

**REPORT TO THE  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF  
CARBON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, December 18, 2018  
Carbon County Courthouse, Rawlins, WY**

The regular meeting of the Board of Carbon County Commissioners (BOCC) commenced Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at the Carbon County Courthouse, Rawlins, WY. Attending the meeting were; Chairman John Johnson; Commissioners John Espy, Bob Davis, Leo Chapman and Sue Jones.

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS**

Chairman Johnson added a Resolution for the specific purpose tax ballot question under the clerk and a Memorandum of Understanding for designated enterprise zone under the commissioners.

**VOUCHERS**

307 PROFESSIONAL CLEAN LLC	JAN 2019 CLEANING	\$ 10,485.00
4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	MISC PARTS	\$ 173.57
ACME ELECTRIC COMPANY, LLC	ELECTRICAL REPAIRS	\$ 585.62
ANTON COLLINS MITCHELL LLP	AUDIT	\$ 5,000.00
APG MEDIA OF THE ROCKIES	ADS	\$ 1,694.00
AXON ENTERPRISE, INC.	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 960.00
BAGGS, TOWN OF	WATER/RENT SERVICES	\$ 165.90
BARKHURST, BYRON	MILEAGE	\$ 39.60
BEACH, HOMER	SNOW REMOVAL	\$ 420.00
BI INC.	MONTHLY FEE	\$ 1,404.00
BIG SKY COMMUNICATIONS INC	OVER EAR MIC	\$ 134.00
BLAKEMAN PROPANE	HEATING FUEL	\$ 1,495.00
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	DRILL BITS REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 10.96
BUILD RITE LUMBER SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	\$ 64.84
BUSINESS MAILING SOLUTIONS INC	MAILING MACHINE INK	\$ 234.00
CARBON COUNTY ECON DEVELOPMENT	TUITION FEES	\$ 350.00
CARBON POWER & LIGHT INC	ELECTRIC SERVICES	\$ 2,596.14
CASPER STAR-TRIBUNE	JOB PLACEMENT AD	\$ 1,145.50
CBM FOOD SERVICE	JAIL MEALS	\$ 6,486.34
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	SPECTRUM SERVICES	\$ 243.56
CNA SURETY	NOTARY E. KELLER	\$ 100.00
COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER	AGENCY DUES	\$ 35.00

COWBOY CHEMICAL	LAUNDRY SUPPLIES	\$ 288.20
COWBOY SUPPLY HOUSE	MISC LABOR/PARTS	\$ 662.51
DAILY TIMES	SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL	\$ 178.52
DIRTY BOYZ SANITATION, INC	TRASH SERVICES	\$ 660.00
DOI/BLM	LEASE PAYMENT	\$ 2,474.50
DOMINION ENERGY	HEATING FUEL	\$ 253.97
DOT FHWA	SAVERY RD PROJECT	\$ 375.67
DRUMMOND REFRIGERATION LLC	PILOT LIGHT/OVEN IGNITOR	\$ 420.58
EKM&P, INC. DBA VOORHIS ASSOCIATES	CH/CB BLDG PROJECT	\$ 14,321.40
ELK MOUNTAIN, TOWN OF	RENT	\$ 1,500.00
ENCAMPMENT, TOWN OF	WATER SERVICES	\$ 96.00
ENGSTROM, JAMES D. DDS	SERVICES PROVIDED	\$ 2,500.00
FLEXSHARE BENEFITS	ADMIN FEE	\$ 320.00
FRANCE, TARA	TRANSCRIPTION SERVICES	\$ 57.50
GALLS/QUARTERMASTER	UNIFORMS	\$ 267.23
GCR ELECTRONICS, LLC	SITE RENTAL FEES	\$ 1,200.00
GLAXOSMITHKLINEPHARMACEUTICALS	FLU VACCINES	\$ 601.10
GRAINGER	PARTS	\$ 856.30
GRAPHIC BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	NOTARY STAMP	\$ 39.95
HANNA, TOWN OF	WATER SERVICES	\$ 229.98
HENKE	PARTS/SHIPPING	\$ 2,652.72
HIGH DESERT WELDING & MACHINE	4" CHANNEL	\$ 60.75
HILLTOP CONOCO	FUEL	\$ 65.48
HONNEN EQUIPMENT	JOHN DEERE BLADES EQUIP	\$ 264.32
HUCKE, HENRY	REIMBURSEMENTFORPHYSICAL	\$ 103.00
IRON J TOWING	TOW CHARGES	\$ 439.00
J H KASPAR OIL COMPANY	FUEL	\$ 13,070.19
JOHNSTON, RANAE	MILEAGE	\$ 220.50
KALUZNY, EMILY	MEETING MILEAGE	\$ 260.00
KONE ELEVATORS ESCALATORS	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT	\$ 4,440.57
KTGA/KBDY	TOWER RENT	\$ 150.00
LOCAL GOVERNMENT LIABILITY	CONNOLLY DEDUCTIBLE	\$ 5,000.00
MCGRAW, JOAN	MILEAGE	\$ 24.00
MEDICINE BOW, TOWN OF	FIRE/WATER SERVICES	\$ 343.75
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF CC	MEDICAL SERVICES	\$ 6,119.72
MERCEDES TRANSCRIPTION, INC	TYPED REPORTS	\$ 103.95
MILLER, CORINNE	MEALS	\$ 22.05
MOORE MEDICAL CORP.	MEDICAL SUPPLIES	\$ 48.78
MOTOROLA	RADIO REPAIR	\$ 6,200.00
MOUNTAIN WEST MOTORS	AIR FITER	\$ 46.16

