

Scheel asked that the Fair Board be placed on the July 5, 2017 meeting agenda to discuss the repair/replacement of the roof on the Multi-Purpose building at the Fairgrounds.

Hospital Bill Discussion

Hospital Board Chairman Bill Williams appeared before the Commissioners for file a formal appeal as set out by State Statutes for relief regarding the bill received by the Hospital Board for \$7,269.00 in special district election costs. Dr. Williams noted that the recent flurry of trips to Cheyenne in an attempt to obtain funding for the district necessitated by some errors in communication and lack of experience with special district procedures has left the Board with a shortage of funds for this bill. Tom Ryan moved to forgive the bill for the special district election costs. Phillip Scheel seconded the motion. Discussion: the Commissioners stated that they do not intend to set a precedent of paying for special district election costs by this action, but are doing so as an adjustment for error and to acknowledge the learning curve involved. Motion carried.

Main Street Thermopolis Update

Main Street representatives Howie and Suzanne Samelson and Deb and Rick Tudor reported on their trip to the Main Street U.S.A. national conference in Pittsburgh last month. Deb Tudor presented a fact sheet on tourism in Hot Springs County which included the fact that tourism generated \$24.5 million and supported 320 jobs in 2016. Rick Tudor discussed the various ideas the Main Street Thermopolis group is using for fundraising to support the group's mission of renewal and revitalization of the downtown business district.

Certified Local Government Process Update

Meri Ann Rush gave the Commissioners an update on the Certified Local Government process. The towns of Thermopolis and Kirby have agreed to participate in the process. East Thermopolis has declined to participate. Ms. Rush will work with the Commissioners' staff to craft a resolution of participation that will be signed by all three entities. This resolution will be brought for the Commissioners' approval at the August 1st meeting. One of the requirements for becoming a Certified Local Government is the establishment of a Historic Preservation Review Commission. Ms. Rush suggested a seven member commission consisting of two representatives from Kirby, two from Thermopolis, and three from the County. Work on establishing this commission will begin after the resolution has been prepared and approved by all three entities.

AEOC Generator Connection Bid Presentation

Emergency Management Coordinator Bill Gordon presented the one bid received in response to his requests of three local electricians for a hard-wired connection for the Emergency Operations Center Generator. Jadeco, Inc. submitted a bid with several options regarding cable length and various connections. Mr. Gordon reviewed the different options and answered questions from the Commissioners regarding those options. Phil Scheel moved to award the bid for the AEOC Generator Connection to Jadeco, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$4,500.00. Tom Ryan seconded the motion. Discussion: Mr. Gordon will work with Jadeco to determine the best option for cable and connections. Funds for this will be taken from Emergency Expenditures. Motion carried.

Wyoming Health Fairs Contract Renewal

Clerk Webber presented the 2018 Wellness Contract with Wyoming Health Fairs for the Commissioners' consideration. There was a slight increase in the amount of this contract for 2018 – the increase was accounted for in the 2017-2018 Budget proposal. Tom Ryan moved to approve the contract between Wyoming Health Fairs and Hot Springs County for the 2018 Employee Wellness program. Phillip Scheel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other Business

Airport Reuse Study Funding Source Change – At the May 16th meeting, the GDA bill for the Airport Reuse Study in the amount of \$6,379.00 was approved with funds coming from the SLIB Match line item. Clerk Webber later reported there was not enough money left in that line item to cover this bill. Tom Ryan moved to pay the bill from the Airport – THP account. Phillip Scheel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Correspondence

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Housing Preservation Program Pre-Application Notification

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Snowmelt Forecast

May, 2017

The Commissioners reviewed the foregoing correspondence items. No additional action was required.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the board, Tom Ryan moved to adjourn. John Lumley declared the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

John P. Lumley, Chairman

Nina Webber, Clerk to the Board