

**COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING
September 19, 2005**

The Niobrara County Commissioners reconvened for their regularly scheduled meeting on September 19, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Niobrara County Courthouse. Present were Commissioners Tom L. Wasserburger, Richard A. Ladwig, Ronson B. Pfister and County Clerk Becky L. Freeman.

Wasserburger adjourned the Regular Meeting at 9:02 a.m. to hold a public hearing. The regular meeting reconvened at 9:06 a.m.

Change of Zoning- Ladwig moved, seconded by Pfister, to approve the change of zoning application for Dave Thomson requesting approximately 10 acres of land located in **Sec 22: NE1/4SE1/4 and Sec 23: NW1/4SW1/4 all in T37N, R67W** be changed from agricultural to industrial gravel pit. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Pfister moved, seconded by Wasserburger, to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2005 regular meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.** Pfister moved, seconded by Wasserburger, to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2005 Special Meeting and the September 13, 2005 Special Meeting with a grammatical change. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Road & Bridge- The Commissioners met with Road and Bridge Foreman Fred Thomas and discussed equipment, repairs, training, and roads.

Ridge Road- Thomas informed the board of the status of Ridge Road. There was also discussion about autogates on Ridge Road.

Ladwig left the meeting at 10:01 to attend the W.A.C.O. Board Meeting held in Gillette.

Thomas also discussed the Mining Safety Health Administration, MSHA, training. All employees running equipment in our pits are required to have this safety training.

Treasurer's Contract- The Commissioners met with Teresa Poage and discussed the terms of the contract. Pfister moved, seconded the Wasserburger, to approve the professional services contract with Teresa Poage. **MOTION CARRIED.**

County Attorney- Met with County Attorney Doyle J. Davies and discussed old business and litigation.

Public Health Grant- Public Health Nurse Lisa Mellott submitted a contract between the State of Wyoming Department of Health, Community and Family Health Division's Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Section and Goshen/Niobrara Counties. The purpose of the contract is to provide pass-through funds as revenue to assist the county-based public health provider (Contractor) in enhancing its capacity to plan, deliver, and evaluate coordinated maternal and child health services. The total payment under this contract for Goshen and Niobrara Counties is \$63,094.00. Davies reviewed the contract and noted the county's obligations under this contract. Pfister moved, seconded by Wasserburger, to sign the contract with the State. **MOTION CARRIED.**

TANF/CPI Amendment #1- The Commissioners received Amendment Number One to the contract between the Wyoming Dept of Family Services (Agency) and

Niobrara County Commissioners (Contractor). The purpose of this Amendment is to extend the end date of the Contract, which became effective October 1, 2004 with an expiration date of September 30, 2005, through September 30, 2006, provide additional funding for the extension, and include language changes required by the Office of the Attorney General. Pfister moved, seconded by Wasserburger, to sign the Amendment Number One to the Contract for FY 2005-2006. **MOTION CARRIED.**

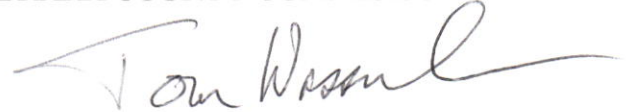
Homeland Security Grant- Hazard Mitigation Program (HMGP). The Commissioners received information on funding available for a Hazard Mitigation Program Grant. Wasserburger stated he would contact Homeland Security Director Joe Moore to find out if GPS qualified under the plan. The Notice of Intent filing deadline is September 30, 2005

Wyoming Business Council Community Facilities Grant & Loan Program- The intent of this program is to assist communities to enhance existing school facilities and preserve former school & government facilities that have existing or future community uses. There is a 10% match of project costs. Pfister stated he would investigate this matter further.

OrbitCom Phone Service- Upon review of OrbitCom's letter detailing contract requirements the county would have to meet, the Commissioners declined OrbitCom's request to provide phone service for Niobrara County.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISISONERS



Tom L. Wasserburger, Chairman



ATTEST



Becky L. Freeman, Clerk