

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF
CARBON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, January 25, 2011
County Courthouse, Rawlins, Wyoming**

The regular meeting of the Board of Carbon County Commissioners (BOCC) commenced Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at the County Courthouse in Rawlins, Wyoming. Attending the meeting were Chairman Terry Weickum; Vice Chairman Jerry Paxton; Commissioner Leo Chapman; Deputy County Attorney Mike Kelly; and Deputy Clerk Kathy Turner.

Chairman Weickum called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

VOUCHERS

Commissioner Chapman moved to approve the report of expenditures in the amount of \$339,174.65. Commissioner Paxton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Chapman moved to approve payment to Candy Mountain in the amount of \$42.00. Commissioner Paxton seconded and the motion carried with Commissioners Chapman and Paxton voting for the motion and Chairman Weickum abstained.

Vendor	Detail Line Description	Total
ALCO	SUPPLIES	\$40.02
ALSCO, AMERICAN LINEN DIVISION	MATS	\$190.93
AMERIGAS	PROPANE SERVICES	\$4,199.20
ARLINGTON OUTPOST	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$69.17
AVALANCHE 1	SHERIFF DEPUTY SCHOOLING	\$345.00
BANK OF COMMERCE (DEBIT CARD)	VARIOUS CHARGES	\$3,277.19
BEST WESTERN COTTONTREE	MOTEL CHARGES	\$462.00
BI-RITE PHARMACY	SUPPLIES	\$1,415.84
BOYDSTRUN, DENNY	SERVICES	\$120.00
BRESNAN COMMUNICATIONS	CABLE/INTERNET SERVICES	\$2,754.88
BUILD RITE LUMBER SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	\$143.23
C & D FABRICATION	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$1,250.00
CANDY MOUNTAIN 2010	SUPPLIES	\$42.00
CARBON COUNTY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CTR	CSBG GRANT FUNDS	\$2,912.70
CARBON COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$90.00
CARBON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	SEVERANCE TAX PAYMENT	\$6,250.00
CARBON COUNTY FIRE DEPT-HANNA	FUEL	\$64.14
CARBON COUNTY SCHOOL DIST #2	MEDICINE BOW LIBRARY RENT	\$10.00
CARBON COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES	MATCHING FUNDS/MEALS	\$65,048.00
CARBON COUNTY STRIKE TEAM	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	\$66.69
CARBON COUNTY TREASURER	VARIOUS CASH ITEMS	\$2,432.64
CARBON MERCANTILE CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	\$493.81
CARBON POWER & LIGHT INC	ELECTRICAL SERVICES	\$2,292.88
CBM FOOD SERVICE	JAIL FOOD	\$7,762.86
CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	IT EQUIPMENT	\$291.10
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE SERVICES	\$53.17
CESKO, DAVID MD	MEDICAL SERVICES	\$2,205.00
CHAMBERS, JOHN D., P.C.	LEGAL SERVICES	\$276.00
CHANDRA, V. RAJA-HEALTH OFFICER	CONTRACT WAGES	\$1,345.00
CHAPMAN, LEO	MILEAGE	\$294.00
COAST TO COAST SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	\$763.33
COMPUTER GENERATED SOLUTIONS	SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	\$50.00
COMPUTER SOFTWARE ASSOCIATES	SUPPLIES	\$201.25
CONOCOPHILLIPS	FUEL	\$18.22
COUNTRY STORE	FUEL	\$33.66
COWBOY SUPPLY HOUSE	SUPPLIES	\$254.28
CYR, NANCY	MILEAGE/SUPPLIES	\$88.65
DAILY TIMES	NEWSPAPER ADS	\$2,034.63
DALLIN MOTORS INC	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$238.02
DEFUR, DANIELLE	MEALS/MILEAGE	\$243.61
DELEON, JOHN	LEGAL SERVICES	\$2,743.40
DIABETES SELF MANAGEMENT	RENEWAL	\$24.00

