

**OFFICIAL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS  
AUGUST 18, 2015**

The Board of County Commissioners met in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Sublette County Courthouse on this date at 9:00 a.m. with Andy Nelson, Joel Bousman, Jim Latta, Joy Ufford and Stephen Crane of the Pinedale Roundup, and Mary Lankford, County Clerk present.

Chairman Nelson led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 4, 2015, and the special meeting of July 10, 2015, were approved and ordered filed on motion by Commissioner Bousman and seconded by Commissioner Latta. The motion carried.

Lew Gage expressed his appreciation for the maintenance on the Boulder Lake Road.

Mayor Bob Jones requested increasing the speed limit on Pinedale South County Road to 30-35 mph. The Board referred the request to Butch Penton, Road and Bridge Superintendent. Commissioner Latta inquired about striping the Fremont Lake Road by the ball fields.

Sealed bids were opened for the purchase of a loader. It was moved by Commissioner Latta and seconded by Commissioner Bousman to award the bid to Wyoming Machinery for the amount of \$268,663.00 with one trade and a seven year buyback. The motion carried.

Sealed bids were opened for the purchase of two motor graders. It was moved by Commissioner Bousman and seconded by Commissioner Latta to award the bid to Wyoming Machinery for the amount of \$392,944.00 with two trades and seven year buybacks. The motion carried.

Sealed bids were opened for the purchase of two pickups. It was moved by Commissioner Bousman and seconded by Commissioner Latta to award the bid for Pickup #1 to E&L Motors, Inc. for the amount of \$35,555.00; and for Pickup #2 to Frontier Ford, Inc. for the amount of \$34,132.00. The motion carried.

Butch Penton, Road & Bridge Superintendent, reported on culverts at the Harrower Pit from the Calpet project, and that cement had been poured on the Woods Wardell Bridge.

Mike Jackson, representing Rio Verde Engineering, reported on the turning lane project at the County Shop. It was moved by Commissioner Bousman and seconded by Commissioner Latta to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$19,540.00 for additional traffic control, due to safety concerns. The motion carried.

Mark Eater, representing Rio Verde Engineering, reported that the Calpet and Industrial Site projects were being striped, that shoulder work is in progress on Skyline Drive, and that the multi-plate will be installed on the Rim Road project next week.

Ryan McGuire inquired about repairs to the cattleguard on US Highway 191 going to the Pinedale Transfer Station. The Board referred him to WYDOT. McGuire thanked the Board for the Pinedale Transfer Station project.

Ron Gordon, Waste Management, reported that overtime was straightened out, that the Pinedale Transfer Station construction was complete and working well. Gordon discussed the need for a retaining wall. The Board referred the request to the County Clerk.

Shad Cooper, County Fire Warden, presented his monthly report.

It was moved by Commissioner Bousman and seconded by Commissioner Latta to approve and sign a Mutual Aid Agreement for Fire Services with Sweetwater County. The motion carried.

County Fire Warden Shad Cooper and Commissioner Bousman discussed the Wildland Urban Interface and issues in Hoback Ranches.

It was moved by Commissioner Latta and seconded by Commissioner Bousman to extend the Memorandum of Understanding with the Rural Health Care District, for the use of the Sand Draw Ambulance to August 31, 2015. The motion carried.

The following petition and affidavit of abatement of taxes was presented on petition from the County Assessor and the State of Wyoming Board of Equalization: Conocophillips Company, \$10,391.53;

Chevron USA, Inc., \$1,281.91; SWEPI LP, \$101,938.98; 15 adjustments in the assessed value for a deduction for the assessed value of \$385,958; and various adjustments in the assessed value for an increase of the assessed value of \$33,285.

Sheriff Stephen Haskell inquired about the payment of a Motorola bill. County Clerk Mary Lankford informed Haskell and the Board that the bill should be charged to the Communications Equipment budget. Haskell inquired about a bill for maintenance on the Hogsback radio site. Clerk Lankford informed Haskell that there is repair funding in the Radio Maintenance budget.

