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### 12-21-2021 COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

The Board of County Commissioners met at the above date beginning at 9:00 a.m. Those present were Chairman Fred Frandson, Members Aaron Anderson and Terry Wolf, and Clerk to the Board Mary Grace Strauch. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Fred Frandson.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the minutes for the December 7, 2021 meeting. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Keith Bower reported that the crew continues to work on equipment. There is an issue with the chain on one of the sanders that will need to be repaired. Discussion was held on purchasing a used dump truck through the WYDOT program. Discussion was held on discussing with Ty Jenkins and Clay Cheeny the possibility of applying some type of dust control or chip coat on a portion of Road 58. Keith will meet with both and report back to the board.

Discussion was held on supporting a resolution for rail service through Washakie County. The board would like to have a conversation with Mr. Dan Bilka, who is promoting the project before approving the resolution.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer discussed with the board the issue of not being able to find hardware to place an automatic lock on the front doorway of the courthouse. The only solution is to replace the door and purchase a lock that will fit the new door. Estimated cost is \$17,000.00. Funds were received from the Secretary of State's Office to purchase the locks and those funds amounting to \$2,870.00 will need to be returned to the Secretary of State's Office. Approval was given to send the funds back to the state office. Discussion was held on the maintenance agreement with the City of Worland regarding the snow removal at the parking lot and sidewalks for the city and library. Tom received approval to hold one week's vacation for February 2022.

Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer and Planner David Anderson met with the board to discuss if an architect was needed for the proposed Ambulance Station. Discussion was held on if someone was needed in regards to city codes and electrical codes. This will be further discussed with the county attorney.

Planner David Anderson presented the final price for the proposed bentonite road which will be County Road 87. The cost is \$22,473.15 and this is a one time fee for the state lease. Discussion was held that the road staying open is a necessity for fire and access to public lands. A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to go forward with the agreement with State Lands Board and to pay the \$22,473.15 for the proposed Road 87. Motion carried.

Public Health Nurse Manager Amanda Heinemeyer met with the board to discuss an amendment to the contract to extend the funds for COVID 19 related items. Amanda will have the contract reviewed by the county attorney. Discussion was held on current numbers of those vaccinated and the different COVID 19 variants.

Youth Alternatives Director Sarah Garcia, Grant Administrator Sheri Gunderson, and Prevention Specialist Lila Jolley met with the board to discuss a new program that has been introduced into the middle school titled "Sources of Strength" that targets areas

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with middle school age children and suicide. Prevention night will be January 29 at the Worland Basketball game.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to appoint Jeff Lapp to the Fair board, Nathan Schmeltzer to the Community Center Joint Powers Board and Ryan Baumeister to the unexpired term on the hospital board. Motion carried.

A public hearing was opened at 10:30 am for the dissolution of the Hillcrest Improvement and Service District, Packerville Improvement and Service District, South Flat Water and Sewer District, and the West River Road Improvement and Service District. Present for the hearing were County Attorney John Worrall and Assistant County Attorney Tony Barton. There was no one else present for the hearing. A letter will be sent to ANB Bank regarding the remaining funds with the South Flat Water and Sewer District. Meeting closed at 10:33 am.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve Resolution Number 2021-374 to dissolve the Hillcrest Improvement and Service District. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve Resolution Number 2021-375 to dissolve the Packerville Improvement and Service District. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve Resolution Number 2021-376 to dissolve the South Flat Water and Sewer District. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve Resolution Number 2021-377 to dissolve the West River Road Improvement and Service District. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to convene into executive session with County Attorney John Worrall and Assistant County Attorney Tony Barton to discuss possible litigation at 10:36 am. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to reconvene into regular session beginning at 11:16 am. Motion carried.

Commissioner Frandson stated that Washakie County will stay will Dr. Harrist as the Washakie County Health Officer.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to adopt Resolution No. 2021-378 appointing County Attorney Joseph Baron and his deputy prosecutor Ms. Lynda Bush as outside counsel to act in a conflict matter. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to authorize the chairman to sign the Settlement Participation Form for Distributor Settlement, Jansen Settlement, and OneWyo Opioid Settlement Memorandum of Agreement. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to authorize the chairman to sign the City of Worland MOU regarding the snow removal in the parking lot for

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the Library and the City of Worland. Motion carried.

County Attorney John Worrall and Assistant Attorney Tony Barton discussed with the board the possible purchase of Judicial Dialogue prosecutor case management database and software. This would integrate all of the county attorney's records into one area so that in the future any employee of the office would have the ability to access the records and they would not be located on three separate computers. Estimated cost is \$15,000.00 plus \$1800.00 per year for maintenance and support. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to approve the expenditure for the proposal. Motion carried.

County Attorney John Worrall, Planner David Anderson and Building Maintenance Manager Tom Schmeltzer met with the board to further discuss the Ambulance Station architect and if it were necessary to have an architect involved in the project. It would be more cost effective and allow more funding for the actual building of the station. There would need to be an engineering firm hired to produce a site plan for the proposed area. Tom and David will work on a plan and report back to the board next meeting.

### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Authorize chairman to sign Amendment One to the Agreement with WIC and Washakie County.
2. Authorize chairman to sign TY Pickett Contract for 2022 and 2023.
3. Authorize chairman to sign the right of way easement with Mark Redland with the additional conditions regarding the easement approved.
4. All commissioners sign letter to ANB Bank regarding the funds with the South Flat Water and Sewer District.
5. All commissioners sign letter to Dr. Stephen Asay regarding the public health officer position, to which an application has been received by him.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

County Attorney John Worrall discussed with the board information received by Commissioner Frandson regarding the possibility of Guardian Flight providing ground ambulance services to transport patients from the hospital to the airport. After the current agreements were reviewed there is no wording that says another ambulance service cannot be located in the Washakie County area.

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Wolf to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

(Seal)  
Mary Grace Strauch  
Clerk to the Board

Fred W. Frandson, Chairman  
Washakie County Commissioners

January 6, 2022