

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
NIORARA COUNTY, WYOMING
June 2, 2009

The Niobrara County Commissioners' Meeting was called to order at 8:59 a.m. on June 2, 2009 in the Commissioners' Room of the Niobrara County Courthouse. Those in attendance were Chairman Richard A. Ladwig, Commissioners Arlene Zerbst Rapp, Greg B. Starck, and County Clerk Becky L. Freeman.

Road & Bridge-Foreman Fred Thomas met with the Commissioners and discussed the NRCS Performance of Work Agreement No. 68-8E49-9-0037 for Lance Creek Red Bird Road Bridge. Thomas stated that the county needed to draft a letter requesting an extension on time to complete the project. The Commissioners will discuss this further at their next regular meeting. Thomas discussed pits and noted that work had begun on Meridian Road. He also talked about the Silver Springs Road. He said the state inquired about dust control on the road because they are using the pit and Thomas told them that the county wanted magnesium chloride on the first mile and to keep the road wet to keep the dust down. He also told them that if the road is torn up, they must repair it.

Thomas said that Dale Gunn had approached him and wanted to know if he could have a load or two of millings since we are stockpiling the roto mill on his property. The Commissioners agreed as long as there is written documentation for this agreement.

Executive Session- Ladwig moved, seconded by Starck, to enter into Executive Session with Sheriff Zerbe at 9:40 a.m. to discuss potential litigation. **MOTION CARRIED.** The Regular Session reconvened at 9:46 a.m. No action was taken.

Minutes- Starck moved, seconded by Zerbst Rapp, to approve the Minutes of the May 19, 2009 meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Catering Permit- Starck moved, seconded by Ladwig, to approve the catering permit for Paleo Park to sell alcoholic beverages at the Paul Kruse Memorial to be held June 13, 2009 at the Niobrara County Fairgrounds. **MOTION CARRIED.**

County Attorney- The Commissioners met with County Attorney Doyle J. Davies and discussed the NRCS contract and other county business.

Hospital Board- Hospital District Chairman Gene Kupke, Hospital District Board Members Mel ZumBrunnen, Jim Tangney, Chuck Bruch, Hospital Administrator Bob Brummond, Niobrara Health & Life C.F.O. Sandy Lane, and CPI Group representative Richard Thomas met with the Commissioners and gave a power point presentation on what has occurred, what is currently taking place, and future plans for the hospital.

Bill Lucas met with the Commissioners and gave the county a replicated terra cotta tile from the lobby of the Barrett Building in Cheyenne, Wyoming that had been presented to him upon his retirement from the State Parks & Cultural Resources Commission. The tile depicts the Deadwood Stage route.

Elected Officials & Dept. Heads- Debbie Sturman, Elaine Griffith, Keri Thompson, Rick Zerbe, & Denise Smith met with the Commissioners and discussed county business.

County Board of Equalization Appeals- Assessor Elaine Griffith met with the Commissioners and discussed the county's appeals procedures. She noted that our rules of procedures for appeals were set up in 2000 and need some minor revisions.

Griffith also discussed her abstract to the state.