

STATE OF WYOMING)
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COUNTY OF FREMONT)

LANDER, WYOMING
OFFICE OF THE FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MAY 24, 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, Clarence Thomas and Michael Jones. County Clerk Julie A. Freese was present.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 10, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to accept the bills for payment with the exception of a voucher to the Wyoming County Commissioners Association in the amount of \$1,626 for a WCCA Legislative Meeting (moved to the following meeting for further discussion). Chairman Becker abstained from voting on The Print Shop voucher. Motion carried.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A & I Distributors	Vehicle Maintenance	Oil/Fluids	\$2,323.35
Ace Hardware-Riverton	Vehicle Maintenance	Materials/Supplies	\$17.09
Airgas USA LLC	Vehicle Maintenance	Supplies	\$30.36
B & B Enterprises LLC	Planning	Signs & Supplies	\$497.80
Bailey Enterprises, Inc	Inventory	Bulk Fuel	\$25,098.49
Bank of the West Acct Analysis	Investment Pool	Analyzed Charges	\$357.24
Bob's Truck Repair, Inc	Vehicle Maintenance	Service / Repair	\$2,620.00
Bowdel Steven P.	Detention Center	Contract Service	\$2,375.00
Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Wyo	Prevention Program	Smart Moves Program	\$3,000.00
Breadboard, The	District Court	Jury Meals	\$138.60
Bull's Service & Towing LLC	County Sheriff	Towing	\$250.00
Calvert, Hattie	Youth Services	Reimbursement	\$52.11
Capital Business Systems, Inc	Covid 19 Grant	Supplies & Service	\$64.89
Carquest Auto Parts	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts & Supplies	\$380.29
Carroll Septic Service	Transportation	Services	\$150.00
Centurylink	Computer Services	Telephone Service	\$630.62
Charter Communications	Computer Services	Internet Service	\$229.98
Clifford, Gregory P. MD PC	Detention Center	Inmate Medical	\$1,019.00
Conder, Juli	Phep Covid Response	Expense Reimbursement	\$18.98
Dealers Electrical Supply	County Buildings	Materials/Supplies	\$195.95
Desert Mountain Corporation	Transportation	Mag Chloride	\$12,043.93
Eagle Uniform & Supply, Co	Vehicle Maintenance	Laundry Service	\$636.83
Edwards Communications	Prevention Program	Radio Advertising	\$2,661.00
Federal Express Corp	Detention Center	Shipping Fees	\$15.90
Fremont Counseling-Lander	Health & Welfare	Title 25	\$4,650.00
Fremont County School Dist #25	Youth Services	Jadi Meals	\$355.75
Grainger	County Buildings Detention	Materials/Supplies	\$216.08
HDR Engineering, Inc	Transportation	Engineering	\$11,893.65
Hehr, Ryan B	Prevention Program	Admin Assistance	\$101.50
Inberg-Miller Engineers	Transportation	Road Project	\$180.00
Int'l Academies of Emergency Dispatch	Dispatch Center	Training	\$120.00
Kairos Broadcasting LLC	Segregated	Advertising	\$2,350.00
Lander Community Foundation	Special Tax	Move Award	\$7,000.00
Lander Journal	County Clerk	Subscription	\$40.00
Lander Medical Clinic PC	Detention Center	Inmate Medical	\$1,060.80
Larimer County Coroner	County Coroner	Autopsy Services	\$1,000.00
Lawson Products, Inc	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts & Supplies	\$375.55
Master's Touch LLC	Segregated	Postage Account	\$5,174.46
MHL Systems	Transportation	Parts & Supplies	\$11,606.00
Midwest Connect	Support Services	Machine Maintenance	\$1,680.00
Mr D's Food Center, Inc	District Court	Jury Supplies	\$140.38
NMS Laboratories	County Coroner	Toxicology Services	\$953.00
Norco, Inc	Transportation	Services / Supplies	\$10.20
OCV LLC	Covid 19 Grant	App Development	\$20,396.25
Orkin LLC	County Buildings	Pest Control Service	\$260.00
Pavillion, Town Of	County Buildings	Water Utilities	\$122.29

