

WESTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL MINUTES
February 1, 2022

The regular meeting of the Weston County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairwoman Marty Ertman at 9:00 a.m. at the Weston County Courthouse. Commissioners Nathan Todd, Ed Wagoner, Tony Barton and Don Taylor, Attorney Michael Stulken and Clerk Becky Hadlock were present. Commissioner Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Barton asked to pull the minutes from the agenda, Clerk Hadlock asked to remove Asphalt on Parking Lot, Vice-Chairman asked to add Upton Library in place of the Asphalt on Parking Lot time, Commissioner Wagoner asked to add Obnoxious Weeds in Land Use Plan under Old Business, Chairwoman Ertman asked to add Letter from the *Weston County Gazette* under Public Comment. Vice-Chairman Todd moved to approve the agenda with changes; seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Barton asked to pull the Minutes of January 18, 2022 and Clerk Hadlock asked to remove the Treasurer's Report and add it to the next meeting. Commissioner Barton moved to approve the Consent Agenda which included the vouchers, payroll, AP vouchers, collections for January 2022, Minutes of January 18, 2022, Executive Session Minutes of January 18, 2022, Tax Roll Corrections #1495, Chairman's Signature on Single Land Split Plat Map - Whisler; seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Carried.

MINUTES

Commissioner Barton asked to remove all of the discussion on Dispatch and have just a small description. Clerk Hadlock reminded him that if all of it was removed, the Public Comment portion would not make any sense. Commissioner Wagoner indicated that there was a lot of important information captured in the minutes and would like to keep them the same. Commissioner Barton moved to approve the Minutes of January 18, 2022; seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Road & Bridge Superintendent Jim Hansen gave the Board an updated report from T² recommending a 35 mph speed limit on Barton Road. Sheriff Bryan Colvard was present and agreed with this recommendation. Vice-Chairman Todd moved to post Barton Road with 35 mph speed limit signs with recommended curve signs by the State; seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Carried. Clerk Hadlock will have a Speed Limit Resolution ready for the next meeting.

Superintendent Hansen reported there is a sewer line leaking and a utility locate is needed. Superintendent Hansen also visited with Glen Wise, with Wyoming Earthmovers, about the asphalt on the Fairgrounds Road and it will need to be ripped and then ground up.

Greg Stumpff with the City of Newcastle let Superintendent Hansen know that the City has a grinder that goes on the front of a loader available for sale if the County is interested. The Board would like Superintendent Hansen to get more information and bring it back to the Board.

Superintendent Hansen reported that Haliburton will have an engineer discussing the bridge on Beaver Creek.

MOU BETWEEN WYOMING DEPT OF HEALTH, PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION & WESTON COUNTY

County Nurse Manager Sarah Gregory explained the MOU for \$94,020. Commissioner Barton asked about the scope of work. Manager Gregory will get this to the Board. Chairwoman asked if the other grant that helped with vaccines has been spent. Manager Gregory did not think it had, but what is not spent goes back to the State. Commissioner Barton moved to table the MOU between Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Division and Weston County in the amount of \$94,020 until the February 15, 2022 meeting; seconded by Vice-Chairman Todd. Carried. Manager Gregory explained the second MOU for \$25,000, and this too, will be returned back to the State if it is not spent. Commissioner Barton moved to approve the Chairman's signature on the MOU between the Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Division and Weston County in the amount of \$25,000; seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Carried.

UPTON LIBRARY

Vice-Chairman Todd reported that there are two windows at the Upton Library that have had plexiglass in them for years. The Board asked Library Director Brenda Ayers to have the Library Board put a bid out for the windows to be replaced.

COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER APPLICATION

Clerk Hadlock will contact the applicant to provide the Board proof of appropriate certification.

