

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING
May 7, 2002

The Niobrara County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting on May 7, 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 April 16, 2002 meeting were approved as presented.

Receipts for the month of April from the County Clerk (\$2,495), Sheriff (\$2524) and Justice of the Peace (\$1,574) were acknowledged.

The following business was conducted:

Drug Bids – Two bids to provide medications to inmates in the Niobrara County Detention Center were opened and reviewed. After conducting telephone interviews for clarification, Sperry Drug was declared the successful bidder.

Lawn Care – Two bids to provide fertilizer and weed control at the courthouse, jail, library and fairgrounds were opened and reviewed. True Green of Casper was awarded the bid.

North Jireh Road – Dale Fullerton presented documentation that the North Jireh Road was declared a County Road in May 1911. Fullerton requested the Commissioners to ratify its existence with no obligation to maintain or improve the road other than what is currently being done. James moved, seconded by Ladwig, to approve the request. Motion carried. A resolution will be prepared for adoption.

Phillips Petroleum – Representatives of Phillips Petroleum and the Wyoming Energy Commission presented information regarding their re-application for a DEQ NPDES permit to discharge CBM water into the Cheyenne River. Also present were NRCS and Niobrara County Conservation District.

Natural Gas Option – Ratified the selection of Wyoming Community Gas at the fixed commercial rate for all County facilities signed by Ladwig on April 17, 2002.

Beer Permit – Approved a beer permit for May 24, 2002 at the fair grounds for the Fair Board and Library Board fundraiser.

Taxes – Approved Cancellation Order #00665 for Chuck R. Wiggins for \$22.34.

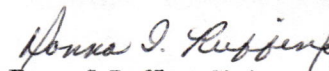
Fire District – Ratified the Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement signed by Ruffing on May 1, 2002.

Scholarships – Reviewed 10 applications and selected three (3) recipients and two (2) alternates for the County Commissioners' Scholarship to be awarded at graduation.

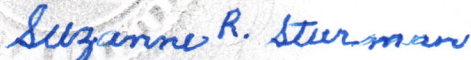
Payroll and the following vouchers for the month of April were approved:

There being no further business, the meeting recessed to reconvene at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 16, 2002 to set the elected officials salaries to be effective January 1, 2003 for a four-year period.