Post, Raymond	Segregated	Car Wash	\$34.94
Premier Vehicle Install Inc	Capital Asset Acquisitions	Sheriff Vehicle	\$46,943.58
Print Shop, The	County Sheriff	Printed Office	\$122.00
Pro-Vision, Inc	Capital Asset Acquisitions	Equipment	\$10,085.12
Quadient, Inc	Segregated	Postage Machine	\$987.17
Quill Corporation	County Attorney	Office Supplies	\$302.77
Remote Satellite Systems	Search & Rescue	Equipment	\$56.00
Riverton Physician Practices LLC	County Sheriff	Drug Testing	\$151.00
Riverton Ranger, Inc	Segregated	Advertising	\$4,428.45
Rocky Mountain Applicators, Inc	County Buildings	Install Roofing	\$5,500.00
Sagewest Health Care	Detention Center	Inmate Medical	\$2,216.63
Secretary of State	County Clerk	Notary Fee	\$60.00
Shirts & More, Inc	County Buildings Detention	Number Stickers	\$291.00
Smith, Mariah	Prevention Program	Administrative Assistance	\$659.38
Soule, Sierra	District Court	Court Appointment	\$97.50
Sylvestri Customization	Prevention Program	Website Maintenance	\$3,600.00
T-Y Excavation, Inc	Transportation	Road Maintenance	\$3,637.50
Union Telephone Company	Segregated	Cellphones	\$2,556.84
USPS- Hasler	County Attorney	Postage	\$1,000.00
Valley Lumber & Supply Co., Inc	County Sheriff	Supplies / Materials	\$189.90
Verizon Wireless	Computer Services	Wireless Service	\$172.35
Western Printing, Inc	County Treasurer	Printed Supplies	\$435.65
Wilkerson, James A, IV, MD PC	County Coroner	Autopsy	\$1,250.00
Wind River Towing	Abandoned Vehicles	Tow Vehicle	\$200.00
Wind River Unity Council	Prevention Program	Community Forum	\$8,000.00
Winsupply of Riverton	County Buildings	Materials/Supplies	\$13.40
WY Dept of Transportation	Vehicle Maintenance	Transfer County Plate	\$4.00
WY Public Health Laboratory	Public Health	Lab Fees/Supplies	\$252.00
Wyoming Dept of Transportation	Segregated	WYDOT Fuel	\$2,073.46

Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve a voucher to Cloud Peak Counseling Center in the amount of \$1,625 for a Title 25 patient. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items in the Signature File were reviewed: 1) Memorandum of Understanding between the University of Wyoming and Commissioners of Fremont County (forwarded to the June 7, 2022 meeting); and 2) Record of Proceedings. Clarence Thomas moved, Mike Jones seconded, to accept the bid from Olsen's Auto Body & Towing in the amount of \$3,383.30 for repairs to a Sheriff's Office Patrol Vehicle (CO-2511) and a purchase from NAPA Auto Parts for a front bumper totaling \$1,595.00 with payment from the Sheriff's Office budget. Motion carried unanimously. The Central Wyoming College Foundation MOVE Award of \$25,000 was made with the stipulation the funding would go directly to winners of the Start-Up Challenge winners. Those awards have been selected and partial funding was requested for \$3,500 each to Eric Locker, Locker Custom Cabinets; Alicia D. Rux, Cottonwood Creek Wool and Daniel Bristol Stewart, High Country Fungus. After the judges determine the remainder of the award amounts on June 16th, CWC will request another check for each applicant in various amounts to deplete the total award of \$25,000. Clarence Thomas moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve the warrants as requested. Motion carried unanimously. Clarence Thomas moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve a Wyoming State Forestry Division, Fremont County Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement. Motion carried unanimously. Clarence Thomas moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to ratify the EMS Week Proclamation proclaiming May 15-21, 2022 as Emergency Medical Services Week. Motion carried unanimously. Later in the meeting, Larry Allen moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve a Bore, Cut, Overhead and Parallel Public Utilities Right-of-Way Permit for High Plains Power, Inc. for Coal Mine Road. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items in the Priority Mail were reviewed: Letter of concern from Mr. Manchester regarding the Shoshoni Senior Citizens Service District. County Clerk Freese reviewed her conversation with him and indicated the District board members had been invited to the June 7th meeting for their budget hearing with the Commissioners to update the Board on their new district.

