Commissioner Meeting March 21, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was brought to order by Chairman, William J Novotny III at 9:00am on Tuesday March 21, 2017. Attending were Commissioners Linda Greenough and Robert Perry, Commissioner’s Assistant Sheila Newcomb, County Clerk Vicki Edelman and Deputy County Attorney Barry Crago.

Perry moved to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2017 regular meeting. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Phil Gonzales, Buffalo/Johnson County Recycle Board met with the Commissioners to report on activities at the re-cycle center and ask about the ditch behind the center.

Greenough moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign Tax Refund #2962 2014 tax year, $10,408.95 Anadarko E&P Onshore, LLC and Tax Refund #2963 2015 tax year, $104.18 Anadarko E&P Onshore, LLC. Perry seconded, motion carried.

Perry moved to ratify Chairman Novotny’s signature on the One Day Catering Permit to Wahoo Likkers for the Kearny Hall Fundraiser held at the Community Building, Johnson County Fairgrounds on March 11, 2017. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Perry moved to re-appoint Marilyn Novotny to the Child Support Authority Board. Greenough seconded, motion carried. Chairman Novotny recused himself from discussion or action in this matter.

Scott Pehringer, Road & Bridge Supervisor and Cheryl Benner met with the Commissioners to discuss the CMAQ Grant Award Agreement, TW Road Project and IRP funding, and the dredging project at Lake DeSmet. Greenough moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the CMAQ Grant Award Agreement when it is received. Perry seconded, motion carried.

Mark Bentley, President and Angela Jarvis, Director of the Buffalo Chamber of Commerce met with the Commissioners to report on summer activities and operations in their office.

Perry moved and Greenough seconded to approve a cancellation of a 2015 Supplemental to Williams Production RMT for 2012 taxes in the amount of $3,014.24 as presented by Treasurer Faircloth.

Greenough moved to adjourn to Executive Session regarding Personnel and Litigation at 10:47am. Perry seconded, motion carried; the regular meeting was back in session at 11:17am.

Perry moved to waive the hiring freeze on the Clerk of District Court’s Dept. and allow advertising of a position. Greenough seconded, motion carried. The regular meeting adjourned at 11:25 for lunch and was back in session at 1:00pm for the Buffalo Johnson County Joint Powers Board Meeting. The regular meeting adjourned at 1:10pm by motion.

William J Novotny III, Chairman

Addendum

Commissioner Meeting April 4, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was brought to order by Chairman, William J Novotny III at 9:00am on Tuesday April 4, 2017. Attending were Commissioners Linda Greenough and Robert Perry, Commissioner’s Assistant Sheila Newcomb, County Clerk Vicki Edelman and Deputy County Attorney Barry Crago.

Perry moved to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2017 regular meeting. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Dave Simonson (by telephone), Bob Snowden and Tom Knapp met with the Commissioners to discuss their request for additional funding from the County as well as the City to develop curriculum for a software coding company which will do their training at JOCO First. After discussion Greenough moved to authorize up to $50,000 for the Tech Initiative at JOCO First. Perry seconded. After public comments and discussion by Deputy County Attorney regarding a contract and other legal parameters Perry made a friendly amendment to approve the funds contingent on the Attorneys review of the contract and the company’s agreement to locate in Buffalo. Greenough seconded, motion carried and the original motion carried as well.

Perry moved to appoint D. (Bill) McIntyre to the Johnson County Library Board. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Greenough moved to appoint Audrey Davis to the 1% Board. Perry seconded, motion carried.

Greenough moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the Contract between Wyoming Game and Fish Commission and Johnson County for a term of three years in the amount of $17,000.00 contingent upon their providing a copy of the “Attachment A” referred to in the contract to be reviewed by Deputy County Attorney Barry Crago. Perry seconded, motion carried.

Perry moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the IRP Contract for the TW Road Project contingent upon review by Deputy County Attorney Barry Crago. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Perry moved to approve 2016 Tax Year Reduction #2965 $516.50 to Micha & Leslie Olsen. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Blaine Horn, UW Extension Agent introduced UW Extension Educators from Northeastern Wyoming as follows: Mary Kay Wardlaw, Laramie, WY Supervisor, Vicki Hayman Newcastle, WY Nutrition & Food Safety; Jim Dawson 4-H Educator Buffalo, WY; Blake Hauptman, Sundance, WY Agriculture & Horticulture; Kentz Willis Sheridan, WY Sports Nutrition, Healthy eating & diabetes; Michelle Pierce Gillette, WY Leadership Development & Leadership Training. Each gave a short presentation outlining their separate areas of expertise.

Greenough moved to go into Executive Session regarding litigation at 10:40am. Perry seconded, motion carried. The regular meeting was back in session at 10:55am.

Greenough moved to allow Clerk of District Court, Debra Vandel to obtain outside counsel. Perry seconded, motion carried.

Greenough moved to allow Treasurer Carla Faircloth to retain outside counsel in regards to an out of state bankruptcy matter. Perry seconded, motion carried.