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


Donna I. Ruffing, Chairman

ATTEST


Suzanne R. Sturman, Clerk



April 2002 payroll- 53,843.98 Lusk State Bank- S/S, M/C, W/H- 15,451.97 Aflac- Employee pd. insurance- 218.60; Allbright's True Value- Supplies- 282.32; A T & T- Long distance service- 363.56; Avaya Communications- Service agreement- 71.87; Brice's Refrigeration, Inc.- Maintenance & mileage- 1,360.39; Bill's Tire Service- Vehicle repair- 521.04; Cellular One- Cell phone- 126.15; Dept. of A & I- Network fee & jury list- 51.36; Dave's Drug & Home Oxygen- Supplies & inmate medical- 380.96; Decker's Foods- Supplies & inmate meals- 184.07; DNB Plumbing & Dry Goods- Fairgrounds maintenance- 45.00; Eastern Wyoming Mental Health- Inmate medical- 61.25; Herren Brothers-Greenbelt project- 250.69; Hiway Super Service- Vehicle repairs- 163.76; Ionex Telecommunications-Basic phone service- 1,005.23; Jay's H.A.C.S.- Vehicle repairs- 304.53; Jordan Automotive- Vehicle repair- 221.12; Kinder Morgan, Inc.- Utilities- 2,083.15; Lusk-Niobrara Ambulance Service- Inmate medical- 512.00; Loyal American Life- Employee pd. ins.- 179.50; Lusk Herald- Publications & advertising- 487.90; Joan McLaud- Reimburse postage & internet costs- 15.10; Metropolitan Life- Employee pd. ins/IRA- 606.26; Niobrara County Sheriff's Office- Postage & supplies- 114.79; Niobrara Electric Association- Radio tower- 101.53; Nelson's Oil & Gas, Inc.- Gasoline- 649.32; Niobrara Senior Center- Rent- 500.00; Office Depot- Supplies- 404.45; Orchard Trust Co.- Employee pd. def. comp.- 775.00; Plainsman- Supplies- 339.49; Postmaster- Postage- 674.60 Sperry Drug- Supplies & inmate medical- 466.82; State Street Research- Employee pd. mutual funds- 250.00; Stephens-Peck, Inc.- 52.00; Torrington Office Supply- Supplies & new equipment- 218.51; Town of Lusk- Utilities- 1,379.32; Valley Motor Supply- Repairs- 288.10; Visa- Uniforms, travel expense & dues- 195.66; Wyoming Dept. of Transportation- Supplies- 611.40; Whitaker Oil, Inc.- Travel expense- 64.95; Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy- Schools- 110.00; Wal-mart Community- 42.46; Western Plains- Supplies- 62.15; Wyoming Worker's Comp.- Worker's Comp.- 1,049.57; Wyoming.Com- Internet- 168.00; Xerox Corp.- Copier payment & maintenance agreements- 419.22; Richard L. James- Mileage- 106.26; Richard A. Ladwig- Mileage- 9.45; Donna I. Ruffing- Mileage & Phone- 184.44; Computer Software Associates- Computer Expense- 99.20; Wyoming County Treasurer's Association- Reg. fee & 2002 dues- 130.00; Elaine Griffith- Supplies- 53.19; Larry Crawford- Cell phone- 45.32; Wyoming Association of Sheriffs & Chiefs- 2002 dues- 50.00; Wearguard- Uniforms- 152.97; Niobrara County Hospital District- 50% of 1% option tax- 4,557.19; Central United Life- Employee pd. ins.- 50.54; Clerk of Justice Court- Garnishments- 589.90; Colonial Life & Accident- Employee pd. ins.- 39.45; D & T Garage- Maintenance- 851.55; Tye Reed- Maintenance- 300.00; Copier Connection, Inc.- Service agreement- 110.00; IOS Capital- Copier Payment- 249.99; Tammie Jensen- Meals, mileage & lodging- 359.75; Denise E. Smith- Meals, mileage & lodging- 177.55; Diane Tadewald- Meals, mileage & lodging- 86.56; Bruce Horton- Court appointed attorney- 405.00; Niobrara County Treasurer- Reimburse for postage- 59.20; West Group- Law Library- 1,068.00; Dennis C. Meier- Rent & supplies- 587.18; Black Hills Chemical Co.- Supplies- 230.25; WAM-WCCA- County window project- 625.00; AlSCO- Coveralls & towels- 148.47; Bartow Oil Co.- Diesel- 1,507.96; Covello Motor Co.- Parts- 36.04; The Fuel Depot- Oil- 17.40; Lawson Products, Inc.- Parts- 143.50; Wyoming Machinery Co.- Parts- 54.90; Kester Akers- ½ Internet & phone- 27.12; Clearinghouse- Wage withholding order- 434.50; Community Medical Clinic- Inmate medical- 298.25; Vandel Drugs- Inmate medical- 15.46; Wyoming Women's Center- March & April inmate meals- 2,429.52; Lisa Mellott- Registration fee & mileage- 114.06; Wyoming Dept. of Health- County share 3rd qtr. Payroll- Public Health Nurse- 2,363.28; Wyoming Department of Unemployment- Unemployment fees- 716.00; Thompson Publishing Group- FLSA update renewal- 298.00; Townsend Co., Inc.- Joint owner billing- 81.82; Benchmark of Torrington- Landowner meeting & county road project- 902.36; Cheryl Lund- Reimburse for postage- 3.50; Niobrara County Clerk- Recording easements- 280.00; McWilliams-Moody Dental Clinic- Inmate medical- 241.00; Niobrara Conservation District- Trees for Greenbelt project- 16,039.62; Rich Boyce Recreation, Inc.- Greenbelt project- 1,277.34; AMD Telemedicine- Printer, supplies, & training- 1,824.00; A T & T- E911 phone service- 16.75; James Frye- OJJDP labor- 189.00; Wyoming Child Support Enforcement Agency- Wage withholding order- 175.00