There was nobody present for the Public Comment period.

Planning Department Supervisor Steve Baumann presented his Viewer's Report regarding the Vacation of the Spur Road connected to Deer Valley Drive within the Popo Agie Ranch Estates Subdivision or Designate it as Private. Mike Jones moved, Larry Allen seconded, to accept the Viewer's Report. Motion carried unanimously. Comments are being taken until June 6th with a public hearing scheduled on the June 7th County Commission Meeting Agenda at 9:30 a.m. to review concerns or claims for damages.

In another matter, Steve Baumann stated his research has indicated the ambulance fleet can use the County fuel system, even though the county assets are leased by Frontier Ambulance. He will work with Chief Civil Deputy Darrough on a formal agreement.

1838 Rendezvous Association President Kyle Lehto introduced fellow board members Brian Semich and CJ Vandermeulen to provide an update on the annual 1838 Mountain Man Rendezvous which is scheduled for June 19, 2022 through July 3, 2022. Their event is open to the public during these dates. Last year, due to wildfires in Roundup, Montana, they were able to host the Rocky Mountain National Rendezvous (RMNR) following their event. This year, the RMNR plans to hold their event at the 1838 site again from July 10, 2022 through July 16, 2022. The men wanted to make it public that the National event is a closed camp with the exception of certain days that the public can visit. Anyone wishing to attend the RMNR during closed camp days must be dressed in pre-1840's attire and will need to pay a fee. The event is expected to have between 300 and 500 camps this year. The public will again be asked to avoid walking their dogs, swimming in the ponds, fishing, or doing any other activities at the site during the RMNR event. This is due to the RMNR having responsibility for public safety during the event, which will include muzzleloader shooting, archery, hawk and knife, and cannon shooting at the site. Sheriff Ryan Lee was present and stated both events last year were very well organized and they experienced no problems. Public Service Announcements were suggested to begin immediately; however, so that the public knows well ahead of time that the Site will be closed during the RMNR.

Fremont Counseling Service Executive Director Scott Hayes provided a Title 25 Gatekeeping Report from January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022, indicating 62 patients evaluated. He provided a breakdown of adults (female and male) and youth (female and male) evaluated and then those detained (40). He focused on the data for those who were placed, and how many days they were held (emergency room, county jail) until placed as follows: 68% of patient placements took one or fewer days; 32% of placements took two or more days. In this three-month time frame, this 32% equaled 9 patients. These 9 patients used 72% of the bed days (36 bed days in three months). If it took two or more days for placement of disposition, out of 12 cases, 9 placements were delayed due to lack of bed. One of those, a complicated medical case, was eventually taken by Lighthouse. The other three were one geriatric (still at ER); other was medical (eventually placed in Hospice) and the other denied by WBI (eventually returned to group home). Out of this group, 15 were identified as "familiar faces" (those whom were seen in ER for mental health reasons two or more times in the previous 12 months). Returning patients include various reasons (not taking medications as prescribed, abusing meds, suicidal ideation, etc.). Hayes further related discussion with Uinta County and City of Evanston representatives regarding their holding facility and discussion continued regarding the potential for a like facility in Fremont County. Chairman Becker requested the Chief Civil Deputy research whether the County could expend money on property now owned by the County for such a facility (possibly the Sage West Hospital in Riverton). The Board thanked Hayes for his continued work on finding solutions to the Title 25 issue.

Wind River Visitor's Council budget hearing was held. Present was Helen Wilson, Executive Director and Board Members Owen Sweeney (Lander) and John Bass (Fremont County). Helen reported that the Wind River Country has had a record breaking tourism year and has brought in more lodging tax revenue for the last nine months. There was a discussion about having a cash reserve and whether the state statute allows for this. They currently have 25% of their budget in the fund and wish to reserve 50%. Clerk Freese also discussed that the budget presented has no cash reserves noted nor a plan for the cash reserve. She also felt a 50% cash reserve was excessive and as a taxpayer she would have a problem passing a lodging tax with that in mind and no written cash reserve plan. Commissioner Jones also stated that 25% might be prudent, but 50% is excessive. Chairman Becker stated that funds "left over" should be returned to the cities and towns and county who are part of the Joint Powers Board. Fremont County still has never received funds from this council. Commissioner Jones stated that the mayors through FCAG are also concerned with this. The Board requested she return in June when the Special District Proposed Budget is available for review.

