

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING
March 6, 2001

The Niobrara County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting on March 6, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room at the Niobrara County Courthouse. Present were Chairman Donna I Ruffing and Commissioner Richard Ladwig. Richard L. James was absent.

Minutes of the February 20, 2001 meeting were approved as presented.

Receipts for the month of February from the County Clerk (\$2,124.00) and the Sheriff (\$422.00) were acknowledged.

The following business was conducted:

Crime Victims - Michelle Burt advised that the State has requested that the Crime Victims' Advocate and Helpmate merge and submit one funding request, effective July 1, 2001. Because of this arrangement, the County will be unable to contribute matching cash funds. However, the Commissioners donated a 2-drawer filing cabinet currently being used as an in-kind match.

Juvenile Justice Task Force - Sheriff Bebe Reed, Undersheriff Rick Zerbe, Detention Supervisor Lori Brillhart, Deputy County Attorney Lowell Fitch and Lusk Policeman Dusty Crissman met to discuss the possible JAIBG grant application for an additional \$900 which is now available. Following discussion, it was decided to proceed with the application for the purchase of two (2) more Alco-senzers and a cell phone.

911 Dispatch Budget - Lusk Councilmen Pete Pier and Doug Greenough presented the town's proposed budget cut to their funding share of this department for 2001-02. Sheriff Bebe Reed, Undersheriff Rick Zerbe and Dispatch Supervisor Bonnie Tousley were also in attendance. Following discussion, all parties concurred with the proposal.

Public Defender - A request from the State of Wyoming to appoint Bruce Horton, as a part-time Assistant Public Defender, to assist with criminal cases in the Eighth Judicial District was approved.

Road Indexing - Discussed with County Attorney Davies the easement variances requested by Donald and Dorene Kraft to their easement. Davies will respond.

Audit - Signed and approved a revised agreement with Porter Muirhead to perform the County's audits: an increase of \$1,500 to \$10,250 for 2000-01; and an increase of \$1,500 to \$11,750 for 2001-02.

Payroll and the following vouchers for the month of February were approved:

There being no further business, the meeting recessed to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 20, 2001.

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Donna I. Ruffing
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ATTEST:

Suzanne R. Sturman
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