

# Public notices

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## TOWN OF EAST THERMOPOLIS REQUEST FOR BIDS SELLING 1981 GMC C-3500

The Town of East Thermopolis is accepting sealed bids for the purchase of: 1981 GMC C-3500 1 Ton Dual Wheel 2 Wheel Drive with an 8' Western Snow Plow and Dump Bed. Approx. 13,xxx miles. This truck is sold AS IS. Send sealed bids to: Town of East Thermopolis, 112 East Warren, Thermopolis, WY 82443. ATTN: 1981 GMC BID. All bids must be received by 1:00 p.m., Dec. 3, 2019. Truck may be seen @ 112 S. H. S. Blvd., East Thermopolis Town Shop. Call Danny Lewis, 921-2672, if you have any questions. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Pub. Nov. 14, 21 & 28, 2019 No. 8694

### Notice of application: New Restaurant Liquor License

Notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of November 2019, GMRG ACQ 1, LLC, dba Pizza Hut filed an application for a new Restaurant Liquor License in the office of the Clerk of the Town of Thermopolis for the following building 545 Shoshoni Street and protests, if there be any, against the issuance of such license will be heard at the hour of 7:10pm on the 3rd day of December, 2019, in the Town Hall Council Chambers located at 420 Broadway, Thermopolis, WY.

Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer

Pub. Nov. 21 & 28, 2019 No. 8698

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL DISTRICT ELECTION

The South Thermopolis Water & Sewer District shall hold its Biennial Election on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at the Government Annex Building. The polls will be open between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm. Residents of the District may vote absentee.

The Board consists of five members. Two members of the Board will be elected for four (4) year terms. The filing period for those interested in running for office will begin on December 18, 2019 and end on January 7, 2020.

You must be a resident of the District in order to run for a seat on the Board. For more information contact Jennifer Miller at 921-8124.

Board of Directors  
South Thermopolis Water & Sewer District

Pub. Nov. 21 & 28, 2019 No. 8697

### NOTICE OF FINAL PAYMENT

The Chairman of the Cottonwood/Grass Creek Watershed Improvement District acting as agent for the Cottonwood/Grass Creek Watershed Improvement District, has accepted all work as complete according to the Project Agreement set forth in the written Agreement between the **Haynes Irrigation Diversion & Pipeline Project** and the Cottonwood/Grass Creek Watershed Improvement District dated the 12th day of November, 2019 for the **Haynes Irrigation Diversion & Pipeline Project, Dee Hillberry**, Contractor, is entitled to final payment therefore, and on the 1st day of January, 2020, the 41st day after the first publication of this notice final payment of the full amount due under the Agreement will be made. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as relieving the Contractor and the Sureties on its bond from any claim or claims for the work or labor done or materials or supplies furnished in the execution of the Agreement. All persons having claims for labor and materials furnished the Contractor shall present a verified statement of the amount due and unpaid on account of the same to the District prior to the day specified for final payment. Failure on the part of the claimant to file such statement will relieve the District from any and all liability on such claim.

Owner: Cottonwood/Grass Creek Watershed Improvement District

By: /s/\_\_\_\_\_  
James Butterfield

Pub. Nov. 21, 28 & Dec. 5, 2019 No. 8699

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR SPECTRUM CHANNEL LINEUP

Communities Served: Hot Springs County; Towns of East Thermopolis and Thermopolis, WY

Effective on or after December 30, 2019, the following channels will no longer be available in Digi Tier 2/Spectrum TV Gold, Spectrum Select or Sports View. These networks are still available with subscription to Spectrum TV Sports Pack: MLB Strike Zone on channels 274 & 656; NFL RedZone on channels 126 & 626; Outdoor Channel on channels 99, 150 & 650.

For a complete channel lineup, visit Spectrum.com/Channels. To view this notice online, visit Spectrum.net/ProgrammingNotices.

Pub. Nov. 28, 2019 No. 8701

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sheldon & Jean Skelton have applied for the following:

1. The vacation (removal) of a 28.2 ac. lot from the Enis Subdivision;
2. A Land Use Change from the Residential land use classification to the Agricultural classification.

