

**COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 6, 1999**

The Carbon County Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Meeting Room of the Courthouse, Rawlins, Wyoming. Present were Commissioners Artlin Zeiger, Chairman, Lee Meacham and Linda Fleming, Linda Smith, County Clerk and Sandy Rose, Deputy Clerk.

**VOUCHERS**

The following vouchers were presented and approved for payment:

A T & T	Sheriff/Public Health	70.43
Adams County Sheriff	County Administration	32.00
Advanced Hydraulic & Machine	Road & Bridge	110.10
Allen, Patrick C. MD	County Administration	1,670.00
American Guidance Services	Grants	735.75
Amerigas	Road & Bridge	308.09
Anderson Highway Signs	Road & Bridge	981.49
Bach Supply	Road & Bridge	47.88
Bank Card Center	Sheriff	636.62
Bartlett, Sue RN	Public Health	180.69
Black Mountain Glass Company	County Administration	500.00
Boulder City Sheriff	County Administration	41.78
Brown, Estella	Grants	27.37
Burke's Conoco	Sheriff	20.05
Busey, Sharalee	Public Health	264.27
Butane Power & Equipment	Road & Bridge	289.14
Butler, Karen	Public Health	24.82
C & M Auto Parts	Road & Bridge	454.84
Campbell, Thomas E.	Attorney	245.25
Capital Business Systems	Assessor	14.85
Carbon County Clinic	Jail	144.50
Cedar Street Texaco	Sheriff	10.50
CenturyTel	Sheriff/Road & Bridge	148.29

Cesko, David MD	Various	637.00
Chandra, V. Raja MD	Grants	54.00
Childrens Clinic, The	Grants	74.00
City Market Incorporated #12	Grants/Co Administration	11.92
Cloud Peak Terminix	Carbon Building	35.00
Commnet Cellular	Emergency Management	26.84
Compresource	Treasurer	670.62
Consolidated Plastic	Senior Services	176.18
Corporate Express	Various	1,249.41
Cottontree Inn	Sheriff	493.30
Couch, Wayne MD	Grants	969.80
Crawford, Warren	Extension	712.70
Cruz, Sally	Public Health	11.50
D & K Sanitation	Various	232.50
Daily Times	Treasurer/Co Administration	888.31
Davis, E. Edwin	Sheriff	651.90
Day, Dave	Carbon Building	3,150.00
Delgadillo, Lillian	County Administration	25.00
Deters, Robert L. MD	County Administration	850.00
Dixon, Town of	Road & Bridge	33.50
Don's Enterprises	Courthouse	4,900.00
Donovan Caines	County Administration	69.12
Dubois Telephone Exchange	Road & Bridge	46.43
E N T Associates, PC	Grants	52.00
Eagle Uniform Supply	Carbon Bldg/Road & Bridge	167.42
Elk Mountain, Town of	Road & Bridge	81.18
Energy Basin Clinic	Grants	101.25
Engstrom, James DDS	Grants	216.00
Eric Smith Painting	Building & Grounds	1,174.55
Erickson, David E. PC	County Administration	78.00
Evergreen Disposal Services	Sr. Services/Road & Bridge	90.00
FedEx	Planning	14.50

Ford, Nell	Public Health	17.50
Gandy Company	Extension	319.07
Gillette Office Supply	W.I.C.	169.95
Glode, Mary D.	County Administration	55.61
Golden Rule Computer	Public Health	30.00
Gosevner, Maxine	Public Health	102.12
Governing	Planning	15.00
Hackett's	Road & Bridge	120.00
Harrison & Massey, LLC	County Administration	267.88
Hartsell, Lois	Road & Bridge	400.00
Hettgar, Bridget M. RN	Public Health	26.22
High Plains Power	Sr. Services/Road & Bridge	122.04
Hoffman, Hollice	Public Health	56.87
Hoke, John L.	County Administration	1,080.00
Home & Building Fashions	Carbon Building	1,265.86
Information Systems	Emergency Management	4,089.00
J.H. Kaspar Oil Company	Assessor/Road & Bridge	2,587.64
J.W. Brewer Tire Company	Extension/Road & Bridge	1,763.50
Jackalope Printing	Sheriff/Road & Bridge	389.47
Johnson Controls	Courthouse	392.00
Kar Products	Road & Bridge	379.46
KC Welding	Sheriff	63.95
Kilburn Tire Company	Sheriff	995.59
Kirsch, A.P. MD	Grants	255.00
Kline, James C.	Grants	600.00
KN Energy, Incorporated	Various	4,503.73
L & L Electric	Carbon Building	897.90
Lawson Products Incorporated	Road & Bridge	193.64
Lucent Technologies	Radio Tech	280.93
M S C	Clerk	720.00
McDonald's	Sheriff	22.84