Fremont County Museums Central Director was joined by Museum of the American West President Kendall Hayford and Museum Foundation Director Mike Zirbel for continued discussion regarding MAW's offer to donate buildings and real property to Fremont County, and specifically to the Pioneer Museum. Museum Board members Sue Peters and William Overturf were present in the audience, along with five MAW representatives (a complete list is available in the Commissioners' Office). MAW's fiscal year closes the end of the calendar year, so a Transfer Plan and draft Contract were reviewed. Mike Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to begin the process of accepting the donation of buildings and real

property from the Museum of the American West and assume current MOU's with the City of Lander and Pioneer Association with a completion date of December 30, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

County Attorney Patrick LeBrun (via Zoom) joined Assessor Tara Berg to discuss the Assessor's valuation dispute and the need to have an attorney specifically assigned to this case that will be brought before the Fremont County Board of Equalization. LeBrun has to approve outside counsel and stated he would need up to \$40,000 more in his contractual line. The Board agreed to amend the County Attorney's budget for next fiscal year to include the additional contractual cost of \$40,000 for the County Assessor to have representation from the firm of Davis-Buchanan in the tax protest hearing. In another matter, Berg noted Thos Y Pickett, will also be required to travel to Fremont County for the August hearing, so she will also require her to amend her next year's budget for an additional \$7,000 in her contractual budget. Any costs incurred this fiscal year should be minimal and can be covered by her current budget. The requested contractual increase of \$7000 for Thos Y Pickett travel for the valuation dispute was approved.

In another matter, Assessor Tara Berg informed the Board of a recent resignation within her office. Mike Jones moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve refilling the position at a starting salary of \$33,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Health Insurance Committee members Jim Anderson and Margy Irvine were present to review renewal options for the Third Party Administrator (Blue Cross Blue Shield of WY); VOYA (Stop Loss Carrier) and an option from Optum (Transplant Rider Carrier). The Third Party Administrator has indicated a 6% increase in fees for the upcoming fiscal year. A spreadsheet was reviewed with costs associated with and without the addition of the Transplant Rider, and the Committee's recommendation is to accept the Rider for a total cost for all three services of \$657,919.80 (a 7% overall increase) compared to no Rider for a cost of \$674,107.44 (10% increase). Larry Allen moved, Mike Jones seconded, to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve contracting with Blue Cross Blue Shield of WY, VOYA and Optum for the upcoming fiscal year. Motion carried unanimously.

In other business, Executive Health Insurance Committee members Jim Anderson and Margy Irvine reviewed a Salary and Benefit Worksheet for the new position approved by the Commission titled "Wellness and Safety Specialist", with 80% funded by the Health Benefit Plan and 20% from another account for the "Safety" portion of the position. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to begin advertising for the Wellness and Safety Specialist position at an annual salary of \$60,000.

Weed and Pest Budget Hearing. Present was Aaron Foster and board member Sollie Cadman. Their budget request for this year is to ask for a 1.98 mill levy which is less than the allowed mill levy of 2 mills. Clerk Freese commended their district for looking at their needs and setting the budget appropriately. This would be a tax request of \$1,680,863. They have many areas that will see increases such as utilities and fuel. They will purchase a drone but this will be paid for by several grants. Their cash reserves are set at \$808,000 which is intended to allow the District to maintain operations when the expense stream is high, but revenue stream is low. In addition, they would like to put \$100,000 towards a depreciation reserve intended to same towards needed building upgrades at their facility at Tweed Lane. They also intend to add \$64,000 towards emergency reserves to cover what was used the previous year. The legislative changes to the mineral tax revenue was discussed and Chairman Becker reminded them of their ability to ask for a loan from the county.