DISCOUNT GROCERY STORE	SUPPLIES	\$33.73
DRUMMOND REFRIGERATION LLC	BUILDING REPAIRS	\$562.35
DUBOIS TELEPHONE EXCHANGE	TELEPHONE SERVICES	\$303.41
DYNAMICSYSTEMS-INC	SUPPLIES	\$494.00
E & H PLUMBING & HANDYMAN	SUPPLIES	\$557.50
EAGLE UNIFORM SUPPLY	MATS	\$215.81
ELECTRICAL EXCELLENCE	AWOS FINAL PAYMENT	\$571.00
ENGSTROM, JAMES D. DDS	DENTAL SERVICES	\$2,500.00
ENTENMANN - ROVIN CO	SUPPLIES	\$129.73
ERICKSON & ROBERTS	LEGAL SERVICES	\$1,001.66
EVANS, JULIE	MILEAGE	\$25.20
FARMER BROTHERS COFFEE	SUPPLIES	\$238.15
FASTENAL	BUILDING REPAIRS	\$569.92
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$189.20
FORSTER LANDSCAPE & CONSTRUCTION, INC.	LAWN CARE	\$260.00
FOX, SID	MEALS/MILEAGE/SUPPLIES	\$122.02
FRANCE FLYING SERVICE	FUEL	\$103.00
FRANCE, TARA	TRANSCRIPTION	\$3,577.50
FREMONT MOTORS - RAWLINS	SUPPLIES	\$72.36
GASES PLUS	WELDING SUPPLIES	\$709.28
GCR ELECTRONICS, LLC	MONTHLY SITE RENTALS	\$900.00
GOLDEN, MARY	MILEAGE	\$64.50
GREATER WY BIG BROS/SISTERS	CSBG GRANT FUNDS	\$846.66
HAGOOD, VICKI	MILEAGE	\$10.40
HANNA, TOWN OF	WATER SERVICES	\$69.30
HEALTH EDUCATION INC	TEACHING SUPPLIES	\$109.75
HEMOCUE	SUPPLIES	\$173.00
HEROLD, BARY	SNOW REMOVAL	\$35.00
HETTGAR, BRIDGET M RN	MILEAGE/SUPPLIES	\$259.05
HIGH PLAINS VISION CENTER	VISION SERVICES	\$240.00
HILLCREST SPRING WATER, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$50.95
HILLTOP LUBE & AUTOMOTIVE	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$54.00
HI-TECH AUTO	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$237.39
HOWARD SUPPLY COMPANY	HEAVY EQUIPMENT PARTS	\$173.96
INTERMOUNTAIN LOCK & SECURITY	BUILDING REPAIRS	\$420.00
IRON J TOWING	TOWING CHARGE	\$348.00
J H KASPAR OIL COMPANY	FUEL	\$11,706.13
JACK'S BODY & FENDER REPAIR	SERVICE CALL	\$476.00
JACK, WILLIAM A.	TRAINING & EDUCATION	\$350.00
JACKALOPE PRINTING	SUPPLIES	\$231.94
JUVE, JANE H	LEGAL SERVICES	\$847.32
KAR KRAFT INC	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$175.30
KILBURN TIRE COMPANY	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$2,483.32
KING SOOPERS CUSTOMER CHARGES	SUPPLIES	\$54.62
KONE ELEVATORS ESCALATORS	ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE	\$1,556.50
L & L ELECTRIC	ELECTRICAL REPAIRS	\$382.80
LARAMIE PHYSICIANS FOR WOMEN	MEDICAL SERVICES	\$175.00
LEXBO LLC	OFFICE RENTAL	\$450.00
LI, CURTIS K M.D.PC	MEDICAL SERVICES	\$284.00
LONG BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	LIBRARY WORK-EECBG GRANT	\$14,346.00
M M S - A MEDICAL SUPPLY COMPANY	SUPPLIES	\$68.90
MACPHERSON, KELLY & THOMPSON, LLC	LEGAL SERVICES	\$532.69
MADER, TSCHACHER, PETERSON & CO.	ADMIN AUDIT	\$3,500.00
MEDICINE BOW HEALTH CENTER	SEVERANCE TAX PAYMENT	\$23,750.00
MEDICINE BOW, TOWN OF	WATER SERVICES	\$108.00
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF CARBON COUNTY	MEDICAL SERVICES	\$631.00
MENDOZA, TERRI	INTERPRETER SERVICES	\$50.00
MERBACK AWARD COMPANY	SHERIFF SUPPLIES	\$305.75
MINNESOTA OUTDOORS	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$2,031.00
MOORE MEDICAL CORP.	SUPPLIES	\$119.88
MPM CORP / EVERGREEN DISPOSAL	GARBAGE SERVICES	\$120.00
NEVE'S UNIFORMS	SUPPLIES	\$152.94
OFFICE DEPOT	SUPPLIES	\$82.74
OLD PENITENTIARY JOINT POWERS BOARD	SEVERANCE TAX PAYMENT	\$5,250.00
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$207.97
P M P C ENGINEERING	PROJECT DESIGN	\$15,381.35

