

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING

February 4, 2014

The Niobrara County Commissioners' meeting was called to order on February 4, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance were Chairman Richard A. Ladwig, Commissioner Greg B. Starck, and County Clerk Becky L. Freeman. Also in attendance was John Midkiff. Commissioner Arlene Zerbst Rapp was excused because she was out of town.

Road & Bridge- Landowner Ed Eitel met with the Commissioners and Foreman Fred Thomas to request access to S Bar Road. The Commissioners did not grant a waiver at this time.

Foreman Thomas then discussed the upcoming meeting with ONEOK regarding the new Bakken pipeline and provided a rough draft of things that should be addressed on roads affected by the pipeline.

County Attorney - Doyle Davies met with the Commissioners to discuss county business. Brynn Robeson was also in attendance.

Richard discussed the list of requirements the Commissioners and Foreman Thomas would like to see regarding the Bakken Pipeline. They would like Doyle to draft something to have available at the next meeting to submit to ONEOK representatives.

Doyle talked about the WAM/WCCA agreement and had no problem with it.

He also addressed mandatory drug testing for independent contractors. Thought that they were legitimate concerns and could be included in the contract.

Brynn Robeson inquired about the abandoned vehicle towing contract; in particular, what would be necessary to bid on the contract once is drafted. Doyle said that if he meets the requirements set forth by the State, then he could be considered in the rotation.

Minutes- Greg moved to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2014 meeting. Richard seconded, motion carried.

The Commissioners acknowledged receipts for the month of January from the following entities:

County Clerk- \$4,952.50

Sheriff's Office- \$1,615.00

Clerk of District Court- \$428.70

Dept. of Revenue- The Commissioners acknowledged a notice from the Department regarding 2014 Property Tax Appraiser Certifications. Niobrara County has two permanent certified appraisers- Elaine Griffith and Dawn Otten.

The Commissioners also acknowledged a notice from the Department regarding governmental entities in Niobrara County with the authority to levy a mill. There are 10 taxing entities and all are in compliance with reporting requirements.

Official Bond and Oath- Greg moved to approve the Official Bonds and Oaths for Richard S. Luchsinger as Superintendent of NCSD #1 and GCSD #6, and Tina M. Christianson as Treasurer of NCSD #1 and GCSD #6. Richard seconded, motion carried.

Letter of Support- Greg moved to approve the letter of support for Solutions for Life. Richard seconded, motion carried.

Catering Permit- Greg moved to approve a catering permit for The Pub to sell alcoholic beverages at the Sportsman's Banquet being held February 8, 2014 at the Niobrara County Fairgrounds. Richard seconded, motion carried.

WAM/WCCA Energy Lease- Greg moved to sign the WAM-WCCA Energy Lease. Richard seconded, motion carried.

Elected Officials and Dept. Heads- The Elected Officials and Department Heads met with the Commissioners and discussed business in their offices and county business.

Payroll and the following vouchers were approved for payment:

Remit Name	Amount	Description
Allbright's True Value Hardware	\$ 393.04	Supplies, maintenance, parts
AlSCO	\$ 295.63	Shop towels, coveralls
Ben Lamp	\$ 3,105.00	Trucking
BenchMark of Torrington P.C.	\$ 2,353.50	Engineering fees
Bob Barker Co., Inc.	\$ 163.79	Supplies
Body Builders Body Shop	\$ 3,239.41	Vehicle repairs