



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 15, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was brought to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Opella. Those in attendance were Commissioners Bill McDowell, Rob Hendry, Matt Keating, County Clerk Renea Vitto, County Attorney Bill Knight, Deputy County Attorney Heather Duncan Malone and Commissioners' Secretary Michelle Maines. Commissioner Terry Wingerter was absent.

Commissioner McDowell moved to excuse Commissioner Wingerter. The motion was seconded and carried.

Chairman Opella read a Governor's Proclamation recognizing November 15, 2011 as Emergency Services Volunteers Appreciation Day. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Francis Knight for taking the lead and following the process through.

Francis Knight thanked the commissioners for their support; there are many categories of volunteer emergency services; sadly many agencies go unnoticed until we need them. He hopes to plan an appreciation dinner in the future.

Commissioner McDowell moved to approve the Minutes of Proceedings for November 1, 2011. The motion was seconded and carried.

Commissioner Hendry moved to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$1,001,935.29. The motion was seconded and carried.

Public Hearings:

**A. Resolution 55-11 Transfer of Funds/Unanticipated Revenue –
Commissioners/Projects, Grants Juvenile Detention Center**

County Clerk Vitto reported the following transfer is in the amount of \$3,050,698.00 from unanticipated revenue and will be distributed to the following accounts: Commissioners/Projects, Grants Juvenile Detention Center-\$3,050,698.00

Commissioner McDowell reported this is the last of the \$8 Million received from the state to construct the JDC.

Chairman Opella opened the public hearing.

Hearing no comments chairman Opella closed the public hearing.

Commissioner McDowell moved to approve the Transfer of Funds & Resolution 55-11. The motion was seconded and carried. Commissioner

Commissioner Hendry reported Natrona County is appreciative and grateful for the assistance from the state provided for the NCRJDC.

Commissioner McDowell reported along with the assistance from Governor Mead, Former Governor Frudenthal, and Judge Hartman we were able to change some things making better for both the county and JDC.

B. 2011 Business Ready Community (BRC) BUSINESS COMMITTED Grant, for an access road, site development, building construction and related infrastructure at the Casper/Natrona County International Airport. (Resolution 56-11)

Steve Elledge, Interim President & CEO, CAEDA reported this is an application to the Wyoming Business Council for a grant to build a 6,000-square-foot manufacturing facility; use of building will be for a Canadian company (tenant) manufacturing aftermarket truck parts; employee/house five staff members; the name of the tenant will remain undisclosed until the grant application is filed on Dec. 1(details of the lease have not been finalized); the grant is for the airport to construct the building but to be part of Morgan Street Business Park; the building will be owned by the NCIA; total cost of the project is \$989,952.12, Wyoming Business Council's Grant in the amount of \$899,629.20, NCIA has committed \$89,962.92 (10 percent of the total, in land and cash).

Chairman Opella opened the public hearing.

Hearing no comments Chairman Opella closed the public hearing.

Commissioner McDowell moved to approve the Business Ready Community Grant Application. The motion was seconded and carried.

Commissioner Hendry reported he is hopes this is one of many businesses to come to the Morgan Street Business Park.

Contracts, Agreements, Resolutions:

A. Homeland Security Grant - Political Subdivision: NC Local Emergency Planning Committee; Federal Award Amount: \$1,800.85; Local Match Amount: \$450.21; Total: \$2,251.06; Award Period: September 30, 2011 through June 30, 2012; DOT Award Num: HM-HMP-0221-11-01-00; CFDA#: 20.703; Project ID: 12-DOT-NAT-HM-HMP12

Attorney Knight reported the grant has been reviewed and approved as to form by the county attorney's office.

Commissioner McDowell moved to approve Grant; local match has been budgeted for this fiscal year. The motion was seconded and carried.

B. Resolution 54-11 Support the Alcova Cabin Owners Association's Effort to Privatize Ownership of the 100 Cabin Sites near Alcova Lake Located within NC, WY

Commissioner McDowell moved to approve Resolution 54-11. The motion was seconded and carried.

Board Appointments

Commissioner McDowell moved for the appointment ratification of Nicole Emery to the NC Parks Board and Ryan Klinger to the Community Action Partnership of NC; Nicole Emery to be reappointed after December 31, for a full term; and for the appointment of Lela Harrington to the Predator Management of NC BOD. The motion was seconded and carried.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.

Public Comments:

Chairman Opella opened the floor to public comments.

Hearing no comments the floor was closed.

Commissioner Comments:

Chairman Opella opened the floor to Commissioner Comments.

Commissioner Keating apologized to Tom Morton for not getting back to him last week as he had a family emergency. Matt Keating recognized his grandmother as her funeral was Monday.

Commissioner McDowell wished to recognize his dear friend Rob Sorenson for providing a tremendous amount for public service to the community. Chairman Opella reported he will be greatly missed.

Chairman Opella recognized House District 56 Representative, Tom Reeder in the audience and thanked him for his time.

Tom Reeder thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve and looked forward to legislative session this year

Hearing no further comments the floor was closed.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Chairman Opella adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.



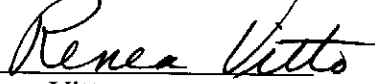
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Ed Opella, Chairman

ATTEST:

NATRONA COUNTY CLERK



Renea Vitto

My term of office expires
January 5, 2015