

OFFICIAL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS  
FEBRUARY 17, 1998

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on this date at 9:00 a.m. with Buzz Wassenberg, Bill Cramer, Gordon Johnston, Jim Hutchinson, Dave Trombly, Cat Urbigkit of the Pinedale Roundup, Mike McGinnis, and Mary Lankford, County Clerk present.

The minutes of the preceding meeting of February 3, 1998, were ordered filed on motion by Commissioner Cramer and seconded by Commissioner Johnston. The motion carried.

The official bonds for Alice Griggs, Clerk Treasurer for the Town of Marbleton and the GECC, in the amount of \$165,000; Roxanna Jensen, Treasurer for the Sublette County Fair Board, in the amount of \$2,000; David Bell, Treasurer for the Recreation Board of Sublette County, in the amount of \$5,000, and Adrienne Peterson, in the amount of \$3,000, were approved and ordered filed with the County Treasurer.

Russ Hadley discussed traffic on Valley Road and Lake Road in Shelter Park. Hadley suggested extending Valley Road to the Willow Lake County Road or extending Crear Lane to Valley Road, in an effort to reduce traffic in Shelter Park. The Board decided to review the situation.

The Board approved letters prepared by Chairman Wassenberg to the Town of Big Piney and Dr. David Burnett, Sublette County's representative on the Big Piney-Marbleton Airport Board, regarding the restriction of use of the gravel pit at the Big Piney Airport. The Board agreed that if the County is not able to resolve the situation, it will consider withdrawing from the Joint Powers Board.

Mike McGinnis, Road and Bridge Superintendent, informed the Board that an application will be filed with the BLM for a fire lane at the Marbleton Landfill, and presented estimates for the construction of scale houses at the Marbleton Landfill and Pinedale Transfer Station. Chairman Wassenberg questioned the need for a scale at the Transfer Station. McGinnis was directed to bring revised estimates to the next meeting for just the Marbleton Landfill. It was reported that authorization had been received from the BLM for the Peterson Hill project.

The Board reviewed a letter from Paul Scherbel regarding property donated to Sublette County by Crowell Dean for a geological interpretive site. The Board decided to assume responsibility for its development and directed that the Recreation Board be notified of the decision.

McGinnis reported that spring road opening will begin in the southern part of the County.

Commissioner Johnston expressed concern about the present process for recommending and appointing members to County boards. After discussion it was decided to review the process in several months when board appointments will be made.

In accordance with the public notice published in the Pinedale Roundup on February 5, 1998, public hearing was held, in accordance with W.S. 18-12-108(c), for a petition for the formation of the Meadow Canyon Road Improvement District. Chairman Wassenberg relinquished his seat on the Commission, due to a conflict of interest, to Vice-Chairman Cramer. The County Clerk presented the petition, advertisement, and certification of value from the County Assessor. Jim Robertson, representing the petition, discussed access in the subdivision and the purpose of the petition. Bill Twichell presented a Notice of Request for Exclusion and Objection for his clients, Jimmy Donald and Norma Jean Donald, owners of Lot 8 of Meadow Canyon Estates. The notice stated that "one or more of the roads to be improved are regularly used by other home owners who are not included in the proposed District and therefore, the Donald's should be permitted to also have their property excluded." The Donald's also objected to the formation of the District. Vice-Chairman Cramer questioned how to exclude the Donald's lot and exclusion of future owners of the lot. It was questioned why Wassenberg Subdivision was excluded from this petition, and reported that Wassenberg Subdivision had upgraded its roads this past summer. At the conclusion of the discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Johnston and seconded by Commissioner Cramer to find that the establishment of the proposed district would serve the public convenience and necessity in that area and that the petition has been properly presented, in accordance with W.S. 18-12-107, and that the request for exclusion by Twichell, on behalf of his clients, the Donalds, be denied. The motion carried. The Board directed that the resolution to establish the formation of the district and call an election be prepared.

Chairman Wassenberg assumed the chair.

It was moved by Commissioner Cramer and seconded by Commissioner Johnston to designate the 1st National Bank of Pinedale as an official depository for Sublette County. The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Johnston and seconded by Commissioner Cramer to approve and sign the Agreement between the Wyoming Reproductive Health Council and the Sublette County Family Planning Program which will provide \$580.00 for Family Planning Services. The motion carried.

Chairman Wassenberg discussed the upcoming Wyoming County Commissioners Association Legislative Meeting in Cheyenne next week. Meetings are scheduled with Lincoln County Officials and Legislators, Dr. Gern of the University of Wyoming, Council of Governments, and Senator Grant Larson and Representative Budd Betts.

It was reported that the State of Wyoming and Exxon appeal has been docketed at the Supreme Court.