PAMIDA INC	SUPPLIES	\$453.98
PARK SUPPLY OF AMERICA, INC	SUPPLIES	\$119.40
PAXTON, JERRY	MILEAGE	\$290.00
PENCE AND MACMILLAN LLC	LEGAL SERVICES	\$571.92
PERKINS OIL CO	FUEL	\$1,847.33
PERUE PRINTING	SUPPLIES	\$111.00
PHILLIPS 66-CONOCO-76	FUEL	\$831.55
PITNEY BOWES	SUPPLIES	\$152.99
PLATTE VALLEY MEDICAL	MEDICAL SERVICES	\$328.85
POCKET PRESS INC	SUPPLIES	\$127.35
PRAIRIE DOG ELECTRIC, LLC	ELECTRICAL REPAIRS	\$242.25
PRO-CHEM INDUSTRIAL, LLC	SUPPLIES	\$298.55
PUBLIC AGENCY TRAINING	TRAINING	\$590.00
PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER, INC	SUPPLIES	\$1,392.81
QUESTAR GAS	GAS SERVICES	\$224.77
QUILL CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	\$516.57
QWEST	TELEPHONE SERVICES	\$4,504.81
R D J SPECIALTIES INC	SUPPLIES	\$202.08
RADAR SHOP, THE	MAINTENANCE	\$110.00
RAWLINS AUTOMOTIVE	SUPPLIES	\$957.95
RAWLINS CARBON COUNTY AIRPORT BOARD	SEVERANCE TAX PAYMENT	\$3,500.00
RAWLINS EYE CARE	VISION SERVICES	\$900.00
RAWLINS FAMILY MEDICAL, P.C.	MEDICAL SERVICES	\$446.00
RAWLINS FIRE EXTINGUISHER	ANNUAL INSPECTN & SUPPLIES	\$405.00
RAWLINS URGENT CARE	MEDICAL SERVICES	\$306.00
RAWLINS, CITY OF	WATER SERVICES	\$1,255.53
REDWOOD BIOTECH	SUPPLIES	\$502.84
RENDEZVOUS LODGE LLC.	MEALS/FUEL	\$96.99
RICHARDSON, JOANN	MILEAGE/WITNESS FEE	\$140.11
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER	ELECTRICAL SERVICES	\$4,301.56
ROSS' AUTOMOTIVE SERVICES	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$442.42
RYAN ELECTRONICS INC	MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FEE	\$4,007.29
S E D MEDICAL LABORATORY	DRUG TEST	\$66.00
SARATOGA AUTO PARTS, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$2,078.39
SARATOGA SUN	NEWSPAPER ADS	\$318.75
SARATOGA, TOWN OF - WATER	WATER SERVICES	\$62.75
SCHAEFFER MFG CO	SUPPLIES	\$448.32
SHELL FLEET PLUS	FUEL	\$29.47
SHEPARD'S	FUEL	\$2,116.24
SHIVELY HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$448.08
SNAKE RIVER PRESS	RENEWAL/NEWSPAPER AD	\$202.00
SOUTH CENTRAL WY EMS	SEVERANCE TAX PAYMENT	\$17,972.50
SOUTHWEST M.R.O., P.C.	TESTING	\$25.00
SRIDHARAN, P V MD	MEDICAL SERVICES	\$125.00
STANLEY SECURITY SOLUTIONS	BUILDING REPAIRS	\$2,025.00
STAN'S QUIK LUBE	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$44.93
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SUPPLIES	\$329.59
STATE OF WY - PUBLIC DEFENDER	GAL BILLING	\$6,578.83
STATE OF WYOMING (A&I)	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$37.20
STOCKS SERVICES	SNOW REMOVAL	\$1,920.00
SUNRISE SANITATION SERVICE, LLC.	GARBAGE SERVICES	\$55.00
SWEET, JEFFREY C DDS PC	DENTAL SERVICES	\$346.00
SWEETWATER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	JAIL CONTRACT HOUSING	\$3,255.00
TERMINIX	PEST CONTROL	\$193.00
TRADING POST	FUEL/SUPPLIES	\$264.24
TRENT LAW OFFICE, LLC	LEGAL SERVICES	\$160.00
TRIPLE XXX CONTRACTING, INC.	GARBAGE SERVICES	\$50.00
TRUE VALUE OF RAWLINS	SUPPLIES	\$1,704.17
T'S KEYS	SUPPLIES	\$60.00
U S BANK	VARIOUS CHARGES	\$1,352.58
U S POSTMASTER-RAWLINS	BOX RENT/MAILING SERVICES	\$737.43
U S POSTMASTER-SARATOGA	BOX RENT	\$60.00
UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY	TELEPHONE SERVICES	\$958.75
UTILITY BILL SOLUTIONS GROUP	UTILITY SAVINGS	\$136.13
V-1 PROPANE	PROPANE SERVICES	\$336.10
VALLEY OIL COMPANY	FUEL	\$2,653.33

