Top selling horse goes for \$29,000

The 34th annual WYO Quarter Horse Spring Sale, May 20 at the fairgrounds, saw buyers from 21 states.

The high seller was gelding WYO Navy Blue Nick, sired by ELS Scottish Nick and raised by Bill and Carole Smith. The horse went for \$29,000, to a buy from Massachusetts.

The sale also saw 47 geldings, which averaged \$13,477. The top 10 averaged \$20,300, and the top 20 averaged \$17,725.

Ten two-year-olds were also sold, averaging \$5,333, as well as 14 yearlings averaging \$2,842 and two two-year-old stallions averaging \$12,250. The next sale is scheduled for Sept. 9 at the fairgrounds.

Motorcycle riders attend course



Riding lesson

Students in the Basic Rider Course test their skills Sunday morning.

This weekend saw 10 riders attend a Basic Rider Course (BRC), provided at the Wyoming Department of Transportation parking lot.

The BRC was developed by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, and is designed for those who have little or no riding experience, although most experienced riders will also benefit from the course. It has approximately 20 hours of instruction, both in the classroom and on-cycle. Courses started on Friday evening, and continued until Sunday afternoon.

Successful completion of this course will allow a waiver of all testing requirements for a Class M endorsement, provided completion card is presented to a Wyoming drivers services within two years of the course date.

The course was the first one offered in Thermopolis, though another is scheduled for Sept. 29. A full schedule of courses across Wyoming is available online at www.dot. state.wy.us/home.html, under the Motorcycle Safety tab.

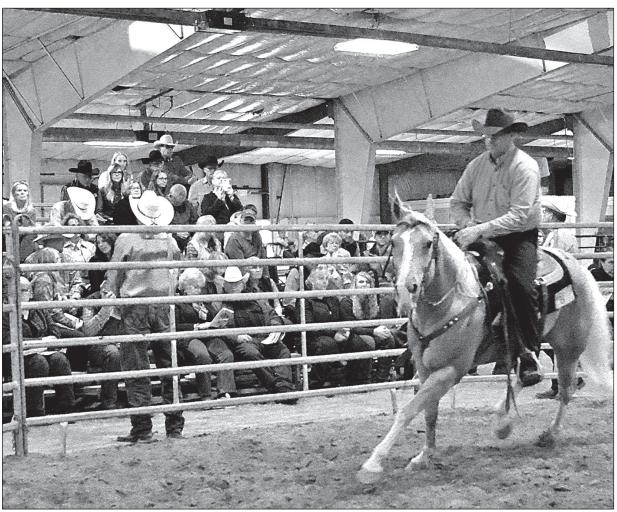


photo by Cindy Glasson

Stunning display

The 34th annual WYO Quarter Horse spring sale featured nearly 75 head of stock raised by Bill and Carole Smith. Top seller was a gelding which went to Massachusetts for \$29,000.

Public notices

STATE OF WYOMING

COUNTY OF HOT SPRINGS

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THERMOPOLIS WYOMING May 16, 2017

The Hot Springs Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, at 4:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room at the Government Annex. Present were Commissioners John Lumley, Tom Ryan and Phillip Scheel. Also present were County Clerk Nina Webber and Administrative Assistant to the Commissioners Penny Herdt. Chairman Lumley led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda Phillip Scheel moved to approve the agenda

with the following additions: **ADD:** Other Business

5. Lighthouse Funding Discussion

Correspondence

5. BuRec Boysen Flow Fluctuation Schedule. Tom Ryan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>Final Abstract - Tax Year 2017</u>

County Assessor Shelley Deromedi presented the 2017 Hot Springs County Abstract to be submitted to the State Board of Equalization for the Commissioners' review. Tom Ryan moved to approve a letter from the Commission acting as the County Board of Equalization acknowledging receipt of the 2017 HSC Abstract from the Assessor. Phillip Scheel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IT Budget Requirements

TCI representative Dean Peranteaux outlined the proposed IT budget for 2017-2018. The proposed budget of \$75,540.00 is roughly 10% less than last year's proposed budget. Mr. Peranteaux also presented a proposed budget for the off-site server systems located at the Fire Hall/Search & Rescue Building site of \$14,200. \$5,200.00 of this proposed budget is optional and would provide wireless access between the Fire Hall and the Search & Rescue building. At this time, connectivity is literally via a cable connector feed which will be run between the two buildings as needed. Mr. Peranteaux reported that the county-wide IT security training conducted earlier this year was well-received and he continues to issue on-line updates and information regarding online and network security to all county employees. The Commissioners took Mr. Peranteaux's proposal under advisement for use during the upcoming budget sessions.

