

STATE OF WYOMING)
) ss.
COUNTY OF FREMONT)

LANDER, WYOMING
OFFICE OF THE FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 11, 2020

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 and Clarence Thomas. Commissioner Michael Jones was absent. Fremont 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 Special Meeting held on August 3, 2020 for the Mill Levy Setting and Board of Equalization Hearings, and the Regular Meeting held on August 4, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Allen moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to accept the bills for payment. Chairman Travis Becker abstained from voting on The Print Shop voucher. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Becker noted the bills included a voucher to Town of Dubois for Rights-of-Ways for the Horse Creek Road project.

Bills are listed in the following format: Name; Department; Description; Total Cost. 71 Construction-1% Infrastructure Projects-Materials-\$61804.96; A & I Distributors-Vehicle Maintenance- Oil/Fluids-\$1482.91; Ace Hardware-Lander-Search & Rescue-Materials/Supplies -\$25.69; Ace Hardware-Riverton-County Buildings-Materials/Supplies-\$61.32; Airgas USA LLC-Segregated-Supplies-\$768.84; Bailey Enterprises, Inc-Inventory-Bulk Fuel -\$13170.00; Bank Of The West-Segregated-Credit Card Charges-\$20190.13; Big Brothers Big Sisters Of NW WY-TANF Grant-TANF CPI Grant -\$5691.71; Bowdel, Steven P.-Detention Center-Medical Services-\$2812.50; Central Wyoming College-Dispatch Center-Tower Lease -\$996.00; Charter Communications-Segregated-Internet Services-\$330.66; Clifford, Gregory P. MD PC-Detention Center-Inmate Medical-\$11773.00; Communication Technologies Inc-Segregated-Maintenance Agreement,Repairs-\$3090.77; Cooper, Eric-Detention Center-Expense Reimbursement-\$20.40; Cowboy Chemical Inc-Detention Center-Inmate Laundry& Kitchen Supply-\$479.10; DOWL LLC-Segregated-Engineering-\$24036.07; Dubois Frontier, The-Segregated-Advertising -\$76.68; Dubois, Town Of Horse Creek Road Reconstruction-Right Of Way Horse Creek -\$9425.81; Election Systems & Software, Inc-County Elections-Election Supplies-\$330.10; Fremont Chevrolet GMC-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/Repairs-\$837.14; Fremont Orthopaedics PC-Detention Center-Inmate Medical-\$818.00; Globalstar USA-Search & Rescue-Satellite Phone-\$189.01; Great Divide Towing & Recovery-Abandoned Vehicles-Vehicle Towing-\$100.00; High Country Construction Inc-Willow Creek-Road Shoulder Repair-\$23778.50; HTO Chemical Company, LLC-County Buildings-Parts -\$121.00; Jeffres, Mary Jo-County Sheriff-Evaluation Services-\$200.00; John Deere Financial-Transportation-Materials/Supplies -\$19.99; Laboratory Corporation Of America-Detention Center-Inmate Medical-\$64.00; Lander Medical Clinic PC-Detention Center-Inmate Medical-\$869.97; Lander Valley Auto Parts-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts/ Supplies -\$577.99; Lander, City Of-County Buildings-Water & Sewer-\$2964.40; Leonard, Anthony G.-Detention Center-Inmate Medical Services-\$1312.50; Lyles, Jesse-County Sheriff-Expense Reimbursement-\$202.50; Mahlum, Zachary Hamilton-District Court-Court Appointment-\$37.50; Medical Imaging Associates Of Idaho-Detention Center-Inmate Medical-\$704.00; Mr D's Food Center Inc-Detention Center-Supplies-\$441.98; Murdoch's Ranch & Home Supply-County Sheriff-Supplies / Equipment-\$38.97; Napa Auto Parts-Riverton-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts & Supplies -\$1175.45; National Food Group Inc-Detention Center-Inmate Board-\$6595.54; Norco Inc-County Buildings-Supplies -\$9420.72; Palace Pharmacy-Detention Center-Inmate Rx's-\$8469.40; Post And Associates-Segregated-Services-\$4600.00; Post, Raymond-County Sheriff-Car Wash -\$64.20; Premier Vehicle Install., Inc.-County Sheriff-Parts For Vehicles-\$61.23; Print Shop, The-Segregated-Printed Office-\$143.75; Quadient Inc-Segregated-Postage Machine Rental-\$148.60; Quill Corporation-Segregated- Office Supplies-\$850.33; R C Lock & Key-County Sheriff-Keys, Supplies & Services-\$11.03; Ratigan, Daniel, M.D.-Detention Center-P.A. Supervisor Contract-\$6950.00; Reed's Moghaun Office Supply-Dispatch Center-Office Supplies-\$24.95; Relx, Inc.-County Attorney- Research Subscription-\$625.00; Riverton Ranger, Inc-Segregated-Advertising-\$12435.12; Rocky Mountain Power-Segregated-Utilities-\$11529.49; Sagewest Health Care-Detention Center-Inmate Medical.\$37701.45; Shultz, Kevin-Computer Services-Expense Reimbursement-\$82.35; Skaggs Companies, Inc-County Sheriff-Uniforms/Supplies-\$509.85; Snider, Yvonne-Sheriff Victim Services-Reim. Mileage & or Expenses-\$176.32; Sysco Montana Inc-Detention Center-Inmate Supplies-\$8510.09; US Foods Inc-Detention Center-Supplies-\$9516.34; Wind River Towing-Abandoned Vehicles-Abandon Vehicle Towing-\$1475.00; WY Law Enforcement Academy-Detention Center-Training Basic Cost Ammo-\$1365.20; Wyoming Behavioral Institute-Health & Welfare-Title 25-\$9.00; Wyoming Dept. Of Agriculture-Detention Center-Food License -\$50.00; Wyoming Machinery Co-Vehicle Maintenance-Parts -\$910.84; Wyoming Waste Systems-County Buildings-Trash -\$2763.34; Wyoming.Com-Segregated-Internet Svcs-\$1999.90.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Larry Allen seconded, to approve a voucher to Wyoming Behavioral Institute in the amount of \$3,770.00 for five Title 25 patients. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items in the Signature File were reviewed: 1) Record of Proceedings. Clarence Thomas moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Wyoming Office of Guardian *Ad Litem* and Fremont County. Motion carried unanimously. Clarence Thomas moved, Larry Allen seconded, to approve an Agreement between the Fremont County Commissioners and Cloud Peak Counseling Center to provide Title 25 services to patients in Fremont County. Motion carried unanimously. Clarence

