

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, April 4, 2006
County Courthouse, Rawlins, Wyoming

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Carbon County was held Tuesday, April 4, 2006, at 9:00 a.m. at the County Courthouse, Rawlins Wyoming. Attending the meeting were Chairman Artlin Zeiger; Commissioners Lee Meacham and Terry Weickum; Linda Ann Smith, Carbon County Clerk; Diana Obe, Chief Deputy County Clerk; and Gwynn Rothenberger, Deputy Clerk.

Chairman Zeiger called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

VOUCHERS

ALPINE OFFICE SUPPLY	VARIOUS	858.56
ALSCO, AMERICAN LINEN DIVISION	ROAD & BRIDGE	87.12
AMERICAN LAFRANCE SALES	FIRE	1,204.49
AMERIGAS	VARIOUS	2,620.12
ARLINGTON OUTPOST	FIRE	248.75
ATCO INTERNATIONAL	ROAD & BRIDGE	346.00
BARTLETT, SUE RN	PUBLIC HEALTH	269.36
BELSHE INDUSTRIES INC.	ROAD & BRIDGE	238.27
BEST WESTERN-INN AT LANDER	GRANTS	186.25
BOB BARKER COMPANY	JAIL	997.77
BRESNAN COMMUNICATIONS	VARIOUS	327.80
BRODY CHEMICAL	ROAD & BRIDGE	169.64
BROWN, DREW & MASSEY, LLP	ADMINISTRATION	2,146.48
BROWN, ESTELLA	GRANTS	51.80
BUILD RITE LUMBER SUPPLY	FIRE	26.45
BUSEY, SHARALEE	PUBLIC HEALTH	228.12
CAPOZZOLI SIGN CO	FIRE	159.00
CARBON COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION	COMMISSIONERS	45.00
CARBON COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES	SENIOR SERVICES	40,000.00
CARBON COUNTY STOCK GROWERS	ROAD & BRIDGE	25.00
CARBON COUNTY STRIKE TEAM	FIRE	1,572.86
CARBON POWER & LIGHT INC	VARIOUS	993.73
CARDINAL HEALTH	PUBLIC HEALTH	961.60
CBM FOOD SERVICE	JAIL	2,940.00
CENTURYTEL	ROAD & BRIDGE	82.40
CESKO, DAVID MD	VARIOUS	821.00
CHANDRA, V RAJA MD	ADMINISTRATION	79.00
COLSON, PEGGY	SHERIFF	118.00
CORPORATE EXPRESS	JAIL	326.24
CORRAL WEST RANCHWEAR	SHERIFF	55.90
CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING	JAIL	203.75
CYR, NANCY	PUBLIC HEALTH	70.67
DAILY TIMES	ADMINISTRATION	898.30
DALLIN MOTORS INC	SHERIFF	26.95
DEEP SWEEP	PUBLIC HEALTH	75.00
EAGLE OF CODY PRINTING	ASSESSOR	901.05
EAGLE UNIFORM SUPPLY	JAIL	39.88
ELK MOUNTAIN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT	FIRE	725.09
ERIC SMITH PAINTING	COURTHOUSE	1,650.00
FARMER BROTHERS COFFEE	VARIOUS	189.28
FARSTER, PAMELA R.	GRANTS	122.85
FLOORS 'N' MORE	JAIL	432.00
FREMONT MOTORS-RAWLINS	SHERIFF	449.89

