

**COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING
September 6, 2005**

The Niobrara County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting on September 6, 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.

The Commissioners acknowledged the following receipts for the month of August from the County Clerk for \$4,031.25, the Sheriff for \$29,539.69 and the Clerk of Court for \$638.65.

Ladwig moved, seconded by Pfister, to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2005 regular meeting as amended and the August 16, Public Hearing. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The following business was conducted:

Road & Bridge- The Commissioners met with Road & Bridge Foreman Fred Thomas and discussed roads and equipment. Thomas informed the board that the screen is ready to go and will be out at Ron Brown's. Thomas talked about blading the Gun Club Road and Node Road. He stated that conditions are very dry and it would take a lot of water on the roads to do any good. He suggested waiting a while until more moisture is on the ground to begin work. The Commissioners and Thomas discussed the price of fuel and the effect it would have on his budget. They asked him to be aware of the cost of fuel.

County Attorney- The Commissioners met with County Attorney Doyle J. Davies and discussed litigation, various contracts and miscellaneous business issues.

Executive Session- Entered into executive session at 10:06 a.m. to discuss litigation. The regular session reconvened at 10:37 a.m. No action was taken at this time.

Radio Tower- Ladwig stated he had received a lease from Two-Way radio regarding the Kant Radio Tower. Ladwig asked Davies to review the contract and discuss less restrictive options with Two-Way Radio, Mike Kant, and Kant's attorney Dennis Meier.

OrbitCom Phone Service- Judy Fisher, OrbitCom Phone Company representative, met with the Commissioners to discuss options available to the County for phone service. The Commissioners took this information into consideration.

TANF Funding for FY 2005-2006- The Commissioners acknowledged a letter from the Department of Family Services. The letter stated that Niobrara County would be the recipient of a TANF Grant for \$41,100. The contract runs from Oct. 1, 2005 – Sept. 30, 2006.

Professional Services Contract- Pfister moved, seconded by Ladwig, to approve Professional Services Contract between H. Rick Hollon and Niobrara County for the Guardian Ad Litem Program. The contract runs through December 31, 2005. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Qwest- The Commissioners acknowledged a Notice of Complaint filed by Qwest. The Complaint and Summons was received by County Attorney Doyle J. Davies on