

**WESTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL MINUTES
March 17, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Weston County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Ed Wagoner at 9:00 a.m. at the Weston County Courthouse. Commissioners Ed Wagoner, Nathan Todd, Marty Ertman, Tracy Hunt, and Tony Barton, and Clerk Becky Hadlock were present. Assistant Publisher/Editor, for the *Weston County Gazette*, Nick Trandahl, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Barton requested to have the minutes pulled from the consent agenda. Vice-Chairman Todd requested to have Maintenance Foreman Steve Price added to the agenda. Commissioner Barton moved to approve the agenda with changes; seconded by Vice-Chairman Todd. Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Barton moved to approve the consent agenda, which includes the Chairman's signature on the Pzinski Single Land Division Plat Map, Commissioner's Approval of the Audit; seconded by Vice-Chairman Todd. Carried.

Commissioner Ertman moved to approve minutes of March 3, 2020 with changes and further discussion of permanent record minutes; seconded by Commissioner Barton. Commissioner Hunt abstained from the discussion and voting as he was not at the previous meeting. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

COVID-19

Homeland Security Coordinator Gilbert Nelson visited with the Board about the current COVID-19 situation. Coordinator Nelson stated the County can declare a County Emergency and he suggested this be done. Commissioner Hunt would not like to claim a State of Emergency when we don't have one. Coordinator Nelson has made a request to the State for supplies. Commissioner Barton suggested the Board move funds to the Homeland Security account. Commissioner Ertman would rather Coordinator Nelson come back to the Board if the supplies are not available. Commissioner Todd suggested contacting Petroleum companies about Tyvek suits.

Library Director Brenda Ayers let the Board know that she has a plan in place and is following the CDC guidelines and is only allowing ten people into the Library at a time. Director Ayers added that last month the Library established a pandemic policy.

Upton Police Chief Susan Bridges updated the Board on what she was doing on the Law Enforcement side of the pandemic.

OLD BUSINESS

IRP

Chairman Wagoner let the Board know that the IRP Viewer's meeting was scheduled on Monday but Road and Bridge Superintendent Rick Williams had to cancel this due to the mud.

Clerk Hadlock let the Board know that the State is requesting additional information on a grant request. Clerk Hadlock added that the information needed is in regards to information changed by Engineer Jerry Hunt. Clerk Hadlock has been asking Engineer Hunt for this information since February and has not gotten a response back from him.

STEVE PRICE

Commissioner Todd stated that Maintenance Foreman Steve Price had let him know that the County is out of hand sanitizer. Commissioner Todd added that Foreman Price would like guidance on moving forward with the pigeon problem and believes \$2,500 would hopefully take care of this. The Board is ok with Commissioner Todd letting Foreman Price know he has permission to move forward with this.

BRIDGER PIPELINE

Ken Dockweiler - Director of Land, Government & Compliance with Belle Fourche Pipeline let the Board know that they are still making progress. Mr. Dockweiler stated Jeff Miller is the super on the spread and has been in contact with Superintendent Williams. Mr. Dockweiler reported there was a truck that had gotten stuck on a road, the County fixed it and Bridger will make it right.

WELCOME HOME WYOMING

Clerk Hadlock stated Welcome Home Wyoming was to call in to talk about a Resolution that they would like the Board to pass, but for some reason did not call. The Board would rather each of the municipalities do their own resolution rather than the County do this. Clerk Hadlock will present this to the Attorney.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Assistant Publisher/Editor Trandahl asked the Board for an official statement on COVID-19 and Commissioner Hunt stated the Board would get one ready for him.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Ed Wagoner
Chairman

Attest: Becky Hadlock
Weston County Clerk