

STATE OF WYOMING)
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COUNTY OF FREMONT)

LANDER, WYOMING
OFFICE OF THE FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 9, 2022

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, Vice-Chairman Larry Allen, Jennifer McCarty, Clarence Thomas and Michael Jones. County Clerk Julie A. Freese was present.

Larry Allen moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 1, 2022 and the Regular Meeting held on August 2, 2022. Chairman Becker abstained due to his absence at said meetings. Motion carried.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Larry Allen seconded, to accept the bills for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

Bills are listed in the following format: Vendor – Department – Description – Amount: 71 Construction-Road Material Inventory-Materials -\$85587.84; A & I Distributors-Vehicle Maintenance-Oil/Fluids-\$3361.12; Ace Hardware-Riverton-Segregated-Materials/Supplies -\$108.97; Alamia Inc-County Buildings-Mower-\$13615.40; Also Inc-County Buildings-Laundry -\$339.72; Anda Inc-Public Health-Vaccine-\$2851.28; Big Horn Water-Youth Services-Water Bottles-\$40.47; Bloedorn Lumber-Lander-County Buildings-Materials/Supplies-\$522.42; Burden, Dan-County Buildings-Service-\$729.50; Carroll Septic Service-Transportation-Services -\$170.00; Charter Communications-Computer Services-Internet Service-\$129.98; Clear Creek Construction LLC-Road Material Inventory-Contract Service-\$2340.00; Communication Technologies Inc-Support Services-Maintenance Agreement-\$2961.87; Coombs, Jefferson B-Cast-Expense Reimbursement-\$445.40; Danyne Cooper Counseling, LLC-Cast-Contractual Services-\$1000.00; Dealers Electrical Supply-County Buildings-Materials/Supplies-\$103.43; Desert Mountain Corporation-Road Construction-Mag Chloride-\$41672.16; Dowl LLC-Road Construction-Road Construction-\$25859.45; Drug Testing Services LLC-Segregated-Drug Testing Service-\$370.00; Dubois Frontier, The-County Commission-Subscription -\$26.00; Dubois Telephone Exchange-County Sheriff-Telephone -\$717.30; Election Systems & Software, Inc-County Elections-Supplies-\$497.87; Electrical Dynamics, Inc-County Buildings-Services/Repairs-\$82.00; Fremont Chevrolet GMC-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/Repairs-\$47.17; Fremont County Solid Waste-County Buildings-Dump Fees-\$5.00; Fremont Electric Inc-County Buildings-Services-\$708.00; Fremont Motor Riverton Inc-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/Supplies-\$347.44; Fremont Motors - Lander-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/Supplies -\$137.60; Grainger-County Buildings-Materials/Supplies-\$312.36; Hasco Industrial Supply-Vehicle Maintenance-Materials/Supplies -\$1070.03; HDR Engineering Inc-Transportation- Engineering-\$6101.46; High Plains Power, Inc-County Buildings-Utility Services-\$1197.01; I.Miller Precision Optical Instruments-County Coroner-Pathology Microscope-\$2795.00; Inberg-Miller Engineers-Road Construction-Delineator Project-\$643.10; John Deere Financial-Transportation-Materials/Supplies -\$106.21; Kairos Broadcasting LLC-Segregated-Advertising-\$2600.00; Kessler, Douglas E-Planning-Expense Reimbursement-\$53.10; Lander Sr Citizens Center Inc-Health & Welfare-Allocation -\$10000.00; Lander Valley Auto Parts-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/Supplies -\$76.20; Lander, City Of-County Buildings-Water & Sewer-\$3970.69; Larimer County Coroner-County Coroner-Medical Imaging-\$250.00; Mahlum, Zachary Hamilton-District Court-Court Appointment-\$827.81; McKesson Medical Surgical Inc-Segregated-Medical Supplies-\$1827.39; Medow, Aubrey-Planning-Expense Reimbursement-\$67.50; Napa Auto Parts-Riverton-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts & Supplies -\$4641.86; Natrona County Sheriff-Detention Center- Conference-\$250.00; NMS Laboratories-County Coroner-Toxicology Services-\$669.00; Norco Inc-County Buildings-Supplies-\$5963.27; Office Shop Inc, The-Computer Services- Printer Lease-\$155.00; R T Communications-Dispatch Center-Telephone Service-\$444.11; Reed's Moghaun Office Supply-Clerk Of District Court-Office Supplies-\$752.02; Relx, Inc.-County Attorney-Research Subscription-\$694.00; Rocky Mountain Power-County Buildings-Utilities-\$11629.88; Rocky Mtn Window Distributors-County Buildings-Windows-\$147064.00; Shoshoni, Town of-County Buildings-Water/Sewer-\$70.00; Soule, Sierra-District Court-Court Appointment-\$292.50; Spriggs, Brenda-Youth Services-Expense Reimbursement-\$211.60; Traveling Computers-Computer Services-Computer Supplies/Service-\$1165.50; T-Y Excavation Inc-Transportation-Road Maintenance-\$3210.00; Valley Lumber & Supply Co Inc-Transportation-Materials/Supplies-\$117.60; Verizon Wireless-Segregated-Cell Phone Service-\$1113.15; WY Dept of Health-Health Nurse-4th Qtr Payroll-\$34841.71; WY Dept of Transportation-Vehicle Maintenance-Transfer County Plate -\$2.00; Wyoming Behavioral Institute-Health & Welfare-Title 25-\$5278.00; Wyoming Dept of Transportation-County Commission-Lease-1838 Rendezvous Grounds-\$5.00; Wyoming Machinery Co-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts -\$5321.91; Wyoming Waste Systems-County Buildings-Trash Removal-\$2921.84; Wyonet Inc.-Computer Services-Telephone /Internet-\$5075.85.

