

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING
November 1, 2005

The Niobrara County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting on November 1, 2005 at 9:03 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Niobrara County Courthouse. Present were Commissioners Tom L. Wassserburger, Richard A. Ladwig and County Clerk Becky L. Freeman. Commissioner Ron Pfister joined the meeting at 9:29 a.m.

The Commissioners acknowledged the following receipts for the month of October from the County Clerk for \$3,157.21 and from the Sheriff for \$15,716.93.

Pfister moved, seconded by Ladwig, to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2005 regular meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Road & Bridge- The Commissioners met with Road and Bridge Foreman Fred Thomas and discussed roads, equipment, and auto gates. They also discussed easements particularly the ones sought on Ridge Road and the course of action they would take if those easements are not obtained. Thomas presented a revised quote from Wyoming Machinery on the loader using the Ford tractor as a trade in.

County Attorney- Met with County Attorney Doyle J. Davies and discussed old business. They also discussed a Memorandum of Understanding between the Secretary of State and Niobrara County for voting systems and an agreement between Nine One One, Inc. and Niobrara County for telephone hotline support and software support for the E911 system.

Detention Office- Lieutenant Lori Brillhart and Sheriff Rick Zerbe met with the Commissioners to discuss ankle monitors the court has ordered individuals to wear and the cost to the county. Brillhart was concerned because she has no line item set aside for this in her budget. The Commissioners suggested she take the expense out of her budget and if necessary, the issue will be addressed during the next budget cycle.

Inmate Thanksgiving Dinner- The Commissioners received a request from an individual to serve a Thanksgiving dinner to the detention center inmates. After discussing the matter with Brillhart and Zerbe, it was determined that the decision be made by the Sheriff & Detention due to security issues and risks involved.

Town of Van Tassell- Mayor LaWanna Reece, Council Member Cody Bruegger, and Homeland Security Grant Coordinator Pete Pier met with the Commissioners to discuss Homeland Security. Reece inquired as to the status of a siren for Van Tassell. She also voiced concerns she had about not being kept up to date on the status of the grant and equipment being purchased. Pier stated he would research the siren issue with Emergency Management Coordinator Kester Akers and would keep the council better informed about the next round of Homeland Security money.

Kerry Powers met with the Commissioners and gave them an update on Wildlife Management, Predator Boards and the status of the wolf classification.

Letter of Continued Support for Food Stamp Nutrition Education Program- Pfister moved, seconded by Ladwig, to sign the letter of continued support. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Official Bond & Oath- Ladwig moved, seconded by Pfister, to approve the Bond & Oath for Keri Thompson as Treasurer of Niobrara County. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Rebate of Taxes- Noted the Rebate of Taxes for Prospective Investments & Trading Co. from the 2005 tax rolls for (\$968.18), rebate # 277.