

WESTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL MINUTES
April 18, 2023

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 Upton Town Hall Chambers. Commissioners Nathan Todd, Don Taylor, Vera Huber and Garrett Borton, Attorney Michael Stulken and Clerk Becky Hadlock were present. Nick Johnson's Upton High School Social Studies class led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Wagoner removed Forest Service and Golden West from the agenda which moved Commissioner Scholarships to 10:00. Chairman Wagoner also added Proclamation to Make May National Historical Preservation Month and pre-authorization for credit card purchase for Fairgrounds added to the consent agenda. Commissioner Taylor asked to add an Executive Session to the end of the meeting and discussion about ambulance to New Business. Vice-Chairman Todd moved to approve the agenda as amended; seconded by Commissioner Borton. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan Bridge and Dan Bau spoke during public comment.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTION USE OF THE WYOMING SECOND AMEDEMMENT PROTECTION ACT TO PROSECUTE VIOLATIONS OF THE SECOND AMEDEMNTN OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE US AND/OR ARTICLE 1, SECTION 24 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF WYOMING, BY STATE OR COUNTY OFFICIALS

Dan Bau gave a brief statement on what the resolution was about. Discussion ensued. Resolution was signed by four of the five commissioners and will be addressed at the next meeting as there was no motion made before the vote was called for.

BCBS – PLAN SELECTION

Commissioner Huber moved that we go with the \$901,037.04 Blue Cross Blue Shield plan for the 2023-2024; seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Carried.

UPTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Kade McMillan, Upton Chamber of Commerce President, gave the Board an update on what the Upton Chamber has been doing.

COMMISSIONER SCHOLARSHIPS

Commissioner Huber did not want to do the Scholarships as they had been done in the past and the Board took them home and will get them to Clerk Hadlock before the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

DISPATCH UPDATE

Sheriff Bryan Colvard let the Board know that he was working on a proposal for a Joint Powers Board with the City of Newcastle and that Dispatch would stay in the County Building. Discussion ensued.

MAINTENANCE DISCUSSION

Clerk Hadlock let the Board know that Maintenance Foreman Steve Price was willing to stay working for the County a few hours a week and contracting out the mowing/snow removal, until they found someone else. The Board was ok with Foreman Price's terms.

NEW BUSINESS

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT DISCUSSION

Clerk Hadlock reported that there was not enough funds budgeted for the raise given to the Public Health Manager/Secretary. Vice-Chairman Todd moved to transfer \$5,696.40 out of Financial Admin. into 100.00.18.0130000.0000 by resolution; seconded by Commissioner Huber. Carried.

DISCUSSION ABOUT AMBULANCE

Commissioner Taylor reported he had been contacted about a Title 25 bill that is going to be sent to the Commissioners. Commissioner Taylor added this is an air charge because the Newcastle Ambulance would not transport the patient. Discussion ensued.

STATEMENT

Vice-Chairman Todd asked Stanley Jasinski to listen to an outburst from him on May 3, 2022. Discussion ensued.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – EMPLOYEE

Commissioner Borton moved to go into Executive Session per W.S. 16-4-405(a)(ii), seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Carried. Executive Session began at 10:46 a.m. and reconvened into regular session at 10:53 a.m. Matters concerning an employee were discussed in Executive Session, no action was taken.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Ed Wagoner
Chairman

Attest: Becky Hadlock
Weston County Clerk