GALLS INCORPORATED	SHERIFF	75.06
GASES PLUS	VARIOUS	231.92
GOSVENOR, MAXINE	PUBLIC HEALTH	44.03
GRAINGER	VARIOUS	258.77
GRAPHIC SPORTS	VARIOUS	383.85
HANNA FIRE DEPARTMENT	FIRE	2,000.00
HEIMAN FIRE DEPARTMENT	FIRE	3,706.07
HEMOCUE	WIC	168.00
HENKE MANUFACTURING CORP	ROAD & BRIDGE	1,631.76
HIGH PLAINS POWER	VARIOUS	307.55
HILLCREST SPRING WATER, INC.	VARIOUS	49.40
HILLTOP CONOCO	EMERGENCY MGT	38.18
J H KASPAR OIL COMPANY	FIRE	182.91
JACKALOPE PRINTING	VARIOUS	283.53
JERRY'S DONUTS	SHERIFF	39.95
KAR PRODUCTS	ROAD & BRIDGE	138.64
KILBURN TIRE COMPANY	SHERIFF	242.48
KN ENERGY INC	VARIOUS	6,792.83
KROGER - KING SOOPERS	VARIOUS	944.18
L & L ELECTRIC	COURTHOUSE	3,700.40
L N CURTIS & SONS	FIRE	539.50
M M S	WIC	46.73
MACPHERSON, KELLY & THOMPSON, LLC	ADMINISTRATION	762.50
MCI COMM SERVICE	FIRE	40.95
MCMURRY READY MIX	SC/ROAD & BRIDGE	106,366.96
MED-TECH RESOURCE, INC.	FIRE	520.23
MEDICINE BOW, TOWN OF	SENIOR SERVICES	48.10
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF CARBON COUNTY	SENIOR SERVICES	6,699.00
MERCK HUMAN HEALTH	PUBLIC HEALTH	416.10
MOORE MEDICAL CORP.	PUBLIC HEALTH	73.16
NIBBLES & BYTES	PLANNING	333.00
P J TECH SERVICES	ATTORNEY	700.48
PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT CO	ROAD & BRIDGE	83.76
PAGE ONE	PUBLIC HEALTH	10.00
PAGER CLINIC, LLC	FIRE	102.75
PERKINS OIL CO	VARIOUS	3,851.19
PITNEY BOWES INC	JAIL	408.00
PLATTE VALLEY MEDICAL	GRANTS	100.00
PRO-CHEM INDUSTRIAL, LLC	JAIL	1,065.67
PROJECT PREVENTION	GRANTS	1,843.00
PUBLIC SAFETY WAREHOUSE	SHERIFF	576.90
QUESTAR GAS	SENIOR SERVICES	253.42
QUILL CORPORATION	CLERK	45.66
QWEST	VARIOUS	121.55
RAWLINS AUTOMOTIVE	VARIOUS	569.30
RAWLINS EYE CARE	GRANTS	160.00
RAWLINS FIRE EXTINGUISHER	FIRE	503.25
RAWLINS, CITY OF	SENIOR SERVICES	68.25
REGIONAL JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER	JAIL	744.00
RICHARDSON, JILL	PUBLIC HEALTH	26.17
RINKER MATERIALS	CASH RESERVES	305.52
ROSS INDUSTRIES, INC.	FIRE	236.43
ROSS' AUTOMOTIVE SERVICES	SHERIFF	174.03
RYAN ELECTRONICS INC	FIRE	753.00
SARATOGA AUTO PARTS, INC.	ROAD & BRIDGE	683.47
SARATOGA SUN	ASSESSOR	30.00

SHIVELY HARDWARE	ROAD & BRIDGE	193.64
SMITH, SUSAN	GRANTS	96.57
SNAP-ON TOOLS	ROAD & BRIDGE	24.95
SNOWY RANGE PROPANE-RENTAL	ROAD & BRIDGE	1,064.58
STAN'S QUIK LUBE	SHERIFF	37.44
STATE OF WY	PUBLIC HEALTH	120.00
TERMINIX	SENIOR SERVICES	35.00
THURMON, CATHERINE	SHERIFF	814.57
TIRE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS, INC.	ROAD & BRIDGE	101.83
TRUE VALUE OF RAWLINS	VARIOUS	251.29
UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY	VARIOUS	1,111.50
VERIZON WIRELESS	VARIOUS	226.06
VISIONARY COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	SHERIFF	21.95
WEST PAYMENT CENTER	ATTORNEY	493.47
WESTERN STATES FIRE PROTECTION CO	JAIL	800.00
WESTERN STATES SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION	SHERIFF	100.00
WIMPENNY, ROBERT G DDS	GRANTS	235.00
WY ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY ENGINEERS	ROAD & BRIDGE	50.00
WY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	PUBLIC HEALTH	32,436.68
WY DIESEL SERVICE	ROAD & BRIDGE	44.93
WY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION	FIRE	50.00
WY MACHINERY COMPANY	ROAD & BRIDGE	1,731.01
WY OFFICE SOLUTIONS	WIC	20.62
WY PAPER SUPPLY	JAIL	325.92
WY STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION	FIRE	50.00
WY STATE FORESTRY	FIRE	1,579.36
XEROX CORPORATION	PLANNING	143.90
YAMPA VALLEY ELECTRIC	SENIOR SERVICES	668.53
ZEE	VARIOUS	288.45
	GRAND TOTAL	257,570.21

CLERK

Minutes

Commissioner Weickum moved to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2006 meeting as presented. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Bonds

Commissioner Meacham moved to approve bonds for Karen J. Lambertsen, Memorial Hospital of Carbon County Board of Trustees member in the amount of \$25,000.00, and Susan Munson, Town of Encampment Treasurer, in the amount of 25,000.00. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Energy Company Meetings

Clerk Smith reported she has received several requests from energy companies wanting to meet with the Board for private lunches rather than in an open meeting and she asked for the Board's consensus on how it wanted her to handle these requests. The Board's consensus is to inform these companies the Board can not meet with them outside their regular open meetings.

Monthly Receipts

The Board approved monthly receipts from Road & Bridge in the amounts of \$50.00 and \$30.00, and from Planning & Zoning in the amount of \$145.00.

Carbon County Higher Education Planning Grant

Commissioner Weickum moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Certification of the

Minutes to accompany the Carbon County Higher Education Center's Planning Grant Application. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Jeffrey Center Board

Clerk Smith presented a request from Alice Garvin of the Jeffrey Center Board to declare 40 folding tables, 75 metal chairs, 1 Baldwin piano, and 1 Chickering piano as surplus. The request states that the Jeffrey Center Board would advertise for bids and what items were not sold would be disposed of and that any profit from sales would be kept by the Jeffrey Center Board.