VALLEY PHARMACY	RX'S	\$641.22
VAN'S WHOLESALE LLC	SUPPLIES	\$984.05
WASHBOARD, THE	SUPPLIES	\$32.00
WEICKUM, TERRY	MILEAGE	\$40.00
WEST PAYMENT CENTER	WEST INFORMATION CHARGES	\$925.14
WEST WINDS BAKERY & DELI	SUPPLIES	\$42.50
WIANT, JAMES	LEASE/GRAVEL	\$678.20
WY ATTORNEY GENERAL	UNEXPENDED FUNDS	\$66.19
WY BRAND INDUSTRIES	SUPPLIES	\$81.00
WY CLERK OF COURT ASSOCIATION	2010-2011 DUES	\$125.00
WY DEPT OF FAMILY SERVICE	COPIES	\$41.34
WY DEPT OF HEALTH	VEHICLE BILLING/PAYROLL	\$39,102.71
WY DIESEL SERVICE	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$72.40
WY STATIONERY	SUPPLIES	\$1,505.33
WY WASTE SERVICES-RAWLINS	GARBAGE SERVICES	\$1,175.04
YAMPA VALLEY ELECTRIC	ELECTRICAL SERVICES	\$997.77
YOUNG, CHARLES MD	MEDICAL SERVICES	\$65.00
ZIRMED, INC	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$0.70
ZUCKER SYSTEMS	MGT COURSES FOR PLANNING	\$383.95
GRAND TOTAL		\$339,216.65

CLERK

Deputy Clerk Kathy Turner advised she was designated by Clerk Bartlett to fill in for her today as the Clerk was out for medical reasons.

Minutes

Commissioner Chapman moved to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2011 regular meeting of the Board of Carbon County Commissioners as presented. Commissioner Paxton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Monthly Receipts

Commissioner Chapman moved to approve the Clerk of District Court receipts for the month ending December 2010 in the amount of \$3,249.35. Commissioner Paxton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Bonds

Commissioner Chapman moved to approve a bond for Daniel Williams Izzo, Finance Director for the City of Rawlins in the amount of \$100,000.00; a bond for Randy Arnold, Treasurer for the Saratoga, Encampment, Rawlins Conservation District in the amount of \$50,000.00; and a bond for Linda K. James, Treasurer for the Carbon County Visitors Council in the amount of \$100,000.00. Commissioner Paxton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Museum

Ms. Turner advised Clerk Gwynn Bartlett attended the bid opening for the Museum storage building and L.M. Olson, Inc. was awarded the bid totaling \$93,363.00. Ms. Turner stated the building should be completely paid for with Recreation Board grant funds.

