



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
July 18, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was brought to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Opella. Those in attendance were Commissioners Bill McDowell, Rob Hendry, Terry Wingerter, Matt Keating, County Clerk Renea Vitto, County Attorney Bill Knight, Deputy County Attorney Heather Duncan-Malone, and Commissioners' Secretary Michelle Maines.

Commissioner Hendry moved to approve the Minutes of Proceedings for June 5, 2011. Commissioner Keating abstained from the vote. The motion was seconded and carried.

Commissioner Wingerter moved to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$871,039.72. The motion was seconded and carried.

Public Hearings:

A. Fiscal Year 2012 Budget

County Clerk Renea Vitto gave an overview of the FY 2012 Budget in the amount of \$49,882,846.00. The proposed budget funds mandated services; provides for citizens' health, safety and welfare; provides funding for the Juvenile Detention project; provides funding for various 1 cent #14 projects; and creates a one million dollar cash reserve.

Chairman Opella noted insurance premiums stayed the same.

Chairman Opella opened the public hearing.

Hearing no comments in favor or opposition, Chairman Opella closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Wingerter moved to approve the proposed budget. The motion was seconded and carried.

**B. Resolution 35-11 Authorizing the Transfer of Property to WYDOT
(warranty deed)**

Attorney Knight reported the resolution approves the transfer of 60 feet along 700 feet of the NE right-of-way of Highway 20/26 located in the Hells Half Acre area. This property is needed for WYDOT for upgrades to the road; transfer is in the best interest of the public.

Chairman Opella opened the public hearing.

Hearing no comments in favor or opposition, Chairman Opella closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Wingerter moved to approve the proposed budget. The motion was seconded and carried.

Commissioner Hendry asked Attorney Knight to verify the proposed pipeline easement will not interfere with transfer and upgrades. Attorney Knight stated that WYDOT completed the engineering, but he will check and verify against the current maps.

Contracts, Agreements, Resolutions:

A. Access Use Agreement between NC and the Town of Bar Nunn to expand the public safety communication system

Attorney Bill Knight reported this is to replace an emergency siren on property owned by the Town Bar Nunn; siren purchased with 1 cent funds. County legal has approved as to form.

Commissioner Wingerter moved to approve the agreement. The motion was seconded and carried.

B. Ratification of 33-11 Authorizing Submission of Grant Application to the SLIB for the purpose of Constructing Capital Finding within NC

Attorney Knight reported this resolution authorizes the county to submit a grant application on behalf of NC, Evansville, Mills, Edgerton, Midwest, Bar Nunn, and City of Casper to the SLIB board for the consensus block grant funds and describe how they are intended to be used.

Commissioner Hendry moved to approve the ratification. The motion was seconded and carried.

C. Resolution 34-11 Authorizing Amendment No. 5 to the City of Casper-NC Casper Area Economic Development JPB Agreement (Amendment No. 5 attached)

Commissioner McDowell reported the amendment reflects that the EDJPB is now working under one cent 14, instead of one cent 13.

Commissioner Hendry moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded and carried.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Commissioner Wingarter made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.

Public Comments:

There being no comments the floor was closed.

Commissioner Comments:

Chairman Opella opened the floor to Commissioner Comments.

Commissioner Wingarter took this time to compliment the Fair Board regarding the great turn out at this years fair and rodeo. He would like to schedule a time for John Lawson, BOR to come in so the commission can thank him and his staff for all they have done to manage the Platte River. He was happy the county could give employees a well deserved wage increase.

Commissioner McDowell reported meeting with the surviving ship mates of the USS Natrona was quite an honor and a memorable experience.

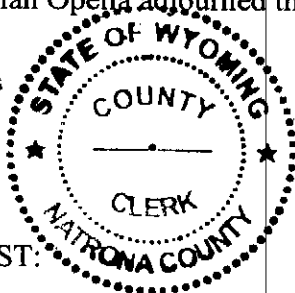
Chairman Opella reported today's presentation for Anadarko went well.

Hearing no further comments the floor was closed.

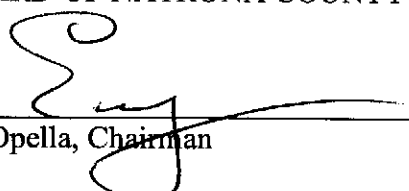
Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Chairman Opella adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

My term of office expires
January 5, 2015

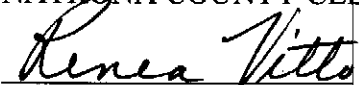


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Ed Opella, Chairman

ATTEST:

NATRONA COUNTY CLERK


Renea Vitto