MY OFFICE ETC.	PAPER	\$ 53.46
NORCO, INC.	CYLINDER RENTAL	\$ 1,056.78
NSFM PIZZA INC	MEALS	\$ 102.96
OFFICE ALLY	HEALTH RECORDS	\$ 59.90
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	PARTS	\$ 95.45
PATTON, SALLY	MILEAGE	\$ 506.27
PERKINS OIL CO	FUEL	\$ 2,360.45
PERUE PRINTING	SUPPLIES	\$ 30.00
PHYSIO-CONTROL, INC	BATTERY REPLACEMENT	\$ 401.00
POLICEONE.COM	DEPUTY SCHOOLING	\$ 325.00
QUILL CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 676.02
RAWLINS AUTOMOTIVE	PARTS	\$ 10,809.16
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER	ELECTRIC SERVICES	\$ 5,825.15
SARATOGA AUTO PARTS, INC.	PARTS	\$ 704.54
SARATOGA, TOWN OF	WATER SERVICES	\$ 150.96
SECURITY TRANSPORT SERVICES	INMATE TRANSPORT	\$ 1,352.70
SHEPARD'S	FUEL	\$ 4,795.99
SHIVELY HARDWARE	PARTS	\$ 49.54
SLOW AND STEADY LAW OFFICE	LEGAL SERVICES	\$ 2,283.50
STODDARD, CURTIS T.	EMERGENCYHEALTHGRANT	\$ 2,360.00
SUNRISE SANITATION SERVICE, LLC.	TRASH SERVICES	\$ 65.00
SWANSON SERVICES CORPORATION	COMMISSARY SUPPLIES	\$ 2,209.87
SWEETWATER COUNTY SHERIFF	INMATE HOUSING	\$ 2,730.00
TANDAN SANITATION SERVICES	TRASH SERVICES	\$ 80.00
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	LEGAL SERVICES	\$ 771.02
THOS. Y. PICKETT & CO., INC.	CONTRACT	\$ 6,000.00
TRAPP, LARRY W	VEHICLE USE	\$ 2,151.74
TRUE VALUE OF RAWLINS	PARTS	\$ 208.60
TYLER BUSINESS FORMS	W2/1099	\$ 328.46
UINTA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERVICE FEE	\$ 100.00
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	BOX SERVICE FEES	\$ 658.00
US BANK	VARIOUS CHARGES	\$ 3,475.27
VALLEY OIL COMPANY	FUEL	\$ 689.92
VANWINKLE, JOHN	TRAVEL EXPENSES	\$ 148.39
VOIANCE LANGUAGE SERVICES LLC	INTERPRETATION	\$ 9.75
WESTERN TRUCK REPAIR	DOOR SEAL	\$ 189.02
WEX BANK	FUEL	\$ 268.55
WILLE, O.R.	MILEAGE	\$ 45.00
WOODWARD & ASSOCIATES, INC.	BUILDING REPAIRS	\$ 2,765.00
WRECK-A-MEND	REFINISH DOORS	\$ 2,203.95

WY BEHAVIORAL INSTITUTE	EMERGENCY DETENTIONS	\$ 2,262.00
WY DEPT OF HEALTH	LAB TESTING	\$ 1,106.00
WY DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	REGISTRATION TRANSFER	\$ 2.00
WY MACHINERY COMPANY	PARTS	\$ 437.85
WYOMING SIGNS	SIGN CO RD 401	\$ 137.31
YAMPA VALLEY ELECTRIC	ELECTRIC SERVICES	\$ 1,225.12
GRAND TOTAL		\$ 165,028.03

Commissioner Chapman moved to approve payment to Sunrise Sanitation for \$65.00. Commissioner Espy seconded and the motion carried with all voting for the motion except Commissioner Jones who abstained due to personal conflicts.

Commissioner Chapman moved to approve November 2018 payroll and benefit expenses of \$824,102.51 and insurance claim and premium expenses of \$287,865.46 and the main amount of bills of \$164,963.03 for an aggregate total today of \$1,276,996.00. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Espy moved to approve the consent agenda noting any item could be removed for further discussion. The consent agenda includes the December 4, 2018 regular meeting minutes; bonds for Kay Embree, Treasurer, Medicine Bow Rural Health Care District in the amount of \$5,000.00; Samuel Flohr, Treasurer, Town of Saratoga in the amount of \$50,000.00; Veronica Fernandez, Deputy Treasurer, Carbon County in the amount of \$10,000.00; Gwynn Bartlett, Clerk, Carbon County in the amount of \$4,000.00; and Paul Zamora, Coroner, Carbon County in the amount of \$1,000.00; a notice of valuation changes in the amount of (\$39,142.00); and monthly receipts for the Clerk of District Court Office in the amount of \$2,625.00 and the County Clerk’s Office in the amount of \$21,389.00. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS & DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**Buildings & Grounds**

Building & Grounds Manager, Jim Piche reported that the water well at the Fairgrounds will require certification with the state engineer and WLC estimates this to be \$750.00 for the survey and mylar.

Mr. Piche reported that the cost of the Museum carpet project will be completed soon and the museum would like to install new kitchen floor at the same time. The project will be completed using returned funding from last year from the Carbon Building steps that will not be done. The BOCC asked the Museum to request the kitchen flooring during budget time.

The Wattsmart program with Rocky Mountain Power is 80% complete and should be done around year end. To complete the records storage at the Jeffrey Center he needs new shelving. He stated that Art Canaday has used shelving he could purchase for \$200 each or new for \$250 each. The BOCC thought he should buy all the used shelving he can now.

### **Museum Director**

Museum Director, Dr. Steven Dinero discussed the kitchen flooring that Mr. Piche addressed earlier. He stated that he did not request that, it was a staff member and he is fine with the current flooring. The museum will have to be closed during carpeting.

Mr. Dinero reported that the fundraising efforts for the Museum continues and his goal is to occupy the new space within three years. The architect, Jerry Myer provided him a three-year plan that he recently presented to a fundraising group who will continue their efforts. The shell and interior required to make it a usable facility the costs have gone up 8% per year over three years to almost \$10 million. Year one is \$2 million, year two is approximately \$5 million, and year three is approximately \$3.5 million. He and a board member have obtained a small grant for the ceiling work and the recent completion of the façade project will help.