Commissioner Meacham questioned if the proceeds from the sale could go to their board or if they would have to go back to the county then be distributed back to the Jeffrey Center Board.

Commissioner Meacham moved to authorize 40 folding tables, 75 metal chairs, 1 Baldwin piano, and 1 Chickering piano to be declared surplus and that the Jeffrey Center Board advertise these items once for bids and any proceeds from the sale would go to the county's general fund to be earmarked to go back to the Jeffrey Center Board. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Little Rascals Preschool Lease Agreement

Commissioner Meacham moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Lease Agreement between the Little Rascals Preschool and Carbon County in the amount of \$10.00 for a period of one-year ending March 31, 2007. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Wildland Fire Operating Plan

Commissioner Weickum moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the 2006 Wildland Fire Management Annual Operating Plan between the Wyoming State Forestry Division and Carbon County. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Election Boundaries

Clerk Smith presented a resolution setting the District boundaries for the upcoming 2006 Primary and General Elections. She stated the boundaries have not changed but polling places have changed due to the Help America Vote Act and other circumstance. In Leo, elections formally held at the Leo Community Hall will now be held at The Miracle Mile Ranch. Medicine Bow, Encampment, and Baggs elections will now be at the Senior Centers. Riverside elections will be held at the new Riverside Town Hall.

Commissioner Meacham moved to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Resolution 2006-10, A Resolution to Adopt Official Voting Districts and Precincts for Carbon County, Wyoming. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006- 10

RESOLUTION ADOPTING OFFICIAL VOTING DISTRICTS AND PRECINCTS FOR CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING

WHEREAS, the Fifty-sixth Legislature of the State of Wyoming passed House Bill No. 0075 with amendments, and such is now Enrolled Act No. 1, House of Representatives, wherein the boundaries for Senate District No. 11 and House Districts 15 and 47 were established, and

WHEREAS, such boundaries for said Senate and House Districts have not changed since enactment of said Enrolled Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wyoming Statutes 22-7-101 through 22-7-105, the Board of County Commissioners with the advice and recommendation of the County Clerk, no later than its first meeting in April in every general election year shall divide the county into not more than thirty (30) election districts; and

WHEREAS, each district shall be designated by number, and

WHEREAS, election districts shall be changed only at this designated meeting; and

WHEREAS, since no precinct and district boundaries have been changed, no publication was made, and

WHEREAS, The County Clerk took into consideration the action of the Fifty-sixth Legislature of the State of Wyoming, the wards as established by the City of Rawlins, and the one-man, one-vote concept, and recommended that the County Commissioners of the County of Carbon keep such boundaries as set in 2002, and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk has recommended that the precinct polling places be established as follows:

- 1 Rawlins, Pershing School
- 2 Rawlins, Jeffrey Center
- 1 Rawlins, Jeffrey Center
- 2 Rawlins, Jeffrey Center
- 1 Rawlins, Jeffrey Center
- 2 Rawlins, Jeffrey Center
- 1 Muddy Gap, County Fire Station
- 1 Sinclair, Town Hall
- 1 Leo, In the Bar Cabin, Miracle Mile Ranch
- 1 Medicine Bow, Senior Center
- 1 Hanna, Town Hall
- 1 Elk Mountain, Senior Center
- 1 McFadden, County Fire Station
- 1 Saratoga (Inside); Senior Center
- 2 Saratoga (Outside); Senior Center
- 1 Encampment, Senior Center
- 1 Riverside, New Town Hall
- 1 Dixon-Savery, Senior Center
- 1 Baggs, Senior Center

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners in and for Carbon County, Wyoming, hereby agree that such districts, precincts continue to be in the best interest and convenience of the greatest number of electors involved, and such coincides with the boundaries of the municipality districts involved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the above voting districts and precincts be adopted, and further that the polling places as set forth herein be adopted this date.

Dated this 4th day of April, 2006.

Board of County Commissioners
Carbon County, Wyoming
By: -s- Artlin Zeiger

Attest:

-s- Linda Ann Smith, Carbon County Clerk

Election Judge Compensation

Clerk Smith requested authorization to raise election judge's compensation, stating that currently, judges receive \$13.00 for meals and \$0.37 for mileage reimbursement.

Chairman Zeiger noted that the county mileage rate needs to be raised during the budget cycle and the judge's should receive equal reimbursement.

Commissioner Weickum moved to raise election judge's compensation to \$0.45 per mile and to leave meal reimbursements at the range of \$11.00 to \$13.00 per day. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Smith stated election judges are currently receiving \$6.00 per hour and requested authorization to raise head judges to \$8.00 and regular judges to \$7.00. Ms. Smith justified the raise stating there is more technology-based equipment that will require more training and skill level. Chairman Zeiger stated he feels this should be increased even more.