The subject property is Tract 1 of the Enis Subdivision, a portion of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 31, Township 44 North, Range 94 West. It is located ¼ mile west of Hwy. 20 N, ½ mile north of its intersection with Hwy. 172 (Black Mtn. Rd.).

A public hearing on this matter will be held before the Hot Springs County Board of County Commissioners at 11:15 a.m. on Tuesday, December 3rd, 2019 in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the County Annex Building. Anyone requiring additional information may contact 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. Nov. 28, 2019 No. 8702

STATE OF WYOMING	)	OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THERMOPOLIS WYOMING
COUNTY OF HOT SPRINGS	)	November 19, 2019

The Hot Springs Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, November 19, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room at the Government Annex. Present were Commissioners Tom Ryan, Philip Scheel and Jack Baird. Also present was County Clerk Rose DeSeyn, County Attorney Jill Logan, and Administrative Assistant to the Commissioners Penny Herdt. Chairman Ryan led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda** – The agenda was approved with the following changes: **ADD: Other Business** 2. RT Communications Utility License Agreement – Paris; **DELETE: Cindy Toth** 6. Friends of the Library Book Storage. **Election Cybersecurity Training Report** – The County Clerk and two TCI representatives attended the Secretary of State's Election Cybersecurity Training in Casper on November 13th and 14th. The Secretary of State is providing all new election equipment to the counties with the goal of providing uniformity throughout the state. The equipment should be rolled out beginning in January, 2020. The Governor has also made \$250,000 in state funds available for upgrades to physical security for the election process and \$250,000 in federal funds available for election cyber security assistance. An assessment of Hot Springs County's needs indicated a need for security cameras and a more secure locking door in the election equipment storage area. The cameras have been installed and the door/locking mechanism has been procured and will be installed this month. The Clerk has been appointed to an Incident Strategy Planning Committee to improve County response to election incidents statewide.

**Public Hearing – Jeffs Subdivision/ROW Variance / Land Use Change** – The Commissioners approved an application by John and Jane Jeffs for a one-lot subdivision, accompanying land use change from agricultural to residential, and ROW variance allowing a road easement width of 30' versus the required 60' on the private access road for the subdivision, for their property located in the northeast quarter of Section 10, Township 8 North, Range 4 East. The approval of the preliminary subdivision plat is subject to the following conditions: 1. This preliminary plat approval shall expire one year after the date of its approval. The final plat for this subdivision shall be submitted for the County's review and approval prior to that expiration date. 2. A Weed Management Plan for Lot 1 shall be submitted for the review and approval of staff. 3. A notation shall be placed on the final Subdivision Plat stating "NO PROPOSED CENTRAL WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM" and "NO PROPOSED CENTRAL SEWER SYSTEM". 4. A notation shall be placed on the Final Subdivision Plat stating that any future septic system on Tract 1 or the unplatted remainder must be permitted through the HSC Planning Office.

**Appointment of Special Prosecutor** – The Commissioners approved Resolution #2019-11 appointing a Special Prosecutor in the case of State of Wyoming vs. Ronald Hoffman as requested by the County Attorney.

**Fund 30 – Startup Funds Repayment Discussion** – The Commissioners approved the transfer of \$25,933.46 from Fund 30 (airport fuel system) to the General Fund in repayment of the initial fuel purchase funding.

**Grant Compliance Responsibility** – The Commissioners identified the Department Head applying for a grant as being primarily responsible for ensuring that the grant conditions are met as the funds are being expended, with the County Clerk relying on the Department Heads to do this prior to submitting vouchers for payment.

**Draft HSC Marketing Plan Review** – Legend Rock Media Productions representative Jackie Dorothy presented a Draft HSC 2020 Marketing Plan for the Commissioners' review. It was suggested that the initial focus of the plan be development of the old airport site. Ms. Dorothy will return on a monthly basis to provide the Commissioners with an update on the marketing activities.

