

STATE OF WYOMING )  
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COUNTY OF FREMONT )

LANDER, WYOMING  
OFFICE OF THE FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
JULY 18, 2023

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

The Board of Fremont County Commissioners met in Regular Session at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Chairman Larry Allen, Vice-Chairman Mike Jones, Jennifer McCarty, Clarence Thomas and Ron Fabrizius. Deputy County Clerk Margy Irvine and Civil Deputy Attorney Nathan Maxon were present.

Mike Jones moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Clarence Thomas moved, Ron Fabrizius seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 11, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Clarence Thomas moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to accept the bills for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

Bills are listed in the following format: Vendor – Department – Description – Amount: Ace Hardware-Lander-County Buildings-Materials / Supplies-\$213.85; Adams, Chelsea-Health Nurse-Contract Support-\$225.00; Airgas USA LLC-Vehicle Maintenance-Supplies-\$162.33; Alexander Excavation-Road Construction-Riverview Cut Off -\$1000338.71; Alliance Commercial Equip Co-County Buildings Detention-Equipment/Supplies-\$258.64; Anda Inc-Public Health-Supplies-\$5166.36; Bank of the West-Segregated-Credit Card Charges-\$19161.51; Big Horn Tire, Inc.-Vehicle Maintenance-Vehicle Tires-\$14009.64; Bloedorn Lumber-Lander-County Buildings-Materials / Supplies -\$67.36; Blue 360 Media, LLC-County Attorney-Supplies-\$698.36; Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Wyoming-Prevention Program-Programs-\$2500.00; Carroll Septic Service-Transportation-Services -\$150.00; Centurylink-Computer Services-Telephone Service-\$672.46; Charter Communications-Computer Services-Internet Service-\$229.98; Edwards Communications-Prevention Program-Advertising-\$575.00; Election Systems & Software, Inc.-County Elections-Service-\$29960.00; Fremont County Fair-Prevention Program-Sponsor Fair Booth-\$3000.00; Geotec Industrial Supply-Road Material Inventory-Inventory-\$7100.00; J R Project Management LLC-LATC Program Grant-Project Management -\$3750.00; Kairos Broadcasting LLC-Prevention Program-Advertising-\$216.00; Kising, Lisa-District Court-Professional Services-\$2824.58; Lander Valley Auto Parts-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/Supplies -\$20.69; Martinsen, Jacob-Transportation-Reimbursement-\$195.49; Master's Touch LLC-County Treasurer-Mailing Service-\$914.16; Matthew Bender & Co., Inc.-County Treasurer-Supplies-\$655.12; Napa Auto Parts-Riverton-Transportation-Parts & Supplies -\$109.35; NMS Laboratories-County Coroner-Services-\$1426.00; Norco, Inc.-County Buildings-Supplies -\$4154.29; O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/Supplies -\$691.42; Palazzolo, Alicia-Detention Center-Medical Services -\$1750.00; Pavillion, Town of-County Buildings-Water Utilities-\$112.50; Peterbilt of Wyoming-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts -\$74.19; Premier Vehicle Install, Inc.-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/Service-\$534.94; Quill Corporation-County Attorney-Office Supplies-\$212.30; Riverton Ranger, The-Support Services-Advertising-\$1768.00; Rocky Mountain Automatic Doors-ARPA Program Grant-Install Doors-\$34875.00; Rodney's Collision & Custom-Agriculture Department-Repairs-\$4999.68; Smith, Mariah-Prevention Program-Administrative Assistance-\$2440.50; Top Priority Drain Cleaning LLC-County Buildings-Service-\$200.00; Valley Lumber & Supply Co., Inc.-County Buildings-Materials/Supplies -\$71.49; Verizon Wireless-Segregated-Cellphone Service-\$604.39; Walker, M. Shelly-County Attorney-Court Transcripts-\$23.75; Weber, Steven M-County Attorney-Witness Fee-\$55.00; WY Dept of Transportation-Bridge Repair-Haymaker Bridge -\$2577.25; WY Public Health Laboratory-Public Health-Fees/Supplies-\$380.00; Wyoming Dept. of Transportation-Segregated-Fuel-\$2419.72; Wyoming Machinery Co.-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/Service -\$64.26; Wyoming Office Attorney General-24/7 Program-Program Fees -\$3954.00.

