

STATE OF WYOMING )  
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COUNTY OF FREMONT )

LANDER, WYOMING  
OFFICE OF THE FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MAY 10, 2022

### FULL DETAILED REPORT

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

Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Later in the meeting, Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 3, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

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

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A & I Distributors	Vehicle Maintenance	Oil/Fluids	\$168.16
A. D. Martin Lumber, Co.	Transportation	Materials/Supplies	\$11.97
Ace Hardware-Lander	County Buildings	Materials/Supplies	\$295.27
Ace Hardware-Riverton	Segregated	Materials/Supplies	\$39.48
Airgas USA LLC	Vehicle Maintenance	Supplies	\$152.08
Albright, Harold	Planning	Reimburse Mileage	\$75.60
AlSCO, Inc.	County Buildings	Laundry	\$325.20
Amerigas	County Buildings	Propane	\$1,146.50
Apex Surveying, Inc.	Transportation	Road Project	\$18,606.68
Avail Valley Construction WY LLC	Transportation	Road Reconstruction	\$319,007.44
B & T Fire Extinguishers, Inc.	Transportation	Extinguisher Services	\$1,029.50
Bailey Enterprises, Inc.	Inventory	Bulk Fuel	\$28,692.93
Baldwin Creek Rental Center	Transportation	Equipment Rental	\$176.00
Bank Of The West	Segregated	Credit Card Purchases	\$80,964.10
Big Brothers Big Sisters of NW WY	TANF Grant	Grant proceeds	\$2,024.48
Big Horn Tire, Inc.	Vehicle Maintenance	Vehicle Tires	\$1,841.80
Big Horn Water	Youth Services	Water Bottles	\$94.22
Bill Jones Plumbing & Heating	County Buildings	Supplies/Parts	\$253.25
Black Hills Energy	County Buildings	Utility Service	\$8,068.11
Bloedorn Lumber-Lander	Segregated	Materials/Supplies	\$3.59
Bloedorn Lumber-Riverton	Segregated	Materials/Supplies	\$197.81
Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Wyoming	TANF Grant	Grant proceeds	\$2,832.63
Charter Communications	Computer Services	Internet Service	\$129.98
Cloud Peak Counseling Center	Health & Welfare	Title 25	\$4,225.00
CMI TECO	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts/Supplies	\$123.00
Communication Technologies, Inc.	Support Services	Maintenance Agreement	\$2,961.87
Dubois Frontier, The	County Elections	Advertising	\$89.00
Dubois Telephone Exchange	County Sheriff	Telephone Service	\$713.77
Edwards Communications	Support Services	Radio Advertising	\$159.00
Floyd's Truck Center WY	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts	\$106.10
Foutz, Traci L	Public Health Emerg. Preparedness	Reimburse Expenses	\$381.42
Fremont Chevrolet GMC	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts/Repairs	\$56.01
Fremont Motor Riverton, Inc.	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts/Supplies	\$252.34
Geotec Industrial Supply	Transportation	Materials	\$5,850.00
Globalstar USA	Search & Rescue	Satellite Phone	\$196.94
Grainger	County Buildings Detention	Materials/Supplies	\$137.28
High Plains Power, Inc.	County Buildings	Utility Services	\$1,557.59
John Deere Financial	Transportation	Materials/Supplies	\$1,109.99
Jones, Thomas W.	Planning	Reimburse Expenses	\$3.60
Kessler, Douglas E	Planning	Mileage Reimbursement	\$26.55
Lander Valley Auto Parts	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts/Supplies	\$137.67
Lander, City of	County Buildings	Water/Sewer	\$2,557.61
Lawson Products, Inc.	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts/Supplies	\$118.73
LCI Trucking & Construction LLC	Transportation	Contract Services	\$5,761.45
Mahlum, Zachary Hamilton	District Court	Court Appointment	\$795.00
McAuley, Lindsay	Detention Center	Medical Services	\$1,062.50
Medow, Aubrey	Planning	Reimburse Expenses	\$33.75