Commissioner meeting reports were given:

Vice-Chairman Larry Allen attended the EMS Task Force Meeting in Casper last week where Frontier Ambulance representatives joined him to discuss issues they are facing since taking over the Ambulance Service in Fremont County last year. It was a good meeting with different ideas discussed (example: Carbon County pays flat rate per census to their contractor; charging air assets \$1,000 landing fee; Mill Levy for air transfers, etc.). Frontier Ambulance just sent four options and the additional subsidy required for each one. The information will be reviewed and discussed at the following meeting.

Chairman Travis Becker stated the Frontier Ambulance subsidy request needs to be reviewed soon so a budget can be finalized for the next fiscal year. Washakie District Ranger Steve Schacht informed him that the Loop Road remains closed due to large drifts. They will monitor it daily and open as soon as resource damage issues have passed. An ARPA Committee meeting will be held on June 7th to finalize projects.

Chief Civil Deputy Attorney Jodi Darrough reminded the Board that they need to appoint a judge to the Treatment Court as a result of the retirement of Judge Teresa McKee. There was some confusion on the Commission's part on if they or Judge Conder performs this appointment and Chairman Becker volunteered to visit with the Judge to discuss the matter. In the meantime, Darrough will send a follow up memo regarding her research that indicates the Commissioners as "governing body" of the program shall appoint the program team, which consists of the judge position.

Commissioner Mike Jones was absent from the remainder of the meeting.

The following budget hearings were held:

Transportation. Superintendent Billy Meeks was present. Last year's budget was \$2,351,312. This year's request is \$2,499,366. There are six people that are performing at the SOC level due to training that has been provided. Increases within the SOC levels he believes they are working at are included in the salary line item. The plan to hire two part-time people to work in the summer, from April through October. The cost is listed on the salary sheet at \$18,200 per employee. Discussed the concern about getting CDL drivers since the laws have changed. Fuel is increased due to current fuel prices to an increase of \$260,000. Rental payments will be determined for what is approved through the Capital Revolving Fund. The Dubois contract was moved from this budget to the Road Construction Fund. Discussion was held to see where we are with the Roads Balancing Budget where we make sure that the revenues going to road maintenance are being spent by the Transportation Maintenance budget.

1% Infrastructure Fund. This year's funding is estimated at \$5,703,000. Ongoing Projects are: Graveling Roads, Lander's North Second Street Asphalt Overlay and Shoulder Widening, Country Acres Road Reconstruction, Wiggins Fork Bridge and Riverview Cutoff Overlay/Widening. New Projects: Graveling Roads, Hot Mix, Sinks Canyon Overlay (possible grant) and Union Pass (possible grant).

Road Construction Fund. This year's funding is estimated at \$3,360,000. Moved the Dubois Contract to this budget. Other items moved to this budget are Mag Chloride, Some materials, Engineering-surveying. They intend on holding off on crushing gravel to see if gas prices go down. Trucking will come out of the 1% Infrastructure Budget. They are applying for a TAP grant that will help with the Darcy Zimmer Trail Reconstruction and the Lander Lower North Fork/N. 2nd Street study. The CMAQ grant will again assist on the mag chloride project countywide. Other items to be done are striping, spraying weeds and tree services. Ongoing projects: Crooks Gap Cattle guard Project, Lower North Fork, Two Valley Culvert Replacement, Cattle Guards & Culverts, Paradise Valley ELE Replacement.

County Clerk Section 125. County Clerk Julie Freese was present. Jeanine Parrill presented. The budget last year was \$625,000. This year's budget is estimated at \$488,812. This fund covers the money voluntarily set aside by employees as a pre-tax option to health care costs and day care. The County also uses this fund for every employee on their portion of the health insurance premium.