Ron Fabrizius moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to accept a voucher from Lander Valley Medical Center (Lander Valley Physician Practices LLC) in the amount of \$1,019.00 for one Title 25 patient and from Wyoming Behavioral Institute in the amount of \$6,032.00 for two Title 25 patients. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items in the Signature File were discussed: 1) Letter of appreciation to Sutherlands Home Improvement for allowing the Fremont County Emergency Management Coordinator to stockpile sand on their parking lot for use during the spring flood season; 2) A Contract between Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Division and Fremont County for the Public Health Preparedness Program was forwarded to the following meeting pending additional information; 3) Annual Compensation Agreement with the University of Wyoming for the 4-H Youth Development Program was forwarded to the following meeting pending additional information; and 4) Record of Proceedings. Mike Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve a Temporary Use Permit Extension Agreement with the Bureau of Land Management for the South Pass Snow Fence Project. Motion carried unanimously. Mike Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve a Fremont County Bank of the West Credit Card Application for Rebekah Roach, County Attorney's Office, in the amount of \$1,000. Motion carried unanimously. Mike

Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to accept a bid from Maven Imaging in the amount of \$41,600 for a portable x-ray machine for the County Coroner's Office through LATC funding. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items in the Priority Mail were reviewed: 1) Fair Board Manager's request for judging two events at the Fremont County Fair: Chocolate to Die for Contest on August 3 and Grillmaster Contest on August 4<sup>th</sup>. All Commissioners with the exception of Vice-Chairman Jones will participate. Jennifer McCarty moved, Ron Fabrizius seconded, to accept the resignation of Joanna Kail from the Fremont County Museum Board with extreme regret. Motion carried unanimously. A meeting invitation from the Wind River Intertribal Council for July 26<sup>th</sup> at their Chambers was acknowledged. The time of 11:00 am was selected to discuss topics of Ambulance and Liquor Licenses.

Senator Lummis' Field Representative Lindy Linn was present to see if the Commissioners had anything they would like to pass along to the Senator. Vice-Chairman Jones stated the proposed BLM Land Use and Conservation Rule is very concerning as it lists conservation as a use, which it is not. Fremont County is working with 15 other counties on the Sage Grouse Implementation Plan Rule and they did not feel any of the five alternatives proposed were good. He stressed that more congressional support is needed in these areas. Chairman Allen further added that the response time for comments was too short of a time frame. Another matter is the discussion regarding electrical stations across the state, not all areas are in need of such a station due to the remote areas in the state. Linn indicated the Congresswoman is aware of these concerns and will pass along the Commission comments.

Sheriff Ryan Lee presented a monthly update.

Public Health Nurse Manager Jeanna Stewart and Emergency Response Coordinator Traci Foutz reviewed the Contract between Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Division and Fremont County that sets forth terms and conditions by which the County shall develop public health emergency preparedness and response capabilities in Fremont County. The contract amount is \$105,000.

Treatment Courts and Youth Services Executive Director Cassie Murray provided a monthly update.

J.R. Oakley, JRPM LLC, provided a monthly report of ARPA projects he has been working on.

Central Museums Director Scott Goetz provided a 2022-2023 Annual Report. In other business, he requested authorization to rehire the Collections Manager at the Riverton Museum at a salary not to exceed \$35,656. Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve refilling the position. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held on new legislation allowing for an EMS District, pursuant to W.S. § 18-12-105.

Discussion was held on the Wyoming County Commissioners Association memo stating that the Joint Judiciary Committee is currently evaluating the issue of the state establishing a statewide/regional medical examiner's office, based on Montana's model, and has requested input from the counties.

Commissioner meeting reports were given.

There being no further business, Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 12:10 p.m. and reconvene for a Regular Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on August 1, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

A full detailed report (informational only) and the official minutes are posted on Fremont County's website ([www.fremontcountywy.gov](http://www.fremontcountywy.gov)). The meeting can also be accessed via YouTube (Fremont County WY Government).

/s/ LARRY ALLEN, CHAIRMAN  
FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

/s/ JULIE A. FREESE, FREMONT COUNTY CLERK AND CLERK OF THE BOARD