McKee Medical Center	County Administration	308.30
Medicine Bow, Town of	Sr. Services/Road & Bridge	91.20
Memorial Hospital Carbon Co.	County Administration	6,534.39
Montgomery Kone, Incorporated	Senior Services	275.00
Montoya, Joan	Grants	13.30
Muratec Ameriac, Incorporated	Public Health	10.00
MY Automotive, Incorporated	Sheriff	28.69
Nation, Bill	Attorney	34.03
National Cattlemen's Handbook	Extension	54.42
North Park Transport	Road & Bridge	53.86
Northern Tool Equipment	Road & Bridge	171.01
Pacific Power & Light	Sr. Services/Road & Bridge	931.60
Page One West	Sheriff	75.00
Pamida Incorporated	Grants	795.58
Perkins Oil Company	Various	1,826.84
Phillips Petroleum Company	Sheriff	14.02
Pitney Bowes Incorporated	County Administration	546.77
Platte Valley Medical	Grants	222.00
Public Health Foundation	Public Health	46.25
Questar Gas	Senior Services	110.13
Quill Corporation	Public Health	44.62
Radio Shack	Attorney	19.99
Rawlins Automotive	Road & Bridge	208.33
Rawlins Diagnostic	Jail/County Administration	227.00
Rawlins Glass	Road & Bridge	400.00
Rawlins Newspapers, Inc.	Emergency Management	34.32
Rawlins, City of	Various	1,227.59
Reliable	Sheriff	254.84
Reyburn, Christopher	Grants	130.00
River Valley Sharpening	Courthouse	323.70
Riverton Tire & Oil	Road & Bridge	4,757.88
Ross' Automotive Services	Sheriff	46.35

Royal Sanitary Supplies	Courthouse	692.45
S & S Disposal	Road & Bridge	20.00
Saratoga Auto Parts, Inc.	Road & Bridge	634.34
Saratoga Health Mart	Grants	557.92
Saratoga Sun	Various	63.00
Schnal, Jonathan C.	Planning	69.92
Shively Hardware	Road & Bridge	63.71
Smith, Susan	Grants/Public Health	20.24
Smithkline Beecham Pharmacy	Public Health	371.85
Snap-On Tools	Road & Bridge	112.45
Spicer, Edward OD	Grants	58.00
Stan's Quik Lube	Sheriff	28.83
State of Wyoming	Elections	250.52
Su Casa Café	Commissioners	43.46
Subway - Unit F	Sheriff	39.72
Summit Medical Supplies	Public Health	20.74
Sweet, Jeffrey C. DDS	Grants	161.00
T & M Service	Sheriff	58.73
T & T Plumbing & Service	Senior Services	80.00
TCI Cablevision of Wyoming	Sheriff	29.39
Texaco Refining & Marketing	Sheriff	27.34
Thompson Publishing	County Administration	248.00
Travel Emporium	County Administration	1,557.71
Trib.Com	Various	64.90
True Value of Rawlins	Various	172.20
Tuxall Uniform & Equipment	Sheriff	230.75
U.S. West Communications	Sheriff/Radio Tech	311.49
Union Telephone Company	Various	586.19
Valley Oil Company	Sheriff	12.50
Valley Sun Medical Inc.	Sheriff	166.20
Valley Super Foods	Grants	12.64

