

**WESTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**March 15, 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 Deputy Clerk Amber Prell were present. Deputy Clerk Prell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Vice Chairman Todd asked to have an executive session at 10:45 am. Commissioner Barton moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Carried.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Vice Chairman Todd asked for two changes to the March 1, 2022 minutes. Commissioner Barton moved to approve the Consent Agenda which included the Minutes of March 1, 2022, Executive Session Minutes of March 1, 2022, Treasurer's Report, Chairman's Signature on Audit Representation Letter, Board's signature on Resolution 2022-4-Amendment to the 2021-2022 budget; seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Carried.

**WYOMING BEHAVIOR INSTITUTE LETTER**

Deputy County Attorney Jeani Stone discussed a little about Title 25 and how it works. Vice Chairman Todd moved to approve the Chairwoman's signature on the Wyoming Behavior Institute letter; seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Carried

**RECOVERY FUNDS**

The Board prioritized the top 5 Capital Improvements to start working on; repeaters, roof at the Newcastle Library, windows and door at the Upton Library, asphalt and the curb at the Court House, painting the Court House and the door and part of the chain link fence at Road and Bridge. Still trying to decide between the differences between the two types of windows for the Library. Commissioner Barton will talk to the contractors.

**ROAD & BRIDGE**

Road & Bridge Superintendent Jim Hansen let the board know they were almost done installing the new signs. Need a resolution number and date on the Speed Study for Barton Road. The Board asked Superintendent Hansen to get quotes on the fencing project around Road and Bridge and bring back to the April 5, 2022, meeting.

**HALLIBURTON**

Michael Barr, Mineral Resource Coordinator asked if they got the letter of support working with Bentonite Performance to exit the North end of the project via Old Hwy 85. Vice Chairman Todd would like to see a couple changes to the letter before Chairwoman Ertman signs it. Commissioner Barton moved to approve the Chairwomen's signature on the letter of support; seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Vice Chairmen Todd asked to have the letter amended to say Weston County Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Barton moved to have the changes done for the signature; seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Carried

Coordinator Barr stated he found Cheyenne River Rd #54 plat 2 sleeve 82 & 83 is a County road.

Chairwoman Ertman asked to have a discussion under Old Business about the hail damage at the Public Health building.

The Board would like to have Recovery added to the April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting for an hour.

## **REGION 8 STAKEHOLDER**

Lilly Griego Region 8 Director updated the Board about HHS and their plan on rolling out a 988 suicide hotline.

## **ATTORNEY- THANKING SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

Weston County Attorney Michael Stulken and his staff wanted to thank all Law Enforcement and Focus for the way the Court Proceedings were handled for the big case they had. Everyone felt safe and secure.

Vice Chairman Todd move to go into Executive Session per W.S. 16-4-405(a)(x); seconded by Commissioner Barton. Carried. Executive Session began at 10:53 a.m.; regular meeting reconvened at 10:58 a.m. Matters concerning possible litigation were discussed in Executive Session; no action was taken.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH**

Weston County Public Health Nurse Manager Sarah Gregory said they plan on getting new radios and that she will not be able to make it to the April 19, 2022, meeting. Manager Gregory does have an email trail and the Board would like those brought back on the April 5, 2022, meeting. Vice Chairman Todd said he would stop in at ADI to get more information on the Public Health roof repair.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Talked about Public Health roof hail damage.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **Public Comment**

Attorney Stone is ready to get all the entities and the public together for a presentation on dispatch some night around 5 p.m. the second week in April. She also does plan on having papers ready for a Joint Powers Board. Commissioner Barton suggested advertising it to the public for at least a week before hand.

Vice Chairman Todd wanted to congratulate the Upton Basketball teams at State, along with the Newcastle Dogie Girls.

Jim Darlington came before the Board inquiring about an update on the Prairie Dogs. The Board is looking into it.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Marty Ertman  
Chairman

Attest: Amber Prell  
Weston County Deputy Clerk