

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING  
NIOBRARA COUNTY, WYOMING

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July 15, 2014

The Niobrara County Commissioners' meeting was called to order on July 15, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance were Chairman Richard A. Ladwig, Commissioners Arlene Zerst Rapp, Greg B. Starck, and County Clerk Becky L. Freeman. John Midkiff was also in attendance.

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. He will be stopping in at each meeting to address concerns and questions.

Fred then went on to discuss roads, auto gates and equipment. John mentioned that Terry Williams does a nice job on the roads.

County Attorney- Deputy County Attorney Cally Lund met with the Commissioners and discussed county business.

The group then discussed abandoned vehicles, paperwork, and contacting the Highway Patrol to let them know who to contact to tow vehicles.

Richard said that Haggerty Music out of Rapid City, SD will be here in late August or September to evaluate the acoustics at the Shooting Sports Building and offer some solutions.

Consent agenda- Arlene moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Items included on the consent agenda were tax supplements for tax year 2013 for Finley Resources in the amount of \$1,170.24 and for tax year 2011 for Winter Ridge Energy, LLC., for \$633.90 and the Minutes of the July 1, 2014 meeting.

Petition to Cross County Road- Greg moved to approve the Petition to Cross County Roads for Tetrad, Inc. to install a 2" poly stock water pipeline across CR 18. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

RESOLUTION 14-08- Greg moved, to approve RESOLUTION 14-08, a resolution authorizing and directing the board of County Commissioners of Niobrara County to execute, on behalf of the county, that certain "Communications/911/Dispatch Services Operations Agreement" between the Town of Lusk, Niobrara County, and the Niobrara County Sheriff. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

Contract for Services- Arlene moved, to enter into a contract for services with the Town of Lusk for Communications/911/Dispatch Services. Greg seconded, motion carried.

Town of Lusk Mayor Pat Smith and Town of Lusk Public Works Director Todd Skrukrud met with the Commissioners to discuss the cost share for the ESRI program.

Contract for Niobrara County Carnegie Library Select Restoration and Remodel- Greg moved to award the bid for the above project to Spiegelberg Lumber and Construction from Laramie, Wyoming with a bid amount of \$104,076.00. Arlene seconded, motion carried.

Arlene moved to approve the budget for FY 2014-2015. Greg seconded, motion carried.

RESOLUTION 14-09- Appropriation Resolution- Arlene moved to approve Resolution 14-09 as follows:

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| <b>RESOLUTION 14-09</b>  |                                      |                        |
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| <b>APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION</b>  |                                      |                        |
|  | <b>GENERAL FUND</b>                  |                        |
| WHEREAS, the Niobrara County Clerk, the budget making authority, prepared and submitted to the Board, a county budget for the 2015 Fiscal year ending June 30, 2015;   | County Commissioners                 | \$ 61,170.39           |
|  | County Clerk                         | \$ 126,196.79          |
|  | County Treasurer                     | \$ 119,414.08          |
| WHEREAS, such a budget was duly entered at large upon the records of this board a copy of thereof was made available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk; and  | County Assessor                      | \$ 145,869.38          |
|  | County Sheriff                       | \$ 302,760.16          |
|  | County Attorney                      | \$ 157,316.08          |
|  | 1% Option Tax                        | \$ 145,000.00          |
| WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing on such budget, together with the summary of said budget, was published in the Lusk Herald, a legal newspaper published and of general circulation in the county on the 2nd day of July, 2014; and   | Dispatch                             | \$ 324,935.53          |
|  | County Coroner                       | \$ 20,983.42           |
|  | Extension Office                     | \$ 56,293.94           |
|  | Clerk of District Court              | \$ 124,111.75          |
| WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on such budget at the time and place specified in said notice, at which time all interested parties were given an opportunity to be heard; and  | Magistrate                           | \$ 12,000.00           |
|  | Facilities                           | \$383,550.00           |
|  | Road & Bridge                        | \$ 596,473.73          |
|  | Emergency Management                 | \$ 5,893.76            |
| WHEREAS, following such public hearing certain alterations and revisions were made in such proposed budget, all of which more fully appear in the minutes of this Board;   | Detention                            | \$ 305,408.88          |
|  | Elections                            | \$ 36,850.00           |
|  | Public Health Officer                | \$ -                   |
| NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that the county budget, as so revised and altered, be adopted as the official county budget for the 2015 fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.                            | Public Health Nurse                  | \$ 43,272.13           |
|  | General County                       | \$ 643,900.00          |
|  | <b>Cash Reserve Fund</b>             | <b>\$ 2,363,650.41</b> |
|  | <b>Depreciation Fund</b>             | <b>\$ 245,783.91</b>   |
|  | <b>TOTAL</b>                         | <b>\$ 6,220,834.34</b> |
| BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following appropriations be made for the 2015 fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and that the expenditures of each officer, department, or spending agency be limited to the amount herein appropriated. | Grants/ County Road Fund             | \$ 1,845,260.90        |
|  | <b>TOTAL</b>                         | <b>\$ 1,845,260.90</b> |
| Dated this 15th day of July, 2014.   |                                      |                        |
|  | County Library                       | \$ 312,429.58          |
|  | County Fair                          | \$ 197,984.95          |
|  | <b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>          | <b>\$ 8,576,509.77</b> |
|  | <b>Niobrara County Commissioners</b> |                        |
| Attest: _____  |                                      |                        |
|  |                                      | Chairman               |

eg seconded, motion carried.

RESOLUTION 14-10- Income Necessary to Finance Budget- Greg moved to approve Resolution 14-10 as follows:

**RESOLUTION 14-10**

**INCOME RESOLUTION NECESSARY TO FINANCE BUDGET**

WHEREAS, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014, this Board adopted a County Budget for the 2015 fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, calling for the following appropriations:

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| General Fund            | \$ 6,220,834.34        |
| Library Fund            | \$ 312,429.58          |
| Fair Fund               | \$ 197,984.95          |
| Grants/County Road Fund | \$ 1,845,260.90        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>\$ 8,576,509.77</b> |

And, WHEREAS, after deducting all other cash and estimated revenue, it is necessary that the following amounts be raised by general taxation, and in order to raise such sums of money, it is necessary that the levies be made for the 2014 fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, as shown opposite each fund:

|              | <b>Amount to<br/>be raised</b> | <b>Mill Levy</b> |
|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| General Fund | \$ 1,315,012.66                | 10.00            |
| Library Fund | \$ 164,376.58                  | 1.25             |
| Fair Fund    | \$ 98,625.95                   | .75              |

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners, that the foregoing levies be made for the 2015 fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014

Attest:

NIOBRARA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Becky L. Freeman, Clerk

/s/ Richard A. Ladwig, Chairman  
/s/ Arlene Zerbst Rapp, Vice Chairman  
/s/ Greg B. Starck, Member

Due to the Primary Election, there will be no Commissioner Meeting held on August 19, 2014. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held September 2, 2014. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Richard A. Ladwig, Chairman

ATTEST:

Becky L. Freeman, Clerk