Ms. Turner advised a letter was received from the Museum stating the zone change for the north sections of the Merrill Hill property has been approved by the city.

Memorial Hospital of Carbon County (MHCC)

Ms. Turner presented Requisition #2 for MHCC's specific purpose tax project. She noted the money will be reimbursed from the Specific Purpose Tax Joint Powers Board to MHCC.

Commissioner Chapman moved to approve Carbon County 2009 Specific Purpose Tax Joint Powers Board Requisition and Certification for Payment, Requisition #2 from Memorial Hospital of Carbon County, Project 1799, MHCC Miscellaneous Renovations for reimbursement

of concept design fees Memorial Hospital of Carbon County paid to GSG Architecture in the amount of \$14,294.00. Commissioner Paxton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Turner advised that MHCC has reimbursed the county \$381,533.25 the total amount paid to MHCC by the county for architect fees.

Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Ms. Turner stated the BLM Rawlins Field Office is planning the annual Industry Conference and is seeking participation from industry on March 2 and confirmed that the BOCC has received the letter and form to be completed if they would like to participate.

Letter of Support

Ms. Turner advised the Grand Encampment Museum is seeking the Scenic Byway designation for Battle Pass, Wyoming Department of Transportation Road 70 and are requesting a letter of support from the BOCC.

Commissioner Paxton moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on a letter of support to the Wyoming Department of Transportation for the Grand Encampment Museum to seek the Scenic Byway design for Battle Pass, Wyoming Department of Transportation Road 70 to help increase tourism in the region. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Board Appointment / Resignation

Ms. Turner advised Ed Glode is interested in filling the vacancy on the Saratoga – Carbon County Impact Joint Powers Board and noted she has advertised ten times for this vacancy. She asked the BOCC if they would like her to advertise again for this vacancy, or consider Mr. Glode for this board. John Zeiger, Mayor of Saratoga advised he would strongly encourage the BOCC to appoint Mr. Glode to this board.

Commissioner Chapman moved to appoint Ed Glode to the Saratoga – Carbon County Impact Joint Powers Board for a three year term expiring July 2013. Commissioner Paxton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Turner presented a letter of resignation from Michael Mayer from the Baggs Solid Waste Disposal District effective January 12, 2011.

Commissioner Paxton moved to accept the resignation of Michael Mayer from the Baggs Solid Waste Disposal District effective January 12, 2011. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Turner stated she will advertise for this position.

Fair Board

Ms. Turner reported the Fair Board has been paid for scrap metal cleanup from the old beef barn by Smiley's Performance Engineering & Salvage in the amount of \$2,691.00.

County Health Officer Interviews

Ms. Turner advised interviews have been scheduled for February 1 with Archie Kirsch, M.D., James Trent, M.D. and Wayne Couch, M.D. She advised she has tried unsuccessfully to reach Dr. Young and recently sent a letter to try to schedule an interview. She advised that Bridget Hettgar from Public Health and Paul Zamora, County Coroner will also attend the interviews. She noted the BOCC may want to compile a list of questions before the interviews. Commissioner Paxton discussed setting the salary for the County Health Officer and the BOCC agreed to set the salary before the interviews. Bridget Hettgar discussed what the County Health Officer's job includes and in case of an emergency the Health Officer could have to go out to the communities.

Energy, Minerals Counties Coalition (EMC²) Members Joint Powers Board Agreement

Ms. Turner noted that the Energy Minerals Counties Coalition Joint Powers Board Agreement was approved by the BOCC in July of last year however the agreement was short one member per the state and therefore the agreement signed is void.

ELECTED OFFICIALS / DEPARTMENT HEADS

Treasurer

County Treasurer, Cindy Baldwin, noted we have a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with MHCC for the energy savings project and they have made their first new payment.