Murray, Cassie	Juvenile Treatment Court	Reimburse Expenses	\$66.68
NAPA Auto Parts-Riverton	Segregated	Parts & Supplies	\$5,742.24
Natrona County Attorney	Health & Welfare	Title 25 Services	\$1,800.00
Norco, Inc.	Segregated	Supplies	\$5,148.34
Office Shop, Inc., The	Segregated	Repair/Service/Lease	\$8,113.31
Orkin LLC	County Buildings	Pest Control Service	\$225.00
Palace Pharmacy	Detention Center	Inmate Rx's	\$11,568.84
Quill Corporation	County Assessor	Office Supplies	\$50.94
R C Lock & Key	County Buildings	Keys, Supplies/Services	\$2.65
R T Communications	Segregated	Telephone Service	\$455.13
Relx, Inc.	County Attorney	Research Subscription	\$674.00
Riverton Physician Practices LLC	Segregated	Drug Testing	\$147.00
Rocky Mountain Power	Segregated	Utilities	\$10,884.24
Rodriguez, Jessica	Detention Center	Contract Services	\$2,000.00
Shoshoni, Town of	County Buildings	Water/Sewer	\$60.00
Stoudt, Sally A.	Youth Services	Reimburse Expenses	\$27.82
Strasser, Stacy	Segregated	Reimburse Expenses	\$21.08
Sweetwater Aire LLC	County Buildings	Supplies/Parts/Repair	\$1,252.22
Terrance R. Martin PC	CAST	Contractual Services	\$2,925.00
Traveling Computers	Computer Services	Supplies/Services	\$5,914.50
Valley Lumber & Supply Co., Inc.	Transportation	Materials/Supplies	\$5.21
Verizon Wireless	Segregated	Cellphone Service	\$1,121.15
Weese, Jamie	County Sheriff	Reimburse Expenses	\$2,040.00
Whiting Law, P.C.	District Court	Professional Services	\$1,980.00
Wy Dept of Transportation	County Sheriff	LECC Conference	\$200.00
Wyoglass LLC	County Buildings Detention	Repair Window	\$220.00
Wyoming Machinery Co	Segregated	Parts/Supplies	\$8,381.16
Wyoming Office Attorney General	24/7 Program	Fees Collected	\$4,922.00
Wyoming Waste Systems	County Buildings	Trash Removal	\$2,882.89
Wyonet Inc.	Computer Services	Telephone/Internet	\$5,067.47

Jennifer McCarty moved, Larry Allen seconded, to accept a voucher from Fremont Counseling Service in the amount of \$4,650.00 for March Title 25 patients. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items in the Signature File were reviewed: 1) Wyoming State Forestry Division, Fremont County Interagency Cooperative Management Agreement for the State to work with Federal Agencies on Fremont County's behalf (taken under advisement until Chief Civil Deputy Darrough could review); and 2) Record of Proceedings. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve a Notice to Proceed for S&L Industrial for the Fremont County 2022 Delineator Project. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no action items in the Priority Mail.

There was nobody present for public comment.

County Planning Supervisor Steve Baumann presented a plat for Lander Hills Estates Tract 3 Replat. It is a merging of the original Tract 3 of the Subdivision with an abandoned future road area owned by the Homeowners Association. When the Homeowners Association sold the abandoned road to the developer, it resulted in a subdivision violation as the new parcel was less than one acre. This replat resolves the violation. Mike Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve the Lander Hills Estates Tract 3 Replat as recommended by the Fremont County Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Ryan Lee presented a monthly report for April. Agency-wide activity indicates budgets have been submitted for Sheriff, Search & Rescue and Detention budgets. The Dispatch budget is pending. They have submitted grant requests to the County ARPA Committee as follows: Tasers to replace 2012 tasers and Precision rifles to complete replacements. Staffing shortages are agency-wide and deputies are working across both divisions. Detention: April bookings total 212 (up for 26 the prior month) from Riverton PD (115); FCSO (54); Lander PD (28); Wyoming Highway Patrol (8); US Marshals Office (3) and Shoshoni PD (4). Current inmate populations indicate 181 in house (186 in custody) including males (124); females (57); juveniles (3 in Natrona and 1 in Sweetwater County); and one out of county adult (Hot Springs County). Sentenced inmates total 69 (42 males and 27 females). There are 1176 pre-adjudicated inmates (up from nine the prior month). No COVID issues at this time. Staffing consists of one Cook, eight Deputy Sheriffs and one Nurse. Budget is at 71% of the budget which is at 83% of elapsed year: Prisoner Board @ 89% of budget; Overtime Pay @ 92% of budget; Medical @47% of budget; Contractual Services @95% of budget. Revenue includes receivables from the Wyoming Department of Corrections (\$170,000) for holding inmates sentenced to prison. Emergency Dispatch Center: currently

