

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING

September 16, 2014

The Niobrara County Commissioners' meeting was called to order on September 16, 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. Pat Wade joined the meeting.

Road and Bridge- Dennis Morgan, representing ONEOK Bakken Pipeline, met with the Commissioners and Foreman Fred Thomas to visit about the pipeline project and address any concerns.

Fred informed the Commissioners that Benchmark of Torrington will be preparing bid forms for the upcoming 2014 Road Rehabilitation project. This project will complete the road project started in 2005. He also discussed road conditions and gravel.

County Attorney- County Attorney Doyle J. Davies and Deputy County Attorney Cally Lund met with the Commissioners and discussed county business. The group discussed the towing service contract presented at the last meeting. The Commissioners would like the contract to be open to all qualified persons and provide for rotations of tow truck operators.

Attorney Logan Heth and Jim Jordan joined the meeting and discussions continued regarding this contract. Doyle explained what was transpiring with the original draft and the revision.

Consent agenda- Greg moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Arlene seconded, motion carried. Items included on the consent agenda were Minutes of the September 2, 2014 meeting, receipts for the month of July from the Clerk of Court for \$824.50 and an amendment to the Minutes of the June 17, 2014 meeting to include a motion made by Greg and seconded by Richard, approving a road use agreement between Niobrara County and Cheyenne River, LLC. Motion was carried.

Museum Board/Historical Society- JoAnn Wade and Wallie Petrie met with the Commissioners to discuss removal of an underground fuel tank that has been discovered at the museum. The group discussed how to proceed with the removal and also discussed property and liability insurance requirements.

TANF/CPI Grant- Arlene moved to approve the TANF/CPI grant between the Wyoming Dept. of Family Services and Niobrara County for \$16,280.00. Greg seconded, motion carried.

Fairgrounds Furnace Replacement- Greg moved to approve the agreement between Valley Plumbing and Heating and Niobrara County for furnace replacement only at a cost of \$20,120 and installation of a 3 ton York air conditioning system for \$13,750. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

Century Link-The Commissioners and Sheriff Zerbe, Deputy Kelly Dean and Dispatch Supervisor L. D. Stone met with Crystal Koehn from Century Link to discuss E-911 Call Center packages and prices

Fairgrounds HVAC Bid Opening- Bids were received from Diamond Point Construction and Valley Plumbing and Heating for the fairgrounds HVAC system upgrade. The bids were \$73,400 and \$62,800 respectively. Arlene moved to award the HVAC bid to Valley Plumbing and Heating for \$62,800. Greg seconded, motion carried.

Courthouse Improvements Bid – There were five improvement projects out for bid : painting of the exterior concrete basement walls; concrete repair; roof/interior repairs; install break room cabinets and repair the east entryway leak.

Greg moved to award the painting of the exterior walls to Proper Care, LLC., for \$2,890.00. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

Greg moved to award the concrete repair to Peterson Construction pending clarification of his bid price. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

Greg moved to award the roof/interior repair to Peterson Construction for \$2,204.00. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

Arlene moved to award the cabinet project to Proper Care, LLC., for \$2,630.00. Greg seconded, motion carried.