

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING

May 20, 2014

The Niobrara County Commissioners' meeting was called to order on May 20, 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. John Midkiff and Pat Wade were also in attendance.

Brett Roetman met with the Commissioners to finalize the spraying contract for the Courthouse, Library, Fairgrounds and Justice Center.

Greg moved to accept the proposal from Roetman Enterprises, LLC., to spray and fertilize the above lawns at \$500 per application, with three applications. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

Road & Bridge – Foreman Fred Thomas met with the Commissioners and discussed the possibility of purchasing a skid steer. He said that Wyoming Machinery can sell us a new machine for less than we could purchase a used one due to the government discount.

After some discussion, the Commissioners authorized Fred to offer the rental fee of \$3,300 plus \$50,000 for a new skid steer to Wyoming Machinery.

County Attorney- County Attorney Doyle Davies and Deputy County Attorney Cally Lund met with the Commissioners to discuss the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Revenue and Niobrara County for new computer equipment in the Assessor's Office to be purchased by the State.

Cally then discussed updating the employee handbook.

Consent Agenda- Greg moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Arlene seconded, motion carried. Items included in the Consent Agenda were Minutes from the May 6, 2014 meeting, and a notice of thanks from the Conservation District to the Commissioners and Foreman Thomas for assistance in the hazardous waste collection.

Dept. of Revenue MOU- Greg moved to approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Revenue and Niobrara County for new computer equipment in the Assessor's Office being purchased by the State. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

Benzel Pest Control- Arlene moved to approve the contract with Benzel Pest Control for termite control at the Courthouse and Library. Greg seconded, motion carried.

Valley Plumbing & Heating- Greg moved to approve the preventative maintenance proposal with Valley Plumbing and Heating, to provide preventative maintenance to heating and cooling units in the Courthouse, Library and Fairgrounds. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

The Furnace Replacement Project was laid back until budget sessions begin.

Max Masters with Geographic Innovations met with the Commissioners and Assessor Elaine Griffith to give a power point presentation explaining the Regional Small Government Enterprise License Agreement available through ESRI ArcGIS software. Members of the audience included Ed Rapp, Town of Lusk Mayor, Pat Smith, UW Extension Educator Tammie Jensen, Niobrara Rural Fire District member Monte Finley and Assessor Office employees Teri Stephens and Janette Starck.

Legislative Constitutional Districting- Dan Bau, Danny Fouch, Tom Wing and William Curley, concerned citizens, met with the Commissioners and discussed a proposed Resolution on Legislative Constitutional Districting. They believe, that according to the Wyoming Constitution, the current redistricting is unlawful and has been so since 1992. They believe that the Constitution is clear that there should be one senator and one representative from each county. The Commissioners took this information under advisement. Danny Hanson, Jeb Hanson, Dan Henry Hanson and Ben Hanson were also in attendance.

Scott Howe, Public Health Emergency Response Coordinator met with the Commissioners to introduce himself and discuss the Public Health Emergency Response Coordinator position. Lisa Mellott, Public Health Nurse was also in attendance.

Kenny DeGering and Chuck Pzinski met with the Commissioners and Foreman Fred Thomas to request that they consider making all of Leimser Road a county road and changing the name of Leimser