**STWSD Petition for Inclusion – Hetzel** –

The Commissioners approved Resolution 2019-12 to include Cassie and Quinton Hetzel's property within the boundaries of the South Thermopolis Water and Sewer District.

**Centers of Excellence (COE) Reimbursement Discussion** – The Commissioners agreed to reimburse the employees who use the COE program for travel expenses at the regular IRS rate for mileage (currently \$0.58/mile) and lodging at \$150.00/room/night up to 2 rooms as necessary. The difference between the IRS Form 502 amounts and the County's rates as set out above will be payable as a taxable employee benefit.

**Other Business – LGLP Board Ballot** – A unanimous ballot was cast for Brad Basse for the At-Large position and Richard C. Grant, Jr. for the County Commissioner position on the LGLP Board. **RT Communications Utility License Agreement – Paris** – The Commissioners approved the application by RT Communications for a ULA for work on County Road #2 – Owl Creek Hill Road, approximately 200' from the intersection of County Road #2 and Highway 120 to provide service to property owned by Jennifer and Chris Paris.

**Correspondence – Fair Board Minutes** – October, 2019. The Commissioners reviewed the correspondence. No further action was required. **Adjourn** – The meeting was declared adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Attest:

Thomas J. Ryan, Chairman	Rosemary DeSeyn Clerk to the Board
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Pub. Nov. 28, 2018 No. 8703

### COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session November 19, 2019 at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Mike Chimenti, Council members Tony Larson, Bill Malloy and Dusty Lewis. Also, present were Mayor/Codes Administrative Assistant Fred Crosby, Clerk/Treasurer Tracey Van Heule, Police Chief Julie Mathews, Town Engineer Anthony Barnett and Town Attorney Mike Messenger. Councilmen John Dorman Sr. was absent.

**AGENDA:** Following the pledge of allegiance, Malloy made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve the agenda as written. Following discussion, the motion was amended by both Malloy and Larson to add Michael Wright: 2019 Audit under Clerk/Treasurer. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** Malloy made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to approve the financial statement for October 2019. **CLERK/TREASURER: MICHAEL WRIGHT: 2019 AUDIT RESULTS:** Wright presented a brief synopsis of the audit. The audit report is unqualified, meaning the financials comply in all material respects with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for governmental entities. Wright noted the Internal Control report lists the lack of segregation of duties and emphasized the importance of oversight by the Mayor and Council. Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to accept the 2019 audit.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: MERI-ANN RUSH: LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE:** Rush asked for street closures for a lighted Christmas Parade on December 13, 2019. Larson made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to allow for the street closures that evening and for the Mayor to sign the WYDOT permit.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: JEREMIAH BALIUS: CHICKEN PETITION:** Balius noted he had petitions with 127 homeowner signatures. Balius asked for a compromise in order to allow chickens in town. Discussion ensued on the demographics of those signing, on the required 300 signatures, homeowners and renters, law suits and voting age residents. Balius noted he is aware of four people opposed to chickens. A citizen's letter against chickens was read. Lewis made a motion for a draft ordinance to allow chickens in town. The motion failed for lack of a second. Additional discussion ensued on how to add the request to the ballot, candidates up for election and appearing before the council again.

**ENGINEER: ANTHONY BARNETT: PROJECT UPDATES:** Barnett presented the final pay estimate on the Springview Sewer project. Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the \$23,388.95 final pay estimate to Nicholson Dirt contracting.

**TOWN ATTORNEY: MIKE MESSENGER: POLICE OFFICER OATH:** Messenger administered the oath of office to Jessica Araiza, a new police officer.

**ADMINISTRATION: FRED CROSBY: HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL:** Crosby noted the renewal increased 3.92 percent and included a \$50,000 laser. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve the health insurance renewal with Summit RE and Allegiance. Malloy made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to continue with the HRA funding for health insurance.

**ADMINISTRATION: INSURANCE CONSULTANT CONTRACT:** Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the insurance consultant contract with Brad Johnson dba Wyoming Financial Insurance.

**EXTRA HOLIDAY DESIGNATION:** Larson made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to approve December 24, 2019 as a Town holiday.