Thomas moved, Larry Allen seconded, to approve Resolution No. 2020-19 granting waiver of the in-state contractor and material requirements for the State Lands and Investments Grant approved project for the Detention Facility Security Upgrade, the letter to Governor Gordon requesting waiver, Grant Agreement and Certification Statement. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Becker adjourned as the Board of Fremont County Commissioners and convened as the Fremont County Board of Equalization. Scott and Alyssa McFarland (Docket No. 2020-05) County Board of Equalization Dismissal Order was read into the record. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve the Order of Dismissal, stating the Petitioner's appeal is dismissed pursuant to County Board of Equalization Uniform Rules § 20, Failure to appear at hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Travis Becker adjourned as the Fremont County Board of Equalization and reconvened as the Board of Fremont County Commissioners.

The public comment period was held.

Alex Dannenberg, Albert Bertagnolli and Dave Hohl expressed concern about the road base on the Lander Cut Off Road off Highway 28, leading to the White Acorn Ranch, and continuing on through to Sublette County. Transportation Superintendent Billy Meeks and Lander Supervisor Clyde Winchester were present. The men presented photos of the road and barrow ditch and several jars of the mine reject material that consists of sharp points, which cause extensive tire damage to all travelers on the road on a routine basis. They suggested resurfacing an 8-10 mile stretch if possible. Meeks and Winchester stated the operator has been taking of the material and bringing up native material whenever that area is bladed. The men agreed the material has helped in muddy situations in spring and fall and the semi trucks hauling in and out of the ranch have not had to chain up since the material was laid several years ago. Commissioner Thomas asked Meeks to work with the men to see if there is any federal money available that could assist in resurfacing the road. Meeks will discuss the situation on the Sublette County side with their Transportation Supervisor to see if a joint venture could be entered into.