The Board reviewed a voucher submitted by Sheriff Haskell in the amount of \$1,595.07 for travel and expenses to the National Sheriffs Association Conference in Baltimore, in conjunction with a personal vacation. Clerk Lankford presented a memo to the Board reviewing the expenses and reporting that the eligible expenses for reimbursement totaled \$1,009.09. Chairman Nelson reviewed the negotiated expenses that were agreed upon by the Board, which totaled \$1,595.07. Clerk Lankford requested that her objection to the allowed expenses be noted.

It was moved by Commissioner Bousman and seconded by Commissioner Latta to approve and sign an easement with Union Telephone at the Fire Training Facility. The motion carried.

County Clerk Mary Lankford reported on meeting with Stephen Crane, editor of the Pinedale Roundup, about Open Meetings, robust agendas, public electronic meeting packets, and transparency. Crane participated in the meeting and commented on transparency. The Board participated in a discussion of these items with comments from James Thomas and Kay Malkowski.

Commissioner Nelson discussed the 20% increase in legal advertising charged by the Pinedale Roundup, bringing the per column inch price to \$16.75, and presented a table of statewide prices, showing Sublette County with the highest price. Commissioner Latta discussed other newspapers and reviewed a proposal from the Sublette Trader, at a price of \$10.75 per column inch. It was reported that the County has paid \$182,513.21 over the past four years for legal advertising. The Board discussed the viability of using the Sublette Trader and taking advantage of the reduced price. The Board directed the County Clerk to contact the Business Manager at the Pinedale Roundup to obtain a rate sheet and inquire about discounts. Commissioner Bousman expressed his concerns about a conglomerate taking advantage of the County.

Old Business. Each Commissioner reported no old business.

Commissioner Joel Bousman left the meeting.

In accordance with the public notice published in the Pinedale Roundup on July 3, 2015, public hearing was held for the following:

1. Pursuant to Chapter 8, Section 1 of the Sublette County Zoning and Development Regulations entitled Administration, the Sublette County Planning Department proposes amending the Sublette County Zoning and Development Regulations to define, allow and establish standards for the operation of asphalt hot mix plants. The proposed amendment was recommended on a unanimous vote from the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Board discussed requiring a conditional use permit for this use. It was moved by Commissioner Latta and seconded by Chairman Nelson to table any action on the amendment and refer it back to Planning and Zoning, at their October 15<sup>th</sup>, to review the Commissioners' concerns. The motion carried.

County Assessor Jeness Saxton and Deputy County Attorney Matt Gaffney discussed the continuation of the County Board of Equalization hearings to September 14<sup>th</sup>, due to notice to the appellants.

Todd Hurd, representing Forsgren and Associates, and Maintenance Superintendent Andy O'Neal reviewed the following projects:

1. Pinedale Transfer Station Improvements. Project is complete.
2. County Attorney Building. Contractor has cut floor and found water service poured in the floor which will need to be replaced, submittals are being reviewed, and block and door frames have been ordered. Project cost per square foot was reported to be \$192.60. The Board discussed back up power for three months and agreed to not incur that expense.
3. Extension Office Building. Surveying today to complete site plan. Preparing to solicit quotes for the foundation the first week of September.

The Board reviewed maps provided by the Forest Service detailing proposed trail closures in the Hoback Basin. Seven members of the public participated in the discussion. The Board scheduled a public hearing to be held in the Lovatt Room of the Sublette County Library on August 25, 2015 at 7 p.m.

Accounts Payable audited and approved for payment:

TYSON GULBRANDSON 174.13 / HILTON GARDEN - LARAMIE 249.00 ROCKY MTN ELK FOUNDATION 525.00 / BYU-IDAHO 2,000.00 CASPER COLLEGE-FINANCIAL AID OFFICE 4,000.00 LARAMIE CO COMMUNITY COLLEGE 4,000.00 / MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY 6,000.00 NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE 4,000.00 / UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY 2,000.00 WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY 2,000.00 / WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY 2,000.00 WESTERN WYOMING COMMUNITY COLLEGE 2,000.00 / MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO. 2,071.41 AAA CREDIT SCREENING SERVICES LLC 90.00 ABSOLUTE AUDIO VISUAL INCORPORATED 84,676.87 AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF TOXICOLOGY 250.00 / ALSCO 95.90 / AMERIGAS 761.33 KATHRYN ANDERSON 615.56 / ASPEN TRAVEL 851.70 / A TO Z HARDWARE 372.00 RICK BARKER 33.01 / BEST WESTERN COTTONTREE INN 166.00 BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS 28,800.00 / BOULDER VETERINARY CLINIC 181.30 BURNEY & COMPANY 57.31 / CALL2TEST 23.10 / CARDWELL DISTRIBUTING INC 20,395.66 CAREER TRACK 99.00 / CASTLE ROCK PINEDALE 78.05 / CLEAN WASH LAUNDROMAT 102.75 CONTROL SOLUTIONS, INC. 101.00 / COOPER, SHAD 51.79 / TOM CROSSMAN 1,704.95 DE LAGE LANDEN FINANCIAL 226.80 / DELL MARKETING LP 1,214.35 DSD CIVIL DIVISION 16.65 / DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH 344.00 DESERT BASIN COMPANIES, LLC 450.00 / DIRECTV 3.99 CHILDREN'S DISCOVERY CENTER 97,000.00 / DEPT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES 3,325.00 DUNN GOOD CO 635.90 / DUSTBUSTERS, INC. 53,449.71 ECOSYSTEM RESEARCH GROUP, LLC 3,028.00 / ELKO COUNTY SHERIFF'S 186.00 MICHAEL F. ENRIGHT 750.00 / ELECTRICAL WHOLESALE SUPPLY 251.92 FERGUSON ENTERPRISES, INC. 385.02 / FEW INVESTMENTS, LLC 3,355.77 FIRST CHOICE FORD 7,054.61 / FIRE TRUCK CERTIFICATION CO 4,502.06 FLEETPRIDE 80.25 / FREMONT MOTOR ROCK SPRINGS INC 124.72 / GALLS, LLC 97.57 DERETH GEHLHAUSEN 1,052.81 / F. GASTON GOSAR 80.00 GREENWOOD LAW OFFICE 1,039.79 / GSG ARCHITECTURE 6,610.15 HAMPTON - RAWLINS 332.00 / HASKELL, STEPHEN 1,595.07 HIGH COUNTRY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH 8,750.00 / HILTON GARDEN INN CASPER 389.13 HOMEWOOD SUITES - HUNTSVILLE 812.88 / HONNEN EQUIPMENT CO. 1,006.39 IDAHO FALLS PETERBILT, INC. 1,353.30 / INTERMOUNTAIN WOOD PRODUCTS 1,145.74 JOHN THOMAS JOHNSTON 1,300.00 / JIM JOHNSON 100.00 LABUDA LAW OFFICE, PC 1,000.00 / LBISAT LLC 246.00 / JANNA LEE 492.80 LEWIS & LEWIS INC. 262,377.50 / HOLDING'S LITTLE AMERICA 113.00 L. N. CURTIS & SONS 2,192.00 / LOWER VALLEY ENERGY 161.12 / STEPHANIE LUND 42.55 M & M TRANSFER INC. 19,480.97 / MAC-A-DOO WELL SERVICE 130.00 MASON & MASON, PC 633.00 / MCGARVIN-MOBERLY CONSTRUCTION 4,359.90 MERRILL BITS PLUS 335.00 / MIDWAY MALL 335.60 MOBIL SATELLITE TECHNOLOGIES 2,399.88 / MOOSELY MAILBOXES 72.15 FRANK MORRISON 50.00 / MOUNTAIN WEST ELECTRIAL SERVICES, 2,973.28 NELSON ENGINEERING, INC. 9,677.43 / NORMONT EQUIPMENT CO 174.67 NUTECH SPECIALTIES 1,553.60 / OFFICE DEPOT 564.36 / OFFICE OUTLET 633.83 OPTICSPLANET, INC. 450.00 / OSTBERG LAW OFFICES, LLC 2,584.00 PUBLIC AGENCY TRAINING COUNCIL 1,199.00 / PETERBILT OF WYOMING 2,037.47 PHONETICS, INC 116.31 / PINEDALE AUTO SUPPLY 3,622.44 PINEDALE GLASS & MORE 575.00 / PINEDALE LUMBER 1,122.73 PINEDALE ROUNDUP 4,819.31 / PINEDALE PRESCHOOL 40,500.00 PINEDALE RENTAL 659.53 / POLYGRAPHS ETC, LLC 1,656.00 / PRECISION ANALYSIS 30.00 PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER 1,530.83 / PREMIER SITE DEVELOPMENT, LLC 13,459.50 PRIORITY DISPATCH 29,300.00 / QUILL CORPORATION 1,251.36 REBEL AUTO PARTS 89.99 / RED DESERT INSTACARE 2,500.00 RENDEZVOUS POINTE 12,733.00 / RESTAURANT & STORE EQUIPMENT 3,500.00 RIDLEY'S FAMILY MARKETS 1,535.74 / RIO VERDE ENGINEERING 120,694.54 ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER 18,702.80 / ROCKY MOUNTAIN WASH, LLC 751.00 ROBIN SCHAMBER 939.73 / ROCK SPRINGS WINNELSON 1,462.67 ROCK SPRINGS WINLECTRIC CO 1,003.00 / R.S. BENNETT CONSTRUCTION INC. 155,933.10 SANOFI PASTEUR 982.91 / SATCOM GLOBAL LTD. 309.60 SUBLETTE COUNTY FEED 4,725.00 / DON SCHOOLEY 50.00 / SCOTT, TRISHA 226.85 SUBLETTE COUNTY RURAL HEALTH 300.00 / SHADOW MOUNTAIN WATER OF WY 47.40 SHERIDAN COLLEGE 6,000.00 / SIX STATES DISTRIBUTORS, INC. 1,667.15 SKAGGS COMPANIES, INC. 4,340.95 / SKY AVIATION CORP. 99,125.00 SOUTHWEST SUBLETTE COUNTY 88,524.10 / SPILLMAN TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 10,537.00 STELTING LAW OFFICE, PC 697.78 / NEAL STELTING 1,013.63 STOCKMAN'S RESTAURANT 161.91 / SUBLETTE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 562.00 SUBLETTE CENTER 8,700.00 / SUBLETTE EXAMINER 552.75 TEGELER AND ASSOCIATES 4,946.00 / TELETRACTORS, INCORPORATED 228,259.16 SHANE TEMPLAR 1,198.80 / TIME PAYMENT CORP 61.22 / THE TIRE STORE INC. 414.58 TOWN OF PINEDALE 393.00 / TRANS UNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE 113.75 / ULINE 109.18 UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE 1,195.00 / UNION

TELEPHONE 47.27 UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING, OFFICE OF 24,000.00 / US DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY 100.00 UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE 104.00 / VERIZON WIRELESS 200.05 / WACO 425.00 WAVINGATYOU.COM 237.00 / WAXIE SANITARY SUPPLY 2,516.47 WAZITECH TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS 97,326.95 / WEST BANK SANITATION 51.79 WYOMING DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION 5.00 / WY DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION 1,268.00 WYOMING DIVISION OF VICTIM SERVICES 100.00 WYOMING DEPT. OF WORKFORCE SERVICES 23,233.67 / WEIDNER FIRE 5,825.16 JACK WEIMER 578.20 / LAURETTA WELCH 1,164.77 / WEX BANK 988.80 WILSON ELECTRIC 147.73 / WILSON LAND SURVEYING 375.00 WATCHGUARD SECURITY SYSTEMS 360.00 / WYOMING MACHINERY COMPANY 1,440.10 WYOMING.COM 10.00 / XEROX CORPORATION 3,282.68 XYLEM DEWATERING SOLUTIONS, INC. 1,251.00

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SUBLETTE COUNTY, WYOMING

/s/ Andrew G. Nelson, Chairman

Attest:

/s/ Mary L. Lankford, County Clerk