down five positions; five part-time temporary employees are helping fill the gap. The Emergency Dispatch Committee met two weeks ago with end users in attendance. The Committee has been reinstated with one representative from each Agency and ex-officio members to include Emergency Communications Director and the Emergency Management Coordinator. The end users will assist in preparing the budget and fee assessments which will be required before the final Dispatch budget is presented to the Commission. Chairman Becker stated the Commission will send a letter to the Fremont County Fire District to request they pay their balance due and begin new with an active seat at the table. There are no budget considerations at this time. Patrol/Enforcement: Down one position in the Riverton Division, total calls for service this calendar year are 2232. Capital Revolving vehicle purchases from last year are being built two at a time, they have taken delivery of two new trucks to include a K9 unit. They continue to deliver equipment from current vehicles to uplifter as vehicles are stripped. A State Homeland Security Preparedness Grant has been submitted for \$60,000 for the non-matching grant for ballistic shields/night vision equipment. Budget considerations are at 79% with 83% of the fiscal year elapsed (Fuel is at 90% of budget). Search and Rescue: 21 missions this fiscal year (compared to this time last fiscal year). Air resources were utilized eight times at no cost to Fremont County. Missions included four fatalities this fiscal year. Vice-Chairman Larry Allen, a member of the Search and Rescue Council, noted they will meet in Lander on June 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sheriff Lee stated he will not have too much to submit for reimbursement this year (personal equipment is used routinely and a clutch and belt will be submitted for reimbursement). The Commission thanked volunteers for using their personal items and Sheriff Lee acknowledged the wonderful group of volunteers in Fremont County.

Dennis Rowe, Director of Government and Industry Relations, and Glenn Leland, Chief Growth Officer, were present to provide an update on Frontier Ambulance in Fremont County. Director Adam Stockton and Operations Manager Diane Lane were present via Zoom and Sheriff Lee was present in the audience. The men have been meeting with partners in Fremont County to see how operations have been going over the past year (Sage West Health Care, Indian Health Service, etc.). They will join Larry Allen at the Governor's EMS Task Force meeting in Casper next week to address the shortfalls Fremont County is dealing with. When they took over the operations last July, they were very short staffed, but are close to being fully staffed. Costs they are experiencing are much higher and revenues much lower than anticipated. Their review of the past year is taking place and Leland stated they are in the early stages of compiling financial information to which Chairman Becker stated is imperative to have as soon as possible and they hope to have figures available for the Commissioner's next meeting of May 24th. Still negotiating with BCBS on a contract rate, lots of pieces to the puzzle. Fuel is a concern, moving ambulances to try to minimize distances being looked at, analyzing air data so decrease this mode of travel unless clinically appropriate, etc. The County Task Force will continue meeting to discuss assets (ARPA funding a possibility), and the challenge to get new chassis, of which the men indicated they may be able to assist in getting new ambulances sooner than 12-18 months as they purchase a very large volume from the supplier (75% of production is for Frontier). They are changing out old radios when they can and there may be an opportunity to work with WYDOT who are also upgrading their radios. Other challenges remain staffing and they reviewed the training classes taking place now or scheduled for the future. In closing, Leland stated the first year is very challenging and they want to make sure their numbers are correct before presenting their budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

UW Extension Interim Associate Director Bridger Feuz and Fremont County Extension Educator Chance Marshall were present to follow up on Marshall's budget hearing the previous meeting regarding the Annual Contribution Agreement for County/UWE personnel. Fremont County 4-H Extension Educator is paid at 50% by Fremont County. The Commissioners were concerned they may not be getting the best and most use of this position, and last year, they were informed they would be asked to participate in an annual review of the position, which they did not feel had occurred. Feuz stated a survey had been sent out; however, the Commissioners did not recall getting or participating in it. He further stated he would do a better job in this respect and understood their frustration level. The Board asked him to visit with liaison Larry Allen and come up with an improvement plan to present to the Board in two weeks.

