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WASHAKIE COUNTY COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS December 17, 2024

The Washakie County Board of County Commissioners met at the above date beginning at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners present were Chairman Aaron Anderson, Commissioner Terry Wolf, and Commissioner Morgan Martinez along with clerk to the board Lily Rakness Parra. Also present was Stuart Bower and Mike Robinson. The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance led by Chairman Anderson.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2024, meeting. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Stuart Bower gave an update to the BOCC. He advised that he and the crew were continually working on miscellaneous items throughout the County as needed. A discussion was held regarding gravel crushing and areas where gravel was needed. A discussion was held on the potential need for a ROW Permit from Washakie Rural on Lane 16 ½. It was decided by the BOCC that a permit was not required.

Interim Planner Mike Robinson gave the BOCC a Planning update. He advised that the expansion of crushing at the Lower No-wood Pit was underway and that there would be quality product produced. Robinson also advised that Ten Sleep Sand and Gravel would crush the entirety of what Washakie County had paid for; therefore, gravel can be hauled out from that pit until October. Robinson updated the BOCC on the Raise Grant status and advised that CMAQ reimbursement should be arriving soon.

Chairman Anderson took the time to thank Bower and Robinson for their hard work and advised that he was grateful to have been able to collaborate with them both; that they were both exceptional assets to the County.

Building Maintenance Manager Breck Buer gave an update to the BOCC. He advised that he was currently working with Train Air Conditioning Services and Johnson Controls making sure all systems within the courthouse and sheriff's office were in prop-

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er working order. Buer said that the fairgrounds was filled with lights and the Rotary Club was getting ready for the Whoville event during the weekend. He also updated the BOCC on the workings of a new door at the handicap ramp entrance.

Public Health Coordinator Amanda Heinemeyer gave an update to the BOCC. She advised that the state had implemented a new electronic records system and that she and her staff were currently working on learning and implementing the system. Commissioner Wolf asked if there would be any future maintenance costs to the County for the system and Heinemeyer advised that there would not be any.

Sheri Gunderson with WCPC gave an update to the BOCC. She advised that the OJJDP Grant had been granted, and the County would be receiving \$50,000, in which 10% could be used for personnel and the remaining would be utilized for a variety of program costs for diversion efforts.

A discussion was held regarding the Business Ready Community Grant Program. Those present were Sheri Gunderson and LeAnn Baker. Clerk Rakness Parra discussed the need for a decision to be made on who the main applicant for the grant would be. Of the three entities, Washakie County, City of Worland and the Town of Ten Sleep, Washakie County being the "top of the umbrella" it made sense for the county to be the main applicant. This would entail the application submission, housing the funds, and once they have been granted, reporting the funds as well as disbursing the funds as needed. It was also discussed that the amount being applied for would be \$75,000.00. A match of 25% was required. WDA committed to \$5,000, the Town of Ten Sleep \$4,000.00 which would leave a total of \$8,000.00 for the City of Worland and Washakie County to contribute.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to dedicate \$8,000.00 to the Business Ready Community Grant Program. Motion carried.

A discussion regarding the A2A training course in February was held. It was agreed that Clerk Rakness Parra, as well as Sheri Gunderson, would attend the training along with other willing

individuals.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approve Resolution 2024-406 appointing John Worrall to serve as special deputy county and prosecuting attorney in the case of State v. MC
2. Authorize Chairman to sign FY25 CMAQ Sub recipient Agreement between WYDOT and Washakie County
3. Authorize Chairman to sign Application and Certification for Payment for the Washakie Library Addition
4. Approve Clerk of Court's November 2024 Monthly Statement in the amount of \$1,206.00
5. Approve Washakie County Clerk's November 2024 Receipt totals in the amount of \$7,488.15

A discussion regarding a Title 25 Voucher for Banner Health was held. It was agreed that a budget amendment was needed to add funds to the proper line item to pay out the invoice. It was agreed to table the discussion until after the amendment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Chairman Anderson expressed his gratitude to the people of Washakie County, as well as to the elected officials and staff, for their dedication and contributions during his years of service to the county. He acknowledged the privilege of working alongside both current and former elected officials, stating, "You have all been great people to work with, and it's been a pleasure working with everyone."

There being no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Wolf made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:02 am. Motion carried.

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Lily Rakness Parra
Clerk to the Board

Aaron Anderson, Chairman
Washakie County Commissioners

January 2, 2025