Vencare Ancillary Services	Public Health	2,722.60
Viewfinder, The	County Administration	105.24
Viking Office Products	Treasurer/ Administration	545.80
Wal-Mart Pharmacy	Grants	25.69
West Group Payment Center	Attorney/Planning	1,049.00
Wimpenny, Robert G. DDS	Grants	400.00
Wyo Dept. of Family Services	W.I.C.	31.68
Wyo Dept. of Transportation	Road & Bridge	9,942.23
Wyoming Diesel Service	Road & Bridge	2,736.24
Wyoming Paper Supply	Jail	90.25
Wyoming Department of Health	Public Health	15.00
Wyoming Machinery Company	Road & Bridge	1,456.35
Xerox Corporation	Sheriff	122.00
Yampa Valley Electric	Various	933.69
Zee	Road & Bridge	9.95

**ASSESSOR**

Darrell Stubbs, Carbon County Assessor presented the following abatements and rebates for approval from the County Commissioners:

**ABATEMENTS**

	Tax Year	
Amoco Production Co (1)	1998	Valuation Adjustment
Anderson, Dirk & Shirley (8)	91 - 98	Valuation Adjustment
Bauer, Garth S. (11)	88 - 98	Valuation Adjustment
Cabot Oil & Gas Corp (1)	1998	Valuation Adjustment
Davidson, Charlotte (10)	89 - 98	Valuation Adjustment
Nursing Services (1)	1998	Valuation Adjustment
Schimmel, Henry (11)	88 - 98	Valuation Adjustment
Tanner, Joseph and Anderson, Shirley (9)	90 - 98	Valuation Adjustment
Young, Bill (1)	1998	Valuation Adjustment

**REBATES**

Arch Mineral Corp (2)	95 - 96	Valuation Adjustment
CIG Exploration (1)	1997	Valuation Adjustment

**SEVERANCE TAX**

Excel PreSchool	Social Services	1,000.00
Carbon Co Economic Development	Community Service	4,250.00

Hanna EMT's	Health	1,625.00
Wee Folks Place	Social Services	625.00
C.O.V.E.	Social Services	750.00
Medicine Bow Health Care Center	Health	10,000.00
Encampment PreSchool	Social Services	500.00
Carbon County Counseling Center	Social Services	1,250.00
Carbon County Chamber of Commerce	Community Service	625.00
Noyes Health Care Center	Health	11,250.00

### **ROCK RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The Commissioners on behalf of the Carbon County Fire Department accepted a \$10,000 donation from the Rock River Volunteer Fire Department from their rural fire fighting account to use towards the McFadden Fire Station. Dwight France, Fire Warden requested the money be used for equipment rather than the building.

### **MEDICINE BOW LIBRARY CONTRACT**

The lease agreement between the Town of Medicine Bow and the County is still pending.

### **APPLICATION FOR SLIB GRANT**

On Tuesday, April 13, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. the Carbon County Commissioners will be conducting a public hearing on the proposed use of State Land and Investments Board funding for a fire hall at McFadden, Wyoming. The Commissioners propose to request a grant of \$80,000 which constitutes 50% of the proposed building estimates. The application is to be submitted to the office of State Land and Investments by 5:00 p.m., Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.

On April 13<sup>th</sup>, the Commissioners will approve a resolution authorizing submission of a grant application to the State Land and Investment Board for construction of a Fire Station at McFadden, Wyoming.

### **SHERIFF**

Jerry Colson, Carbon County Sheriff requested an executive session to discuss personnel. A motion was made by Linda Fleming, seconded by Lee Meacham and unanimously carried to go into Executive Session at 9:35 a.m.

A motion was made by Lee Meacham, seconded by Linda Fleming and unanimously carried to come out of Executive Session at 9:55 a.m.

A motion was made by Linda Fleming, seconded by Lee Meacham and unanimously approved that the sick leave donation requested by the Sheriffs office be honored.

