

WESTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL MINUTES
September 3, 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 Nathan Todd, Ed Wagoner, Garrett Borton, Vera Huber, Attorney Michael Stulken, and Clerk Becky Hadlock were present. Commissioner Vera Huber opened the meeting with prayer, and Commissioner Garrett Borton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Clerk Hadlock asked to add Airport Board Vacancy Appointment under New Business. Chairman Don Taylor asked to add letter from County Attorney and City Attorney Closing Out Airport Board Discussion under Old Business. Vice-Chairman Borton moved to approve the agenda as amended; seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Vice-Chairman Borton moved to approve the Consent Agenda which included the payroll and payroll voucher, collections for August 2024, Minutes of August 22, 2024, Board's Signature on Resolution 2024-25 Amendment to the 2024-2025 Budget, Approval for annual Property Insurance and Inland Marine Insurance – Pre-pay when both bills are received; seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ed Quinones and Stanley Jasinski spoke during public comment.

Commissioner Wagoner moved to sign a letter of support for the Osage Improvement District for their sewer lagoon project; seconded by Commissioner Huber. Carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Road and Bridge Superintendent Jim Hansen gave the Board an update on the Road & Bridge Department.

OLD HWY 85 DISCUSSION

Wyoming Department of Transportation District Engineer Scott Taylor and District Construction Engineer Isaac Finkle came before the Board with updated options for the CRIP (Commission Road Improvement Plan) Project for Old Hwy 85. Commissioner Wagoner moved to go with option 3 – LEVEL, HPM OVERLAY ENTIRE ROAD (INCLUDE SOME PIPES) on Old Hwy 85 Project and begin in 2027; seconded by Commissioner Todd. Ayes: Wagoner, Todd, Huber. Nays: Borton. Carried.

Ted Ertman discussed with the Board his Right-of-way Easement on Old Hwy 85. Commissioner Todd suggested Attorney Stulken draw something up. This will be added to the next agenda.

RARE EARTH UPDATE

Roger Connett came before the Board to give an update on Rare Element Resources.

4-H UPDATE

4-H/Youth Development Extension Educator Erin Persche gave the Board an update on 4-H.

GRANT QUESTIONS

Deputy Assistant Treasurer Kim Jenkins came before the board to discuss with the Board items that are needed before she can pursue applying for County grants. After further discussion this will be added under Old Business for the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

LETTER FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND CITY ATTORNEY CLOSING OUT AIRPORT BOARD DISCUSSION

Attorney Stulken updated the Board of Commissioners that he and City Attorney Dublin Hughes agreed that the Airport Board has always been treated as a Board. Attorney Stulken and Attorney Hughes both also agree that the Statute reads that you must be a Weston County resident or a qualified elector regardless of if it was an Advisory Board or an Airport Board.

NEW BUSINESS

AIRPORT BOARD VACANCY APPOINTMENT

Clerk Hadlock handed the Board an application from Dana Dockendorf for the Airport Board vacancy. Commissioner Huber would like to interview him before appointing him so the Board would like to invite him to the Upton meeting. This will be added to the next agenda.

PAINT ON THE CUPOLA DISCUSSION

The Board would like to have Sean Crabtree with Hurricane Services come to the next meeting or the first meeting in October and visit with him about paint on the Cupola.

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION IN SUPPORT OF VICKI HAYMAN

University of Wyoming Extension County Coordinator Vicki Hayman would like the Board to write a letter of support for her continued contract with the University. Vice-Chairman Borton moved to write a letter in support of Vicki Hayman; seconded by Commissioner Todd. Carried.

CONSTITUTIONAL REDISTRICTING

William Curley came before the Board asking for a letter to be written to Frank Eathorne referencing Resolution 2024-10. Vice-Chairman Borton moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on the letter of vacancy for constitutional redistricting as provided in the draft and placed on County stationery by the Clerk that has wording that it will follow Wyoming State Statute; seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Carried.

ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS ABOUT HR

Clerk of District Court Clerk Tina Cote, Treasurer Susie Overman, Assessor Kara Lenardson and Clerk Hadlock visited with the Board about their concerns about HR. This will be sent to the other Elected Officials and Department Heads and added to the agenda in October.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Wagoner and Vice-Chairman Borton spoke during Commissioner Comment.

AP VOUCHERS

Vice-Chairman Borton moved to approve the AP Vouchers; seconded by Commissioner Todd. Carried.

Commissioner Wagoner moved to correct Resolution 2024-25 dropping \$16,045.71 down to \$8,174.48; seconded by Vice-Chairman Borton. Carried.