Perry moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the One Day Catering Permit to Cowboy Saloon of Buffalo, LLC for a Family Party at the Community Building at the Johnson County Fairgrounds on April 29, 2017. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Greenough moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the Amended Memorandum of Understanding between Wyoming Dept. of Health, Public Health Division and Johnson County. Perry seconded, motion carried.

Chairman Novotny convened the Board of Equalization for the matter of approving the minutes of the March 21, 2017 Hearing in the Snell, Snell, Hanson & Heins Tax protests. Greenough moved to approve the minutes of the Status Hearing in the Snell, Snell, Hanson & Heins Tax Protests held on March 21, 2017. Perry seconded, motion carried. The regular meeting was back in session at 11:08am.

Planner Waller met with the Commissioners to discuss the revised Septic Regulations which are ready to be advertised for public review. The Commissioners agreed to start the publication and review process with approval during the first meeting in June.

Perry moved to approve the vouchers for March, 2017 in the amount of $320,978.67. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Greenough moved to go into Executive Session regarding Litigation at 11:24am. Perry seconded, motion carried. The regular meeting was back in session at 11:43am.
Perry moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the Settlement Agreement in the Shores at Lake DeSmet matter once it has been finalized. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

The following vouchers were paid:


There being no further business Greenough moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 am. Perry seconded, motion carried.

William J Novotny III, Chairman

Vicki Edelman, County Clerk

Commissioner Meeting April 18, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was brought to order by Chairman, William J Novotny III at 9:00 am on Tuesday April 18, 2017. Attendance were Commissioners Linda Greenough and Robert Perry, Commissioner's Assistant Sheila Newcomb, County Clerk Vicki Edelman and Deputy County Attorney Barry Crago. Perry moved to amend the minutes of the April 4, 2017 regular meeting by striking the motion to approve a tax refund to WPX Energy Rocky Mountain, LLC. Greenough seconded, motion carried. Greenough moved to approve the amended minutes of the April 4, 2017 regular meeting. Perry seconded, motion carried. Sharon Nadeau with the Commission's availability due to upcoming updates and some history on the Buffalo Downtown Center presented their applications for the 17-18 TANF Grant. Meg Norman Area Director for the Boys & Girls Club and Tina Rosalez Director of the Buffalo Children’s Center presented their applications for the 17-18 TANF Grant.

Greenough moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the 17-18 TANF Grant Applications from Boys & Girls Club of the Big Horns in the amount of $26,000, Buffalo Children’s Center in the amount of $23,793 and Compass Center for Families $5,252.00 for a total of $56,773. Perry seconded, motion carried.

After discussion with County Attorney Tucker Ruby, Perry moved to approve the use of the OJDJP Grant Award in the amount of $13,886. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Greenough moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the Agreement for 48-hour Holdover Services, Detention & Inmate-Attys-606.70: Tenders between Volunteers of America and Johnson County in the amount of $3,000; the Agreement for Juvenile Probation/Diversion Services between Volunteers of America and Johnson County in the amount of $54,900 and the Case Management Coordinator for the Drug Court Program between Volunteers of America and Johnson County in the amount of $41,900. Perry seconded, motion carried. James Waller Planner and Travis Pearson, Surveyor met with the Commissioners to present the Ross Minor Subdivision for approval; discussion on concerns with BLM right of way permits, Greenough moved to table the discussion/decision until the May 2, 2017 meeting. Perry seconded, motion carried. Greenough moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign Resolution #579, a Resolution Amending Section 4.10 of the Johnson County Handbook. Perry seconded, motion carried.
Bob Snowden with the 1% Committee met with the Commissioners to present their recommendations for disbursement of 1% funds for the 17-18FY. Greenough moved to table a decision until the May 2, 2017 meeting. Perry seconded, motion carried.

Perry moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the Wyoming Retirement Pension Agreement for the Jim Gatchell Museum employees. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Sheriff Kosiek and Donald Pownell Captain of Search & Rescue met with the Commissioners to report that Dave Loden had resigned from Search & Rescue and request they be allowed to use their remaining 1% funds to purchase 4 dry suits. Perry moved to approve Search & Rescue's use of the 1% funds as requested. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Greenough moved to go into Executive Session regarding Personnel at 10:55am. Perry seconded, motion carried. The regular meeting was back in session at 11:25am.

Perry moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the One Day Catering Permit to Lake Stop Resort, LLC for the First Northern Bank Event on May 17, 2017 at the Lakeview Lodge 307. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Greenough moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the Agreement to form Snider Ditch Water Users Association. Perry seconded, motion carried.

Perry moved to authorize Chairman Novotny to sign the 2014 Tax Refund #2966 to Anadarko E&P Onshore, LLC $1,234.87. Greenough seconded, motion carried.

Greenough moved to adjourn at 11:35am. Perry seconded, motion carried.

The Commissioners convened the quarterly Board of Health Meeting at 1:00pm and the regular meeting adjourned at 1:13pm by motion.

[Signatures]

William J Novotny III, Chairman

Vicki Edelman, County Clerk