

**COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING
June 4, 2002**

The Niobrara County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting on June 4, 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 May 21, 2002 meeting were approved as presented.

Receipts for the month of May from the County Clerk (\$2,626.75) and the Sheriff (\$21,676.35) were acknowledged.

The following business was conducted:

Extension – Denise Smith presented a Memorandum of Understanding with the University of Wyoming for the Cooperative Extension Service, effective thru June 30, 2007. The MOU was approved and signed.

Greenbelt – Leroy Redfield requested permission to utilize funds prior to the grant termination date of June 30, 2002 to extend the walking path and construct a parking pad near the EMT Barn. No action was taken until further information is available.

PILT – Approved and signed a letter to President George W. Bush protesting his proposed 21% budget cut of \$45 million to the PILT program.

Fuel Bids – Opened two (2) bids to provide unleaded gasoline for all County vehicles. Fresh Start Convenience Stores was awarded the bid and each vehicle will be issued a credit card. Opened one (1) bid to provide bulk diesel for Road & Bridge. Bartow Oil was awarded the bid. Both bids are effective July 1, 2002 thru June 30, 2003.

Budget – The following meetings were scheduled:

June 13	Departmental Budget Meetings
June 19	Budget Work Session
July 8	Budget Public Hearing
July 9	Special Meeting to Approve Final Budget

Regular Meetings – The regular meeting on Tuesday, July 16, 2002 will be rescheduled to Tuesday, July 23, 2002 at 9:00 a.m.

Taxes – Noted Department of Revenue valuation changes for Hedges Oil Co (-\$206.31); Sonterra Oil & Gas (+\$941.42) and Enserch Exploration, Inc. (+\$2,098.25). Approved Rebate Tax Order #267 for Hedges Oil Co for \$206.31.

Beer Permit – Approved a beer permit for El Jarro at the Roping Club arena on June 16, 2002.

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

There being no further business, the meeting recessed to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 18, 2002.

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Donna I. Ruffing
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ATTEST:

Suzanne R. Sturman
Suzanne R. Sturman, Clerk