Commissioner Meacham moved to increase election judge compensation to \$9.00 per hour and head election judge compensation to \$10.00 per hour. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Enrolled Act No. 45

Clerk Smith reported that with the passing of Enrolled Act No. 45 by the House of Representatives in 2006, the Board may now allow the establishment of an absentee voting center using electronic equipment. The Board can do this by establishing a polling place location at the Courthouse, and voters results would not be tabulated until after polls close.

Commissioner Meacham moved to approve Resolution No. 2006-11, A Resolution Adopting Enrolled Act No. 45, and Establishing a Location for Absentee Voting for Carbon County, Wyoming. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006- 11

RESOLUTION ADOPTING ENROLLED ACT NO. 45, AND ESTABLISHING A LOCATION FOR ABSENTEE VOTING FOR CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING

WHEREAS, the Fifty-eighth legislature adopted the House Bill No. 154, with amendments, and such is now enrolled act No. 45, House of Representatives, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners may elect to adopt one or both of the alternate procedures for casting, collecting and counting absentee ballots as set forth in Enrolled Act No 45, and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk is desirous of establishing an absentee polling place in the Carbon County Courthouse, and which polling place will be equipped to accommodate voters from all districts and precincts within the county, and such polling place shall be open the same hours as the Courthouse on normal business days during the time period allowed for absentee voting; all in compliance with Enrolled Act No. 45, and

WHEREAS, said polling place shall use electronic voting systems to tabulate such absentee ballots cast;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY OF CARBON, WYOMING, that an absentee polling place be established in the Carbon County Courthouse, such polling place to be equipped with an electronic voting machine that will accommodate voters from all districts and precincts within the county, and such polling place shall be open the same hours as the Courthouse on normal business days during the time period allowed for absentee voting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said polling place use electronic voting systems to tabulate such absentee ballots.

ADOPTED THIS 4th Day of April, 2006.

BOARD OF CARBON COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
-s- Artlin Zeiger
-s- Lee Meacham
-s- Terry Weickum

Attest:

-s- Linda Ann Smith, Carbon County Clerk

NACO Prescription Drug Plan

Clerk Smith reported that Diana Obe has researched a prescription drug coverage plan through the National Association of County Officers (NACO). Through the program, all county residents would receive discounted medications through the discount card program, Cardmark.

Chief Clerk Obe stated cards would save individuals, on average, 20% for their prescription medicines. There would be absolutely no cost to the county for the program, but only for specialized reports. There are no enrollment or membership fees for individuals who enroll. Clerk Smith and Chief Clerk Obe stated they will obtain more information on the program and asked the Board to advise of its specific questions about the program so research could be done.

ELECTION OFFICIALS

Elected Official Salaries

County Treasurer, Cindy Baldwin, County Assessor, Sheryl Snider, County Attorney, David Clark, and County Clerk, Linda Smith presented information pertaining to elected official's salaries. Sheriff Jerry Colson and Lindy Schmidt, District Court Clerk were on vacation. To comply with state statutes, the Board of Carbon County Commissioners must set these salaries every four years. Cindy Baldwin stated that most of their colleagues in other counties were requesting \$75,000.00, the cap, and there were at least four counties granting the \$75,000.00. Other counties had given \$69,000.00 to \$75,000.00.

County elected officials are asking the Board to raise regular elected officials' salaries from \$57,000.00 to anywhere in the range of \$62,000.00 to \$69,000.00 and the County Attorney requested a salary of \$68,000.00 to \$80,000.00.

Sheryl Snider stated that if raised to the \$69,000.00 this would be only a 5% increase per year and she feels this would be fair and justified.

Clerk Smith stated that elected officials do not receive paid sick leave nor paid vacation leave so she feels the 5% raise would be justified and would compensate for those benefits they do not receive. She clarified that if these officials leave or do not get re-elected, they do not receive accrued sick or vacation time as do regular full-time employees.

Chairman Zeiger questioned consideration of regular county employee raises and stated that he feels they deserve raises as well and deserve to benefit from the county's valuation going up.

Commissioner Meacham discussed a possible percentage increase for elected officials and the same for employees. David Clark raised the point that the elected official's raise is for four years and that most employees receive an annual raise.

After further discussion, Commissioner Weickum moved to raise the salaries for elected officials from \$57,000.00 to \$65,000.00 per year and Commissioners salaries from \$20,000.00 to \$25,000.00 per year and the County Attorney from \$68,000.00 to \$78,000.00 per year, all effective January 1, 2007. There was discussion by the Board regarding the increase in Commissioners salaries. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Smith stated she would prepare Resolutions regarding the salary increases and return them to the Board later today.

Treasurer

Treasurer Baldwin reported the county has received \$626,798.16 in the over the cap Section 341 funds distributed to local governments. She stated that \$226,320.28 of these funds will be deposited into the SCRF Road Construction accounts and the remainder will be deposited into the county's general fund.

Assessor

Ms. Snider presented two tax abatements and several rebates for the Board's approval. She also reported that since the March meeting, the notice of valuation change supplements \$6,170,975.00 valuation.

