

BOARD OF CARBON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, January 6, 2004
Carbon County Courthouse
Rawlins, Wyoming

The regular meeting of the Carbon County Commissioners was held on January 6, 2004, at the Carbon County Courthouse in Rawlins, WY. Attending the meeting were Chairman Artlin Zeiger; Commissioners Linda Fleming and Lee Meacham; Linda Ann Smith, Carbon County Clerk; Alice Garvin, Chief Deputy Clerk; and Gwynn Rothenberger, Deputy Clerk.

Chairman Artlin Zeiger called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

VOUCHERS

The following vouchers were presented for payment:

AT&T	Various	59.87
Alsco	Road & Bridge	58.94
American Diabetes Association	Public Health	28.00
Amerigas	Various	1,102.14
Avaya	Radio Tech	227.50
Bank of Commerce	Various	1,718.88
Bartlett, Sue	Public Health	253.11
Bi-Rite Pharmacy	Jail	15.40
Black Hills Ammunition	Sheriff	622.50
Bob Barker Company	Jail	151.28
Bresnan Communications	Sheriff	112.71
Brown, Estella	Grants	15.84
Busey, Sharalee	Public Health	139.92
Carbon County Chamber of Commerce	Treasurer	54.12
Carbon County TV & Electronics	Attorney	39.80
Casper Star-Tribune	Grants	127.02
Centurytel	Various	96.05
Cesko, David MD	Public Health	148.00
Chemsearch	Various	340.64
Computer Software Associates	Various	7,132.65
Corner Store	Emergency Management	25.26
Corporate Express	Various	959.81
Country Store	Sheriff	15.00
Crawford, Warren	Extension Service	275.68
CSK Auto, Inc.	Sheriff	17.08
Culligan Water Conditioning	Senior Center	28.75
Cyr, Nancy	Public Health	15.18
D & K Sanitation	Various	110.00
Daily Times	Various	902.56
Dallin Motors	Emergency Management	37.90
Deep Sweep	Public Health	75.00
Deleon, John	Administration	1,084.00
Division of Criminal Investigation	Sheriff	70.00
Eagle Uniform Supply	Carbon Building	59.98
Engstrom, James DDS	Jail	50.00
Entenmann - Rovin Co	Sheriff	61.50
Farmer Brothers Coffee	Emergency Management	27.09
Flying W Car Wash	Sheriff	50.00
Gases Plus	Road & Bridge	13.36
Golden, Mary	Public Health	32.01
Gosevner, Maxine	Public Health	51.15
Grabow, Jay	Planning	401.75
Graphic Sports	Various	28.70
Great North American Companies	Sheriff	430.55
Hasco Industrial Supply	Road & Bridge	369.16
Hemocue	WIC	175.75
Hi-Tech Auto	Sheriff	701.22
High Plains Power	Various	231.08
Hilltop Lube	Sheriff	40.50
Hoke, John	Administration	1,000.00
Inberg-Miller Engineers	Grants	1,200.10
Interwest Safety Supply	Road & Bridge	146.00

