

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING  
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING

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April 1, 2014

The Niobrara County Commissioners' meeting was called to order on April 1, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance were Chairman Richard A. Ladwig, Commissioners Arlene Zerbst Rapp, Greg B. Starck, and County Clerk Becky L. Freeman. Also in attendance was John Midkiff.

Road & Bridge- Brett Lattin with Cinco Oil met with the Commissioners and Foreman Fred Thomas to discuss Dixon and Slagle Road improvements. Cinco would like to assist the County with improving these roads to better serve the heavy oil field traffic. Cinco would like the County to install auto gates and culverts and Cinco would provide the rock and spread it on approximately three (3) miles of Dixon Road. The group also discussed dust control by using magnesium chloride on the roads when fracking crews arrive and traffic picks up.

Attorneys for both sides need to advise the parties on how to proceed contractually.

The Commissioners and Foreman Thomas next discussed the revised Road Use and Repair agreement between Niobrara County and ONEOK.

Arlene moved to approve the revised road use and repair agreement between ONEOK Bakken Pipeline and Niobrara County. Greg seconded, motion carried.

Richard discussed issues with Thompson Road. The commissioners would like to have the landowner come in and meet with them to discuss the concerns.

Greg discussed S Bar Road. He has reviewed it and doesn't necessarily think it needs to be engineered at this time.

County Attorney- County Attorney Doyle J. Davies and Deputy County Clerk Cally Lund met with the Commissioners and Foreman Thomas and discussed the earlier conversation with Cinco Oil regarding road improvements. An agreement needs to be drafted regarding these improvements and an agreement drafted for dust mitigation. Doyle will work up drafts for review.

Doyle discussed the conversations held at the last meeting regarding Richard's suggestion of creating a full time county attorney without a private practice. Currently, the county attorney's position is a full time position and a private practice is allowed.

Valley Plumbing and Heating- Representatives from Valley Plumbing and Heating met with the Commissioners to discuss heating, cooling, plumbing and HVAC work that they can perform for the County since Brice's Refrigeration closed. They were hoping to provide the periodic maintenance and have a full service agreement with the County.

Elected Officials and Department Heads- The elected officials and department heads met and discussed office operations and county business.

Consent Agenda- Greg moved to approve the consent agenda. Arlene seconded. Motion carried. Items included on the Consent Agenda were the March 18, 2014 Minutes, receipts for the month of March from Co. Clerk for \$4,231.65 and from the Sheriff for \$5,232.00, a Notice of Valuation Change for Seer Operating, LLC, resulting in a tax roll supplement of \$1,104.43, a letter from the State Board of Equalization regarding certification of cases from County Boards of Equalization to the State Board of Equalization, a letter from the Wyoming County Commissioners Association regarding the WY Greater Sage-Grouse Draft Land Use Plan Amendment and Environmental Impact Statement, and a memorandum from the Wyoming Dept. of Transportation regarding the bridge over Lance Creek.

Chairman Ladwig left the meeting at 2:00 p.m. because he was going out of town.

Wyoming Business Council Grant- Greg moved to approve the WBC grant for retrofit funding for the library in the amount of \$20,000 with an effective date of April 9, 2014 thru June 30, 2015. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

Fairgrounds HVAC Upgrade- Greg moved to approve the revised contract dated March 21, 2014 with West Plains Engineering, Inc. to provide mechanical and electrical engineering services and architectural services to repair the ventilation systems at the exhibit building of the Niobrara County Fairgrounds at a cost of \$14,400. Arlene seconded, motion carried.