

STATE OF WYOMING)
) ss.
COUNTY OF FREMONT)

LANDER, WYOMING
OFFICE OF THE FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 14, 2021

OFFICIAL MINUTES

The Board of Fremont County Commissioners met in Regular Session at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Chairman Travis Becker, Jennifer McCarty and Mike Jones. Commissioner Clarence Thomas arrived later in the meeting and Vice-Chairman Larry Allen was absent. County Clerk Julie A. Freese was present.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 7, 2021 as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to accept the bills for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

Bills are listed in the following format: Vendor – Department – Description – Amount: A & I Distributors-Vehicle Maintenance-Oil/Fluids-\$1788.26; Ace Hardware-Lander-Segregated-Materials/Supplies -\$762.05; Ace Hardware-Riverton-County Buildings-Materials/Supplies-\$17.26; Alliance Commercial Equip Co-County Buildings Detention-Equipment/Supplies-\$32.70; Bank of the West-Segregated-Credit Card Charges-\$97972.74; Big Horn Water-Youth Services-Water & Cooler Rental-\$73.70; Burbach's Refrigeration-PHEP COVID Response-Repair-\$382.50; Charter Communications-Computer Services-Internet Services-\$349.96; CMI TECO-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts & Supplies-\$534.06; Communication Technologies Inc-Support Services-Maintenance Agreement-\$2961.87; Eagle Uniform & Supply Co-Vehicle Maintenance-Laundry-\$82.21; Fremont County Assoc. of Governments-Economic Development-Sales Tax MOU-\$46883.60; Fremont Motors - Lander-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/Supplies -\$7271.01; Injury Prevention Resources-Segregated-Contractual Services-\$1400.00; Lander Valley Auto Parts-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts & Supplies -\$1358.61; Lander, City of-County Buildings-Water & Sewer-\$3854.00; Lawson Products, Inc-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts & Supplies-\$18.80; Midwest Connect-County Attorney-Postage Supplies-\$54.00; Motorola Solutions Inc-County Sheriff-Equipment Lease-\$58725.00; Motorola Solutions Inc-Dispatch Center-Equipment Lease-\$225849.00; Napa Auto Parts-Riverton-Vehicle Maintenance- Parts & Supplies-\$2726.24; NMS Laboratories-County Coroner-Toxicology Services-\$3917.00; Norco Inc-Transportation-Supplies-\$376.70; Novo Benefits-Health Benefit Plan-Insurance Services-\$5100.00; Office Shop Inc, The-Agriculture Department-Repair/Service-\$41.10; Orkin LLC-County Buildings- Pest Control Service-\$125.00; RELX, Inc.-County Attorney-Research Subscription-\$644.00; Riverton Ranger, Inc-Segregated- Advertising-\$4488.91; Riverton, City of-Economic Development-Sales Tax MOU -\$93767.20; Rocky Mountain Power-Segregated-Utilities-\$12997.81; S & L Industrial-Road Construction-Striping Project-\$195028.58; Sagewest Health Care-County Coroner-Services-\$2451.39; Schumacher Law Firm, P.C.-County Commission-Protest Hearings-\$90.00; Shoshoni, Town of-County Buildings-Water/Sewer-\$60.00; Verizon Wireless-Segregated-Cell Phone Service-\$991.72; Wilkerson, James A, Iv, MD PC-County Coroner-Autopsy-\$1250.00; Wind River Auto & Diesel Inc-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts & Service-\$2621.20; WY Public Health Laboratory-Youth Services-Drug Testing -\$2718.00; Wyoming Behavioral Institute-Health & Welfare-Title 25-\$7540.00; Wyoming Machinery Co-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts -\$949.44; Wyoming Waste Systems-County Buildings-Trash Removal-\$2632.97.

The following items in the Signature File were reviewed: 1) Record of Proceedings. Mike Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve a Contract between Fremont County Government and Hoffman Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$17,650.00 for electrical services for an electronic message board sign at the Riverton County Office complex building. Motion carried unanimously. Mike Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve a Contract between Fremont County Government and ABC Sign, Inc. in the amount of \$42,544.40 for construction and installation of an electronic message board sign at the Riverton County Complex building. Motion carried unanimously. Mike Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve a Contract between Wyoming Department of Family Services and Fremont County Commissioners setting forth conditions by which the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Community Partnership Initiative will be operated for continuum of services for the Greater Wyoming Big Brothers Big Sisters Fremont County (\$18,400.00) and Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Wyoming (\$8,350.00) programs. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no Priority Mail items.

The Public Comment period was held.