Jackalope Printing	Various	200.95
Kilburn Tire	Sheriff	379.56
Kirsch, AP MD	Sheriff	266.00
KN Energy	Various	8,702.94
Kroger	Various	69.93
L & S Distributing	Sheriff	601.21
Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender	Various	128.10
Long Building Technologies	Building & Grounds	266.00
M M S	WIC	57.02
MacPherson, Kelly & Thompson	Administration	663.27
Massey, Daniel	Administration	281.19
McKee Medical Center	Administration	168.00
Memorial Hospital	Various	1,116.20
My Automotive	Sheriff	61.75
NCAST-AVENUW	Grants	46.00
Norchem Drug Testing	Grants	119.20
Olm, LLC	Sheriff	299.25
Pacific Power & Light	Various	1,865.33
Page One West	Various	288.15
Perue Printing	Public Health	1.25
Plainsman Printing	Clerk	117.00
Public Safety	Sheriff	696.00
Q Business Source	Administration	124.16
Quill Corporation	Public Health	180.95
Qwest	Sheriff	37.37
Qwest – Denver	Carbon Building	30.65
Rawlins Automotive	Various	185.61
Rawlins Fire Extinguisher	Road & Bridge	75.00
Redmond, Charles	Emergency Management	366.79
Reliable	Public Health	151.47
Rockmount Research	Road & Bridge	208.23
Rostad Mortuary	Coroner	450.00
Ryan, Zola	Extension Service	140.33
S E D Medical Laboratories	Road & Bridge	56.65
Saratoga Auto Parts	Road & Bridge	563.20
Saratoga Sun	Commissioners	23.00
Shepard's	Sheriff	445.19
Shively Hardware	Road & Bridge	20.21
Skyline Motors	Sheriff	2,478.37
Smith Transfer & Storage	Extension Service	190.00
Smith, Susan	Grants	19.80
Snowy Range Propane	Road & Bridge	305.35
Stan's Quik Lube	Sheriff	30.95
T & T Plumbing	Carbon Building	60.00
Terminix	Various	65.00
TLC Commercial Cleaning	Carbon Building	3,000.00
Trib.com	Planning	19.95
True Value of Rawlins	Various	40.54
Uinta County r-H Council	Extension Service	70.00
Union Telephone Company	Various	608.40
USP Communications	Various	513.62
Valley Food & Liquor	Public Health	47.15
Verizon Wireless	Various	128.40
Viking Office Products	Various	165.12
Washboard	Courthouse	37.65
Weems, Loretta	Grants	780.00
West End Sinclair	Sheriff	80.82
West Group Payment Center	Attorney	409.50
WY Law Enforcement Academy	Sheriff	503.00
WY Machinery Company	Road & Bridge	393.37
WY Paper Supply	Courthouse	176.36
Xerox Corporation	Various	530.66
Zee	Emergency Management	30.55
	TOTAL	52,845.69

CLERK**Minutes**

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2003 Commissioners meeting as presented. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Medicine Bow Senior Center

Clerk Smith reported that the purchase of the Medicine Bow Senior Center was closed as of January 5, 2004.

Bonds

Bonds were approved for Charles A. McCumber, Treasurer for Carbon County School District No. 2, in the amount of \$50,000.00 and Janet R.B. Herold, Clerk/Treasurer of the Town of Baggs in the amount of \$50,000.00.

Prisoner Transfer Agreement

Commissioner Meacham moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Prisoner Transfer Agreement dated January 6, 2004 between the Moffat County Sheriff's Office in Colorado and the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming. Commissioner Fleming seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

CITY OF RAWLINS

Louis Espinoza presented a map of the City of Rawlins with proposed highway routing connecting 23rd street and Higley Blvd as well as Higley Blvd with Highway 287. He asked the Board for their support for this potential project. The Board responded that he may relay their support to the City Council.

Commissioner Fleming temporarily left the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Commissioner Meacham moved to accept depository applications from the Rawlins National Bank, Bank of Commerce, Community First National Bank in Rawlins and Community First National Bank in Saratoga. Chairman Zeiger seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Disclosures were submitted and accepted from Commissioners Artlin Zeiger, Lee Meacham and Linda Fleming; Linda Ann Smith, County Clerk; Alice L. Garvin, Chief Deputy Clerk; Cindy Baldwin, County Treasurer; and Joy Hannum, Deputy Treasurer, disclosing all interest in any banking institutions in which Carbon County has money invested.

SENIOR SERVICES

Bill Michie appeared with Don Mayfield inquiring on the progress of the purchase of the Medicine Bow Senior Center. Mr. Mayfield and Alice Garvin, Chief Deputy Clerk, will arrange to have the locks changed at the Center as well as transfer all billing of utilities to Carbon County.

Linda Fleming returned at 10:30 a.m.

WY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Jake Lonn, Resident Engineer for the WY Department of Transportation (WYDOT) presented information on the Spruce Street road project from 16th street to 3rd street. WYDOT plans to widen this area of road. With the proposed plan, the County would have to move a shed on the North side of the Courthouse and remove one tree in this area. The Board took this proposed plan under advisement.

OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS

Commissioner Fleming moved that the Rawlins Daily Times and the Saratoga Sun be named official newspapers for the County for 2004. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

RESCUE SLED

Commissioner Fleming moved and Commissioner Meacham seconded to allocate up to \$4,000 from Forest Reserve Funds for the purchase of a rescue sled to be used by Search and Rescue in the Baggs area. The motion carried unanimously.