The Blood Pathogens Class will be held separately from the Sexual Harassment Training which is scheduled at the Jeffrey Center on April 15<sup>th</sup> and April 16<sup>th</sup> 1999.

## **RYAN ELECTRONICS CONTRACT**

A meeting is scheduled with Wade Waldrip on Friday, April 9<sup>th</sup> 1999 to discuss the radio maintenance contract with Gregory C. Ryan of Ryan Electronics.

## **CLERK**

Linda Smith, County Clerk, requested authorization to recarpet and paint the jury room. The Commissioners were in agreement on this request.

The Clerk's office has not received cost estimates for the ceiling replacement, but such are forth coming. The funds were approved in the current budget. The Commissioners agreed to proceed on this request.

Discussion was held on lawn care for the Senior Center and the Carbon Park on 3<sup>rd</sup> & Pine from May to September. The Commissioners requested the Clerk to advertise for proposals to provide such full service care.

## **COURTHOUSE ELEVATOR**

A motion was made by Lee Meacham, seconded by Linda Fleming and unanimously approved to enter into a contract to recondition the courthouse elevator if the Otis Elevator contract is still viable.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Awarding of Commissioner's' Scholarships will be considered at the next Commissioners meeting on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

## **MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF CARBON COUNTY**

Patsy Carter requested a letter of support from the Carbon County Commissioners for an Anesthesiologist for Memorial Hospital.

The Board of Carbon County Commissioners signed a letter emphasizing the importance of the efforts of Memorial Hospital of Carbon County to recruit and employ a full time Anesthesiologist for Carbon County.

Ms. Carter advised the Commissioners that there will be a joint conference meeting May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at the Hospital. The joint collaboration committee includes board members and doctors.

## **SENIOR SERVICES**

John Peery, Senior Services Director distributed a new informational pamphlet on Carbon County Senior Services, Inc.

Peery inquired about the truck available from the Road & Bridge department for the Senior Services to haul groceries and other needed errands. The Commissioners advised that once the vehicle is given to them, Senior Services is fully responsible for the maintenance and up keep of the vehicle.

Peery updated the Commissioners on the transportation initiative involving a countywide transit system funded from state, federal, and county monies.

Peery was authorized by the Commissioners to advertise for bids on work to be done on the Senior Center Buildings in Baggs, Encampment, Saratoga and Rawlins and also on lawn care for Baggs and other rural areas.

## **ARCH MINERAL**

Steve Skordas, Manager of Tech Services at Arch Mineral updated the Commissioners on the status of the Environmental Impact Statement. The final environmental assessment has been published and the BLM is in the process of writing the Record of Decision, awaiting only the finalization of the Biological Assessment. The last projected coal sale date is September.

Skordas also updated the Commissioners on the status of the Carbon Basin Mines. The surface tonnage is 34.5 MM ( 27 MM private, and 7.5 MM State and Federal) with the underground tonnage at 197.1 MM ( 109 MM private and 88 MM private). The projected employment in the early years after development is 100 with the peak years mid-life at 300. The projected mine life is approximately 20 years.

The start of the mine has become “a moving target” based mainly on the condition of the coal market for Hanna Basin/Carbon Basin Coal. Arch Mineral is primarily a blend coal for utilities taking PRB coal. Their share of that market is suitable to sustain their existing operations for a few more years but the development of a new mine such as the Carbon Basin mine needs to have more volume to help offset development costs. This volume does not appear it will happen until the year 2004 with development beginning sometime in 2003. Meanwhile, Arch Mineral will continue to progress through the permitting process that is expected to take two years or more.

Skordas expressed appreciation for those people who were instrumental in putting the North Hanna Access Road project together most notably Artlin Zeiger , the staff of the State AML office especially Stan Barnard and Ed Turner of Arch Mineral of Wyoming. This project has been pursued for many years to provide an additional access route for emergency use by the people of Hanna. All were in agreement that this is a very worthwhile project.

