

**COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING
July 2, 2002**

The Niobrara County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting on July 2, 2002 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room at the Niobrara County Courthouse. Present were Chairman Donna I. Ruffing and Commissioners Richard L. James and Richard A. Ladwig.

Minutes of the June 18, 2002 meeting were approved as presented.

Receipts for the month of June from the County Clerk (\$2,098) and the Sheriff (\$6,343) were acknowledged.

The following business was conducted:

Hospital – Ratified the \$1,026,138 State Lands & Investment Board Grant request to resolve the Hospital District's loan.

Emergency Management – Ratified RESOLUTION 02-12 Hazard Mitigation Match Commitment to develop and complete local mitigation plans.

Fair Board – Accepted Travis Krein's resignation and appointed Andy Greer to fill the vacancy to December 31, 2006.

Justice of the Peace – Approved and signed appointment of Dennis C. Meier as Magistrate for Niobrara County in the 8th Judicial District Court, effective January 1, 2003.

Clerk of Court – Approved and signed cooperative agreements with the State of Wyoming for Child Support Responsibilities and Receipt & Distribution of Payments.

JAIBG 2001 – Approved and signed the contract for the \$7,212 grant to be used for court appointed attorneys and public defenders for juveniles. The Town of Lusk and Niobrara County provide the required \$807 match.

Greenbelt – Acknowledged the extension of the grant thru July 31, 2002 for \$25,000 to construct a parking pad at the EMT Barn and add 225' of asphalt path to the trail head.

Road & Bridge - Approved a request from LaWanna Reece for a new approach off the North Van Tassell Road.

Approved requesting termination of the DEQ Pit Permits for the Tschacher, Manning and Pfister pits.

Fire and Fireworks Ban – Discussed and received input from the Fire District and the Lusk Volunteer Fire Chief on the possibility of imposing a partial fire and fireworks ban in the unincorporated areas of Niobrara County. No action was taken at this time, however, the situation will continue to be monitored.

Liquor Permit – Approved permit for The Pub at the Fairgrounds on July 11, 12 and 13, 2002 for the Rawhide Pageant.

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

There being no further business, the meeting recessed to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 9, 2002 for a special meeting to adopt the 2002-03 budget.

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Donna I. Ruffing
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ATTEST:

Suzanne R. Sturman
Suzanne R. Sturman, Clerk