JAIL COMMITTEE

Jerry Colson and Cindy Baldwin updated the Board on the progress of the new jail construction.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Fleming moved and Commissioner Meacham seconded to go into executive session at 11:10 a.m. to discuss possible litigation. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Meacham moved to come out of executive session at 11:42 a.m. Commissioner Fleming seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

CENTRAL RAWLINS ASSOCIATION

Laurie Heron updated the Board on the Central Rawlins Association's Barn Again project. She presented a proclamation for the Board's consideration and approval declaring 2004 as The Year of the Barn.

Commissioner Fleming moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Proclamation Proclaiming 2004 as The Year of the Barn. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**A PROCLAMATION Proclaiming 2004 as:
"The Year of the Barn"**

WHEREAS, the Smithsonian is coming to Carbon County from August 13 to September 24, 2004 through its Barn Again! Traveling exhibit; and

WHEREAS, many organizations and individuals have volunteered time and money to make this a success in Carbon County; and

WHEREAS, the Wyoming Council for the Humanities is coordinating the Wyoming Tour, and is offering its continuing support to Carbon County;

WHEREAS, the support of the governing body of the Carbon County is proving essential for the success of the exhibit; and

WHEREAS, this exhibit will accomplish the following goals:

- Bind Carbon County together and establish our "county as a community:
- Educate all of our citizens about barns as an icon of out agricultural heritage
- Inventory, catalog, and call attention to local historic structures by highlighting barns
- Drive traffic to Carbon County as a destination
- Leave a legacy
- Develop interorganizational relationships, both statewide and countywide

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Artlin Zeiger, Chair of the Carbon County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim 2004 as:

"THE YEAR OF THE BARN"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Carbon County to be affixed this 6th day of January, 2004.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING
-s- Artlin Zeiger, Chairman**

ATTEST:
-s- Linda Ann Smith, County Clerk

GROUSE HUNTING SEASON

Scott Kerbs requested that the Board approach the Wyoming Game and Fish to request that they close the grouse season in Carbon County and possibly the state.

The Board will take his request under consideration and no action was taken.

LUNCH

Chairman Zeiger recessed for lunch at 11:55 a.m. reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION**Case File #03-33**

Chairman Zeiger opened a public hearing at 2:03 p.m. to hear Planning & Zoning Case # 03-33, Thomas A. & Cecilia Fisher.

Case File #03-33 – Thomas A. & Cecilia Fisher: Request for a Zone Change from Open Range (OR) to Rural Residential Agriculture (RRA-40 acres). The RRA Zone allows residential and agricultural activities. The property is located SW ¼ SE ¼, Section 32, T18N, R83W, 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming (Approximately 40 acres).

There was a public comment questioning the ownership of the property. Jay Grabow replied that the Planning Commission has verified that Thomas & Cecilia Fisher do own the property.

Chairman Zeiger closed the public hearing at 2:08 p.m.

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve the Zone Change for Case File #03-33, Thomas A. & Cecilia Fisher for 40 acres from Open Range (OR) to Rural Residential Agriculture (RRA) with one principal dwelling on the 40 acres. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Case File #03-36

Chairman Zeiger opened a public hearing at 2:14 p.m. to hear Case File #03-36, Greg & Shelley Coleman.

Case File #03-36 – Greg & Shelley Coleman: Request for a Zone Change from Open Range (OR) to Residential (RD) on Tract 78 in the Overlook Retreat Subdivision. The RD Zone allows one seasonal recreational dwelling. Tract 78 is located in the Overlook Retreat Subdivision, being platted over portion of Section 14, T17N, R80W, 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming.

There were no comments on this case.

Chairman Zeiger closed the public hearing at 2:15 p.m.