BUDGET AMENDMENT/BUDGET SHORTFALL – FAIR BOARD

Fair Board members Mike McFarland, David Kline and Jessica Graham came before the Board to discuss their budget and to ask the Commissioners to write the Fair Board a check for \$17,000. Commissioner Taylor explained that when you have an increase in utilities, you have to increase the charge to those using the facilities. The Fair Board would like to sit down with the Commissioners and discuss the budget process. Vice-Chairman Todd moved to have a meeting on February 15, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. to work on the Fair Board Budget; seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Carried. Commissioner Barton moved to authorize the Fair Board's fourth quarter payment immediately; seconded by Vice-Chairman Todd. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

OBNOXIOUS WEEDS – LAND USE PLAN

Commissioner Wagoner would like to add an Obnoxious Weeds section to the Land Use Plan.

NEW BUSINESS

CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE ON APPLICATION FOR ADDITIONAL FNRPA FUNDING

Commissioner Barton moved to authorize the Chairman's Signature on the Application for additional FNRPA funding; seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A letter from *Weston County Gazette* Publisher/Editor/Owner, Lisa LeVasseur was read pertaining to the Board advertising in both newspapers after the Legal newspaper bid was awarded to the *Weston County Gazette*.

Stanley Jasinski asked if the Board hired a Public Health Regional Coordinator. The Board let him know this was a contract employee and the Board does not hire or fire this individual as it is a Federal employee. Mr. Jasinski stated he is against using any Federal funds.

Director Ayers would like the Board to get her opinion on how the Library functioned during the pandemic.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – POTENTIAL OR THREATENED LITIGATION

Commissioner Barton moved to go into Executive Session per W.S. 16-4-405(a)(iii); seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Carried. Executive Session began at 12:15 p.m.; regular meeting reconvened at 12:33 p.m. Matters concerning possible litigation were discussed in Executive Session; no action was taken.

VOUCHERS

066 NCPERS, financial admin, \$192.00, AFLAC, payroll ded, \$1,688.27, Blue Cross Blue Shield-WEBT, payroll ded, \$71,444.00, Delta Dental of WY, payroll ded, \$3,094.00, Great-West Trust Co, payroll ded, \$1,560.00, New York Life, financial admin, \$512.29, VSP of Wyoming, financial admin, \$590.38, WEBT, financial admin, \$188.55, Weston County Clerk, financial admin, \$47,039.21, Weston County Treasurer, financial admin, \$15.00, WY Child Support, payroll ded, \$1,250.00, WY Department of Workforce Services, financial admin, \$2,255.25, WY Retirement System, payroll ded, \$35,763.59, WC Fairboard, fair block alloc, \$29,371.32, Sheridan County Sheriff, attrny office exp, \$50.00, Ad-Pro, misc supp, \$979.88, Advanced Drug Testing Inc, r&b cncrct/equip/lbr, \$52.00, Alpha Communications, tower rent, \$55.00, American Solutions for Business, clerk supp, \$93.85, Antler's, crthse misc, \$61.70, AT&T Mobility, comm, \$1,596.44, Axon Enterprise Inc, shrf equip, \$14,868.00, BAM Document Destruction & Recycling, crthse misc, \$475.90, Black Hills Chemical & Janitorial, brd of prisoners, \$268.70, Black Hills Energy, util, \$7,699.87, Black Hills Plumbing, law enf repair/maint, \$174.00, Blue Dog Cleaning, crthse/annx other emp, \$660.00, Bomgaars, r&b repair/maint, \$125.29, Brittany Hamilton, ext mile/trvl, \$32.99, Byrand Streeter, cncrct wages, \$1,382.00, Cambria Discount Drug LLC, jail mdcl, \$30.77, Carmen Simon, supp reimb, \$171.95, Catherine Alison Emmert, law enf repair/maint, \$434.00, City of Newcastle, util, \$5,178.12, Communication Technologies, shrf equip, \$30.41, Cynthia Crabtree, coroner fees/trans, \$50.00, Decker's Market, misc supp, \$144.09, Dianna Ewing, attrny office exp, \$42.25, Double D, r&b repair/maint, \$397.58, Dru Consulting LLC, financial admin, \$1,500.00, Eastern WY Equipment Company, r&b repair/maint, \$371.32, Ed Wagoner, comm mile/trvl, \$714.00, Frontier Home, Ranch & Hardware, misc supp, \$260.20, Gillette Steel Center, r&b repair/maint, \$710.00, Golden West Technologies, software/comm, \$7,570.74, Grossenburg Implement, r&b leased equip, \$8,184.00, Humphrey Law LLC, dist crt spec attrny, \$255.00, Hurricane Services 21 LLC, crthse janitor supp, \$1,105.00, Inland Truck Parts, r&b repair/maint, \$430.08, Jodi Brooks, wic spec proj, \$54.99, Kara Lenardson, assr mile/trvl, \$201.83, KASL, p-hlth exp, \$992.00, Kimberly Jenkins, treas mile/trvl, \$38.03, Leads Online, shrf investigations, \$1,881.00, Leo Riley & Co, financial admin, \$15,000.00, LN Curtis & Sons, law enf uniforms, \$48.62, Lubnau law Office PC, dist crt spec attrny, \$31.13, Marco Inc, annx comp software, \$168.64, Mastercard, gen exp, \$1,108.55, Max Masters, gis land records, \$1,900.00, McKesson Medical-Surgical, p-hlth covid-19 crisis response, \$73.65, Minuteman Lube Center, shrf/assr maint/fuel, \$1,431.91, Natrona County Legal Department, co ward-involuntary, \$600.00, News Letter Journal, print/publ/supp, \$2,876.21, Occupational Research & Assessment, coroner comm, \$450.00, Office Ally, p-hlth immuniz, \$35.00, Plainsman, crthse misc, \$783.65, Postmaster c/o Hmlnd Sec, hmlnd sec exp, \$265.00, Powder River Energy Corporation, util, \$1,581.11, Power Plan OIB, r&b repair/maint,

