

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SHERIDAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Board met at 9:00 a.m., June 16, 2009, in regular session at the Sheridan County Courthouse, Sheridan, Wyoming. Chairman Rolston called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present were Commissioners Terry Cram, Steve Maier, Mike Nickel, Tom Ringley and Robert L. Rolston.

AGENDA

The agenda was approved as published.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Rolston stated there are two vacancies on the Sheridan County Library System board. This is a three year term, effective July 1. Interested persons were asked to call Cathy Butler at the Fulmer Library and to download a board application through the County website at www.sheridancounty.com.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

William Laya, resident on Kooi Road, stated his concern about the need for dust suppression due to traffic caused by a gravel pit. He commented that the newly constructed approach to the railroad crossing was well done. Public Works Director Rod Liesinger said his office would investigate the conditions placed on this gravel pit.

COUNTY WEATHER SPOTTER

Tom Freiders of the National Weather Service in Billings, Montana was here to recognize Jack Chase of Leiter for 45 years of service as a local weather spotter. Jack was presented with a framed certificate of appreciation commending him for his unselfish dedication to service as a recordkeeper for the Weather Service. Mr. Freiders said his information is a valuable history of weather for this area. He said Mr. Chase is also a previous recipient of the Holmes Award which is given to only 25 persons out of 12,000 observers nationwide.

ABANDONED MINE LAND DIVISION

Jack Smith, Project Manager for the Abandoned Mine Land Division of DEQ, gave a PowerPoint presentation on AML projects in the County. He said a federal fee is collected on surface mined coal production from which mitigation activities are funded. It has typically been \$30,000,000 per year. Mr. Smith ran through the projects underway or planned for the various old mines located in Sheridan County. He said DEQ is focusing on completing these projects in the next 3 to 5 years.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes of a regular session on June 2, 2009;
- b. Official Bond and Oath of Sheridan County Fire Board treasurer Mavis M. Biastoch, \$6,000 coverage, term to May 7, 2010;
- c. Permit for supervised public display of fireworks to Ron Copeland, 570 Windsor Place, Allen TX 75002, for July 4, 2009 display at Ucross Foundation;
- d. Permit for supervised public display of fireworks to Bruce Burns for July 4, 2009 display at the Equestrian Center;

- e. Partial Release of Mortgage, Lot 7 of Block 4, Woodland Park Subdivision—Phase One, County receiving \$10,800;
- f. Partial Release of Mortgage, Lot 8, Block 3, Woodland Park Subdivision—Phase One, County receiving \$10,800;
- g. County Consent to Assignment through Assignment of Affordable Housing Agreement between Assignor Woodland Park LLC and Assignee Schoeny, Inc., assuming ownership of Lot 8 of block 3 and Lot 7 of Block 4, Woodland Park Subdivision—Phase One;
- h. Developer Mortgage Lien given by Schoeny, Inc. for Lot 8, Block 3 and Lot 7 of Block 4, Woodland Park Subdivision—Phase One.

Administrative Director Renee Obermueller read the items on the Consent Agenda, requesting that (e) Partial Release of Mortgage of Lot 7, Block 4, Woodland Park Subdivision-Phase One, be deleted; noting a change in the published amount in (f) to \$21,600; and asked that mention of Lot 7 of Block 4 be deleted from (g) and (h), which relate to (e) above.

Bruce Burns asked that the approval of his permit for supervised display of fireworks on July Fourth (d) include a ban on parking on Bird Farm road up to the Dennison property. The Board approved the Consent Agenda as amended and authorized the Chairman to sign documents as required.

ST ROMAIN LARGE ACREAGE SUBDIVISION

Land Development Coordinator Robin DeBolt advised that Ralph and Monica St. Romain have applied for an exemption under Section 1.4(b)iii of the Rules and Regulations Governing Division of Land in Sheridan County. The St. Romains have provided evidence to substantiate its claim that development and promotion of lots on property owned by them was done prior to July 1, 2008. As the evidence submitted by the St. Romains, specifically the provided map dated August 2008, was deemed sufficient under the Rules, the Board granted an exemption for this parcel located off Beatty Gulch road.