A Public Hearing was held at 10:15 a.m., as advertised, regarding Unanticipated Revenues. Present was Fremont County Clerk Julie Freese and Financial Specialist Michelle Neuenschwander. Larry Allen moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve Resolution No. 2022-16 "FY 2021-2022 Budget Amendment No. 7". Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Health Insurance Committee members Margy Irvine, Jim Anderson, Julie Freese and Larry Allen were present to discuss two position descriptions for the Wellness Coordinator position that will be vacant the end of June. Current Wellness Program Manager Penny Fahey was also present in the

audience. The job descriptions are for the current program, Wellness Specialist, along with a new position description for a Wellness and Safety Specialist. They envision the latter position consisting of 80% Wellness and 20% Safety and increase from a 32/hours/week position to 40/hours/week with a salary range between \$50,000 to \$60,000. The Commissioners were in agreement to select the Wellness and Safety Specialist position to refill, with the additional 20% for safety to be funded within a separate budget set up for this reason in order to manage and promote a corporate safety program in compliance with OSHA regulations. The Board asked the Committee to return the following meeting with a budget for their review for the position.

Treasurer Jim Anderson presented a General Fund Revenue Projection Summary for FY 2022/23. Assessor Tara Berg was present in the audience. The three-page spreadsheet consisted of revenue from taxes, licenses and permits, federal intergovernmental, state and local intergovernmental, charges for service, investment income, other revenue and other financing sources. Final figures indicate 2021/22 total revenues at \$22,745,402, less current property taxes of \$6,571,000 for total revenues of \$16,174,402. FY2022/23 indicate total revenue of \$23,028,790, less current property taxes of \$7,772,000 for total revenues of \$15,256,790.

Budget hearings were held:

**County Treasurer, Jim Anderson present:** Last year's budget was \$858,239. This year's request is \$987,843. A large part of the increase is that his audit assistant has indicated she will not return in the next fiscal year. Jim has added a proposal of a new audit/grants accountant as a full time position. Commissioner Jones asked what has changed in the last several years to warrant this request. Jim stated that experience is the main factor. Previously, the department had a CPA who worked in the office and he doesn't have this type of employee in those positions. Jim also noted that with the changes in personnel, he has requested SOC increases for his Supervisor, Bookkeeper, and two other employees. The commissioners reminded Anderson that he needs to address these specifically on how they have increased in an SOC levels system for them to review. Jim mentioned that the requests for training from ARPA funds had been recommended as a budget item. So he has added training through GFOE for Certified Public Financial Officer program for his deputy and himself. He also wanted the deputy and bookkeeper to be able to attend the Caselle conference this fall. Anderson also included training for his potential new accountant and deputy to attend grant management training.

**Health Nurse, Public Health and grants. Becky Parkins, Manager and Christine Kraus were present.** Health Nurse: Last year's budget was \$294,774. This year's request is tentatively \$328,621. The state is deciding how much they will be giving for raises for state nurse employees. Becky has two nurses, a supervisor and herself as a manager and she is still down two state nurses. This budget is based on a full staff. She used the highest salary amounts given as possibilities, but it may likely not be that high (Wyoming reimbursement). The ARPA request for furniture is also included in the budget.

**Public Health:** This is the Immunization grant. Last year's budget was \$81,250. This year's request is \$8,000. Working to use some of this grant on an alert system. Chairman Becker mentioned that the ARPA committee has been looking at the County IT's alert system and asked her to visit with Kevin to see if this is the same type of alert system and maybe combine the grant if possible for this purpose.

**COVID 19 Grant:** Last year's budget was \$425,443. This year's request is \$243,925. Revenue comes from Federal Operating Grants.

**Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant:** Last year's budget was \$102,600. This year's request is \$110,000. Revenue comes from a Federal Operating Grant.

**Prevention Grant:** Last year's budget was \$285,986. This year's budget is 218,870. This is a biennial grant with funding streams from both state and federal dollars.

County Nurse Manager Becky Parkins presented a formal notification of her resignation, effective June 3, 2022, and thanked the Board for the opportunity to work for Fremont County Public Health. She further presented a formal request to the State that the Commission would like to fill the State County Nurse Manager position, a benefitted 40/hour week position. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to accept Becky Parkins' resignation with sincere regret and request that her position be refilled. Motion carried unanimously. In the interim Christy Kraus will be the manager for PHN.

