

**COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING
March 15, 2005**

The Niobrara County Commissioners reconvened for their regularly scheduled meeting on March 15, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Niobrara County Courthouse. Present were Chairman Tom L. Wasserburger, Commissioners Richard A. Ladwig, Ronson B. Pfister and County Clerk Becky L. Freeman.

The Commissioners acknowledged the following receipts for the month of February from the Clerk of Court for \$588.63.

Pfister moved, seconded by Ladwig, to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2005 meeting, with minor changes to read as follows Union Pacific Rail Road instead of Rail Road. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The following business was conducted:

Road & Bridge- Met with Road and Bridge Foreman Fred Thomas and discussed roads, auto gates, and gravel. Thomas also discussed the damaged bridge at Manville and repair work that was done.

Gravel- Thomas submitted a list of county roads in need of repair and amounts of gravel needed to complete these projects. An engineer needs to be involved to determine actual amounts of gravel needed for the road repairs and reconstruction. This will ensure adequate quantities of gravel when the bids are let for gravel. Pfister moved, seconded by Ladwig, to begin process of contacting engineers and do what is necessary for the bid letting to get this project underway. **MOTION CARRIED.**

County Assessor- County Assessor Elaine B. Griffith discussed the letter the Commissioners received from the County Treasurer's Association regarding the CAMA conversion. Griffith advised the Commissioners that the procedures that Niobrara County uses should not be affected by this conversion because the program currently used does not interface with other offices.

Road & Bridge Continued-

Construction Easement- Wasserburger moved, seconded by Pfister, to enter into a construction agreement with Pete Hansen to remove a hill on the north side of Kaltenheuser road in trade for approximately 4 hours of Cat time. **MOTION CARRIED.** The motion was amended to include the filling in of the ruts on Pete Hansen's property. **MOTION CARRIED.**

28 Road- Reviewed the re-route areas for Cottonwood & the South End revisions of 28 Road. The Cottonwood revisions appeared to be in order, however the South End revisions need to be reviewed with landowners.

County Attorney- Reviewed a letter agreement between Hansen Ranch, Inc. and Niobrara County for dirt work in exchange for burying the ranch dump. Also reviewed a letter agreement for temporary construction easement and permanent easement between Warren Broyles for Warren Broyles & Co and Niobrara County and Wayne Broyles and Niobrara County. This agreement would allow Niobrara County to move dirt from the Broyles property to realign portions of 28 Road in exchange for upgrading and graveling the road into Warren Broyles home.

Ladwig moved, seconded by Pfister, to approve the agreement with Hansen Ranch, Inc. and Niobrara County to get dirt in exchange for burying their ranch dump. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Pfister moved, seconded by Ladwig, to approve the letter agreement for temporary construction easement & permanent easement between Wayne Broyles and Niobrara County for dirt work on 28 Road and to provide not less than five (5) loads of gravel in compensation for taking of dirt. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Ladwig moved, seconded by Pfister, to approve the Letter agreement for temporary construction easement and permanent easement between Warren Broyles for Warren Broyles and Co. and Niobrara County for dirt work on 28 Road. **MOTION CARRIED.**

District Attorney's Office Proposal- A phone conference was conducted with Judge Keith Kautz of the Eight Judicial District to discuss the positive and negative effects the formation of a District Attorney's Office would have on Niobrara County. While Kautz could not give a formal opinion, he did provide resource information.

LEPC Meeting- Bobbi Tenborg- SARA Title III/HazMat Program Manager, Emergency Management Coordinator Kester Akers, Sheriff Rick Zerbe, Lieutenant Lori Brillhart, Commissioners Tom L. Wasserburger, Richard A. Ladwig, Ronson B. Pfister, Town of Manville Mayor Richard Schroeder, County Clerk Becky L. Freeman, and Lusk Herald Reporter Susan Margaheh met to discuss the Local Emergency Planning Committee and some of the responsibilities of the committed. Commissioner Wasserburger left the meeting at 1.47 p.m.

Change of Zoning- The Commissioners received three (3) applications and a do recommend for change of zoning from the Planning and Zoning Commission for Ed Boner, Richard Tollman, Dave Thomson. The changes of zoning are from agricultural to industrial gravel pit. A public hearing was set for April 5, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. in the Courtroom at the Niobrara County Courthouse.

The meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.



ATTEST:

Becky L. Freeman
Becky L. Freeman, Clerk

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Richard A. Ladwig

~~Tom L. Wasserburger~~ ^{vicc} Chairman

Richard A. Ladwig