HOMELAND SECURITY

Pam Farster reported on current homeland security grant expenditures and upcoming grants she is preparing for submission.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Greg Zabel reported on a new radio system in Wyoming stating the southern part of the state should be fully operational by summer 2006.

Mr. Zabel reported the Armory's lead abatement project is still not complete. He is also in the process of scheduling the building for various groups.

Mr. Zabel is currently preparing his 2006-2007 budget and will be including the remainder of the window replacement project.

SENIOR SERVICES

Terri Archer reported that the Hanna Senior Center needs a new roof and that the Town of Hanna owns the building. Ms. Archer would like the Board to consider paying for the roof from the 2006-2007 budget because Senior Services occupies the building without paying rent.

Ms. Archer stated she had the Fire Marshall review the hood at the Rawlins Senior Center and he believes it is working properly. Previously, Long Mechanical stated it is not working properly because of the air make-up air system. According to Ms. Archer, the Fire Marshall believes a fan motor may need replaced and it may not be the make-up air system. Ms. Archer will report back with any new findings.

Ms. Archer stated she was previously approved to have railings and the back steps at the Rawlins Senior Center repaired. She stated since this approval, the bid amount of \$1,840.00 has raised to \$1,936.00. The Board authorized the work to be completed in the total amount of \$1,936.00.

NATURE CONSERVANCY – SARATOGA

Paula Guenther-Gloss, with the Nature Conservancy Office in Saratoga, spoke regarding Landscape Conservation in the Upper North Platte River Basin. Ms. Guenther-Gloss then invited the Board to submit comments to her regarding her projects and to contact her anytime with any questions or concerns.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Senior Services Board

Don Mayfield was interviewed for consideration of reappointment to the Senior Services Board representing the Medicine Bow Area. Previously, Barbara Moss was interviewed for consideration of appointment representing the Dixon / Savery area. Lila Walbye has applied for reappointment to this board representing the Encampment area.

Commissioner Meacham moved to reappoint Don Mayfield to the Senior Services Board representing the Medicine Bow Area for a three-year term ending March 2009. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Smith reported that the Senior Services Board of Directors has declared Lucy Medina's seat on the Board vacant. Commissioner Meacham asked the Clerk's Office to direct correspondence to Ms. Medina advising her of the issue and requesting clarification for her absences.

Museum Board

Ms. Smith also presented a letter from Nancy Anderson resigning her post with the Carbon County Museum Board.

Commissioner Meacham moved to regretfully accept Nancy Anderson's resignation from the Museum Board and send correspondence to her thanking her for her years of volunteer service. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Senior Services Board

Commissioner Weickum moved to reappoint Barbara Moss of the Dixon / Savery area, and Lila Walbye of the Encampment area, to the Senior Services Board for terms of three years ending April 2009. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Health Officer

Commissioner Meacham moved to reappoint V. Raja Chandra, MD as the County Health Officer for a four-year term ending March 2010. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Undersheriff Mike Morris requested the Board authorize expending Forest Reserve funds to purchase directional receivers to be used in Hanna, Saratoga, and Baggs. These receivers allow searches of plane crashes to be conducted from two directions making the search faster and more efficient. Each unit costs \$835.00. Mr. Morris added that the Sheriff's Office is purchasing the same unit from its budget for use in the Rawlins area.

Commissioner Weickum moved to authorize Forest Reserve funds be expended to purchase three ELT directional receiver units to be used in the Hanna, Saratoga, and Baggs. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

GIS / GPS

Karen Larsen reported that beginning this month, she will mail newly assigned rural addresses to residents of the county.

Ms. Larsen also reported she has received and has been using the new van and thanked the Board for this purchase.

NATIONAL CRIME VICTIM RIGHTS WEEK

Clerk Smith read a Proclamation declaring April 23 through April 29, 2006 as National Crime Victim's Rights Week. Loretta Weems, Julie Hahn, Madge Cassinat, members of Victims Witness agencies, appeared to support the passing of this Proclamation.

Commissioner Meacham moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Proclamation declaring April 23 through April 29, 2006 as National Crime Victim's Rights Week. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

SEMINOE BOAT CLUB ROAD

Jim Flanagan of the Seminole Boat Club spoke regarding the private road leading to the Seminole Boat Club. Mr. Flanagan stated the Boat Club members are 100% in favor of improving the road and that a bank has guaranteed funds to the Boat Club for half a survey to review relocation of the road.

The Board's consensus was to pool funds with the Boat Club to have an engineer review the location and recommend the best location to build a new county owned road.

Road & Bridge Superintendent, Bill Nation, stated he has already contacted an engineer regarding the alignment of the road and has also spoke with various landowners that would need to provide easements.

County Attorney, David Clark, recommended obtaining easements and building a new road rather than taking over the private road and assuming any liability that comes with that road.

Mr. Nation requested direction with proceeding stating that if a new county road was

constructed, he expects the cost to be approximately \$3 million. He anticipates the road could be built in phases or that a gravel road could be constructed then paved later.