**Museums. Present was Central Director Scott Goetz and board members Sue Peters, Joanna Kail and Stephanie Weaver.** **General Fund Budget:** Last year's budget was \$573,751. This year's request is \$905,249. They are officially requesting the addition of five full time positions. A Program/Event/Volunteer Coordinator at each museum would allow the museums to be open 7 days per week from May-Sept. This would allow for each museum to create two new program series at each museum. It would offer better coverage in the wake of the part time staff cuts they have sustained over the last few years. In addition, they added 1 maintenance lead position and 1 maintenance tech position to be utilized for the benefit of all three museums. Each museum has been responsible to maintaining their facilities out of self-generated budgets and this would continue. The addition of these two shared positions will allow each site to save money on contractual services. If they acquire the MAW donation their insurance and utilities would increase as well as inflation of the current utilities.

**Self-Generated:** Last year's budget was \$102,380 and this year's budget is \$160,691. The board feels if they are to acquire the MAW donation, they could increase their revenue through foundation and rental revenue, admissions, gift shops and possibly other donations. The ability to have 5 more employees throughout the three museums (not only due to the MAW acquisition), but for general purposes would also help enhance the ability to gain more revenue. MAW acquisitions.

Commissioner Clarence Thomas joined the meeting at this time.

**ISS Department: Kevin Shultz, Director was present:** Last year's budget was \$382,486. This year's request is \$415,628. Expenditures are expected to increase in almost all areas, including data security, subscriptions and general costs of doing business due to inflation, Covid and/or supply chain disruption. Being an election year, the printing/copier maintenance costs tend to increase. Has several ARPA requests that are very important for doing internet services. Subscriptions are increasing more and more but are necessary to keep current. Traveling Computers is the county's backup provider and Kevin feels this is still a good plan.

**Vehicle Maintenance Department. Brad Meredith, Superintendent was present:** Last year's budget was \$799,970. This year's budget request is \$1,011,039. If the vehicle requests to ARPA are successful, they should be able to add anywhere from \$75,000-\$100,000 in auction money for selling old vehicles and equipment. Brad is seeing a major inflation increase on everything from tires, and fuel to parts. Brad is asking for another Lander Mechanic. Brad also included some level increases for his current staff. Vehicle Maintenance for the Ambulance Service revenue is at \$43,857 and is expected to be up to \$63,000 by the end of the fiscal year. Commissioner Thomas asked about fuel increases and Brad stated he has almost doubled his request on fuel for next year. Meredith has also asked for porta coolers in both shops which is shown in this budget. Commissioner Jones asked if this should be in the Buildings budget. Brad stated if it was attached to the building then yes, and if not, he thought it would be in budget. Other increases are specialty training on their fleet. However, if new motor graders are purchased, this line item for \$3500 could be eliminated. Tires, operating supplies and repairs are all items that are significantly increased.

**Sheriff, Detention and Search and Rescue Departments. Sheriff Ryan Lee, Sgt. Jeff Hutson and Karla Davis were present.** **Sheriff:** Last year's budget was \$4,131,646. This year's request is \$4,374,444. The changes for this year are: Ammunition +20%, Uniforms +6%, Fuel +28%, Towing, office supplies, safety devices all have some type of increase. Salaries will increase by \$1,150 for one deputy who will see a step increase in the next year. The last replacement on the salary sheet shows a part time employee and Ryan stated it should be listed as a full time position. This will be adjusted. ARPA requests are for 11 vehicles and precision rifles and Tasers. Sheriff Lee stated that the Tasers are their first priority after the vehicle replacements. This is a safety device for the deputies. Lee would like to see an Evidence Bay someday down the road (something like a 2 bay garage type area). There was discussion on how that might be accomplished. They would also like to renovate their impound yard. They also continue with their cybersecurity practices agency-wide.