Attorney

Deputy Attorney Mike Kelly noted that at the last meeting an MOU was signed between Carbon County and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) regarding an Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed Lost Creek Uranium Mine and the signature page changed to include the High Desert District Manager's signature. Deputy Attorney Kelly provided three signature pages for the Chairman's signature.

Deputy Attorney Kelly presented an Amended Land and Personal Property Purchase Agreement Between the Town of Hanna and Board of Commissioners and Warranty Deeds to correct the legal descriptions, one which provides the county with the parking lot for the Senior Center and the other corrects a four foot strip that was on each side of the fire station that was being reserved for the town.

Commissioner Paxton moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on the Amended Land and Personal Property Purchase Agreement Between the Town of Hanna, Wyoming and Board of Commissioners of the County of Carbon County, Wyoming and Warranty Deeds to clearly delineate the legal descriptions of the property the county has purchased. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Assessor

Chief Deputy Assessor Cheryl Ross presented three abates and rebates. She advised they total \$143,058.00 in deductions and had \$1,274,669.00 in additions.

Treasurer

Treasurer Baldwin advised she paid out over \$90,000.00 in rebates yesterday and approximately \$100,000.00 to \$125,000.00 in rebates this month and this could impact the small districts as the tax collections drop off after the end of the year.

Sheriff

Sheriff Jerry Colson distributed the Jail Report for 2010 and provided the 2009 report for comparison. He noted the daily population was down and the maintenance requests were up. Chairman Weickum asked why the in state extraditions were less than half and Sheriff Colson explained these are warrants in other jurisdictions in Wyoming and was down from 2009. He reported the county received \$2,800.00 in SSI payments and \$18,600.00 for split sentence inmates. Sheriff Colson discussed the additional services that are provided at the jail.

Sheriff Colson noted juvenile probation is staffed by a full time probation agent, Ada Fowler. He stated Ms. Fowler's workload has increased as she is also the probation agent for juveniles in the first time offender diversion program. Sheriff Colson advised he will be looking at hiring a part-time clerk for three hours a day to free up Ms. Fowler to spend time one-on-one with the juveniles and the clerk will do the paperwork and computer work. He advised he does have the funds in his budget.

Planning

Sid Fox, County Planner advised the Carbon County wind energy facilities the overlay zoning regulations his department has been working on will go to Planning & Zoning Commission on Monday with the public hearing and if recommended will come to the BOCC for formal adoption as part of the zoning resolution.

Mr. Fox advised he received an e-mail on a proposed wind energy project and asked if the BOCC has dealt with Big Wind Wyoming, LLC out of Great Falls, Montana who would like to start the county permitting process for their wind farm of 419 turbines on 35,000 acres in Shirley Basin. The BOCC stated they have not heard of this company.

Mr. Fox commented that as discussed earlier regarding the scenic designation of Highway 70, scenic designations are mentioned in the Comprehensive Plan and have been part of Carbon County's planning effort to protect the scenic byways from development that would change the character.

Buildings Manager

Buildings Manager, Leroy Graham, advised he will be going this afternoon to MHCC for the meeting for the pre bid with the contractors and engineers for the new improvements to the hospital.

Fire Department

Larry Trapp invited the BOCC to look through the Fire Department in Rawlins and he would explain the various fire departments in the county and where they have equipment.

Mr. Trapp advised they have finished working their grants from last year and received \$20,000.00 from the Rural Fire Assistance (RFA) grant and \$9,528.00 from the Volunteer Firefighters Assistance (VFA) grant. He stated the General Rule Fire Reimbursement Grant is on going and the county submits training hours, maintenance hours and communications equipment purchased and gets a percentage back which varies. He advised they were able to recover \$8,858.10 for the last six months.

Mr. Trapp requested permission to apply for the RFA grant and the VFA grant which they do have the matching funds in their budget, with the RFA grant ceiling at \$20,000.00 and no ceiling amount given on the VFA grant, but last year the county gave \$15,000.00 and County Fire gave \$15,000.00. He advised the State Forestry administers these grants for the federal agencies and the application should be ready next month. Chairman Weickum asked if these grants would take place next budget year and Mr. Trapp replied they would be reimbursed next budget year, but have to apply for the grants this budget year.