County Clerk. County Clerk Julie Freese and Deputy Clerk Margy Irvine were present. Last year's budget was \$1,041,340. This year's budget is \$1,089,461. Discussed that the document count (1 year ago) mirrors the current fiscal year count so revenues look to be holding to the projections set last year. Freese outlined that her land/title/UCC staff is fairly new but they have all worked very hard to get up to speed on their duties on the main floor. She passed out a sheet of recommendations to increase these employees to a new level with the related salary amount. The Financial Assistant position also has seen growth and this position is still not at the base SOC level and this has been requested to increase to that base pay. Finally, there are a few changes in the Election budget for employees who are also moving into a new Level or will very soon and those SOC changes are requested to be approved. Freese noted that the online salary form isn't working to add these, so the increase might be \$10,000 for increases and benefits. Julie commended the commissioners on their due diligence on the SOC issue. Most of the clerk's costs are in programming, support and maintenance. A 3-5% increase is seen in most programs in the Clerk's Office. Freese put some more money aside for training especially for the Finance Department. The only other larger increase is to purchase another plat cabinet.

County Clerk Election Budget. County Clerk Julie Freese and Deputy Clerk Margy Irvine were present. Last year's off year budget was \$208,288. This year's election year budget request is \$337,004. Freese discussed the move from the ES&S Electronic Poll Book to the Secretary of State's E-Poll Book system. Three counties are beta testing it in the 2022 elections (Teton, Natrona and Fremont). Freese thanked the commissioners for increasing the election judges pay for 2022 as that had not happened for

a long time. Due to redistricting, a postcard with the voter's districts on it will go to each voter. There is a lot of education that goes into the election process and the use of social media, website, press and the GIS Mapservers system are all part of that process. Taught the Lander 5th grade classes about voting recently. The County Clerk's Association have been working hard on a number of uniformity "templates" for counties to use to help make the processes (across the state) similar for each county, Chain of Custody is also another big project that the clerks are about to finalize. Again, there are a few SOC level increase requests but they do not appear in the salary portion of the budget. Commissioner Thomas questioned if the parties would be "monitoring" the election. Freese noted that poll watchers are statutorily approved as 1 per voting location and up to 2 per party if the polling place had enough space. They are there to watch turnout, but Freese is aware that they also are watching the process. Julie hopes that the poll watchers will call the County Clerk's Office if they feel something is not right as it is easier to fix on election day.

Library. Self-Generated Budget. Present was Director Anita Marple and board member Perry Cook. Last year's budget is \$163,441 and this year's estimate is \$190,283. Discussion on the collection development regarding that their outside support groups would like to see a combination of General Fund and self-generated funds paying for collection development. This self-generated budget is most often funded by grants, donations and from their foundations and friends of the library. Grant estimations of \$161,888 are listed as received, applied or will apply for. They have also requested funding from the ARPA funds for collection development. Clerk Freese asked what target amount the board is looking at for the "right amount" of collections. Anita stated that they would think \$60,000 per year.

Library General Fund Budget. Last year's budget is \$1,064,771. This year's request is \$1,121,706. The increases are in supplies for processing library collection materials. There are some SOC adjustments that have been requested. They are looking to eventually find ways to open Library's across the county on Saturdays. There is also a desire to separate the Library Director and Library Lander Manager positions which are currently both held by one employee. It is getting hard to do both jobs.

Solid Waste Disposal District. Superintendent Andy Frey, Susan Brodie, Bookkeeper, and Board Members Mark Moxley and Rob Dolcater were present. They expect revenues to be down due to the State Assessed mineral properties payment plan. There is no addition to their closure, post-closure & future development reserve. There is an allowance for wage adjustments following an SOC review and plan adopted by the Board. They have allowed \$107,000 for wage adjustments. Health Insurance increase are expected to be 7%. Workers Comp is down due to the safety training and safety incentive programs and that they have had no lost time accidents for some time. Fuel costs are approximately 185% of the 2021-2022 expense. They have projects (scale facilities for Lander Dubois a& Sand Draw for \$1,750,000 and equipment, containers and software upgrades equaling \$1,025,000. Discussion was held on actions that might happen if the fuel prices were to increase to a non-manageable price. Andy indicated that due to the nature of their business, they will likely have to stay open, but they may not fund capital projects. Discussion on the Superintendent's salary. He got an increase mid-year last year and it will stay at the \$112,000 rate for the upcoming fiscal year's budget. Legal fees have gone from \$8,400 to \$25,000. They explained that this was the increase for additional legal fees for potential issues that they are aware of. Audit fees went down with the change to Carver, Florek and James. When Susan has to assist in the office these costs go up to pay for her assistance.

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 June 7, 2022. 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