### **Road & Bridge**

County Road and Bridge Superintendent, Bill Nation requested approval for a Professional Services Agreement with Engineering Associates (EA) for the design of the County Road & Bridge/Sheriff Complex in Medicine Bow in an amount of no more than \$95,000.00.

Commissioner Davis moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on the Professional Services Agreement with Engineering Associates for the design cost estimates of the County Road & Bridge/Sheriff Complex in Medicine Bow in an amount of no more than \$95,000.00 to be paid for with Ekola impact assistance. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Nation reported that EA will deliver design by March 1 to be approved by the county March 6 with advertisement for bids thereafter. He hopes the bid opening to be during April with award at the BOCC's second April meeting.

Snow continues to be plowed throughout the county. He then requested to donate all of his unused vacation to the county sick bank.

Commissioner Espy moved to authorize the Clerk to put all unused vacation time into the sick leave bank. Commissioner Chapman seconded and encouraged Mr. Nation to take vacation time in the future. The motion carried unanimously.

### **IT**

County Master Resolution

IT Director Matt Webster reported that the new 911 system is installed and currently running. He hopes to have Rapid SOS complete soon where a cell phone call can be pinpointed within a couple yards of the call. New cameras are in place at the jail and they are currently transitioning to the new security system.

### **County Attorney**

Attorney Davis requested approval of communication site lease agreements with Greg Ryan, GCR Electronics and KTGA FM 99.3 for nine radio transmitters located at R Hill, Chalk Mountain, Separation Peak, 9 Mile and Elk Mountain in the amount of \$250.00 per month each.

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the communication Site Lease Agreement with KTGA FM 99.3 for one radio tower located on Elk Mountain in the amount of \$150.00 per for a four year term. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Jones moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on the communications Site Lease Agreement with GCR Electronics for eight radio transmitters located at R Hill, Chalk Mountain, Separation Peak, 9 Mile in the amount of \$150.00 per month each then \$250.00 per month beginning July 1, 2019 for a four year term. Commissioner seconded and the motion carried with all voting for except Commissioner Espy who abstained due to conflict.

### **Clerk**

County Clerk, Gwynn Bartlett requested approval of an Extension of Lease Agreement for the Wyoming Department of Transportation for the premises located at the Little Snake River Valley Library for a period of 1 year. She noted her office called the Library Director who approved the renewal.

Commissioner Chapman moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on the Extension of Lease Agreement for the Wyoming Department of Transportation for the premises located at the Little Snake River Valley Library for a period of 1 year in the amount of \$360.00. Commissioner Espy seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett requested approval for BlueCross BlueShield of Wyoming ASO Group Plan Changes for Carbon County employees.

Commissioner Espy moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on the BlueCross BlueShield of Wyoming ASO Group Plan Changes. Commissioner Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett requested approval of the 2019 Wellness Services Agreement.

Commissioner Espy moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on the 2019 Wellness Services Agreement contingent upon attorney, clerk and BOCC approval. Commissioner Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

County Master Resolution

Clerk Bartlett requested the Chairman's signature on a letter to approve the transfer of bonds for county employees and elected officials from Allen Insurance to Farmers Insurance.

Commissioner Espy moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on a letter to CNA Surety to change insurance agents for public official and county employee bonds. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett requested approval of two agreements related to the Community Services Block Grant ran through the county.

Commissioner Chapman moved to authorize the Chairman's signature for a Contractor Agreement between Carbon County Board of County Commissioners, Carbon County Action Committee, and Sheela Schermetzler in the amount of \$5,456.94. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett reported she received a letter yesterday notifying the BOCC about the likely appointment of David P. McCarthy as assistant public defender in Carbon County and asked if the board had any objections. Attorney Davis explained he has practiced here previously. The BOCC had no objections.

Clerk Bartlett reported she received a summary of impacts likely to occur during the construction of the TransWest Express Transmission Line project and recommended that the BOCC schedule a meeting with county department heads to discuss the impacts.

Chairman Johnson reported that at their recent state association meeting there seems to be a disconnect between the council and the division

Clerk Bartlett explained that the BOCC and municipalities need to adopt resolutions to officially notify her of a special May 2019 election for a specific purpose tax. She does not have the final resolution yet but explained the importance of having this approved today for the Chairman's signature upon final form.

Commissioner Espy moved to authorize commissioner signature on Resolution 2018-42 for the Specific Purpose Tax. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

## **R E S O L U T I O N N O . 2 0 1 8 - 4 2**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSITION FOR IMPOSITION OF A ONE PERCENT (1%) SPECIFIC PURPOSE SALES AND USE EXCISE TAX IN CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING, SAID PROPOSITION TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CARBON COUNTY ON TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2019.**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wyo. Stat. §§ 39-15-203(a)(iii), 39-15-204(a)(iii), 39-16-203(a)(ii) and 39-16-204(a)(ii), counties may impose a sales and use excise tax not to exceed two percent (2%) upon retail sales of tangible personal property, admissions and services made, and upon sales and storage, use and consumption of tangible personal property, within the county, for specified purposes and in specified amounts as authorized by the qualified electors of the county; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners (the “Commissioners”) of Carbon County, Wyoming (the “County” or “Carbon County”), in response to the needs of the County and requests received from the governing bodies of the Towns of Baggs, Wyoming (“Baggs”); Dixon, Wyoming (“Dixon”); Elk Mountain, Wyoming (“Elk Mountain”); Encampment, Wyoming (“Encampment”); Hanna, Wyoming (“Hanna”); Medicine Bow, Wyoming (“Medicine Bow”); Riverside, Wyoming (“Riverside”); Saratoga, Wyoming (“Saratoga”) and Sinclair, Wyoming (“Sinclair”); and the City of Rawlins, Wyoming (“Rawlins”) (hereinafter Baggs, Dixon, Elk Mountain, Encampment, Hanna, Medicine Bow, Riverside, Saratoga, Sinclair and Rawlins being sometimes collectively referred to as “Municipalities” and together with the County, the “Sponsoring Entities”), have determined to make a specific purpose sales and use excise tax available as a source of funding in the total amount of **\$67,450,000**, and interest earned thereon, for the Sponsoring Entities for the following specific Projects:

- **\$2,297,326** to Baggs for water and sanitary sewer improvements;
- **\$1,531,565** to Dixon for water and sanitary sewer improvements;
- **\$4,315,918** to Elk Mountain for installation of a natural gas service distribution system;
- **\$2,727,300** to Encampment for sanitary sewer, water and park improvements;
- **\$3,171,739** to Hanna for water, park irrigation and street improvements;
- **\$1,531,565** to Medicine Bow for resurfacing six (6) miles of roadway within the Town and improving drainage
- **\$1,883,795** to Riverside for water improvements for the Sierra Madre Water & Sewer Joint Powers Board;
- **\$7,932,440** to Saratoga for water, sanitary sewer, street, pool and ambulance barn improvements;
- **\$2,297,326** to Sinclair for Town Hall Building restoration;
- **\$12,193,076** to Rawlins for street, water, sanitary sewer, drainage and landscaping improvements; and
- **\$27,567,950** to Carbon County for Courthouse and Carbon Building renovations, repairs, replacements and improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners have determined that in order to fund the Projects, and, to the extent necessary and allowed by law, to pay debt service and/or lease payments relating to the Projects, the specific purpose sales and use tax should be imposed in the amount of one percent (1%) (the “Tax”); and



WHEREAS, the Commissioners have determined that it is necessary to approve the proposition for imposition of the Tax by submitting one (1) ballot question to the qualified registered electors of the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Wyo. Stat. §§ 39-15-203(a)(iii)(A) and 39-16-203(a)(ii)(A), before any proposition to impose the Tax shall be placed before the electors of the County, the Commissioners and the governing bodies of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Municipalities shall adopt a resolution approving the proposition, setting forth a procedure for qualification of the ballot question for placement on the ballot and specifying how excess funds shall be expended;

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

**Section 1.** At an election to be held in Carbon County, Wyoming, on Tuesday, May 7, 2019, there will be submitted to the qualified registered electors of the County the proposition of imposing a one percent (1%) specific purpose sales and use excise tax. The ballot for such election shall be in substantially the following form:

**"Shall Carbon County, Wyoming, be authorized to adopt and cause to be imposed a one percent (1%) specific purpose sales and use excise tax within the County, the proceeds from which and the interest earned thereon to be used and applied for funding the acquisition of land (if necessary), the planning, engineering, constructing, remodeling, furnishing, equipping and supplying, and, to the extent necessary and allowed by law, the payment of operation and maintenance, debt service, and/or lease payments, in the following specific principal amounts for the following specific purposes:**

To collect a total of **\$67,450,000** and interest earned thereon for Municipal and County Projects:

- **\$2,297,326** to **Baggs** for *water and sanitary sewer improvements: upgrade* water plant generator and distribution system; *rehabilitate/replace* sanitary sewer mains at Cedar Plaza Subdivision and South Street; *improve* sanitary sewer collection system in Meadowlark Subdivision; *tie* existing sanitary sewer lift stations into Town's supervisory control system; and *replace* culverts and *install* concrete head walls to enhance flood protection.
- **\$1,531,565** to **Dixon** for *water and sanitary sewer improvements: install* isolated transmission line and potable water storage tank mixer; *construct* a pedestrian bridge from the water treatment plant to the infiltration gallery's isolation valves and *replace* the valves; and *replace* the sanitary sewer lagoon's existing disinfection system.

- **\$4,315,918** to **Elk Mountain** for *installation of a natural gas service distribution system.*
- **\$2,727,300** to **Encampment** for *sanitary sewer, water and park improvements:* extensive improvements to the sewer lagoon system in order to meet water quality compliance requirements; *dredge* wastewater treatment plant lagoons; *replace* approximately 4,500 linear feet (12 blocks) of existing sanitary sewer main; *replace* existing 10" perma-strand water main between the treatment plant and the Town's distribution system; and *develop* a public park within the Town limits.
- **\$3,171,739** to **Hanna** for *water, park irrigation and street improvements:* *replace* Front Street water main from Clark Street to Love Street; *replace* Main Street water main from Front Street northerly to one block east of 5<sup>th</sup> Street; *replace* existing irrigation systems and *reseed* the Town park areas; and *replace* all metallic fittings, water valves and fire hydrants, *prepare* subgrade and *resurface* Mineral Drive.
- **\$1,531,565** to **Medicine Bow** for *resurfacing six (6) miles of roadway within the Town and improving drainage.*
- **\$1,883,795** to **Riverside** for *water improvements for the Sierra Madre Water & Sewer Joint Powers Board:* *rehabilitate/replace* water mains under the Encampment River and parallel to WY-230; *install* utility power to the water tank site; *install* additional alarms and tank mixer to the water tank and *rehabilitate* the tank liner system; *replace* the existing water meters and water monitoring system; and *construct* a 16'x24' steel maintenance building for storage and protection of spare parts, tools and equipment.
- **\$7,932,440** to **Saratoga** for *water, sanitary sewer, pool and ambulance barn improvements:* *rehabilitate/replace* (i) water main under the North Platte River, (ii) approximately 1,700 linear feet of water main in Spring Avenue, and (iii) approximately 4,380 feet of water main in River Street; *rehabilitate/replace* (i) 1 million gallon bolted water tank, (ii) approximately 2,750 feet of sanitary sewer mains in the alleyways from 6<sup>th</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street between Elm and Saratoga Streets, (iii) approximately 4,185 feet of sanitary sewer mains in 6<sup>th</sup> Street between Elm and Hugus Streets, and (iv) approximately 1,050 feet of sanitary sewer mains in the alleyways from 7<sup>th</sup> Street and 9<sup>th</sup> Street between Elm Street and Rochester Avenue; *replace* Spring Avenue roadway from River Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street and 13<sup>th</sup> Street from River Bridge to the Town limits; *mill and overlay* new asphalt on Rochester Avenue, Saratoga and Main Streets between 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Streets, Chatterton Avenue, State Street, Walnut Street between River Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and River Street between Walnut and Main Streets; *replace* the plumbing running to the wading pool and the deck surrounding the wading pool

and portions of the swimming pool; and **construct** an addition to the ambulance barn