Commissioner Paxton moved to authorize the Carbon County Fire Department to apply for Rural Fire Assistance and Volunteer Firefighters Assistance grants. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Trapp stated that the Cooperative Agreement started last summer for their local fire departments and small communities in the county was stopped per the County Attorney. He stated there is an agreement in place that is working well and they will start to work on the Cooperative Agreement again and work with Deputy Attorney Kelly. He stated there are minor changes and this should happen over the next several months.

Mr. Trapp advised the Town of Hanna is giving back some equipment that was taken from the fire department such as tables and chairs that were missing that were part of the original inventory.

Mr. Trapp advised the annual equipment inspection and maintenance countywide on the sixty-four pieces of firefighting equipment is getting starting and nothing major has been found so far.

Mr. Trapp advised he received a call from the Elk Mountain Senior Center and with the office for the town being in the same building as the senior center, and with the computer issues, they have had to lock the office which is one of the fire escapes for that structure. He stated by locking it, they are not longer meeting the Fire Marshal's code in terms of having an egress times two in that structure. Mr. Trapp stated he advised the senior center to contact the Fire Marshal's

office who will get back to either him or Mr. Graham. Chairman Weickum asked who owned the building and Mr. Graham replied the town.

Mr. Trapp advised there was a water treatment fire at the new Reclamation Plant and the department saved the plant's main office, their tank battery farm and interior of the water treatment plant. He advised Sweetwater County will reimburse the county for all the fire fighting foam used and County Fire will start getting their hazardous material data sheets as they will be the first to respond if they have problems in the future.

Emergency Management

John Zeiger, Emergency Management Coordinator, discussed training. He also advised indications are that flooding will be as bad this year, likely worse than last year. Mr. Zeiger discussed the meeting regarding flooding in Elk Mountain last night and stated it went fairly well. He advised there will be another meeting in Saratoga on February 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center and encouraged a member of the BOCC to attend.

Road & Bridge

Bill Nation, Road & Bridge Superintendent, introduced his entire staff. Chairman Weickum thanked all of them for their service.

Mr. Nation asked for approval of the recommended design standards for Wyoming Public Forest Highway 26-1(2), Sage Creek Road Section B, for a design speed of 55 miles per hour.

Commissioner Chapman moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on Wyoming Highway PFH 26-1(2), Sage Creek Road Section B for the design specifications. Commissioner Paxton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Nation presented a lease agreement for Gravel Permit #425 for the Wiant pit located adjacent to County Road 504.

Commissioner Paxton moved to approve a Lease Agreement on Jim Wiant's property, Gravel Pit #425, for \$500.00 plus \$0.60 per ton after \$500.00 of aggregate has been removed. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Nation advised a bridge review of Savery Creek project on County Road 752 has passed final review from Wyoming Department of Transportation and will allow this project to continue moving forward. He advised he will meet with PMPC on Friday and would like to retain PMPC for construction oversight and possibly have the bridge in place early April.

Mr. Nation advised County Road 101 was changed and rearranged for convenience and did not give the land that the county did not need back to the landowners. Mr. Nation advised he prepared a quitclaim deed from the county to the landowners involving 1.1 acres. Deputy Attorney Kelly asked if the land is currently owned by Carbon County and Mr. Nation advised it is part of the road easement. Commissioner Paxton asked if it is an easement or does the county own it. Deputy Attorney Kelly stated if the county owns the property his concern is the procurement policy and if the county would have to declare this surplus property. The BOCC asked Deputy Attorney Kelly to review the deed for the next meeting.

Mr. Nation noted per a request from the Sheriff's Office and Search and Rescue, he has ordered ten signs that will say that a road is closed during winter months.

Mr. Nation reported they will identify gravel pits in Carbon County that the Road & Bridge Department has or will use now or in the future and get the appropriate signs in place for the county to be in compliance with Department of Environmental Quality. Mr. Nation advised he will have to contact all landowners and have them sign off or offer them their services to reclaim the pit which consists of approximately 40 pits.