The Board directed Mr. Nation to prepare various options and cost estimates and return these options when he presents his 2006-2007 budget.

Mr. Nation questioned clarification of the Board's intentions asking if it plans to take over the road or build a new road to become a county road. There was discussion of building a county road leading to private property.

The Board's consensus is that they will build a new road to become a county road rather than taking over the existing private road.

RECESS

Chairman Zeiger recessed for lunch at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

PLANNING & ZONING

Chairman Zeiger opened a public hearing at 2:01 p.m. to hear Planning & Zoning Case File #06-01.

Kristy Rowan and William Speer presented the following Case File:

Planning & Zoning Case File #06-01, Homer D. & Judy B. Morris: a petition to rezone a parcel of land comprising of approximately 1.125 acres from Ranching, Agriculture, Mining (RAM) to Forestry Production and Seasonal Recreation (FPSR-1.125).

Chairman Zeiger questioned Mr. and Mrs. Morris regarding access to the property. Mr. and Mrs. Morris replied they are aware of access issues as Mr. Morris recently retired from the Bureau of Land Management.

There were no other public comments. Chairman Zeiger closed the public hearings 2:05 p.m.

Commissioner Meacham moved to approve Planning & Zoning Case File #06-01, Homer D. & Judy B. Morris, a petition to rezone a parcel of land comprising of approximately 1.125 acres from Ranching, Agriculture, Mining (RAM) to Forestry Production and Seasonal Recreation (FPSR-1.125) on approximately 1.25 acres. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Weickum moved to approve Resolution No. 2006-15, A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners, Carbon County, Wyoming adopting the recommendation of the Carbon County Planning Commission in reference to Planning & Zoning Case File No. 06-01. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2006 -15

A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming adopting the recommendation of the Carbon County Planning Commission.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wyo. Stat.§18-5-202(b), the Carbon County Planning Commission held a public hearing on March 7, 2006, which said hearing was advertised by public notice at least thirty (30) days prior to said hearing; and

WHEREAS, at said public hearing, the Carbon County Planning Commission provided the public the opportunity to comment and the Carbon County Planning Commission considered any public comments which were made at said hearing; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of said public hearing, the Carbon County Planning Commission voted to certify in writing its recommendation to the Carbon County Commissioners to adopt this amendment to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003 for Carbon County, Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Commissioners, pursuant to Wyo. Stat.§18-5-202(c) and after receipt of said certified recommendation for approval of this amendment to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003, advertised by public notice at least 14 days prior to a public

hearing to take public input and comments which said hearing occurred on April 4, 2006; and

WHEREAS, at said public hearing, the Carbon County Commissioners provided the opportunity for the public to comment and for the Carbon County Commissioners to consider any comments which were made on the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Commissioners in considering the said amendment have also reviewed and considered the Carbon County Land Use Plan of 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Commissioners have determined that the proposed amendment is in conformity with the Carbon County Land Use Plan of 1998 and otherwise promotes the health, safety and general welfare of the residents of Carbon County; and

WHEREAS, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Carbon County Commissioners, by majority vote, the Carbon County Commissioners moved to approve the following amendment(s) to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003.

(1) Case File #06-01 – Homer D. & Judy B. Morris: Request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture, Mining (RAM) to Forestry Production and Seasonal Recreation (FPSR-1.125) on approximately 1.125 acres. The FPSR Zone allows seasonal recreational and residential activities. The Overlook Retreat Subdivision is located in the SW1/4, Section 14, T17N, R80W, 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming.

Tract 63 of the Overlook Retreat Subdivision in Section 14, T17N, R80W, 6th P.M., Carbon County, State of Wyoming, as said tract is laid down, platted and described of record in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-Officio Register of Deeds in and for Carbon County, Wyoming, together with all improvements thereon situate, if any.

Pursuant to the recommendations of the Carbon County Planning & Zoning Commission: Density on the subject parcel shall not exceed one (1) dwelling unit and associated structures on approximately 1.125 acres (FPSR-1.125).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING:

1. That the Carbon County Board of Commissioners, hereby adopt these amendment(s) as certified to them in writing by the Carbon County Planning Commission.

PRESENTED, READ, AND ADOPTED at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming, this 4th day of April, 2006.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING**

By: -s- Artlin “Art” Zeiger, Chairman
-s- Lee Meacham
-s- Terry Weickum

Attest:

-s- Linda Ann Smith, Carbon County Clerk

Future Public Hearings

Commissioner Meacham moved to accept Planning & Zoning Case File 06-04, Ryan D. Munks request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture, Mining (RAM) to Rural Residential Agriculture (RRA-40) on approximately 40 acres, and set a public hearing for May 2, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at the County Courthouse, Rawlins, Wyoming. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Weickum moved to accept Planning & Zoning Case File 06-05, Edwin P. Stubert’s request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture, Mining (RAM) to Forestry Production and Seasonal Recreation (FPSR-35) on approximately 35 acres, and set a public hearing for May 2, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at the County Courthouse, Rawlins, Wyoming. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

DKRW

Tom Schroeder with the State of Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ),

Industrial Siting Division discussed an application from DKRW Energy for an industrial site permit for a project near Medicine Bow. Deborah Murphy and Robert Soeldner of DKRW Energy LLC updated the Board on its coal to liquids, or advanced fuels, project near County Road No. 3.