Skordas on behalf of Arch Mineral of Wyoming presented a check for \$180,000 to Artlin Zeiger, Chairman of the County Commissioners to help build the North Hanna Access Road. This check is the first installment of the \$340,000 Arch Mineral donation pledged to help build a second access road into Hanna.

## **CARBON COUNTY EXTENSION**

Doug Reynolds and Judy Smith introduced the new 4-H agent, Warren Crawford and Judy Wales, Nutritionist for the County.

The Extension office updated the Commissioners on the activities planned this summer. Charlene Abbott and Warren Crawford have been working on Camp Fantastic that is a Home-Economics Camp for ages 9 - 13 on June 22<sup>nd</sup> through June 24<sup>th</sup>.

## **CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT**

Lindy Schmidt, Clerk of District Court informed the Commissioners there would be three large bills from L & L Electric that would need to be paid on the next check run. The Commissioners advised her to present the bills to the County Clerk for processing.

A recommendation by the Carbon County Clerk was to have Harry Lovato on standby if some other person or agency comes in to do repairs on the computer system.

## **RECESS**

The Board of Carbon County Commissioners recessed at 12:10 p.m. for an informal lunch at the County Museum followed by a tour of the Seminoe Road project.

### **SEMINOE ROAD TOUR**

Andy Long, Wyoming Department of Transportation (WDOT), Gary Steele PMPC Engineering Consultants and Bill Nation, Road and Bridge Supervisor, took the Commissioners and County Clerk on a tour of the Seminoe Road project.

### **RECOVENE**

The Board of County Commissioners meeting reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

### **PLANNING & ZONING**

Henry Hewitt, Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Commission and Jonathan Schnal, Planning & Zoning Director gave an administrative report. The Planning Commission is working on definitions for the land use plan and redrafting planning and zoning resolutions.

The Commissioners were advised that the Carbon County Planning Commission granted Terra Moya Aqua (which means earth, wind and water) a special use permit for its proposed wind farm north of Elk Mountain.

### **COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

Artlin Zeiger, Chairman rejoined the meeting at 2:53 p.m.

### **PLANNING & ZONING**

A suggestion by the Planning Commission to have a joint get together to discuss UBC - addresses for residential and commercial businesses.

### **CARBON COUNTY LIBRARY PROCLAMATION**

Penny Baker, Administrative Assistant and Susan Conger, Youth Services Librarian were in attendance to update the Commissioners on National Library Week.

A motion was made by Linda Fleming, seconded by Lee Meacham and unanimously carried for Artlin Zeiger as Chairman to sign the following proclamation that states the following:

Whereas Residents of Carbon County visit the public, academic and school libraries over 2500 times per month, and

Whereas these library visitors check out about 6200 books, tapes, videos and other items and ask over 280 questions per month, and

Whereas The Carbon County Library System, The Carbon County Higher Education Center and all the school libraries are vital informational, educational and cultural resources for the residents of Carbon County.

The Carbon County Commissioners do hereby proclaim the week of April 12 - 17, 1999 to be National Library Week in Carbon County.

s- Artlin Zeiger, Chairman

Penny informed the Commissioners that the switches in the meeting room in the Baggs Library need to be repaired. The Commissioners gave their approval to install new switches as needed.

### **ROAD AND BRIDGE**

A motion was made by Lee Meacham, seconded by Linda Fleming and unanimously carried to go into Executive Session at 3:15 p.m. to discuss pending litigation. Bart Evans also joined the session.

A motion was made by Lee Meacham, seconded by Linda Fleming and unanimously carried to come out of Executive Session at 3:50 p.m.

The Commissioners approved the hiring of one full time employee and three part time employees for the Baggs, Rawlins and Saratoga areas.

A motion was made by Linda Fleming, seconded by Lee Meacham and unanimously carried to authorize the scheduling of open house meetings to discuss the identification of county roads. The proposed meeting dates are as follows:

April 27 <sup>th</sup> 1999	Hanna Senior Center	7:00 p.m.
April 29 <sup>th</sup> 1999	Baggs Senior Center	7:00 p.m.
May 11 <sup>th</sup> 1999	Saratoga Senior Center	7:00 p.m.
May 13 <sup>th</sup> 1999	Carbon Bldg., Room 151	7:00 p.m.

