

WESTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING – COMMUNITY CHARITABLE RELIEF PROGRAM

December 23, 2020

The special meeting of the Weston County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Ed Wagoner at 1:00 p.m. at the Weston County Courthouse. Commissioners Ed Wagoner, Marty Ertman, and Tracy Hunt, and Clerk Hadlock were present. Commissioner Tony Barton and Weston County Attorney Alex Berger joined via hub.

The purpose of the special meeting was to decide how the Board would like to move forward with the Community Charitable Relief Funds allotted to the County by the State of Wyoming. Commissioner Ertman objected due to the fact that there isn't enough time. Commissioner Hunt stated the Board would be crazy to send it back. Attorney Berger explained how he understood the grant.

Commissioner Barton made a suggestion to give 2/3 of the funds to the Newcastle Food Bank to purchase gift certificates from Woody's and Decker's Food Centers and 1/3 to the Upton Food Bank so that they could purchase gift certificates from Joe's Food Center. The Board felt this was a good idea. Commissioner Ertman would like to not spend 100% of the funds in hopes that the CARES Act will be extended and the Board will be able to allocate the remaining funds to more organizations.

Commissioner Barton moved for Clerk Hadlock to accept the money from the Community Charitable Relief Program in the amount of \$153,422.91 from the State; seconded by Commissioner Hunt. Carried.

Commissioner Barton moved to have the Chairman negotiate, with the Upton Food Bank and the B.R.E.A.D. Office, provider of service agreements under the Community Charitable Relief Program; seconded by Commissioner Hunt. Carried.

Commissioner Barton moved to authorize the Chairman to negotiate \$25,000 with the Upton Food Bank and \$50,000 with the B.R.E.A.D. Office to Express Purchase of gift certificates that are not redeemable for cash and cannot be used to purchase tobacco or alcohol; seconded by Commissioner Hunt. Carried.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Ed Wagoner
Chairman

Attest: Becky Hadlock
Weston County Clerk