- **\$2,297,326** to **Sinclair** to **restore the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Town Hall Building** for usable space, to include the expansion of the Parco/Sinclair Museum, rentable office space, community room and conference/training rooms for the community.

- **\$12,193,076** to **Rawlins** for **street, water, sanitary sewer, drainage and landscaping improvements: reconstruct** a section of Walnut Street from 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Street, including water and sanitary sewer improvements; **rebuild** (no water or sanitary sewer improvements) Edinburgh Street from Dunphail to Murray Street, including utility replacements and the addition of storm sewer improvements; **rebuild** (no water or sanitary sewer improvements) Washington Street from Davis to Colorado Street, including utility replacements and the addition of storm sewer improvements; **rebuild** Airport Road (Higley Boulevard Corridor Study); **construct** curb and gutter on Harshman Street south of the Recreation Center and sidewalk, curb and gutter connection to new part of street and school section; **construct** a pedestrian bypass from Aberdeen Street to Harshman Street (Higley Boulevard Corridor Study); **construct** a raw water line from Rochelle Ranch Golf Course to Rawlins Cemetery; **relocate** sanitary sewer line and storm drainage in the Alton Lane area that is under the railroad tracks; **convert** the ditch at the South Side Fire Station to underground drainage system; and **create** low maintenance landscaping for City rights-of-ways.

- **\$27,567,950** to **Carbon County** for **Courthouse and Carbon Building renovations, repairs, replacements and improvements: install** items like fire sprinklers, fire alarms, fire walls, plumbing, mechanical systems, elevators, roofs, parking and security systems, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) upgrades; **COURTHOUSE - relocation and consolidation** of Criminal Justice functions (Circuit Court, Clerk of District Court, District Court, County Attorney, Public Defender and Sheriff's Office/Division of Criminal Investigations); **create** centralized security system, larger spectator gallery for Circuit Court and new inmate access to courtrooms; **renovate** vacated jail for County Attorney office and **relocate** Coroner's office; **CARBON BUILDING - relocation and consolidation** of County Administrative functions (County Commissioners, County Clerk, County Assessor, County Treasurer, Fire Warden, Human Resources, Information Technology (IT), Planning and Zoning and Public Health); and **relocate** the Public Library to the renovated first floor with new street level entry (with no stairs) making the Library accessible without the use of an elevator or stairs and providing focused activity areas for children, teens, adults and patron groups?"

**Section 2.** In the event the proposition shall be approved by the qualified registered electors of Carbon County, the Tax shall commence on October 1, 2019. Upon distribution of the approved Tax funds to the County (or such lesser amount if the County agrees to terminate the Tax pursuant to the provisions of Wyo. Stat. §§ 39-15-203(a)(iii)(G) and 39-16-

203(a)(ii)(G), excess Tax funds shall be retained by the Carbon County Treasurer for one (1) year for refund of overpayments. After one (1) year, the excess Tax funds (less any refunds), plus any interest earned thereon, shall be distributed to the County and the Municipalities based on the respective ratio which the principal amount of each Project approved bears to the total principal amount of all Projects approved. All Tax funds, and interest thereon, shall be used for construction, operation, equipment and maintenance of the Projects specified in the ballot question.

**Section 3.** The passage of this resolution and approving resolutions by the governing bodies of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Municipalities shall constitute written notification to the County Clerk, specifying the date of the election, ballot question, as required by Wyo. Stat. § 22-21-103, and shall further constitute approval as required by Wyo. Stat. §§ 39-15-203(a)(iii)(A) and 39-16-204(a)(ii)(A).

**Section 4.** Should any part or provision of this resolution ever be judicially determined to be invalid or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the remaining parts and provisions hereof, the intention being that each part or provision of this resolution is severable.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** as of the 18th day of December, 2019.

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

-s- John Espy  
County Commissioner

ATTESTED: -s- County Clerk

**Commissioners**

Commissioner Chapman asked Mr. Nation if the county does one-calls prior to grading. Mr. Nation stated he does not do one calls for general maintenance.

Commissioner Jones reported the per Federal Aviation Administration law the county recently released two requests for Statements of Qualifications and Experience for Professional Airport Planning Services and for Professional Airport Engineering Services, both for the Dixon Airport. Proposals were received in response to both from the following: Dowl; TO Engineers; Gores & James Associates (engineering only); and Sage Civil Engineering (engineering only). The BOCC determined it would review all the proposals and make a recommendation at the January 7 meeting.

Commissioner Jones moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on the grant application for Pre-Disaster Mitigation at Boozer Creek. Commissioner Espy seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

County Master Resolution

Chairman Johnson reported he met with the Rawlins City Manager and others regarding dedication of an area east of Rawlins as an enterprise zone. Investors are looking for a place for a lithium processing plant and the city recently passed a resolution to this effect. Commissioner Chapman stated the plant may not come here but this could encourage the development. Sid Fox reported there is an opportunity zone already designated and asked if this is different.

Commissioner Davis asked the attorney about games of skill with the recent Attorney General opinion. Attorney Davis reported that after receipt of the AG opinion, the vendor has asked for a reconsideration after they provided additional information. After this is complete, law enforcement will be instructed how to proceed.