VOUCHERS

066NCPERS, financial admin, \$256.00, AFLAC, payroll ded, \$3,340.76, Great-West Trust Company LLC, payroll ded, \$870.00, New York Life, financial admin, \$512.59, WEBT, financial admin, \$95545.78, Weston County Clerk, financial admin, \$52,959.02, WY Child Support Enforcement, payroll ded, \$550.00, WY Department of Workforce Services, payroll ded, \$2,284.62, WY Retirement System, payroll ded, \$421,642.28, Ad Pro, gen law repair/maint, \$480.01, Advanced Coomunications, gen law enf tower rent, hmlnd expense, \$272.00, Advanced Drug Testing, r&B cncrct/equip/lbr, \$31.20, Alpha Communications, law enf tower rent, \$55.00, Amanda Foertsch Sharpes, electn mile/travl, judges meals, slry, \$163.53, Amber Green, crthse other empl, \$825.00, Ann k Slagle, elctn mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$282.30, Arlene Hanson, judges meals, electn slry, \$170.00, AT&T Mobility, hmlnd sec exp, maint comm, sheriff comm, \$1,636.77, Barbara Crow, judges meals, electn slry, \$160.00, Becky Hadlock, elctn mile/trvl, \$53.87, Black Hills Chemical & Janitorial, law enf brd of prisoner, \$804.69, Black Hills Doors, r&b cncrct/equip/lbr, \$492.18, Black Hills Energy, annx util, bldg & grnds maj rep, crthse util, hmlnd sec exp, law enf util, p-hlth util & em prep, r&b util, wic spec proj, \$4,401.27, Black Hills Plumbing, law enf repair/maint, \$1,961.31, Bomgaars, crthse repair/maint, \$700.07, Brenda Weimer, elctn mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$240.20, Byrand Streeter, arprt cncrct wages, \$1,731.71, Cambria Discount Drug LLC, gen law enf jail medical, \$172.90, Carmen Simon, ph infr needs, exp workfor, \$178.93, Casey Thorson, gen bldg & grds maj rep, \$150.00, Christina Cote, dist crt mile/trvl, \$104.78, City of Newcastle, annx util, crthse util, law enf util, p-hlth util, r&b util, wic spec proj, \$1,831.07, Clerk of District Crt, dist crt misc, \$640.52, Collins Communications Inc, dist crt comm, \$110.00, Comtronix, gen bldg grounds maj, \$1,067.50, Crook Co Family Violence, gen 1% sls tax cc fmly viole, \$956.25, Crook /County Planning, misc comp softwr lic, \$11,779.64, Culligan Water Conditioning, r&b maint, annex misc, \$67.00, Deanna Makousky, elctn mile/trvl, slry, \$150.00, Deb Smith, elctn slry, \$22.50, Debra Piana, elctn mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$220.10, Deckers Market, ext 4-H support, \$15.97, Deeadra D Stumpff, judges meals, elctn slry, \$190.00, Doug Jorrey, elctn mile/trvl, slry, \$38.14, Eastern Wy Equipment Co, veh maint/fuel, repair/maint, \$52.81, Eileen E Vickers, judges meals, clerk slry, \$170.00, Election Systems & Software Inc, gen elctn supplies, \$917.00, Erin Persche, 4-h educator/trvl, \$676.31, Eva Francis, elctnmile/trvl, \$53.87, First Northern Bank of Wy, sheriff school exp, law enf brd prisoners, clerk suppl, hmlnd sec exp, \$6,084.84, Fisher Sand & Gravel, r&b gravel/rd mtrl fund, \$28,273.53, Gloria Riehmman, elctn mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$350.80, Golden West Technologies, annx comp softwr lic, misc comp softwr lic, sheriff spec off equip, pub hlth comm, attny office equip/tech, \$6,407.48, Grace Slagle, judges meals, electn slry, \$155.00, Great Western Tire Co, r&b repair/maint, \$405.35, Grossenburg Implement, R7b repair/maint, r&b oil/gas/lube/, r&b post/freight, \$3,146.12, Harriet Birkley, electn mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$195.15, Harrison Gross, judges meals, electn slry, \$155.00, Heather McLaughlin, elctn mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$221.59, Janet E Materi, elctn mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$228.96, Jim Perino, judges meal,