RED GRADE ROAD

Mr. Liesinger advised that hauling of downed timber out of the TeePee area would be via Red Grade Road through July. The operator will be using one truck, possibly four times a day except for weekends. Truck speed will be held to between 15 and 25 mph. The Board approved an agreement with Joe and Robyn Landsiedel to haul timber via Red Grade Road.

COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Mr. Liesinger reported that Entech, Inc. would assist in engineering design services for infrastructure improvements to the County Fairgrounds, in the amount of \$67,300. Improvements would be to install curb and gutter at the Fifth Street entrance, construct the north half of the vehicle parking lot with sidewalks to the exhibit hall, installation of water lines, and storm sewer lines to correct drainage. He said the work should be done by fall, with paving in the spring. The Board approved the Agreement for Professional Services with Entech, Inc.

WEST BRUNDAGE LANE PROJECT

County Engineer Ken Muller said a metal pipe, exposed by construction, was found in poor condition and will be replaced with a concrete pipe. An existing wood pole light shall be replaced to match other lighting so that it may be fed from same power location. The Board approved change order 2, in the amount of \$13,964.91.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

County Attorney Matt Redle advised the Board of some of the terms in the proposed Law Enforcement Center Agreement and the negotiations to bring it forward. The County is responsible for providing detention services for County and City of Sheridan prisoners. Under the new agreement, the City would pay the County \$65,000 annually, plus costs of medical care for City prisoners. He said that the City would like more time to review the document and asked whether the County wished to take action. Upon a question regarding prisoner health care, Ms. Obermueller said that medications can be tracked through our contracted provider, but general health care is not easily tracked. Noting that the document lacked an essential word, the Board placed this item on the Table for later consideration.

AIRPORT BUSINESS PARK

Grants Administrator Mike Mackey advised that the County would be eligible for a TEAL grant (Transportation Enhancement Activities-Local) through the Wyoming Department of Transportation to extend the pathway system near the Sheridan County Airport. The Board approved Resolution 09-06-025, authorizing the Chairman to submit the grant application in the amount of \$160,000. \$40,000 in matching funds is budgeted.

RESOLUTION 09-06-025

A RESOLUTION MEETING APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2010, WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S, TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT ACTIVITIES-LOCAL (T.E.A.L.) GRANT.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Sheridan County Board of Commissioners wishes to apply for grant funding through the Wyoming Department of Transportation's T.E.A.L. grant program for the Airport Business Park pathway project; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the grant require a 20% local funding match.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF SHERIDAN COUNTY, that a T.E.A.L. grant application be submitted to the Wyoming Department of Transportation, requesting \$160,000 in grant funds, and that Sheridan County has set aside \$40,000 in matching funds. Further, this body designates Mike Mackey as the County's contact person for this project.

DATED this sixteenth day of June, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Sheridan County, Wyoming
/s/Robert L. Rolston, Chairman
(Signature notarized.)

Attest:
/s/Audrey Koltiska, County Clerk

COMMUNITY HEALTH BUILDING

Mr. Mackey reported that the County has been waiting for the completion of DEQ's inspection for asbestos in the building to begin renovation work. He said the County has been awarded \$125,000 for this project through the Wyoming Business Office. The Board approved the Environmental Finding of No Significant Impact and authorized the Chairman to request the release of community development block grant funds for this project.

WIC PROGRAM

The Board approved the Women, Infants and Children Program contract through the Wyoming Department of Health, providing nutrition services to participants, for a term running through December 31, 2010, in an amount not to exceed \$16,800.

COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Board awarded the County's \$1,000 scholarship renewal to Margaret Taberna of Big Horn.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

The Board reappointed Phil Zerwas to a second three-year term on the Planning and Zoning Commission, effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012.

The Board appointed Steven Pearce of Ranchester to a three-year term on the Planning and Zoning Commission, effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012.

The Board appointed Ed Johlman to the Sheridan County Fair Association board of trustees, filling the unexpired term of Renee King to January 6, 2014.

The Board reappointed Ron Mischke to a five-year term on the Sheridan Memorial Hospital board of trustees, term to expire July 6, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Sheridan County, Wyoming

Attest:

Robert L. Rolston, Chairman

Audrey Koltiska, County Clerk