Commissioner Espy and the WY County Commissioners Association have been working on language for the county's final WY Public Lands Initiative and the county may need a countywide plan rather than specific WSAs.

Chairman Johnson reported that the County Attorneys Association would like an attorney coordinator and that the idea was supported, but would likely have to be supported by each county's budget.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Chairman Johnson opened a public hearing at 11:01 a.m. to hear Planning & Zoning Z.C. Case File #2018-05 – Gregory and Kathleen Reames request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) to Rural Residential Agriculture (RRA-17.64). Sarah Hutchins, GIS Coordinator presented the case. The RRA Zone is intended to be applied in areas of the County which are particularly suited for both agricultural and residential uses intermingled. The site location is approximately 1 mile west of Rawlins and approximately 0.4 miles north of I-80 off Red Mercedes Road on A tract of land located W1/2 SE1/4 SW1/4, Section 13 (Less 2.5 Acres described in Book 931, Page 263), T21N, R88W.

Chairman Johnson called for comments. Kathleen Reames reported in 1996 she was given 2.5 acres from her parents and they came to own the remainder later and they would like to bring the parcel into compliance and potentially give part to their son for a residence in the future. There being no further comments Chairman Johnson closed the public hearing at 11:04 a.m.

Commissioner Jones moved to approve Resolution No. 2018-43 A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming for Z.C. Case File #2018-05 – Gregory and Kathleen Reames. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **Resolution No. 2018 - 43**

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

#### **Z.C. Case File #2018-05**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2015, as amended, and Wyo. Stat. Ann. §18-5-202(b), the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on Monday, November 5, 2018, which hearing was advertised by public notice at least thirty (30) days prior to said hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, at the Monday, November 5, 2018, public hearing, the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission provided the public the opportunity to comment and the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission considered any public comments which were made at said public hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, at the conclusion of said Monday, November 5, 2018, public hearing, the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission voted to certify in writing its recommendation to the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners to adopt the change as an amendment to the Carbon County Official Zoning Map for Carbon County, Wyoming; and

**WHEREAS**, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners, pursuant to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2015, as amended, and Wyo. Stat. Ann. §18-5-202(c) and after receipt of said certified recommendation of this zoning amendment to the Carbon County Official Zoning Map, advertised by public notice at least 14 days prior to a public hearing to take public input and comments on the proposed amendment, which said hearing occurred on Tuesday, December 18, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, at said public hearing on December 18, 2018, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners provided the opportunity for the public to comment and for the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners to consider any comments which were made on the proposed amendment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners in considering the proposed amendment have also reviewed and considered the Carbon County Comprehensive Land Use Plan, as amended; and the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2015, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners have determined that the proposed amendment is in general conformance with the Carbon County Comprehensive Land Use Plan, as amended, and the applicable provisions of the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2015, as amended; 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 Board of County Commissioners, by majority vote, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners moved to approve the proposed zoning amendment to the Carbon County Official Zoning Map.

**Z.C. Case File #2018-05:** Request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) to Rural Residential Agriculture (RRA-17.64). The RRA Zone is intended to be applied in areas of the County which are particularly suited for both agricultural and residential uses intermingled.

**Petitioners:** Gregory and Kathleen Reames (Applicants and Land Owners)

**Parcel Identification Number:** 21881330007600

**General Site Location:** Approximately 1 mile west of Rawlins and approximately 0.4 miles north of I-80 off Red Mercedes Road.

**Legal Description:** A tract of land located W1/2 SE1/4 SW1/4, Section 13 (Less 2.5 Acres described in Book 931, Page 263), T21N, R88W.

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

That the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners, hereby adopts this amendment as certified to them in writing by the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission and the existing zone shall be changed from Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) to Rural Residential Agriculture (RRA-17.64) on approximately 17.64 acres.

**PRESENTED, READ, AND ADOPTED** at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming, on this 18th day of December, 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING

-s- Willing John Johnson, Chairman  
On behalf of the Carbon County  
Board of County Commissioners

Attest:

Gwynn G. Bartlett, Carbon County Clerk

Chairman Johnson opened a public hearing at 11:06 a.m. to hear Planning & Zoning C.U. Case File #2018-14 – TransWest Express Transmission Project requesting a Conditional Use Permit to construct the TransWest Express Transmission Project. The Chairman noted that Commissioner Espy will abstain and not participate in today’s discussion due to conflict.

Planning Director Sid Fox reported the Transmission Project will transmit the electricity generated at the Chokecherry Sierra Madre Wind Energy Facility. The project is a high voltage transmission system that will extend across four states and will include approximately 730 miles of transmission line and 3 terminals located in Wyoming, Utah, and Nevada. The system will be capable of transmitting 3,000 megawatts (MW) of electric energy and crosses approximately 55 miles through Carbon County, Wyoming. The project includes a planned interconnection with an existing 230kV line that will provide the ability to feed energy into the Wyoming grid as demand arises. The Project begins south of Rawlins and will proceed west to the Sweetwater County line and then south generally along the Carbon and Sweetwater County line where it will enter Colorado. The county was a cooperating agency in a NEPA study and a prior BOCC approved Resolution 2011-15 regarding a preferred location of this line.

Gary Miller, Vice President of Land and Environmental Affairs for TransWest Express, LLC presented a Powerpoint and discussed a company and project overview, facilities, permitting process and schedule, coordination and outreach and the conditional use permit criteria.

Mr. Miller reported the project parent company is Anschutz. The project is 730 miles, approximately 55 miles in Carbon County, 500 Kv line with both A/C and D/C technology. The area is near Sinclair and will go to near Delta, UT where it will tie into an existing line. In 2011 Carbon County and Sweetwater County adopted a joint resolution with a suggested location. Structures will be approximately 120’-180’ in height. The Wyoming terminal will be completely

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located on their existing ranch. The environmental analysis and planning process has taken over eight years and they hope to have their conditional use permit from the county today. They did receive the Sweetwater permit recently. They expect to file their industrial siting application mid-January. The project will be on BLM, State and private lands. 80% of the rights of way has been acquired on public lands and approximately 55% on private lands. Mr. Miller stated they expect construction to begin 2020 with stage 1 in Wyoming 2020-2022 then the terminal Stage 2 2023-2025.

