion ensued. Motion carried.

Musser Road

Commissioner Rossman gave a progress report on the Musser Road. He will keep in contact with surveyor Darrel Schlup and report any new information back to the Commissioners.

Purvis Road

Commissioner Rossman gave a progress report on the Purvis Road. Currently, there is one more easement to be signed before any further progress can be made. Commissioner Rossman will keep the Commissioners posted on any new information.

Buckhorn Bar & Grill Liquor License Transfer

Commissioner Shepperson moved to set a hearing date of January 18, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. to consider a transfer of Buckhorn Bar & Grill Liquor License. Further, he moved to advertise in the legal newspaper, and assess the proper fee for both the license transfer and any advertising costs because of the unusual circumstance of the proposed transfer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rossman. Carried.

Sheriff's Department Report

Sheriff-Elect Bryan Colvard met with the Commissioners. He presented the department report and discussed policies and procedures of both the Sheriff's Office and Newcastle City Police Department.

The meeting adjourned for the noon recess at 11:45 a.m. and reconvened at 2:20 p.m., with all present except Commissioner Glen Hutt and County Clerk Paulette Thompson.

The meeting recessed at 2:50 p.m. and reconvened at 2:57 p.m.

Mark Semlek – Legislative Update

Mark Semlek, State Representative for Wyoming House District #1 met with the Commissioners to give a legislative update. Representative Semlek fielded questions on a variety of subjects including Wyoming Wind Generation, State Water Rights, and Noxious Weed Control. He encouraged the Commissioners to join group committees in the upcoming legislative session to voice concerns the County may have.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

Attest: Paulette Thompson
County Clerk

Tom W. Bruce
Chairman