

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING
January 17, 2017

The Niobrara County Commissioners' meeting was called to order on this date at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Richard A. Ladwig, Commissioners Patrick H. Wade, John Midkiff and County Clerk Becky L. Freeman present. Road and Bridge- Fred Thomas, Road and Bridge Foreman, met with the Commissioners and discussed road and bridge business.

Fred said he has a blade headed to Redbird Road to do work on it because of all of the traffic. This is a result of the detour for the Lance Creek Bridge Replacement.

He said that Hout Fencing is going to start up work again.

Pat asked how much material would be left at Wasserburger Pit and if it was good enough quality to use on the Cheyenne River Road. Fred said he thought that material from Wilson Pit would be better. Richard asked if Fred had any plans to do work on the south end of Wasserburger Road and Fred said he was going to do some work on Oil Tank Road.

Fred said Caterpillar brought a 12M for the crew to use as a demo. Kirk bladed Hat Creek with it and Rex is blading 28 Road. Everyone seems to be getting along okay with it.

Fred also presented quotes for blades from John Deere and Caterpillar. Fred thought it would be a good idea to have a fifth blade.

Pat asked if Fred had talked to anyone from the hospital asking road and bridge to help them blade an area for parking. He said that he has not.

Richard mentioned a conversation he had with Mark Groh from the Hospital Board and said that the hospital would like to get one of the vehicles that the sheriff is going to sell. They would use this to drive to Casper to deliver labs that can't be performed locally and dispose of hospital biohazard waste. The Commissioners will pass this request on to the Sheriff.

Consent Agenda- Pat moved to approve the Consent Agenda. John seconded, motion carried. Items included on the agenda were the minutes of the January 3, 2017 meeting and an Official Bond and Oath for Louis Hammer as Treasurer of the Niobrara Senior Citizens' Service District.

Solutions for Life Letter of Support- Pat moved to sign the letter of support for Solutions for Life. John seconded, motion carried.

Property Tax Appraiser Certifications- The Commissioners acknowledged a letter from the State of Wyoming, Department of Revenue, recognizing Elaine Griffith as a permanently certified appraiser and Carmen Boussu and Teri Stephens as temporarily certified.

Catering Permit- John moved to approve a 24-Hour Catering Permit for Lusk Liquor Store to sell alcoholic beverages at the Sportsman's Banquet being held February 4, 2017 at the fairgrounds. Pat seconded, motion carried.

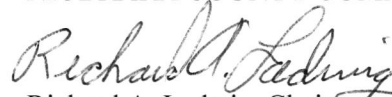
EDA Disaster Recovery Manager Grant- John moved to approve the signature for a disaster recovery manager grant. Pat seconded, motion carried. Discussion- John asked if the Joint Powers Board would be hiring the manager and Richard said yes.

Richard adjourned the regular meeting at 1:30 to hold an LEPC meeting.

The regular meeting reconvened at 2:30 p.m. Sheriff Rick Zerbe remained after the LEPC meeting and visited with the Commissioners about the Sheriff's vehicles he plans on selling. He said he could provide an Explorer to the hospital if they would like it. No action was taken at this time.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Richard A. Ladwig, Chairman



Becky L. Freeman, County Clerk