

**CARBON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2000
BAGGS SENIOR CENTER, BAGGS, WYOMING**

A special meeting of the Carbon County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, February 8, 2000 at the Baggs Senior Center, Baggs, Wyoming. Officials attending the meeting were Commissioners Lee Meacham, Linda Fleming and Chairman Artlin Zeiger; Linda Ann Smith, Carbon County Clerk; Alice Garvin, Chief Deputy County Clerk; Bill Nation, Road & Bridge; and Susan Vasey-Haynes, Deputy County Clerk.

Members of the public attending the meeting were Steve Adams, Norman Vigil, Ed Reed, Sherry Weber, Matt Weber, Pat Sheehan, Kathleen Weber, Ray Weber, Jason Weber, H.D. Criswell, Robert Dunckley, Joe Parziale, Jack Cobb, Rhonda Nicholas and Carolyn Adams.

The meeting was scheduled for the purpose of discussing liability insurance at the Little Snake River Events Center/Russell Memorial Park facility in Baggs.

The following documents were distributed to those attending:

Lease Agreement between Carbon County and the Little Snake River Lions Club
Letter from Monty Lauer of the Local Government Liability Pool dated January 21, 2000.

Chairman Zeiger called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Linda Smith advised those present that issues concerning the liability coverage at the events center have been recently discovered which require immediate action. It was determined that events held at the center were not covered under any liability insurance unless the event was sanctioned by the LSR Lions Club, who holds the lease on the facility. The County liability coverage, held through LGP, only covers government entities, which the current Events Center Board and the Lions Club are not.

The Commissioners offered two viable solutions to the liability coverage problem. The first being the creation of a Russell Community Park Advisory Board, with members appointed by the Commission, to act at the discretion of the County, thereby making the board a county entity, entitled to County liability coverage. This option would require that the Lions Club allow the Commission to dissolve the current lease on the facility. The Commissioners would, under this plan, assure that the lifetime memberships to the center will remain intact and sub-committees could be formed to provide for the operation and maintenance of both the outdoor and indoor facilities.

The second option would require that the Lions Club provide proof of liability insurance, with Carbon County named as additional insured. The Lions Club would also need to ascertain if their liability insurance would allow them to completely take over maintenance and operation of the facility.

Following open discussion, the Commissioners indicated to both the Lions Club and the Events Center Board that they have until the next regular Commissioners meeting on Tuesday, February 15, 2000 to approach their respective memberships and decide between the two options given. For the next week, Norm Vigil of the Lions Club stated that all activity at the center will be sanctioned as a Lions Club event to prevent closing the facility until a mutually beneficial solution has been agreed upon. The Lions Club requested that the County Civil Attorney will be contacted to review the Lions Club insurance policy to determine the amount of liability coverage it provides, and the conditions of coverage.

Being there no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Artlin Zeiger, Chairman



Linda Ann Smith, County Clerk