

WESTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL MINUTES
April 16, 2024

The regular meeting of the Weston County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Don Taylor at 9:00 a.m. at the Weston County Courthouse. Commissioners Ed Wagoner, Nathan Todd, Garrett Borton and Vera Huber, Deputy Attorney Jeani Stone and Clerk Becky Hadlock were present. Attorney Michael Stulken joined the meeting at 10:55 a.m. Mick Bohn opened the meeting with prayer, and Clerk Hadlock led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Huber asked to add Hiring Freezes During Budget Time under Old Business. Vice-Chairman Borton moved to approve the agenda as amended; seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Huber asked to review Amendment One to the Cooperative Agreement Between the Wyoming Department of Transportation and Weston County Commissioners. Vice-Chairman Borton moved to approve the Consent Agenda which included the Minutes of April 2, 2024, The Board's Signature on Resolution 2024-11 Amendment to the 2023-2024 Budget, Chairman's Signature on Resolution 2024-12 Adoption Enrolled Act No. 45 and Establishing a Location for Absentee Voting for Weston County, Wyoming, Chairman's Signature on Resolution 2024-13 2024 Election District and Precincts for Primary and General Elections, Chairman's Signature on Amendment One to the Cooperative Agreement Between the Wyoming Department of Transportation and Weston County Commissioners, Tax Roll Correction #1640; seconded by Commissioner Todd. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe Wood and Janice Heard spoke during public comment.

OSAGE ROAD MAINTENANCE

Concerned Citizen Paul Bau discussed the Osage Road Maintenance with the Board. Discussion ensued.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT DISCUSSION

Weston County Coroner Scott Beachler came before the Board to discuss a budget adjustment for his department. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Wagoner moved to add \$7,500 into the Coroner Autopsies account out of Financial Admin and reassess the first part of June; seconded by Commissioner Huber. Carried. Sheriff Bryan Colvard and Jail Administrator Jason Jenkins came before the Board to discuss the funds in the jail medical account. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Wagoner moved to add \$13,000 out of Financial Admin into Detention Medical; seconded by Commissioner Huber. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

CRIP PROJECT

Commissioner Todd explained the BROS and CRIP options for Old Hwy 85 to those in attendance. Concerned citizens Joyce Niswender, Randy Warburton and Robin Gray voiced concerns about the road. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Todd moved to allow WYDOT to proceed with FDR (Full Depth Reclamation) on Old Hwy 85; seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Carried.

CLERK UPDATE

Clerk Hadlock asked for a motion on what she was going to pay her Election Judges for the Primary and General Election. Commissioner Wagoner moved to approve \$10/hour for the Election Judges and \$5/meal for two meals; seconded by Vice-Chairman Borton. Carried.

HIRING FREEZES DURING BUDGET TIME

Commissioner Huber would like to put hiring freezes on the Department filling current positions. Discussion ensued.

NEW BUSINESS**LETTER OF SUPPORT**

Commissioner Wagoner moved to approve the Chairman's signature on a support letter for the Osage Serwer District & Osage Water District to the State Land & Investment Board; seconded by Vice-Chairman Borton. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kim Jenkins, Joe Wood and Janice Heard spoke during public comment.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Wagoner and Chairman Taylor spoke during Commissioner Comments.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

Don Taylor
Chairman

Attest: Becky Hadlock
Weston County Clerk