**LGLP BALLOT:** Malloy made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to cast the Town's ballot for Brad Basse and Richard Grant on the LGLP board.

**MAYOR & COUNCIL: EMPLOYEE BONUS:** Malloy made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve a \$250 bonus for employees hired prior to June 30, 2019 and a \$100 bonus to those hired after that date.

**MAYOR & COUNCIL:** The meeting adjourned at 7:38pm. The next regular Council meeting is December 3, 2019 at 7pm. ATTEST:

Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer	Mike Chimenti, Mayor
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Pub. Nov. 28, 2019 No. 8704

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's Procedural Rules, notice is hereby given of the investigation pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-117 of the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) filed by Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) on October 18, 2019 (Docket No. 20000-552-EA-19, Record. No. 15192).

Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) is a public utility subject to the Wyoming Public Service Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-112.

On October 18, 2019, RMP filed its IRP pursuant to Commission Rule Chapter 3, Section 33. According to RMP, it developed the IRP using a comprehensive analysis and an extensive public input process resulting in its selection of a least-cost, least-risk preferred portfolio, referred to as Case P-45CNW (Preferred Portfolio). RMP's Preferred Portfolio includes accelerating retirements of certain coal-fired generation units, primarily located in Wyoming, and investment in transmission infrastructure to facilitate the addition of new renewable resources. Through the end of 2023, The Company plans to add 1,821 MW of new solar; 1,989 MW of new wind; and 595 MW of battery storage capacity (Replacement Generation).

RMP cites economic pressures on existing coal-fired generation units coupled with decreasing costs for new renewable resources as a justification for retirements that exceed 1,457 MW by the end of 2025; 2,874 MW by the end of 2030; and 4,485 MW by the end of 2038. Implementation of the Preferred Portfolio would include the following actions affecting coal-fired generation units located in Wyoming:

- a. Conversion of Naughton Unit 3 to a 247 MW natural gas unit in 2020 (coal operations ceased in January 2019);
- b. Retirement of Jim Bridger Unit 1 in 2023 (14 years prior to its established depreciable life (EDL));
- c. Retirement of Naughton Units 1-2 by 2025 (4 years prior to EDL);
- d. Retirement of Dave Johnston Units 1-4 in 2027 (at the end of EDL);
- e. Retirement of Jim Bridger Unit 2 by 2028 (9 years prior to EDL); and
- f. Retirement of Jim Bridger Units 3-4 by 2037 (at the end of EDL).

Retirement of coal-fired generation units prior to the end of their EDL may adversely impact the cost and reliability of service provided to RMP's Wyoming customers while producing significant negative economic impacts. These potential impacts, individually and collectively, must be thoroughly evaluated to ensure implementation of the Preferred Portfolio is consistent with the public interest.

The purpose of this investigation is to allow the Commission and interested parties to explore all aspects of the 2019 IRP, including but not limited to, the methodologies, assumptions and development process resulting in the identification of the Preferred Portfolio.

Public Comment Hearings will be held January 28, 2020, 4:00 to 7:00 pm, at the Kemmerer City Council Chambers at 220 State Hwy 233 and January 29, 2020 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Rock Springs City Council Chambers at 212 D Street. A Public Evidentiary Hearing will be held May 5-6, 2020 in the Commission's Hearing Room at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300 in Cheyenne.

This is not a complete description of RMP's IRP filing. It is available at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne, or online at https://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx under Docket No. 20000-552-EA-19, Record. No. 15192. Additional information is available On the Commission's Hot Topics page at: https://psc.wyo.gov/home/hot-topics and from RMP at http://www.pacific-corp.com/es/irp.html.

Anyone desiring to file a petition to intervene in this matter must do so on or before December 16, 2019, and shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention as well as the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding. Anyone filing written public comments is encouraged to do so on or before April 15, 2020.

To request accommodation for a disability, call (307) 777-7427 or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711. Please refer to Docket No. 90000-147-XI-19 (Record No. 15389).

DATED: November 22, 2019.

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