

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING  
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING  
September 3, 2019

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The County Commissioners' meeting was called to order on this date at 9:02 a.m. with Chairman Patrick H. Wade, Vice-Chair John Midkiff, Commissioner Elaine Griffith, and County Clerk Becky L. Freeman, present.

Road & Bridge- Fred Thomas, Road and Bridge Foreman, met with the Commissioners and said that they had replaced the culvert on Cow Creek Road and that they are cleaning and removing debris from culverts on Indian Creek Road.

He also discussed Redbird Road and said that Thunder Basin doesn't plan on drilling any wells until spring, so they don't want to begin any roadwork until they drill. They have, however, set the auto gates and culverts.

Lastly, Mr. Thomas discussed ONEOK and the original road use agreement between them and Niobrara County. They originally planned to gravel approximately 8.1 miles of road on various roads affected by the pipeline, but now they would like to pay a lump sum of money to the county instead of working on roads impacted by the pipeline. The money would be used by the County to repair roads impacted by the pipeline construction.

The group decided the first step would be to have a conversation with ONEOK and determine what they will offer.

WY Dept. of Health (WDOH) Contract- Commissioner Griffith moved and Vice-Chairman Midkiff seconded, to approve the contract between the WDOH, Public Health Division and Niobrara County. Motion carried. The purpose of the contract is to set forth the terms and conditions ensuring the appointed County Health Officers provides additional support to the Contractor's Public Health Nursing Office in relation to public health preparedness and response.

Sylvestri Customization - Commissioner Griffith updated the group on a visit she had with Kerry Steward and Melanie Pearce regarding the Sylvestri Customization contract for website maintenance and hosting for the Niobrara County Prevention Coalition. The original contract was for \$600.00/month and after discussion with the owner of the company, a revised contract was submitted with costs of \$100.00/month. Based on this information, Commissioner Griffith moved and Vice-Chairman Midkiff seconded, to sign the revised contract for \$100.00 per month. Motion carried.

Next the group discussed the proposal they received from Align to review and identify needed updates and changes to the County's existing employee handbook and policy manual. Commissioner Griffith said she would contact them and ask if they could attend the next Commissioner meeting.

Chairman Wade adjourned the regular meeting and called a public hearing to order at 9:57 a.m.

Those present in addition to the Commissioners and County Clerk were Thomas Cisneros and Fred and Sandy Thomas.

Chairman Wade read the change of zoning application which states that Mr. Cisneros is requesting a change of zoning from Residential to Commercial so he may start a small salvage yard to help people of the community in the disposal of appliances. The salvage yard would be located in Block 5, Lots 24-28, of the Niobrara Park Addition. He also read the recommendations from the Planning and Zoning Commission suggesting that Mr. Cisneros erect 6' privacy fence, obtain letters of approval from surrounding landowners, and obtain all necessary licenses. Chairman Wade asked if there were any questions from the audience and Sandy Thomas asked where Mr. Cisneros was planning on conducting his business, how long he would keep the scrap material there and if he would be disposing of it regularly. Mr. Cisneros replied that his business would be located at 241 Second Avenue, Lusk, WY and that he planned