Notices will be placed in the newspapers to make the general public aware of the meetings around the County.

Bill Nation, Road & Bridge Supervisor gave his administrative report.

The Road & Bridge department continues to haul roto mill from Walcott Pit to C.C.R. #291, North Hanna and C.C.R. #500, West of Saratoga - Jack Creek Road and to County shop yards. A road change was started on C.C.R. #101, South of Elk Mountain. A new 24' cattle guard was installed, a fence was moved, topsoil was removed and the new roadway was built up. The department is still welding cattle guards and blading roads.

They will start clearing snowdrifts south of Rawlins the week of April 19-23, 1999 on C.C.R. #401, #503, #505 and #500.

### **CARBON BUILDING**

Patty Schuler, Carbon Building Manager updated the Commissioners on the bids that were received to replace the carpet in the Department of Family Services, Suite 350, 352, 357 and optional Suite 356.

The following bids were opened at the meeting:

Build Rite Lumber	3 Rooms	\$1,837.46
	Suite 356	626.83
Home & Building Fashions	3 Rooms	\$1,603.26
	Suite 356	537.62

A motion was made by Linda Fleming, seconded by Lee Meacham and unanimously carried to accept the low bid of \$2,140.88 from Home & Building Fashions.

Patty Schuler reported that the east and west entrances to the Carbon Building had to be rekeyed because of lost keys. The policy is that the department losing

keys pays for re-keying.

An informational sheet on Johnson Controls was also distributed to show the results of a study involving Johnson Controls.

Steve Morgan from Build Rite advised the Commissioners that he believed when bids are let that the specifications need to be more specific. Therefore the bidder knows exactly what type and kind of carpet it is since there are so many differences in carpet products.

### **FAIR BOARD**

The Carbon County Clerk advertised the Commissioners that there would be an advertisement to complete the unexpired term of James F. York on the Fair Board due to his death. The term that would expire February 2002.

### **BOARD OPENINGS**

The Clerk advised the Commissioners that there were also openings on the following:

**Rawlins Urban Systems Committee**; the opening is for a public citizen to serve as a County representative for a four-year term from January 1, 1999 until January 1, 2003.

**Carbon County Visitors Council**; the opening is for one board member to serve as a County representative for a three-year term from 1999 through 2002.

**Old Penitentiary Joint Powers Board**; the opening for one board member to serve as a County representative for a three-year term beginning May 1999 until May 2002.

### **SENIOR SERVICES**

A motion was made by Linda Fleming, seconded by Lee Meacham and unanimously carried to appoint Shirley Herold from Baggs to fill the unexpired term of Marge Myers. This term will run until March 4, 2001.

A motion was also made by Linda Fleming, seconded by Lee Meacham and unanimously carried to appoint Hilda Richey as the Saratoga representative on the Senior Services Board. Her term will run from March 4, 1999 until March 4, 2002.

### **OLD PENITENTIARY ROOF PROJECT**

Mark Setright updated the Commissioners on the roof project at the Old Pen.

Setright also stated he would like to attend a mock riot training May 1<sup>st</sup> through May 5<sup>th</sup> in Moundsville, West Virginia. They need a western state to hold this type of training in the future and he would like them to consider our state.

### **CUSTODIAN EQUIPMENT**

Authorization was given to Linda Smith, County Clerk, to purchase an auto scrubber. A burnisher (buffer) could be budgeted for the upcoming budget year.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Lee Meacham, seconded by Linda Fleming and unanimously carried to go into Executive Session at 4:55 p.m. to discuss personnel.

A motion was made by Lee Meacham, seconded by Linda Fleming and unanimously carried to come out of Executive Session at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, April 20, 1999 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Carbon County Courthouse, Rawlins, Wyoming.

-s- Artlin Zeiger, Chairman

Attest: -s- Linda Ann Smith, County Clerk