Commissioner Meacham moved and Commissioner Fleming seconded to approve Case File #03-36, Greg and Shelley Coleman from Open Range (OR) to Residential (RD) with one dwelling on the property. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve Resolution 2004-01, A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming Approving the Rezoning of Lands. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution 2004-01
A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners
of Carbon County, Wyoming Approving the Rezoning of Lands**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wyo. Stat. §18-5-202(b), the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on December 1, 2003, which said hearing was advertised by public notice at least thirty (30) days prior to said hearing; and

WHEREAS, at said 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 hearing; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of said public hearing, the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission voted to certify in writing its recommendation to the Carbon County Commissioners to adopt this amendment to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003 for Carbon County, Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Commissioners, pursuant to Wyo. Stat. §18-5-202(c) and after receipt of said certified recommendation for approval of this amendment to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003, advertised by public notice at least 14 days prior to a public hearing to take public input and comments which said hearing occurred on January 6, 2004; and

WHEREAS, at said public hearing, the Carbon County Commissioners provided the opportunity for the public to comment and for the Carbon County Commissioners to consider any comments which were made on the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Commissioners in considering the said amendment have also reviewed and considered the Carbon County Land Use Plan of 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Commissioners have determined that the proposed amendment is in conformity with the Carbon County Land Use Plan of 1998 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 Commissioners, by majority vote, the Carbon County Commissioners moved to approve the following amendment(s) to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003.

(1) Case File #03-33 – Thomas A. & Cecilia Fisher: Request for a Zone Change from Open Range (OR) to Rural Residential Agriculture (RRA-40 acres). The RRA Zone allows residential and agricultural activities. The property is located SW ¼ SE ¼, Section 32, T18N, R83W, 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming (Approximately 40 acres).

(2) Case File #03-36 – Greg & Shelley Coleman: Request for a Zone Change from Open Range (OR) to Residential (RD) on Tract 78 in the Overlook Retreat Subdivision. The RD Zone allows one seasonal recreational dwelling. Tract 78 is located in the Overlook Retreat Subdivision, being platted over portion of Section 14, T17N, R80W, 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming.

Conditions of approval of the above case(s) are listed in the "Notice of Final Action". This is sent to the applicant and on file in the Planning Office.

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

1. That the Carbon County Board of Commissioners, hereby adopt these amendment(s) as certified to them in writing by the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission.

PRESENTED, READ, AND ADOPTED at a regularly meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming, this 6th day of January, 2004.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING

By: -s- Artlin "Art" Zeiger, Chairman
-s- Linda L. Fleming
-s- Lee Meacham

Attest:
-S- Linda Ann Smith, Carbon County Clerk

Commissioner Meacham moved and Chairman Zeiger seconded to set a public hearing for February 3, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. to hear Planning & Zoning Case File #03-37, John & Linda Fleming, a request for a Zone Change from Open Range (OR) to Rural Residential Agriculture (RRA) for 20.5 acres. The motion carried with Commissioner Fleming abstaining.

PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Jay Grabow requested that Deb Allen and himself be appointed representatives for the Historic Trails Resource Conservation and Development Area Council and that the County renew its membership in the amount of \$100.00

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve dues of \$100.00 be paid to the Historic Trails Resource Conservation and Development Area Council and to appoint Debra Allen and Jay Grabow representatives for Carbon County. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Jay Grabow read the following list of amendments proposed to amend the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003:

Carbon County, Wyoming, Board of Commissioners

Public Hearing – December 30, 2003, 2:00 PM, Jeffrey Center, Rawlins, Wyoming

Purpose – Take comments on the proposed amendments to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003

Amendments – List of Significant Amendments:

- 1) Entire renumbering and formatting of the Zoning Resolution.
- 2) Changes in zoning classifications to include:
 - a. Open Range (OR) to be known as *Ranch-Agriculture-Mining* with no change in minimum parcel size.

