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WASHAKIE COUNTY COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS March 19, 2024

The Washakie County Board of County Commissioners met at the above date beginning at 9:00 a.m. Those present were Chairman Aaron Anderson, Commissioners Terry Wolf and Morgan Martinez and clerk to the board Lily Rakness Parra. Also present were County Attorney Barton, Dale Link and Grace Walhus with the Northern Daily News. The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance led by Dale Link.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the minutes of the March 5th, 2024, meeting. Motion carried.

Dale Link spoke with the BOCC regarding an incident with Guardian Life Flight on November 19, 2023. He advised his wife was needing transport to Denver and he was told by Guardian that they did not transport out of state. He said that he eventually had to transport his wife to Denver himself. Link elaborated on some concerns regarding the contract between Washakie County and AirMedCare. County Attorney Barton gave input regarding the contract and the determination regarding the pilot and their ability to have the final determination in any flight situation.

Building Maintenance Manager Stuart Bower gave a Road and Bridge update to the BOCC. He advised that the crew is continuing to haul gravel on Road 16 and has almost 3,000 yards on the ground. He also advised that they were continuing to have issues with signage in the county, where signs were being dismantled and left. Bower said they will be addressing pavement issues on the road to the Washakie County Landfill. A discussion regarding Washakie County potentially providing funds for future employee's obtaining their CDL. Bower advised that it was something to think about and maybe consider in the future.

Interim Planner Mike Robinson gave a planning update to the BOCC. He advised that the Fettig Enterprises invoice has been revised and agreed upon. A discussion was held regarding gravel crushing. Commissioner Wolf asked Robinson to see if there were any projects that might be able to utilize the Public Lands Access Program. Robinson advised that he would investigate the specifics. A discussion was held regarding Spring Creek Road, and it was asked if there were any further discussions with Jenkins in what he was wanting to do with the road base. It was discussed that the County's preference would be to return it to a gravel surface and utilize dust control on it from here on out.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Chairman Anderson after removing himself from the chair to approve the Right-of-Way permit for Moses and Jenifer Martinez. Motion Carried.

Building Maintenance Manager Breck Buer gave an update to the BOCC. He advised he was staying busy and fixing old equipment to be utilized for summer season. He advised that the windows in the shop needed to be replaced as well. Buer said he was working with the fair board to get the fairgrounds fixed up and in repair to their satisfaction. He advised it wouldn't take much to get the food booths fixed up and running to code. The BOCC advised that if there are any large repairs that need done, to provide a budget and scope with details to present. They also authorized Buer to make all necessary and needed repairs that were not above the \$5,000 threshold.

Public Health Coordinator Amanda Heinemeyer gave a family planning update to the BOCC. She also presented them with the Bad Debt Report which was significantly lower this year than in years past. Heinemeyer also advised that she was currently working on providing a basic CPR course along with Narcan training to all employees of Washakie County. She said that she would be able to utilize grant funds for the courses. The BOCC authorized Heinemeyer to move forward with the grant.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Wolf, to approve the Family Planning Bad Debt List. Motion carried.

Emergency Management Coordinator Kami Neighbors spoke with the BOCC regarding the Suspicious Letter Policy and advised that she was working on a draft policy for Narcan to be placed in offices. The BOCC advised that they would like the County Attorney and Public Health Officer, Dr. Asay to look at the policy as well. Chairman Anderson discussed the need for an ambulance health assessment and requested assistance from Neighbors to get the documentation for it together. Neighbors agreed.

Sheri Gunderson, Katie Kirby and Lila Jolley gave a WCPC update to the BOCC. Gunderson asked about the OPIOID funds for the next FY Budget. She enquired if the funds were state or federal and if there was a possibility of utilizing them as match funds for their department. It was discussed that a group needed to be put together to look at criteria going forward and how they will be prioritizing the funding as well. Jolley said that the recently held Mental Health Fair was a success and very well attended. She also said that the Prevention Grant is due to be re written for funding the next two years. Kirby advised that the prevention aspect was going well and reiterated the benefits of the recent Mental Health Fair. She continues to work on several ideas of keeping kids involved in the prevention aspect.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve Ten Sleep Library to purchase a new copy machine from Office Shop Inc. in the amount of \$3,495.00. Motion carried.