Mr. Nation noted that if Homeland Security grant funds are available, he would like to use the funds for all seven of the Road & Bridge shops to secure equipment. He stated he would like to put a security fence and an automated gate in Rawlins and fence off some area outside of the realm of the other shops.

Mr. Nation advised his department will be ready to help if any flooding issues arise and advised every Road & Bridge shop has at least 2,000 sand bags available.

Public Health

Bridget Hettgar from Public Health advised in December she had two certified nurses aides that were state employees that retired and were told at the time they could not hire replacement aides but could turn those vacant positions into a part-time nursing position that would be a salaried, benefited state position. Ms. Hettgar asked for permission to do this and stated she does have the funds in her budget. The BOCC approved the request.

RECESS

Chairman Weickum recessed for a County Board of Equalization meeting at 11:25 a.m. and reconvened at 11:27 a.m.

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION

Chairman Weickum advised there was one issue brought up in Elk Mountain last night from John Johnson regarding a head gate measuring device in the Medicine Bow River to measure the water and will cost \$15,000.00 a year to maintain that site. He stated the expense will be covered for about three years. He stated Mr. Johnson asked if the county could furnish \$5,000.00 and he advised Mr. Johnson to approach the BOCC even though it will be three years in the future so everyone will understand what is going on.

Chairman Weickum advised he has been asked to attend a meeting Thursday to sit in on a project called Link Wyoming and will provide more information after the meeting.

Chairman Weickum advised he did testified in Cheyenne at a couple of committee meetings on two proposed bills, #25 and #70. He discussed the four state Commissioners meeting in Denver he attended and that every state is getting the same story or threat and this has been laid back for either later this year or more than likely next year.

Commissioner Paxton advised he attended a meeting to discuss how to help Tom Mann, who is operating the saw mill. He stated this is an on going process to keep it open because of the price of lumber and is looking into stewardship agreements instead of stewardship contracts.

Commissioner Paxton discussed a proposed facility in Steamboat Springs first before moving to the Industrial Park in Encampment that would produce a wood straw. Cindy Wallace, Executive Director for the Economic Development Corporation stated she thinks the project will begin this summer.

Commissioner Paxton reported that Secretarial Order #3310 that Secretary of the Interior Salazar has put out is an issue that circumvents the whole legislative process for declaring a parcel of land a wilderness area or wilderness study area. He stated this order would basically abandon the whole multiple use concept and lock up land for gas, oil development and grazing. He stated the Commissioners have been working with the Governor's Office and the county may get some money appropriated from the legislature to help the Wyoming County Commissioners Association (WCCA) fight this in a legal battle. He stated the WCCA passed a resolution condemning this action and asking for it to be rescinded. He advised the county may be impacted as the WCCA may ask the county to help support the legal battle by paying \$100.00 to \$2,000.00 depending on what the county wants to contribute and how important it is to the county. He stated he would be in favor of supporting an appropriation of some kind to help out the legal battle to get this resolved before it goes into effect and has some serious adverse affects on Carbon County.

Commissioner Paxton noted there is another bill that would affect the revenue coming from the wind industry to do away with the sales tax and replace it with a name plate tax that would be calculated on the capacity of each tower to generate electricity. He stated the sales tax is critical to the county when a project does come into Carbon County and would boost the county's sales tax revenue so the county can also collect industrial impact funds. He stated he just wants the

bill that was passed to go in the way it was passed and see if it is going to work as it could result in millions of dollars in revenue for the county in the future.

CLERK

County Health Officer

Ms. Turner advised Charles Young, M.D. is scheduled for an interview for the County Health Officer position at 2:45 p.m. on February 1.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC)

Cindy Wallace, Executive Director for the EDC advised she may be asking for letters of support from the BOCC in the future on two business grants she is working on.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Weickum adjourned the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

-s- Gwynn G. Bartlett, Carbon County Clerk

Approved this 1st day of February 2011

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING

-s- Terry Weickum, Chairman