Fremont Counseling Executive Director Scott Hayes discussed the need to enter into a contract with Fremont County for the purpose of guiding conduct and payment for emergency mental health services (Title 25 patients). Such an agreement was in place up until FY 29 when the state allowed reimbursement for Title 25 evaluations through their state contract. That allowance ended June 30, 2020 and Fremont Counseling Service will renew invoicing Fremont County for those services rendered. Hayes proposed an evaluation rate of \$150 (\$140 in previous years), with placement attempt at Wyoming Behavioral Institute and/or Cloud Peak Counseling (Lighthouse Crisis Stabilization Unit) as needed. Using the estimated 274 evaluations for persons under Fremont County jurisdiction, this comes to an estimated \$41,100. He further speculated 12 difficult-to-place persons last year would total \$6,000 at \$50 an attempt. The contractual price would be per evaluation and not the total estimated amount, which was presented for discussion purposes. The Board stated they would request the Chief Civil Deputy Attorney draft a contract for the new fiscal year at the discussed rates. Commissioner Thomas stated that in future years, it may be appropriate to send out a Request for Proposal in case there are other agencies interested in such a contractual agreement for Title 25 patients. In other business, Vice-Chairman Allen asked for an update on the status and placement of the county transport van that was used to transport individuals to the powwow grounds during the outbreak of the COVID epidemic in March. Commissioner Thomas stated Wind River Cares has the unit at their facility and will get an update on when it can be returned to the County.

Fremont County Coroner Mark Stratmoen presented a monthly update.

Fremont County Museums Central Director Scott Goetz gave an annual report for FY 2019-2020.

Assessor Tara Berg and County Clerk Julie Freese updated the Board on staffing vacancies between their two offices. Assessor Deputies Angie Wilson and Mike Klaassen and County Clerk Deputy Margy Irvine were present in the audience. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve refilling two full time positions in the County Clerk's Office and a full time position in the County Assessor's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Fremont County Wellness Program Manager Penny Fahey presented a Wellness Program Report. Executive Health Insurance Committee member Margy Irvine was in the audience.

Transportation Superintendent Billy Meeks and Vehicle Maintenance Supervisor Brad Meredith were present to review a Wyoming Association of Risk Management Final Proof of Loss for the 2018 Motor Grader that was involved in a wreck in May that seriously injured an employee. The adjustor deemed it a total loss and the Final

Loss and Damage is \$274,690, less \$5,000 deductible, less \$15,000 Member Surcharge, for a total amount of claim of \$254,690. Meeks stated a new unit delivery date is six months out, and recommended a rental in the meantime for a motor grader, especially important when heading into the winter months. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to authorize a purchase of a CAT Motor Grader with funding through the Capital Revolving Fund. Motion carried unanimously. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to accept a bid not to exceed \$275,000 from Wyoming Machinery Company for a 2021 Cat Motor Grader. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner meeting reports were given.

Chairman Travis Becker participated in a conference call with Wyoming County Commissioners Association regarding the County's successful application of \$4.5 million from the State Lands and Investments Board Coronavirus Relief Grant Program. He stated there are new rules to be published August 27th and there are a lot of unknowns at this time on required documentation in order to receive the full amount.

Larry Allen moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. and reconvene for a Regular Meeting on August 25, 2020. Motion carried unanimously

A full detailed report (for informational purposes only) and the official minutes are posted on Fremont County's website at www.fremontcountywy.gov.

/s/ TRAVIS BECKER, CHAIRMAN
FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

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