Jason Lund with Carver Florek and James, PC gave the BOCC Washakie County's FY2023 Audit Report.

Dallin Stott with iWorQ gave an overview of their system to the BOCC.

Thad Berrett with the Forest Service gave an update to the BOCC. He advised that Deer Haven Lodge had recently opened for business again after being closed for renovations being done by the new owners. He advised that they were continuing to work on the analysis of the Ten Sleep Climbing Plan. Chairman Anderson asked if they had considered doing a water quality monitoring due to the waste from visitors coming down the river. Barrett advised they had not but that he will investigate further and see if it was something that could be accomplished. Anderson asked if they had a disbursed camping funding mechanism to help maintain facilities.

Barrett advised that donation tubes could be started to help with funding, then it would be a matter of identifying costs. A discussion was held regarding the forest wide thinning project.

Interim Planner Mike Robinson presented the BOCC with the Washakie County Planning Commission's approval of the Red Vista Village II Development Agreement, as well as their vote to approve the Red Vista Village II Final Plat contingent upon the BOCC approval. The BOCC opened the topic up for public comment. Those present via teleconference were David Clark representing Cole Smith, and Kent Holiday. Those present in the board room were County Attorney Barton, Interim Planner Mike Robinson, previous County Clerk Mary Grace Strauch and Planning Commission member Chris Schmeltzer.

Kent Holiday presented the history of the property sale and spoke to the original purchase agreement between Elution Technologies and Cole and Carol Smith in 2009. He advised that Cole and Carol Smith had agreed to specific easements to prevent "things like this" being done on the property. Holiday believed that per the original purchase agreement in 2009, there was no access to the easement, therefore no access to the property. A discussion was held regarding the alteration of the plats and the County's decision to make decisions off the original, unaltered plats. The origi-

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nal plat approved by the BOCC did not include the restrictions Mr. Holiday showed to exist in the original sales agreement. That sales document was not filed with the county and was not presented to the commission prior to this meeting. Chairman Anderson advised that the alterations were not approved by the board and in essence did not happen. County Attorney Barton continued Anderson's statement and advised that the state statute at the time, also did not allow for the alterations on the plat. Barton stated that Washakie County needs to make planning decisions off of the original document approved by the BOCC. Any access issues outside of this are a civil matter between Mr. Holiday and the Smiths. The appropriate forum for settling this is the court, not the BOCC. In turn, the County would recognize a court order. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Martinez to approve the Development Agreement for Red Vista Village II. Given that the development agreement has not been signed by the Smith's motion denied. Did not carry.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Martinez to approve the Development Agreement for Red Vista Village II contingent upon Cole and Carol Smith's signing the agreement. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Martinez to sign the Red Vista Village II Final Plat pending the execution of the Red Vista Village II Development Agreement. A discussion was held regarding the information presented in the meeting and the requirements met by Cole Smith for Red Vista Village II. It was noted that the Smiths have completed the requests and requirements of the Planning Commission and the BOCC. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to authorize \$5,000.00 to match the Emergency Medical Services Needs Assessment Grant and authorize Neighbors to move forward with the grant. Motion Carried. An amendment to the motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to authorize Safe Tech Solution to start on the Needs Assessment. Motin Carried.

A discussion regarding several emails received by the BOCC requesting they adopt certain resolutions as discussed. The BOCC will reach out to those sending emails for further clarifications prior to drafting any resolutions.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to accept the Washakie County Credit Card Use Policy. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve February 2024 Washakie County Treasurers Trial Balance
2. Approve February 2024 Clerk of Court Monthly Statement in the amount of \$1,933.00.
3. Approve February 2024 Family Planning Narrative in the amount of \$11,686.52.
4. Approve February 2024 Washakie County Enhanced 911 report in the amount of \$53,256.01.
5. Approve February 2024 Washakie County St. and Co. Road Fund report in the amount of \$264,007.84.
6. Approve a Special Payment in the amount of \$77,152.00 to Fettig Enterprises, LLC for gravel crushing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to accept the consent agenda. Motion carried. There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Commissioner Wolf to adjourn the meeting at 3:14 pm. Motion carried.

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Lily Rakness Parra
Clerk to the Board

Aaron Anderson, Chairman
Washakie County Commissioners

April 4, 2024