Employee Benefit Plan Renewal Presen-

Covenant Insurance representative Brad Johnson reviewed the past year's plan performance with the Commissioners and outlined the options for the upcoming year. Regarding the vision coverage with VSP, it was noted that the only local provider of vision services no longer accepts the VSP plan. Several providers in the surrounding counties continue to accept VSP insurance for vision care. Mr. Johnson noted that the County has the option of adding vision coverage to the medical plan, but if this was done, the premiums would go up and vision coverage would no longer be optional – every county employee on the medical plan would be required to carry and pay for vision coverage. The Commissioners agreed to continue with VSP as the vision insurance provider as the premiums are lower, and participation on

Tom Ryan moved that the County retain Allegiance Benefit Plan Management as the Third Party Administrator (TPA) with National Pharmaceutical as the Pharmacy Manager and Employers Risk Re/Companion Life as the reinsurance carrier. With Company Life, the County wishes to retain a \$55,000 Specific Deductible level and an Aggregating Specific amount of \$25,000. Phil-

the employees' part remains voluntary.

lip Scheel seconded the motion. At Mr. Johnson's suggestion, Commissioner Ryan amended the motion to include authorization for Clerk Webber to sign the renewal documents outside a formal meeting when they are received. The second concurred with the amendment. Motion carried. .

Phillip Scheel moved that the County utilize the accumulated Medical Plan reserves to fund 100% of the renewal increase, resulting in no change to the employee and dependent premium amounts for the upcoming year. Tom Ryan seconded the motion. Discussion: it was noted that this funding may not necessarily be continued in future years, depending on plan performance. Motion carried.

HSA Funding-The only decision made regarding HSA funding at this time was the elimination of the \$500 incentive payment to new employees upon enrollment in the medical plan. As there is no longer any option available to new employees except the High Deductible Plan, the \$500 incentive was seen as unnecessary. Further decisions regarding the HSA funding and incentives will be made as the budget process progresses.

Mr. Johnson presented his consulting contract for renewal. The cost is \$6,500.00 per year, which is an increase of slightly less than 10% over last year. This is the first increase in several years for the consultant's fee. Tom Ryan moved to approve the contract between Covenant Insurance and Hot Springs County to retain Mr. Johnson as the County's insurance consultant in the amount \$6,500.00. Phillip Scheel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other Business

<u>Ratification – Pinnacle Bank Letter of Cred-</u> it - Permit 582(S) - Clerk Webber presented the Change in Terms for the Letter of Credit #2 for the DEQ Permit #582(s) provided by Pinnacle Bank for the ratification of the Chairman's signature. Tom Ryan moved to ratify the chairman's signature on the Change in Terms for Letter of Credit #2 – Permit #582(s). Phillip Scheel seconded the motion. Discussion: this letter of credit relates to the County Gravel Pits. Motion carried.

Airport Reuse Study Payment - Funds Source Clerk Webber and the Commissioners reviewed the previously established funding sources for the airport reuse study in light of a recently received bill from GDA, the company conducting the reuse study at the old airport property. Tom Ryan moved to pay the current GDA bill in the amount of \$6,379.00 from the SLIB Match funds line item. Phillip Scheel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>Well Permit Application Review - Lea</u> - This well permit was tabled to the June 6th meeting as the County's Geological Consultant is out of town and has not had a chance to review it yet.

<u>Well Permit Application Review - Anderson - </u> This well permit was tabled to the June 6th meeting as the County's Geological Consultant is out of town and has not had a chance to review it yet.

Correspondence

Library Board Minutes February, March,

Fairboard Minutes April 12, April 27, 2017 NRPC Minutes April, 2017

Bureau of Reclamation Snowmelt Forecast

Bureau of Reclamation Boysen Release Level Fluctuation Notification

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

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

No. 8070 Pub. June 1, 2017

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Ruth Cotton, on behalf of Cotton Farms LLC, has requested a Bed & Breakfast permit for an existing apartment unit. The subject property is a 213-acre portion of Section 5 of Township 43 North, Range 94 West, located east of Hwy. 20 N. Generally known as Cotton Farms, it is addressed as 654 Hwy. 20 N.