\$2,767.62, Randy Bury, covid-19 crisis response, \$181.36, RANGE, comm, \$2,348.11, Reserve Account-Pitney Bowes, crthse post/frght, \$226.08, Roadrunner Disposal Service, airport util, \$60.00, Sarah Gregory, p-hlth supp reimb, \$12.40, Scott E Beachler, shrf mile/trvl, \$209.00, Self Storage LLC, elctn misc, \$150.00, Servall Uniform/Linen Co, crthse janitor supp, \$199.63, Stephens-Peck Inc, clerk supp, \$100.00, Sundance Extinguisher LLC, annx repair/maint, \$83.00, Tammy Cleverdon, treas mile/trvl, \$38.03, Top Office Products, misc supp, \$1,580.47, Town of Upton, upton comm ctr/Indfl, \$2,193.75, Upton Chamber of Commerce, upton chmbr, \$425.00, Upton Co-op Association, r&b oil/gas/lube, \$17,686.98, Upton Senior Center, snr cntr, \$531.25, Verizon Wireless, p-hlth comm, \$181.22, Vicki Hayman, ext reimb, \$193.17, Visionary Communications, annx comm, \$155.65, Voelkers Autobody, r&b veh maint, \$40.00, WC Sheriff's Search & Rescue, srch & rscue, \$1,650.00, West End Water District, airport util, \$60.00, Western Plains Business Solutions, crthse misc, \$1,677.50, Weston County Gazette, tax sls/print/publ, \$684.00, Weston County Hospital District, prvntn mngmnt, \$9,857.05, Weston County Library, library block alloc, \$26,583.33, Weston County Road & Bridge, veh maint/fuel, \$4,314.44, Weston County Senior Services, brd of prisoners/sr meals, \$7,380.50, Woody's Food Center, brd of prisoners, misc supp, \$391.90, WY Association of County Officers, comm mile/trvl, \$325.00, WY Clerks of District Court Association, dist crt fees/trans, \$150.00, WY County Treasurers Association, treas supp, \$200.00, WY Department of Agriculture, airport fuel tnk maint, \$40.00, WY Department of Health/Rental, p-hlth mile/trvl, \$112.50, WY Machinery Co., r&b repair/maint, \$7,499.38, WY Network, financial admin, \$270.00, WYDOT-Financial Services, clerk supp, \$488.40, Net Payroll, \$158,082.17.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Marty Ertman
Chairman

Attest: Becky Hadlock
Weston County Clerk