The following items in the Signature File were reviewed: 1) Record of Proceedings. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve an Approach/Access Application from Dudley Cole for 24 Hall Road and from Andres Arredondo for Willow Creek Road. Motion carried unanimously. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to accept a bid from Communication Technology, Inc. in the amount of \$58,041.00 for Paging Expansion for Hudson and Lysite through ARPA funding. Motion carried unanimously. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to accept the low bid from Olson's Auto

Body & Towing in the amount of \$1,762.70 for damages to the Emergency Management Coordinator's vehicle due to a hit and run accident. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items in the Priority Mail were reviewed: MOVE Committee recommendation to forward the one applicant applying for ½ percent Economic Development funding to the next quarter for consideration as most of their funding is pending at this time and they will have a better picture several months out. The Board concurred with the recommendation and the applicant will be notified their request will be forwarded to October. The Board acknowledged receipt of \$1,033.44 from Schumacher Law Office on behalf of clients Michael and Stephanie Harris for expenses incurred by Fremont County (advertising, Viewer's Report, etc.) prior to their withdrawal of the Petition to Vacate a Spur of Deer Valley Drive. The Board acknowledged receipt of the LeClair Irrigation District Certificate of Assessment Roll for the Year 2022. A second offer for the North 8th West property in Riverton was acknowledged; however, Chairman Becker stated that the property is under contract and he expects the closing to be held within the next couple of weeks. In the event that does occur, the second offer can be considered.

There was nobody present for the Public Comment period.

Fremont County Library Manager Anita Marple was present. She updated the Board on a retirement of a full-time/benefitted Youth Services Lead Librarian at the Riverton Branch Library and a plan to standardize the 33-hour part-time Library Assistant position at the Riverton Branch to 34-hours, making it the same as the Lander part-time position. Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve the rehire of the full time Youth Services Lead Librarian at a starting wage of \$16.00/hour. Motion carried unanimously. Jennifer McCarty moved, Larry Allen seconded, to rehire and increase by one hour per week the part-time Library Assistant position at an hourly wage not to exceed \$13.55. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Ryan Lee presented a monthly update.