Mr. Miller reminded the board of the county's conditional use permit criteria including (1) Consistent with the goals of the land use plan and future land use map; (2) Serves a public need; (3) appropriate for the proposed location; (4) Adequately served by services and facilities; (5) Commercial and truck traffic shall not use residential streets; and (6) Adequate steps taken to minimize and control potential environmental impacts. Mr. Miller explained how they have complied with each.

The project benefits include creation of construction and operations jobs, enhancing the state's position as an energy export leader, and generation of \$260.3 million in property taxes over 50 years and \$53.5 million in sales and use taxes in WY, of this approximately \$200 million in Carbon County and almost half of the sales and use tax for Carbon County. They anticipate approximately 142 workers in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2020 to be the peak of construction workers. Upon operation they expect 20-30 permanent, full-time jobs in Carbon County.

Chairman Johnson called for comments.

A gentleman of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers stated his support of the project. Amy Bach, Rawlins City Attorney stated the City's support for the project.

Cindy Wallace, Director of the Carbon County Economic Development Corporation stated their support for the project.

There being no further comments Chairman Johnson closed the hearing at 11:47 a.m.

Commissioner Chapman moved to approve Resolution No. 2018-44 A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming for C.U. Case File #2018-14 – TransWest Express Transmission Project. Commissioner Davis seconded and the motion carried with all voting for the motion except Commissioner Espy who abstained due to conflict.

#### **Resolution No. 2018 – 44**

#### **A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming adopting the recommendation of the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission.**

#### **C.U. Case File #2018-14 – “TransWest Express Transmission Project”**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2015, as amended, and Wyo. Stat. Ann. §18-5-202(b), the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission advertised to hold a public



hearing on Monday, November 5, 2018, which said hearing was advertised by public notice at least thirty (30) days prior to said hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, at the Monday, November 5, 2018, public hearing, the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission provided the public the opportunity to comment and the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission considered any public comments which were made at said public hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, at the conclusion of the Monday, November 5, 2018, public hearing, the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission voted to certify in writing its recommendation to the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners pursuant to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2015, as amended for Carbon County, Wyoming; and

**WHEREAS**, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners, pursuant to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2015, as amended, and Wyo. Stat. Ann. §18-5-202(c) and after receipt of said certified recommendation; advertised by public notice at least 14 days prior to a public hearing to take public input and comments which said hearing occurred on Tuesday, December 18, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, at said public hearing on December 18, 2018, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners provided the opportunity for the public to comment and for the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners to consider any comments which were made on the proposed application; and

**WHEREAS**, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners in considering said application have also reviewed and considered the Carbon County Comprehensive Land Use Plan, as amended; and the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2015, as amended, specifically, Section 5.4, Conditional Use Permits; and

**WHEREAS**, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners have determined that the proposed permit is in general conformance with the Carbon County Comprehensive Land Use Plan, as amended, and the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2015, as amended, 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 Board of County Commissioners, by majority vote, the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners moved to approve the following Conditional Use Permit Application:

**C.U. Case #2018-14:** Conditional Use Permit to construct the TransWest Express Transmission Project that will transmit the electricity generated at the Chokecherry Sierra Madre Wind (CCSM) Energy Facility and other sources. The project includes all associated components and facilities that are necessary to generate electricity and deliver electricity to the transmission grid, including an interconnection with an existing 230kV line that will feed energy into the Wyoming grid as demand arises.

**Project/Site Name:** TransWest Express Transmission Project

**Petitioner:** TransWest Express, LLC

**General Site Location:** The Project begins south of Rawlins and will proceed west to the Sweetwater County line and then south generally along the Carbon and Sweetwater County line where it will enter Colorado.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL:**

1. TransWest must submit the updated Project POD and Implementation Plans to the Planning and Development Department within 30 days of approval by the BLM.
2. TransWest must update the Commission and Board regarding any changes to the Project and proposed schedule following the BLM's issuance of the Final Notice to Proceed, during the building permit review process, or as otherwise requested.

3. Building Permit\Site Plan Approval is required prior to construction. Building permit application(s) must include final engineering/survey drawings as part of the building permit application.
4. The Applicant will submit proof of legal access to the Carbon County Planning & Development Department as part of the building permit application and review process.
5. The Applicant may adjust the location of Project Facilities to address landowner concerns, engineering constraints, or unforeseen environmental conflicts in accordance with the following:
  - a. If adjustments to the Project Facilities are required beyond those described in the Conditional Use Permit application, the applicant shall:
    - i. Notify the Carbon County Planning & Development Department in writing describing the proposed adjustments.
    - ii. Upon receipt of a notice of proposed adjustments to Project Facilities, the Planning Director shall approve the adjustments by issuance of a building permit/zoning certificate; or,
    - iii. If the proposed adjustments are deemed significant by the Planning Director, the applicant may be required to submit a new Conditional Use Permit Application.
    - iv. Any decision concerning this condition may be appealed to the Board of County Commissioners.
6. The Applicant shall obtain and provide copies of all required Wyoming and Federal permits.
7. Any use for which a conditional use permit is granted must be commenced within two (2) years from the date of approval. Because the BLM's Record of Decision precludes the Applicant from commencing construction until the BLM issues its Final Notice to Proceed, this two (2) year period is tolled and shall not begin to run until the date on which the BLM issues its Final Notice to Proceed. If the Project is not commenced within two (2) years from the date on which the BLM issues its Final Notice to Proceed, then the Conditional Use Permit shall expire and become null and void and be of no further effect, except as extended in compliance with Section 5.4-I, Extension of Conditional Use Permits.
8. Upon approval by the Board, the following provisions from the Zoning Resolution will be incorporated into the final Resolution:
  - a. In accordance with Section 5.4-J, Transfer of Conditional Use Permits:
    - No Conditional Use Permit shall be transferred without the prior approval of the Board of County Commissioners.
  - b. In the event the actions occurring pursuant to this permit are found to be in material violation of the terms and conditions of this permit, or are found to have been obtained by fraud, this permit shall be subject to all remedies allowed by law. Violation of any of the above restrictions can be grounds for terminating this Conditional Use Permit.

