

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING
October 18, 2016

The Niobrara County Commissioners' meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 18, 2016. Those in attendance were Commissioners Greg B. Starck, Patrick H. Wade and County Clerk Becky L. Freeman. Chairman Richard A. Ladwig was excused because he was out of town. Also in attendance were County Commissioner candidates Dustin Cushman and John Midkiff.

Road & Bridge- Fred Thomas, Road and Bridge Foreman, met with the Commissioners and gave an update on road and bridge operations and business.

He said that one pickup is in and the other one should be here next week.

Pat said that Corky Foshier with the Fair Board, called him about the tractor and said that the fair board does not want a new tractor, just something easier to work with.

Greg asked Fred if he had heard anything from BenchMark regarding the Wilson, Pipe and Walker Roads project. Fred said that engineers from BenchMark should be here in November to present information.

Consent Agenda- Pat moved to approve the consent agenda. Greg seconded, motion carried. Items on the consent agenda were minutes from the October 4, 2016 meeting and the October 14, 2016 Special Meeting and an official bond and oath for Keri Thompson as Treasurer of Niobrara County.

Chris Smolik, CEO of Niobrara Health & Life Center and Shelly Larson, Hospital Board member, met with the Commissioners and gave an update on the hospital.

Chris discussed the lease between the County and the hospital, doctors, the new CT machine, hospital signage and their audit. He said he believes the hospital is in best shape it has been in in a long time.

Petition of Affidavit for Rebate of Taxes- Pat moved to approve a Petition of Affidavit for Rebate of Taxes for Finley Resources from the 2015 Tax Rolls for \$1,011.36. Greg seconded, motion carried.

County Attorney- Cally Lund, County Attorney, met with the Commissioners and discussed county business. She updated them on criminal cases and the group discussed the Breitburn bankruptcy.

Manual Check-Pat moved to approve manual check #16661 to Bob Ruwart Motors for \$63,284.00 for two 2017 Ram 1500 pickups for the Sheriff's office. Greg seconded, motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned

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Greg B. Starck, Vice-Chairman



Attest:



Becky L. Freeman