County Coroner Larry DeGraw and Deputy Erin Ivie were present for a monthly update. Ivie gave a 2022 Mid-Year Summary (as of 7/1/22).

Commissioner meeting reports and concerns were given.

Lander Assistant Mayor Rajean Fossen and Chair of the Lander Housing Authority Board Jim Corbett were joined by board members Robert Spengler, Cora Lee Reynolds and Carol Chidsey, to discuss the proposed Table Mountain Living Community. Larry Allen moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve a letter of support to help the Committee move forward with seeking additional funding for the construction of the Table Mountain Living Community. Motion carried unanimously.

County Clerk Julie Freese reviewed a recent News Release she published informing the public that the Fremont County testing and sealing of machines has been completed.

Planning Department Supervisor Steve Baumann presented five subdivision plats for review:

Wilkinson Subdivision is a proposed two lot Simple Subdivision located just off North Hidden Valley Road. It will break a 5.17-acre parcel off their current 380.68 acres of land. Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve Wilkinson Subdivision as approved by the Fremont County Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Darnall Second Subdivision Lots 10 & 11 Replat was presented. Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve Darnall Second Subdivision Lots 10 & 11 Replat as recommended by the Fremont County Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Wind Drift Estates Subdivision Lots 4 and 5 Replat was presented which is located just south of the Riverton Country Club on the edge of the Wind River. Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve Wind Drift Estates Subdivision Lots 4 and 5 Replat as recommended by the Fremont County Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Orchard Hills Subdivision was presented, a proposed five lot Simple Subdivision located approximately 1.5 miles northwest of Lander off Highway 287 and Longview Lane. Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones

seconded, to approve Orchard Hills Subdivision as recommended by the Fremont County Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Lander Ranchettes West Subdivision Vacation of Tract 2C was presented. Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve the Vacation of Tract 2C of the Lander Ranchettes West Subdivision as recommended by the Fremont County Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Interim Public Health Nurse Manager Christine Kraus requested authorization to request approval from a State Immunization Grant to purchase a 2023 Chevrolet Traverse. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to allow the request to the State for the purchase of a 2023 Chevrolet Traverse with funding through the Immunization Grant if approved by the State. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Clarence Thomas issued the following statement for the record: "As District 1 County Commissioner, I express my support of Fremont County Clerk Julie Freese because of her integrity which I have witnessed over the last six years and her knowledge in running elections in Fremont County. The reteric based upon national election fraud does not happen in Fremont County. I support her as she does a wonderful job, she is honest, is of high integrity and she does all she can do to make sure elections are run smoothly. Thank you."

There being no further business, Larry Allen moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to adjourn the Regular meeting at 11:10 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The Fremont County Board of Equalization convened at 1:30 p.m. with Hearing Examiner John Schumacher presiding.

The following Orders of Dismissal and Vacation of Hearing were reviewed:

Docket No. 2022-04	The Print Shop
Docket No. 2022-07	City of Lander
Docket No. 2022-09	Michael & Kathryn Patterson
Docket No. 2022-10	Ronald Cross
Docket No. 2022-08	Wyoming Catholic College
Docket No. 2022-12	CSI Compresso Leasing

Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve the Orders as presented. Travis Becker abstained from voting on Docket No. 2022-04 -The Print Shop. Motion carried.

Hearing Examiner Schumacher proceeded with Docket No. 2022-03 in the tax appeal of Sutherland Lumber Company of Kansas City LLC. Present via Zoom for the taxpayer was Bill Zornes, Tax Advisor. Joining him but not speaking was Barbara Courtney. Present at the hearing was Chief Civil Deputy Jodi Darrough, Assessor Tara Berg and Senior Appraiser Mike Klaassen.

Following testimony from both parties, the hearing concluded at 3:00 p.m. and the Board of Equalization entered into deliberations. The BOE unanimously voted to uphold the Assessor's valuation as they did not believe the Taxpayer met the burden of presenting sufficient evidence to overturn the assessment. Mr. Schumacher noted the appeal was denied and he would draft an Order for the BOE to sign.

The Board of Equalization adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

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