**Amendments to Conditional Use Permits:** A Conditional Use Permit may be amended pursuant to the procedures and standards as required for a new CUP application.

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

That the Carbon County Board of County Commissioners hereby approves this Conditional Use Permit (CUP) as certified to them in writing by the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission as

represented in the Conditional Use Permit (C.U. Case #2018-14 – “TransWest Express Transmission Project”).

**PRESENTED, READ, AND ADOPTED** at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming, this 18th day of December, 2018.

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

-s- Willing John Johnson, Chairman  
On behalf of the Carbon County  
Board of County Commissioners

Attest:

Gwynn G. Bartlett, Carbon County Clerk

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Cindy Wallace asked the BOCC to oppose any increase to wind tax proposed by Senator Case or any other legislators. She suggested a previous resolution or letter sent be sent to the legislative committee ahead of time.

**COUNTY ATTORNEY**

County Attorney Cal Rerucha asked for county employees to have Christmas Eve off. The BOCC had no response.

**MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF CARBON COUNTY**

Abbi Forwood, counsel for the hospital along with Garry Goergen, Mark Kostovny and Rod Waeckerlin discussed the hospital management contract. Ms. Forwood read a prepared statement regarding management and the recent RFP process for management. In the statement, the board will engage a professional, neutral third party in the next 1-2 months to prepare a new RFP process. They expect a 6-12 month process with an additional month to negotiate a contract. The hospital has negotiated and unanimously voted for a renewal contract with Quorum Health Resources and desires to utilize their services during a new RFP process for management, affiliation, a lease or a combination of any of these options.

Ms. Forwood also presented a letter from Gregory Johnson, MD.

Ms. Forwood discussed comments from Bob Keil about their past medical services at the hospital and attendance to board meetings and it was clear to her that neither used the hospital or attended many board meetings in the past year. She also noted that the board and medical staff thinks a renewal with QHR is necessary for two years to allow for a fair RFP process in the interim. She

then presented a two year agreement, guaranteed one year with a cancellation clause noting nothing has changed from prior versions except the term.

Commissioner Espy asked what assurances the BOCC has that the hospital board will start the RFP process. After asking for this to be done a year ago with no results, he is worried about “kicking the can down the road” further. He also asked if the board will take a more active role in employee concerns occurring in the hospital with the current management and the perception that two way communication is not allowed. Mr. Waeckerlin assured the board the hospital would do the RFP process quickly and efficiently. He feels staff concerns have already been addressed and they continue to work on those matters. Ms. Forwood stated there may be misconceptions about why the board is in this spot. In August 2017, the BOCC asked for the RFP process noting it would not consider the QHR process. Commissioner Glode attended a hospital meeting immediately thereafter apologizing for the letter, which added to the confusion. At that meeting, the hospital board told Commissioner Glode they would not start a RFP process until after their strategic planning process was complete. The planning process revealed that stakeholders wanted affiliation and this was underway when this new RFP process began, stopping all the affiliation conversations.

In addition, according to Ms. Forwood the hospital board admits they dropped the ball on the RFP process towards the end of this year. Regardless of the outcome of today, the hospital board will undergo a neutral RFP process that they will pay for.

Commissioner Davis asked what was wrong with the current RFP process and what will be different going forward. Ms. Forwood stated they will hire a neutral, professional company to preserve the integrity of the process.

Commissioner Chapman reported on his excellent care at the hospital and he feels like the hospital is in its best position.

Commissioner Jones stated the RFP process was never meant to be contentious and she is happy to see that since September 2017 the hospital board has come back to where the BOCC asked them to be a year ago. She stated she doesn’t feel her only avenue to find out about the inner-workings of the hospital is the board. She stated the hospital board still has the option of hiring an interim CEO during the RFP process.

Chairman Johnson stated he is excited to know they will perform a RFP process.

Commissioner Davis moved to authorize the Chairman’s signature on a Memorial Hospital of Carbon County Quorum Health Resources Contract. Commissioner Chapman seconded. The motion failed with Commissioners Espy and Chapman voting for the motion and Commissioners Jones, Davis and Chairman Johnson voting against the motion.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Espy moved to go into executive session at 1:46 p.m. with Gwynn Bartlett, Sid Fox and Ashley Mayfield Davis. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Espy moved to come out of executive session at 1:54 p.m. noting no action was taken and that the minutes be signed and sealed. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **ATTORNEY**

Attorney Davis reported a request for the contested case hearing for Little Medicine Bow Wind previously discussed to be held in January or February be moved to May 2019. She will work with the clerk to schedule the meeting.

Attorney Davis followed up on Attorney Rerucha's request for Christmas Eve off. She noted the current county policy allows for half of Christmas Eve. Budget discussion occurred.

Commissioner Espy moved to make December 24 a holiday, all day for 2018. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Chapman moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m. Commissioner Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

A regular meeting of this Board will be held January 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Carbon County Courthouse, Rawlins, WY. The public is invited to attend or you can listen online at the website listed below. To get on the agenda, call the Clerk's Office by the Thursday before the meeting. Per Wyo. Stat. §18-3-516(f), access to county information can be obtained at [www.carbonwy.com](http://www.carbonwy.com) or by calling the Clerk's Office at (307) 328-2668 or 1-800-250-9812.