- b. Forest Production and Recreation (FPR) to be known as *Forestry Production and Seasonal Recreation (FPSR)*.
 - c. Planned Unit Development (PUD) is established as a zoning district.
 - d. Parcels zoned Industrial in previous Zoning Resolution shall default to and become *Heavy Industrial (MH) Zone*.
- 3) Added definitions: Agriculture Non-Commercial, Auto Reduction Yard/Recycling Center, Auto Wrecking Service, Flood Plain Development Permit, Guest House, Modular Home, Record Owner, Recreation Lodge, Sign, Special Flood Hazard Area, and Telecommunication Towers
- 4) Changes to general areas:
 - a. Remove conflicting garage height requirements in the RD Zone.
 - b. Establish a minimum time limit for the reapplication of a disapproved zone change request.
 - c. Add Flood Plain Development Permit requirement for new residential and commercial buildings to be located in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA).
 - d. Remove the limitations on the reconstruction of a non-conforming structure in the case of extensive damage.
 - e. Authorize the waiving of application fees for an owner requesting rezone when the result eliminates a non-conforming use or structure.
 - f. Revised signage requirements in Section 5.4.
- 5) Changes in uses to existing Zoning Districts:
 - a. Expand residential uses in RAM, FPSR, & AG Zones.
 - b. Expand conditional permitted uses in RAM, FPSR, AG, & RD Zones.
 - c. Remove unnecessarily obvious permitted uses in the FPSR Zone.
 - d. Add auto sales, services, & repairs as a principally permitted use in the MH and HB Zoning Districts.
 - e. Add Auto Reduction Yard/Recycling Center as a conditionally permitted use in MH Zoning District.
- 6) Changes in requirements within a Zoning District:
 - a. Remove the "one horse per family member" requirement in the RRA Zone.
 - b. Provide for exemptions for zone change requirements because of lot size in RAM Zone.
 - 1. Conservation Easement
 - 2. Transfer to family member
 - 3. Eminent Domain
 - 4. Foreclosure
 - 5. Granting of Right-of-Way
 - 6. Granting of Easement
 - 7. Sale to Government
 - 8. Commercial Agriculture Purpose
 - 9. Boundary Line Adjustment
 - 10. Cemetery Lot
 - 11. Ownership Title Change Only
 - c. Remove building height requirements and increase minimum lot size to 160 acres in the AG Zone.
 - d. Simplify building setback standards.

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve Resolution 2004-02, A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming adopting amendments to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003, amending the preceding list of amendments that was read. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried with Commissioners Fleming and Meacham voting yes and Chairman Zeiger voting no.

Resolution 2004-02
A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners
of Carbon County, Wyoming adopting amendments
to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003

WHEREAS, directed by the Carbon County Board of Commissioners, the Carbon County Planning Commission undertook the task of drafting amendments to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003. Said resolution as amended will be referred to as "The Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003 amended January 6, 2004."; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 18-5-202(b), the Carbon County Planning Commission held a public hearing on October 29, 2003, which said hearing was advertised by public notice at least thirty (30) days prior to said hearing; and

WHEREAS, at said public hearing, the Carbon County Planning Commission listened to public comments and considered the same, which said comments were provided both in the form of public comments made at the public hearing as well as written comments received prior to said public hearing; and

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2003, at a regular advertised public meeting, the Carbon County Planning Commission voted to certify in writing its recommendation to the Carbon County Commissioners to adopt these certain amendments to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Commissioners, pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 18-5-202(c), and after receipt of said certified recommendation for approval of these amendments to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003, provided that such amendments be advertised by public notice at least 14 days prior to a public hearing to take public input and comments which said hearing occurred on December 30, 2003; and

WHEREAS, at said public hearing, the Carbon County Commissioners listened to public comments and reviewed written comments on the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Commissioners in considering said amendments have also reviewed and considered the Carbon County Land Use Plan of 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Carbon County Commissioners have determined that the proposed amendments are in conformity with the Carbon County Land Use Plan of 1998 and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the residents of Carbon County; and

WHEREAS, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Carbon County Commissioners, by majority vote, the Carbon County Commissioners approved and adopted the amendments to the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003 as certified to the Carbon County Commissioners by the Carbon County Planning Commission.

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

1. That the Carbon County Board of Commissioners, on January 6, 2004 hereby adopt these amendments as certified to them in writing by the Carbon County Planning Commission, which said amendments are collectively known as the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003 amended January 6, 2004.
2. The amended Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003 shall be effective immediately and all prior zoning resolutions in conflict therewith are hereby repealed.

PRESENTED, READ, AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming, this 6th day of January, 2004.