Ms. Murphy stated that Arch Coal would operate the mine, Medicine Bow Fuel and Power will own the mine and the coal would be supplied by Arch coal to DKRW. This project would involve taking a gasification process and stripping out the Sulfur and CO2 for various uses. The remainder of the product would be put through a Fischer Tropsch Reactor. This process produces diesel fuel as well as steam and tailgas that can be used for power.

Construction is set to begin at the end of 2007 with operations beginning in 2010. The project expects to bring 200-400 permanent full-time jobs and approximately 2,000 construction jobs.

Mr. Schroeder stated that in the preparation of the application to the DEQ, DKRW must review the application with the Board of County Commissioners as well as the communities in the area of impact. The Board may submit any comments or an impact assessment statement to the DEQ if it desires.

ELECTED OFFICIAL SALARIES

Cindy Baldwin and Sheryl Snider again came before the Board to discuss elected official salaries. Ms. Baldwin questioned the reasoning behind the various raises in salaries and the elected officials and pointed out the percentages were not equal for the various offices. Ms. Baldwin stated while she is very appreciative of the increases, the commissioners and county attorney received a higher percentage increase compared to the other elected officials and wanted to know why. On behalf of the elected officials, she requested the Board reconsider the raises.

Commissioner Weickum questioned if the attorney's salary should be lowered to make the percentages equitable. Commissioner Zeiger stated he felt the Commissioner's raise was too high.

Clerk Smith suggested the Board raise the elected official's salaries from \$65,000.00 to \$67,000.00 which would alleviate the concern. Further discussion ensued but no further action was taken.

CARBON BUILDING

Mold Abatement

Kandis Fritz, Carbon Building Manager, reported the mold abatement project in the basement of the Carbon Building is complete.

Heating / Cooling Project

Ms. Fritz presented an estimate from Long Mechanical Solutions regarding the HVAC systems at the Carbon Building. The total estimate is \$600,000.00 - \$900,000.00. She presented a summary prepared by David Kenik of Long explaining the various stages and costs of the project.

The Board requested Ms. Fritz return with Mr. Kenik at a future meeting to further explain the summary.

Building Rent

Ms. Fritz requested the Board raise the rental fee for office space in the Carbon Building from \$7.45 to \$8.00 per square foot. She stated there has not been a raise in at least four years and she feels it would be justified as the costs of utilities and custodial fees have risen significantly.

Ms. Fritz stated that she has researched office rental space in Rawlins and stated the average was between \$12.00 to \$14.00 per square foot.

There was lengthy discussion of raising the rate to \$9.00 or \$10.00 per square foot rather than the

suggested \$8.00, and possibly adding yearly incremental increases in rent. Commissioner Meacham was concerned with raising the rate too much stating that the occupants provide necessary social services for the county.

Commissioner Weickum moved to adjust the rent at the Carbon Building to \$9.00 per square foot effective July 1, 2006. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Smith will forward the lease renewals to Tom Thompson to change the rate and to correspond with the renting agencies to notify them of the changes.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Area Work

Bill Nation, Road & Bridge Superintendent, reported that blading continues in all areas of the county. Summer hours, four ten-hour shifts, have begun for his employees.

The City of Rawlins has not yet obtained the right of way from the Union Pacific Railroad regarding the Higley Road project. They have hauled some backfill material and road base while the county has installed a culvert and is now working on the center slope and base fill.

Mr. Nation reported he met with Tom Puto, Project Manager for Central Highway Lands Division and a representative from the Wyoming Department of Transportation regarding a possible realignment and archaeological concerns relating to County Road 401.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Carbon County Visitor's Council

Ed Vandenburg was interviewed for consideration of appointment to the Carbon County Visitor's Council.

Commissioner Meacham moved to appoint Ed Vandenburg to the Carbon County Visitor's Council for an unexpired three-year term ending June 2008. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Weickum requested Mr. Vandenburg visit with the Board periodically and inform them of what is transpiring with the Visitor's Council.

SLIB GRANT FUNDING

Clerk Smith reported that her staff has contacted a representative from State Land and Investment Board (SLIB) to meet with the Board and various municipalities regarding forming a list of projects that may possibly require grant funding in the next two years.

There is currently no one available from SLIB to meet on this matter. Clerk Smith suggested scheduling a session during the next Council of Governments Meeting to discuss the issue.

ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARIES RESOLUTIONS

Clerk Smith presented resolutions reflecting the motion passed earlier today regarding elected officials salaries. There was, again, lengthy discussion regarding the percentage increases and the reasoning behind the Board's earlier decision. Commissioner Weickum stated they could forget giving raises. Commissioner Zeiger stated the Board did need to give the raises.

