

OFFICIAL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

Pinedale, Wyoming
July 6, 1982

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session, this date, at 9:00 a. m. Present were Chairman, C. F. Alexander, Member Floyd E. Bousman and Clerk, Lois J. Yake. Absent: Commissioner W. R. Tanner.

Minutes of June meetings were approved as published on motion by Commissioner Bousman, seconded by Commissioner Alexander and carried.

Official Bonds approved and filed: W. F. Meyer, County Coroner - \$1,000.00; Betty Lou McLoughlin, Treasurer, Upper Green River Cemetery District - \$1000.00; Max Boroff, Treasurer, County Fair Board - \$2,000.00; Edward Steele, Jr., Treasurer, Weed and Pest Control Board - \$3000.00; Shirley Tanner, Clerk/Treasurer, Town of Big Piney - \$1000.00; Laurie P. Bloomfield, Clerk for Justice of Peace Cramer - \$1000.00; Terry Reach D. Reach, Deputy Sheriff - \$1000.00; Joseph R. Bolinger, Deputy Sheriff - \$1000.00; Janice K. Almquist, Ken McLaughlin, David A. Smith and Caron P. Griffith as Dispatchers, Sheriff's office - \$1000.00 each and County Planning & Zoning office position schedule for administrator and secretary - \$5000.00 each.

Craig Crandall, of Wyoming Telephone Company, described two alarm systems which their company plans to lease to interested businesses and individuals. One is a direct line system for businesses and the other a digital communications systems for homes, fires, emergencies etc. The telephone company will own and install the systems, provide service and testing, collect from the customers and pay the county \$5.00 per month for each location. He also offered to upgrade equipment located in the sheriff's office, to alert officers to break-ins, fires and emergencies, at no cost to the county. The Commissioners agreed.

Ralph Sterling, Lois Beard and Mr. & Mrs. Monday homeowners in the Jim Bridger Estates Subdivision, were present to determine if the developer had constructed the roads within the subdivision to minimum county road standards. The Commissioners replied that they had approved Mr. Booth's request to construct the roads to less than minimum standards since they were to be used during summer months only. The group also mentioned that several survey stakes had been moved or destroyed during road construction and were concerned that an access road, partly on state lands, was not located as shown on the plat and inquired about enforcement of the covenants governing the subdivision. They were advised to apply to the State for an easement for the road in its present location and told that enforcement of covenants is the responsibility of the homeowners association within each subdivision.

The Commissioners approved a budget request of \$2000.00 made by members of the Pinedale High Country Senior Citizens to enclose the walk-in freezer and install a ramp and railing for the steps.

Hazel Werner, Assessor and Albert and George Thatcher of Thatcher Consultants spoke with the Commissioners about a survey of all privately owned agricultural lands in the county to assist the Assessor in determining current use of land and obtaining a fair value for assessment purposes. The survey would consist of an actual on site observation to determine the number of acres of range land and cultivated, irrigated lands, according to State guide lines, and aerial photographs and written tabulations would be provided for all lands down to the smallest legal subdivision on general land office plats. Total cost, at 5¢ per acre, would be \$28,104.45 and the survey would take two years to complete. On motion by Commissioner Bousman a contract was negotiated with Thatcher Consultants to assist the County Assessor in making accurate assessments with the funds to be budgeted over the next two years. Motion seconded by Commissioner Alexander and carried.

The following bids were considered: New pickup for road & bridge department: E & L Motors, 1982 Chevrolet 3/4 Ton 4X4 - \$9500.00 - Walton Ford, 1982 Ford 3/4 Ton 4X4 - \$9021.94.

Delgado Oil Company		Rookies Lodge, Inc.	
Regular	.998 + 8¢ state tax	Regular	1.13357
Diesel #2	.993	No Lead	1.17357
Diesel #1	1.053	Diesel #2	1.06083
Diesel #1/40% #2/60%	1.017	Diesel #1	1.14083

All prices subject to change in accordance with wholesale prices.

On Motion by Commissioner Bousman, Seconded by Commissioner Alexander, the low bids submitted by Walton Ford and Delgado Oil Company were accepted. Motion carried.

The following persons were appointed to serve on county boards on motion by Floyd Bousman:

Library Board: Barbara Burrough - three year term (expires 6-30-85)

Museum Board: Mike Steele - reappointed to three year term (expires 6-30-85)

Fair Board: Gary Espenschied - five year term (expires 6-30-87)

Planning & Zoning Commission: JoAnn Mahoney - three year term (expires 6-30-85)

Recreation Board: Bill Backs to fulfill unexpired term of Bill Wills who resigned and Agnes Aho to fulfill unexpired term of Betty Fear who resigned.

Motion seconded by Bill Alexander and carried. The appointment of a new member to serve on the Hospital Board was tabled until the next regular meeting.

About twenty-five people attended the meeting to urge the Commissioners to approve budget request of \$200,000.00 for the purchase of television equipment to provide TV signals to rural areas. The Commissioners stated that after their last meeting with the rural TV Committee, in June, they wanted to be sure that such use of county funds was legal to avoid any possibility of a tax payers lawsuit and had instructed County Attorney Sievers to research the statutes to determine such legality and his written opinion was read aloud to the group. It stated that no Wyoming statute was found specifically authorizing counties to fund the purchase of Television transmittal systems and suggested an improvement and service district which may be formed "to acquire, construct, operate and maintain improvements of local necessity and convenience. It is started by petition signed by 60% or more of the taxpayers and 60% of assessed valuation together with \$200.00 filing fee. The petition shall describe generally the improvements proposed and the service to be furnished the inhabitants, detail method of financing and nominate 3 persons to serve as a board of directors. It provides for hearing not less than 20 or more than 40 days after filing of petition. Also by written request, land can be considered for inclusion or exclusion in the improvement district. The commissioners have to determine if the public will be served by formation of an improvement district. Finally, affected or aggrieved persons can appeal for judicial review. Thus, it would be possible for the people to have what they want and pay for it, while others could be excluded from having what they don't want forced upon them. The group voiced concern that the commissioners could reject the petition after they have gone to all the trouble and expense of filing it. Both Commissioner