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

By: -s- Artlin "Art" Zeiger, Chairman
-s- Linda L. Fleming
-s- Lee Meacham

Attest:
Linda Ann Smith, Carbon County Clerk

On behalf of Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Meacham read the following comments written by Commissioner Fleming regarding the Carbon County 2003 Zoning Resolution:

**Linda Fleming, Carbon County Commissioner
January 6, 2004**

**Comments Regarding the Carbon County 2003 Zoning Resolution As Amended And
Request for specific questions from property owners on specific parcels of land for the
effect the 640 A. RAM minimum would have on their properties.**

- One year ago after adopting the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2003, the Planning and Zoning Commission was asked by the Board of Commissioners to review, with considerable public input, concerns about the Zoning Resolution.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission completed that review and we appreciate their efforts to follow the timeline set forth. The review included four regional town meetings, many workshops, and two county wide public hearings plus input from our three County Conservation Districts.
- The resulting amendments were published, certified to the Board of Commissioners, and commented upon by the public with near unanimous support for the proposed amendments.
- It was obvious at the County Commissioner's Public Hearing on December 30, 2003; that there is still considerable concern about the impact of the "640 Acre Minimum Lot Size" in RAM, which was included in the 2000 and 2003 Zoning Resolutions and was not submitted as an amendment in the 2003 Zoning Resolution As Amended.
- The amendments did add 11 additional exemptions to the "640 Acre Minimum Lot Size" requirement.
- In light of the newspaper display ads and letters to the editor; straw poll etc. there is an obvious reason for what appears to be the reason for the confusion on the issue.
- As an elected public servant, I cannot leave this issue without a concerted effort to completely understand the real or perceived negative impacts that the AG or RAM "Minimum Lot Size" may have on people concerning specific parcels of land they may own or wish to purchase.
- Therefore, I ask the other two commissioners to join me in officially inviting those parties, with concerns about the "Minimum Lot Size", to submit their detailed questions to the Board of Commissioners. This Board will request on individual case-by-case bases a written explanation from the Planning Commission/Department as to how the amended 2003 Zoning Resolution would apply to each specific case.
- Using clear, specific case examples, we can best make future informed decisions for the best interest of the people of Carbon County on this very important issue.

-s- Linda Fleming

Chairman Zeiger and Commissioner Meacham stated they would like to join Commissioner Fleming in inviting interested parties to submit their questions to the Board of County Commissioners.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Bill Nation presented his bimonthly report to the Board.

Mr. Nation also recommended that the bid for a new semi tractor be awarded to Cheyenne Freightliners in the amount of \$88,427.00. The only other bid received was from Peterbilt of Wyoming in the amount of \$82,744.00.

Commissioner Meacham moved to award the bid for a new semi tractor to be used by the Road & Bridge Department be awarded to Cheyenne Freightliner in the amount of \$88,427.00, even though this is not the low bid, this semi tractor will best serve the County's needs. Commissioner Fleming seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Nation updated the Board on the Seminole Boat Club road alternate route. He presented PMPC's plan sheets for alternate routes for this road and stated that the cost of having an engineer propose alternate routes will cost approximately \$22,000.00.

HOMELAND SECURITY

Pam Farster updated the Board on the status of the Homeland Security Grant funding. The County has received \$6,875.00 of Phase II funds to date.

One sealed bid was received for radio equipment from Ryan Electronics on December 31, 2003 at 9:55 a.m. and was opened today. The total bid amount is \$176,928.98.

Commissioner Meacham moved that the bid information be sent with Pam Farster, grant administrator, to the next Homeland Security Committee meeting and she will return at the January 20, 2004 meeting with their recommendation. Commissioner Fleming seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

LONG & ASSOCIATES

Dave Kenik discussed financing options for the heating and air conditioning project for the Courthouse.

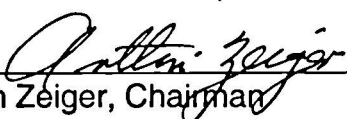
Commissioner Fleming moved to authorize Clerk Smith to work with Community First National Bank's proposal, option #4 for the Courthouse heating and cooling project and report back at the January 20, 2004 regular Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Meacham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Fleming moved and Commissioner Meacham seconded that any contracts pertinent to project at this time be submitted to our attorney as soon as possible for his review. The motion carried unanimously.


ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Zeiger adjourned the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING


Artlin Zeiger, Chairman

ATTEST:


Linda Ann Smith, County Clerk