HD 34 Representative Pepper Ottman was present and distributed a brochure entitled "A campaign of American Stewards of Liberty Guide to Fight the 30 x 30 Land Grab." She stated the information is

educational and to give a heads up to the Commission on “how to fight the radical environmental agenda from taking 30% of America’s land by 2030.”

Chief Deputy Coroner Erin Ivie presented a monthly update.

Sheriff Ryan Lee presented a monthly report and was joined by Communications Supervisor Carl Freeman. Working with Frontier Ambulance on mapping and data interfacing which led to the discussion on a Motorola Solutions Quote and Purchase Addendum totaling \$11,724.13 to purchase two modules for a Geo Validation Upgrade for the Spillman system. Freeman stated the modules will allow for real time data and location on maps which will allow Frontier Ambulance to provide monthly reports with detailed accuracy. Sheriff Lee expected the contract to be available within several days. Mike Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve purchase of the two modules from Motorola not to exceed \$12,000, with funding through the Ambulance Fund, pending review of the contract when available by Chief Civil Deputy Darrough. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Clarence Thomas arrived at this time.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to adjourn into Executive Session with County Attorney Patrick LeBrun regarding personnel. Following that session, J.R. Oakley was present for personnel, joined by Deputy County Clerk Margy Irvine. Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to return to regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner meeting reports were given.

Fremont County Planning Department Supervisor Steve Baumann reviewed a Petition to Vacate a portion of Darnall Road, a publically dedicated road, which was signed by electors of the county residing within twenty-five miles of the road proposed to be vacated. The Petitioner, ReNae Hedges, requests the vacation of the final 54.4’ of Darnall Road adjacent to her property, where a garage had been erected many years ago. Chief Civil Deputy Darrough reviewed the Petition and it was subsequently recorded at the County Clerk’s Office. In addition to the Petition, Mrs. Hedges provided a list of all persons owning or having an interest in the land over which the proposed vacation is being made, in accordance with State Statute. As part of the process, a viewer is to be appointed to examine the proposed road vacation and to prepare a written report and the Commission must provide a notice to be mailed to all persons owning lands or claiming any interest in any lands over or across which said road is proposed to be vacated. Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to appoint Steve Baumann as Viewer. Motion carried unanimously. Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to advertise a 45-day comment period and hold a public hearing on November 2, 2021 to review comments. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Baumann stated the Fremont County Planning Commission is recommending amending the current Rural Addressing Regulations. The document has been re-formatted and eliminates redundancies and language changes. Mike Jones moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to advertise a 45-day comment period for amendments to the Rural Addressing Regulations and set a public hearing on November 2, 2021 to review comments. Motion carried unanimously.

Transportation Superintendent Billy Meeks stated a Committee selected DOWL for the Country Acres Reconstruction and Apex Surveying and Engineering Associates for the Riverview Cutoff Overlay/Widening Project. Ranking sheets were distributed for information. Fee proposals from both firms will be available after their selection is confirmed. Mike Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve the Committee’s selection of DOWL for the Country Acres Reconstruction and Apex Surveying and Engineering Associates for the Riverview Cutoff Overlay/Widening Project. Motion carried unanimously.

DOWL Engineer Kasey Jones presented four documents to conclude the 8 Mile Road Transverse Rumble Strips project. Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve a Final Acceptance Certificate. Motion carried unanimously. Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve the Certificate of Final Completion. Motion carried unanimously. Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve the Warranty. Motion carried unanimously. Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve Change Order No. 1 that serves as a reconciliation change order for under/over runs for a reduction of \$1,000 for a total contract price of \$16,680.41. Motion carried unanimously.

Inberg-Miller Engineer Dawn Willhelm presented Change Order No. 1 for the Fremont County Roads Striping Project to revise quantities for actual paint placed for an increase of \$9,728.00. Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve Change Order No. 1. Motion carried unanimously. Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve a Certificate of Substantial Completion. Motion carried unanimously. Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve Contractor's Application for Payment. Motion carried unanimously. Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve advertising a Notice of Final Payment to Contractor with final payment due October 30, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Trihydro Engineer Scott Lee provided a Construction Contract between Fremont County and CC & G, Inc. for the Paradise Valley Structure ELE Replacement Project. Clarence Thomas moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve the Contract. Motion carried unanimously. Lee informed the Board of the necessity of an additional change order for a budget infusion. The Board asked him to report back with a detailed accounting to back up the request.

Commission meeting reports continued.

Commissioner Thomas was absent from the remainder of the meeting.

A Work Session was held to continue the Standard Occupational Classification equity among county employees. Freese will prepare subsequent spreadsheets listing the percentage each department is requesting. Another work session was tentatively set for October 5th.

There being no further business, Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m. and reconvene for a Regular Meeting on September 28, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

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

/s/ TRAVIS BECKER, CHAIRMAN
FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

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