Commissioner Meacham moved to ratify the Board's motion from earlier today regarding elected officials salaries and adopt Resolutions No. 2006-12, 2006-13, and 2006-14, Resolutions Setting County Officials Salaries. Commissioner Weickum seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-12

WHEREAS, Sheryl R. Snider, County Assessor, David C. Clark, County Attorney, Linda Ann Smith, County Clerk, Lindy L. Schmidt, Clerk of District Court, Jerry Colson, County Sheriff and Cindy Baldwin, County Treasurer, are the current elected county officers in and for Carbon County Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 18, Chapter 3, Section 107 (b), Wyoming Statutes, 1977, amended 2005, from and after January 1, 2007, the specified full-time county officers shall receive an annual salary not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) nor more than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000); and

WHEREAS, full-time county attorneys shall receive not less than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) nor more than Eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) as annual salaries; and

WHEREAS, the board of county commissioners of each county shall meet not later than June 1, 1978, and on or before the same date each four (4) years thereafter, for the purpose of setting salaries, which shall not be changed during the term of each official for whom a salary is determined; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned are desirous that qualified, dedicated and professional people be attracted to county offices; and

WHEREAS, the duties of county officials will continue to increase in light of mandates by state and federal government, and impact from natural resource production; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Assessor, County Clerk, Clerk of District Court, County Sheriff and County Treasurer elected officers of Carbon County, request the Board of County Commissioners set a salary of Sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000.00) annually for the County Assessor, County Clerk, Clerk of District Court, County Sheriff and County Treasurer from and after January 1, 2007 for a period of four years with salaries being paid in equal monthly installments; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney request the Board of County Commissioners set a salary of Seventy-eight thousand dollars (\$78,000.00) annually for the County Attorney from and after January 1, 2007 for a period of four years with the salary being paid in equal monthly installments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County set a salary of Sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000.00) annually for the Carbon County Assessor, County Clerk, Clerk of District Court, County Sheriff and County Treasurer and Seventy-eight thousand dollars (\$78,000.00) for Carbon County Attorney from and after January 1, 2007 for a period of four years and the salary shall be paid in equal monthly installments.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of April, 2006

Board of County Commissioners
Carbon County Wyoming

-s- Artlin Zeiger, Chairman
-s- Lee Meacham, Commissioner
-s- Terry Weickum, Commissioner

Attest:
-s- Linda Ann Smith, County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-13

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Commissioners of Carbon Carbon, Wyoming have not had an increase in salary for over four (4) years; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 18, Chapter 3, Section 107 (c), Wyoming Statutes, 1977, amended 2001, from and after January 1, 1999, the salary of the commissioners shall be set by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the board of county commissioners of each county shall meet not later than June 1, 1978, and on or before the same date each four (4) years thereafter, for the purpose of setting elected officials salaries, which shall not be changed during the term of each official for whom a salary is determined; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned are desirous that qualified, dedicated and professional people be attracted to the position of County Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the duties of county officials have immeasurably increased in the recent past; and

WHEREAS, the duties of county officials will continue to increase in light of mandates by state and federal governments and natural resource production; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners will set the salary of a commissioner at Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for each member of the Board of County Commissioners from and after January 1, 2007 for a period of four years and the salaries shall be paid in equal monthly installments.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of April, 2006

Board of County Commissioners
Carbon County Wyoming

-s- Artlin Zeiger, Chairman
-s- Lee Meacham, Commissioner
-s- Terry Weickum, Commissioner

Attest:

-s- Linda Ann Smith, County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2006 -14

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 7, Chapter 4, Section 210, and Title 18, Chapter 3, Section 107(b), Wyoming Statutes, 1977, amended 2001, from and after January 1, 1999, the salary of the elected officials shall be set by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the board of county commissioners of each county shall meet not later than June 1, 1978, and on or before the same date each four (4) years thereafter, for the purpose of setting elected officials salaries, which shall not be changed during the term of each official for whom a salary is determined; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned are desirous that qualified, dedicated and professional people be attracted to the position of county coroner; and

WHEREAS, the duties of county officials have immeasurably increased in the recent past; and

WHEREAS, the duties of county officials will continue to increase in light of mandates by state and federal government, natural resource production; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners will set the salary of coroner at Twenty-five thousand and one hundred dollars (\$25,100.00) per year from and after January 1, 2007 for a period of four years with salaries being paid in equal monthly installments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County set an annual salary of Twenty-five thousand and one hundred dollars (\$25,100.00) for the Carbon County Coroner from and after January 1, 2007 for a period of four years and the salary shall be paid in equal monthly installments.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of April, 2006

Board of County Commissioners
Carbon County Wyoming

-s- Artlin Zeiger, Chairman
-s- Lee Meacham, Commissioner
-s- Terry Weickum, Commissioner

Attest:

-s- Linda Ann Smith, County Clerk

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Zeiger adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

-s- Linda Ann Smith, Carbon County Clerk

Approved this _18th_ day of __April__, 2006.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING

-s- Artlin Zeiger, Chairman