

WESTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL MINUTES
January 20, 2026

The regular meeting of the Weston County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Nathan Todd at 9:00 a.m. at the Weston County Courthouse. Commissioners Ed Wagoner, Garrett Borton and Vera Huber, Attorney Michael Stulken and Clerk Becky Hadlock were present. Walter Sprague opened the meeting with prayer, and Commissioner Huber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice-Chairman Wagoner moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Borton. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Stan Jasinski discussed upcoming Weston County Republican Party events.

BOARD'S SIGNATURE ON RESOLUTION 2026-1 – AMENDMENT TO THE 2025-2026 BUDGET

Vice-Chairman Wagoner moved to approve the Board's signature on Resolution 2026-1 – Amendment to the 2025-2026 Budget; seconded by Commissioner Borton. During discussion Commissioner Borton stated that the utilities are all in the name of Search and Rescue. Carried.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 6, 2026

Commissioner Borton moved to approve the minutes of January 6, 2026, as amended; seconded by Vice-Chairman Wagoner. Carried.

BOARD APPOINTMENT – RE-APPOINTMENT WESTON COUNTY HISTORICAL PRESERVATION BOARD

Commissioner Huber moved to re-appoint Betty Petranek to the Weston County Historical Preservation Board; seconded by Commissioner Borton. Carried.

BOARD APPOINTMENT – RE-APPOINTMENT WESTON COUNTY FAIR BOARD

Vice-Chairman Wagoner moved to re-appoint Mason Kaiser to the Weston County Fair Board; seconded by Commissioner Borton. During discussion Commissioner Borton stated that he sees a lot of hands on by Mason and he is a positive influence on the Fair Board. Carried.

KONE VOUCHER DISCUSSION

The maintenance contract with Kone was discussed. The Board has questions about part of the wording being removed and would like to have a representative from Kone attend the next meeting. Vice-Chairman Wagoner moved to approve the Kone voucher in the amount of \$14,0275.75 for the maintenance contract and cleaning of the rails; seconded by Commissioner Borton. Carried.

WESTON COUNTY NATURAL RESOURCE DISTRICT VOUCHER DISCUSSION

Weston County Natural Resource District Manager Caleb Carter came before the Board to answer their questions pertaining to the Hazardous Waste collection days. Mr. Carter explained that even though this event has not been held for the last couple of years the funds from the County have been carried over to be used for the one scheduled for June 13th. Vice-Chairman Wagoner moved to pay the voucher to the Natural Resource District in the amount of \$1,106.25; seconded by Commissioner Borton. Carried.

PRE-APPOINTMENT VISIT WITH FAIR BOARD APPLICANT

The Board visited with Joseph Tedder about his interest in serving on the Fair Board. Vice -Chairman Wagoner moved to appoint Joseph Tedder to the Weston County Fair Board; seconded by Commissioner Borton. During discussion his term was discussed. Clerk Hadlock will get this to the Fair Board. Carried.

TRAVELING VIETNAM WALL UPDATE

Kathy Levasseur let the Board know that they were awarded the grant for the traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall and thanked the Board for their support. The wall will be in Newcastle August 13th through the 17th.

NON-COMPLIANCE DISTRICTS UPDATE

Sheriff Bryan Colvard, Chairman of the Combined Communications Joint Powers Board, updated the Commissioners on the CCJPB's audit status. Sheriff Colvard indicated that they had everything to their auditor Paul Stille, and everything should now be completely done. The Board thanked Sheriff Colvard for the update and let him know this was good news. Clerk Hadlock let the Board know that Cambria Improvement Service District was working on getting their last step completed to become compliant.

FAIRGROUNDS UPDATE

Fair Board member Billy Jackson came before the Board to give a progress update on the indoor arena, events center and open class building. Mr. Jackson explained that the Fair Board will be out of money in April and will need to ask for a budget adjustment. The Commissioners asked for the balance of the Fair Board's revenue account that is in the bank and Mr. Jackson gave a balance of \$21,159.29.

OLD BUSINESS**EVENTS CENTER – RELEASE FORM**

Commissioner Huber moved to approve the Fixed Property Damage Release #25-535461215 in the amount of \$16,053.79; seconded by Commissioner Borton. Carried.

Commissioner Huber moved to pay Howard White Construction LLC in the amount of \$2,829.71, the difference between what the insurance was allowing and what they are billing and pay for this out of Building and Grounds; seconded by Commissioner Borton. Carried.

KENWOOD DRIVE

Chairman Todd gave a report on behalf of Road and Bridge Superintendent Jim Hansen that there are still easements needed for Kenwood Drive. Attorney Michael Stulken will work on having a resolution ready by the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nick Trandahl encouraged everyone to pay attention and to be aware of what is taking place with the Legislative Session as they are trying to erase the local decision making.

COMMISSIONER COMMENT

Vice-Chairman Wagoner spoke about the proposed legislative decision to shut down the Wyoming Business Council and encouraged everyone to pay attention and pull off the gloves. Vice-Chairman Wagoner also spoke about the Appropriation Committee being handed scripts.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – W.S. 16-4-405 (a)(iii) – POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Commissioner Borton moved to go into Executive Session per W.S. 16-4-405(a)(iii); seconded by Commissioner Huber. Carried. Executive Session began at 11:25 a.m. and reconvened into regular session at 12:07 p.m. Matters concerning potential litigation were discussed in Executive Session, no action was taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – W.S. 16-4-405 (a)(ii) – PERSONNEL

Vice-Chairman Wagoner moved to go into Executive Session per W.S. 16-4-405(a)(ii); seconded by Commissioner Borton. Carried. Executive Session began at 12:08 p.m. and reconvened into regular session at 12:40 p.m. Matters concerning personnel were discussed in Executive Session, no action was taken.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:41 p.m.

Nathan Todd
Chairman

Attest: Becky Hadlock
Weston County Clerk