elctn slry, \$160.00, Jim Phillips, elctn mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$174.74, Joely Rightnowar, elct mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$225.30, Judy Keller, elctn mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$234.89, Kami Erland, mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$220.20, Karol Holland, mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$150.82, Kayleigh Ann Gould, annex contract wages, \$800.00, Kimberly Jenkins, treas mile/trvl/convent, \$332.32, Kregel Towing & Recovery, veh maint/fuel, \$507.50, Leah McCarthy, judges meals, slry, \$160.00, Lisa Foodim, judges meals, slry, \$155.00, Marco Inc, annex cmp software, \$108.54, Mark henry, judges meals, slry, \$160.00, Marsha Huckins, mile/trvl, jusdges meals, slry, \$206.23, Martin Alberson, mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$198.14, Marty Borgialli, r&b post/freight, \$30.85, Max Masters, gis land records, \$2,000.00, McKayla Stevenson, mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$177.78, Meridian Mortuary, coroner fees, \$295.0, Michelle, Sweet, Mch grant ends 08, ph infr needs & exp workfor, \$1,878.80, Mike Davies, hmlnd sec expense, \$18.36, Mile High Shooting Accessories, law enf det equip/ammo, \$1,013.00, Morrison Maierle Inc, seal coat & mark pavement, \$27,020.77, Motorola Solutions, amrcn rescue plan act, \$156,693.00, Mountain View Plumbing & Heating LLC, airprt repair/maint, \$1,040.00, Nachele Roberts, judges meals, electn slry, \$150.00, Newcastle Ace Hardware, repair/maint, \$80.26, Newcastle Motors, misc eqp, addr veh maint/fuel, \$56,809.20, News Letter Journal, print/publ, attny voca funds, treas suppl, hmlnd sec, \$2,171.91, Newvision Security, comp software lic, \$89.97, NMS,Labs, coroner autopsies, \$559.00, Pitney Bowes- Reserve Account, crthse post/freight, \$8,000.00, Pitney Bowes Global Financial Srvc LLC, crthse post/freight, \$856.95, Plainsman, clerk misc, \$42.49, Powder River Energy Corporation, arprt util, fair util, hmlnd sec exp, law enf util, p-hlth comm & util, r&b util, wic spec proj, \$1,296.16, Powder River heating & AC, bldg. & grds maj ref, \$1,448.00, Power DMS Inc, sheriffs spec off equip, \$3,180.00, R&S Northeast llc, infr needs & exp workforce, \$126.79, Rabe Elevator, amrcn rescue plan act 21, \$35,741.18, Range, arprt comm, assr comm, attny comm, clrk comm, crthse comm, dist crt comm, ext comm, hmlnd sec exp, law enf util, p-hlth em prep & util, r&b comm, sheriff comm, treas comm, wic spec proj, \$3,268.41, Rapid Delivery, r&b post frght, \$1.30, Roadrunner Disposal Service, airport util, \$60.00, Self Storage LLC, gen elctn misc, \$200.00, Servall Uniform/Linen CO, crthse janitor supp, \$173.87, Sharon Kapsner, judges meals, elctn slry, \$160.00, Shirley Harder, judges meals, elctn slry, \$155.00, Stanley Jasiniski, judges meals, dep/clerk slry, \$160.00, Stephanie Derifield, assr mile/trvl, \$221.10, Straight Stripe Painting Inc, seal coat & mark pavement, \$89,266.0, Susan Love, deferred prtst, judges meals, elctn repair/maint, \$255.40, Tabitha Quinones, judges meals, slry, \$155.00, Tammy Cleverdon, treas mile/trvl/, elctn slry, \$46.36, Teresa Gross, judges meals, elctn slry, \$155.00, Texas Refinery Corp, R&B oil/gas/lube, \$2,300.80, Tierny Parrish, judges meals, elctn slry, \$180.00, Timberline Services, r/b cong-mt2024 exp, r const fund prelm, \$88,943.75, Top Office Products, crthse supp, dist crt supp, ext copier maint, \$890.33, Torgersons, r&b repair /maint, \$176.66, Town of Upton, 1% sales tax upton community, cardboard, landfill contrib, \$2,818.75, TrueGreen, genbldg & grds, maj rep, \$494.00, Twila Godfrey, elctn mile/trvl, judges meals, slry, \$231.54, Tyler Technologies, mix comp softwre lic, \$1,708.61, Upton Ambulance, gen 1% sales tax, \$3,750.00, Upton Co-op assn, r&b small tools, oil/gas/lube, \$7,586.48, Vicki Hayman, ext nutrition educator, \$227.80, Visionary Communications, annex communication, \$331.20, Voelkers Autobody, r&b veh maint, \$80.00, WACO, coroner school exp, assr mile trvl, sheriff mile/trvl, \$750.00, WC Sheriffs Search & Rescue, coroner rent, gen 1% sls tax srch & rscue, \$250.00, West End Water District, gen arprt util, \$60.00, Weston County School Dist #7, prevention management, \$6,232.27, Weston Co Solid Waste Dist, water & sewer arpa, \$293,623.48, Weston County 4-H Council, ext supplies, \$69.09, Weston County Gazette, misc print/publ, \$4,923.00, Weston County Health Services, law enf jail medical, \$335.00, Weston County Humane Society, !% Sls Tax Humane soc, \$750.00, Weston County Sr Services, gen 1% sls tax newc sr citix, 1% sls tax newc sr meal, 1% sls tax Upton/ Osage, Law enf brd of prisoner, \$9,232.50, Weston County Road & Bridge, maint

veh maint/fuel, airport support eqp, law enf veh/maint/fuel, maint veh fuel, \$4,862.62, William H Fuller, elctn slry, elctn, mile/trvl, \$57.88, Woody's Food Center, crthse janitor suppl, r&b post/freight, 53.06, WY Dept of Transportation, r&b old hwy 85 project, \$2,861.89, Wy Network, dist crt special attny, \$270.00, Wyoming Department of Health- Lab, pub hlth supplies, \$28.00.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

Don Taylor
Chairman

Attest: Becky Hadlock
Weston County Clerk