**Detention.** Last year's budget was \$4,792,685. This year's budget request is \$5,112,521. Increases: Inmate Prisoner Board +25%, Ammunition +20%, Contractual Services \$32,000 to house inmates (mostly juveniles) out of county, \$2000 for Psychological exams, and \$4,000 for out of states transports. Fuel has also increased due to inflation. Salaries, there is one deputy who will see a step increase. Inflation has also hit the commissary and they may have to increase the inmate's threshold of money they can spend in commissary items. Sheriff Lee is not averse to having the commissioners hold out 3 positions for each department and put those salaries/benefits in the cash reserve to help with cash

flow/budget assistance while they see if they can get these positions filled. Continue to work with Building Maintenance on a variety of projects. Continue cybersecurity agency wide. The discussion of an expansion to the county jail should be started as the facility is 21 years old and has been remodeled several times.

Search and Rescue. Last year's budget was \$31,700. Next year's request is \$33,700. This agency is reimbursed for mission expenses through the Wyoming Search and Rescue Council. They have also started seeking reimbursements for training opportunities through the council and will continue to do so. The agency continues to see private donations made on behalf of a victim or family members. They do need additional equipment and vehicles. They have added \$2000 for workers comp for additional volunteers. Their ARPA request for rescue watercraft are for jet skis which are helpful in fast water rescues.

**Court Assisted Supervised Treatment (CAST), Juvenile Treatment Court (JTC), and Youth Services. Melinda Cox, Director was present:**

CAST: Last year's budget was \$283,179. Next year's request is \$368,271. Approximately 82% of the CAST budget is expended in salary and benefits. The only major change is the decrease in revenue from the Wy Dept. of Health. For CARF they are to have a succession plan. This is being updated and they have a vacant Case Management position open.

JTC: Last year the budget was \$259,934. This year's request is \$362,527. They expect to receive money from Wyoming Dept. of Health Juvenile Treatment program and also surcharge. COVID emergency funding and Fremont Co Govt. For \$367,188.09. They did apply to ARPA for a vehicle. They are requesting a 7.5% COLA and are in need of a transportation and County facilitator employee. Judge McKee will finish her work as Judge for JTC on May 24, 2022. Replacement will be done by District Court Judge Conder.

Youth Services. Last year's amount is \$349,773. This year's request is \$396,819. Melinda is expecting revenue from Community Juvenile Service Board, City of Riverton, City of Lander, Department of Family Services/School Districts/Wyo 10 Day reporting Center per diem and OJJDP/VOA. Melinda has moved her full salary to the JTC budget.

**Recreation Board. Chairman Bobby Hague, Kristy Klein, Walt Geis, Ron Cunningham, Don Reynolds and Margaret Wells were present. Kristi Klein presented.** Last year's budget was \$165,500. This year's request is \$268,000. This includes the \$100,000 that the Commissioners earlier requested they put towards grants should it be possible to fund them. Additional costs this year is \$1500 for a satellite phone for the Youth Camp and would only be used for emergencies. Maintenance costs for the Fremont County Youth Camp, Green Mountain Campground and Heritage Trail is ongoing. The Youth Camp is expected to see an increase in use. They would like to add security cameras to Green Mountain and Heritage Trails. The costs to rent the Youth Camp was discussed and their budget was reviewed. The Youth Camp itself is run by a board and they would need to decide any changes to rates. The County owns the camp and Commissioner Becker stated there is a problem with having this Board that is not under the Commissioners if the asset is owned by the county (There will be research done on this by the Commissioners). The Recreation Board applied to ARPA for Solar for the Youth Camp and the bollards and dirt work at Heritage Trail would be priorities #2 and #3. They put the two Heritage Trail projects together as they both need dirt work and doing together would save on mobilization costs. Solar and batteries were discussed and these costs were included. Commissioners discussed the desire to have more solar bids and Commissioner Allen gave them a contact from Casper. Don said this will take some time to have this company come to do this bid as it took a long time to get the bid done locally to begin with. The window of time to get this accomplished in time is very short. Commissioner McCarty feels like their requests are critical and well thought out by the board. The Recreation Board did advertise the application process for the \$100,000 grants and they received \$97,500 worth of requests.

County Clerk Julie Freese indicated the Capital Revolving Fund Committee needs to meet in the near future. As the Commission will not be meeting the following week, it was determined to set the date of May 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. as the meeting date.

There being no further business, Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 p.m. and reconvene for a Regular Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on May 24, 2022. 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 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