A public hearing on this matter will be held before the Hot Springs County Board of County Commissioners at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 6th, 2017 in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the County Annex Building. Anyone requiring additional information should call the County Planning Office at 864-2961. Those unable to attend are invited to comment in writing to: County Planning, 415 Arapahoe St., Thermopolis, WY 82443, or by e-mail at hscplanner@hscounty.com.

Pub. June 1, 2017 No. 8071

NOTICE OF ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING FOR THE SOUTH THERMOPOLIS WATER & SEWER DISTRICT, STATE OF WYOMING, COUNTY OF HOT SPRINGS. The South Thermopolis Water & Sewer District shall hold an annual budget meeting in Hot Springs County, Wyoming pursuant to Wyoming State Statutes. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. The meeting shall be held at the Government Annex Building from 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM on Thursday, June 8, 2017.

South Thermopolis Water & Sewer District Proposed Budget for FY 2017-2018

Operating Revenues

\$269,700

Operating Expenses (excluding depreciation)

Pub. June 1 and 8, 2017

No. 8072

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note ("Note") and real estate mortgage ("Mortgage"). The Mortgage dated September 30, 2008, was executed and delivered by Diana L. Matheson and Clint E. Harris Jr., Joint Tenants ("Mortgagor(s)") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., ("MERS") solely as nominee for Ace Mortgage Funding LLC, its successors and assigns, as security for the Note of the same date, and said Mortgage was recorded on October 23, 2008, at Reception No. 480774 in Book 133 at Page 262 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Hot Springs County, State of Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: MidFirst Bank, A Federally Char-

tered Savings Association Assignment dated: April 13, 2017

Assignment recorded: April 24, 2017 Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 525398 in Book 176 at Page 613

All in the records of the County Clerk and exofficio Register of Deeds in and for Hot Springs County, Wyoming.

WHEREAS, the Mortgage contains a power of sale which by reason of said default, the Mortgagee declares to have become operative, and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof, nor has any such suit or proceeding been instituted and the same discontinued; and

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage on the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$90,728.62 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$85,669.71 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$4,308.47 plus other costs in the amount of \$750.44, plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice of sale;

WHEREAS, the property being foreclosed upon may be subject to other liens and encumbrances that will not be extinguished at the sale. Any prospective purchaser should search the status of title before submitting a bid;

NOW, THEREFORE MidFirst Bank, A Federally Chartered Savings Association, as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Hot Springs County. Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon on June 20, 2017 at the front door of the Hot Springs County Courthouse located at 417 Arapahoe Street, Thermopolis, Wyoming, Hot Springs County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

LOTS 1 AND 2, THE SOUTH 30 FEET OF LOT 3, AND THE EAST 8 FEET OF THE NORTH 110 FEET OF LOT 3, BLOCK 39 ORIGINAL TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS HOT SPRINGS COUNTY, WYOMING;

with an address of 805 Warren Street, Thermopolis, Wyoming 82443-2623.

Together with all improvements thereon situate and all fixtures and appurtenances thereto.

Dated this 18th day of May, 2017.

MidFirst Bank, A Federally **Chartered Savings Association** By: Tamara Schroeder Crolla, #6-3976 Weinstein & Riley, P.S. 123 West 1st Street, Suite 433 Casper, Wyoming 82601-2482 307-462-2690

No. 8062

Pub. May 25, June 1, 8 & 15, 2017

Public Notice Seeking Contractors...

CALL FOR BIDS

Wyoming Weatherization Services (WWS) is seeking contractors for HVAC, Plumbing, and Electrical work for this project year starting 7/1/17 and ending 6/30/18. All interested parties must be able to meet all of WWS's subcontractor guidelines, including having verifiable liability insurance and must be in good standing with Wyoming Worker's Compensation and Unemployment. Interested parties must also comoly with all Standard Work Specifications (SWS). The SWS's can be viewed at https://sws.nrel.gov/. All work will be within the WWS service territory, which includes the counties of: Narona, Laramie, Sweetwater, Carbon, Albany, Goshen, Platte Big Horn, Fremont, Park, Lincoln, Converse, Niobrara, Hot Springs, Uinta, Washakie, Teton, Sublette. For more information or to receive a packet, please contact Janelle Anderson at (307) 347-2200 or at janellewws@hotmail.com.

Pub. May 18, 25 & June 1, 2017 No. 8063