

Public notices

NOTICE OF HEARING SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

Relating to Water Rights

IN THE MATTER OF Wyoming State Board of Control Docket No. III-2021-2-8, the amended petitions of Lance P. & Kelli M. Odell-Bloedel and Benjamin T. & Jill Tonn before the Wyoming State Board of Control,

III-2021-2-8; Petition for change in Place of Use and Change in point of diversion and means of conveyance of a portion of the M.J. Sigler Appropriation . Permit No. 1518E. diverting fro Owl Creek, tributary Big Horn River through the Enlarged Close and Bader Ditch with Priority Date of November 11. 1905, to be changed in part to the Southside Ditch.

SAID PETITIONS having been assigned to the undersigned by the State Board of Control for public hearing to satisfy consent as provided for by law under Wyo. Stat. Ann, §§ 41-3-104 and §§ 41-4-514.

NOW THEREFORE, Superintendent Loren Smith will conduct a telephone hearing scheduling conference under Wyo. Stat. Ann. §§ 41-3-104 and §§ 41-4-514 and the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act Wyo. Stat. Ann. §§ 16-3-101 through 16-3-115 on November 4, 2021, at 10:30 am. at the Wyoming State Engineer's Office Conference Room, 715 E. Roosevelt St., Riverton, WY 82501 or **also accessible by telephone**. Any party owning an appropriation of water which may be affected by the granting of said petition or any other interested person or entity who wishes to object or otherwise enter an appearance in this matter must appear during the hearing scheduling conference and make his or her objection or interest in this matter known. Failure of any interested person or entity to appear will foreclose any future opportunity to object or appear in this specific matter outlined above. Any person desiring to appear at the hearing scheduling conference may do so in person **or** by dialing **1-877-278-2734** and entering the access code - **895102** - when prompted. Anyone requiring auxiliary aids for disabilities should contact this office in advance to arrange accommodation.

Dated this 28th day of September 2021.

Loren Smith
Superintendent, Water Division III
715 E. Roosevelt
Riverton, WY 82501
307-856-0747

Pub. Oct. 7, 2021 No. 9041

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Daniel & Leila Porath have requested a Land Use Change from the Agricultural land use category, to allow the short-term rental of up to six cabins, in two phases of three cabins each.

The subject property consists of two parcels, totaling 49.3 acres. These are described as a portion of the SE quarter of the NE quarter of Section 16, Township 6 North, Range 6 East, and a portion of the West half of Section 28, Township 41 North, Range 94 West. Fronting on the east side of Highway 20 S, approximately 2.8 miles north of the Fremont County Line, the property is addressed as 1263 Hwy 20 S.

A public hearing on this matter will be held before the Hot Springs County Land Use Planning Commission at 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 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. Oct. 7 & 14, 2021 No. 9042

NOTICE TO APPROPRIATORS OF WATER

Public notice is hereby given that the following listed water users have completed the requirements of appropriation and beneficial use of ground water for the following wells as approved by the State Engineer. Pursuant to Wyoming Statutes §§ 41-4-511 and 41-4-513, the following proofs of appropriation will be held open for public inspection from **October 18 through October 22, 2021**, during the hours of 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., at the following location(s): State Water Office, 715 E. Roosevelt, Riverton, Wyoming; and State Engineer's Office, Herschler Building 2W, 122 West 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Any person claiming a water right interest in the same sources of supply to which the below-advertised proofs refer may inform the Water Division Superintendent of his/her desire to contest the rights of the person or persons seeking adjudication. The statement of contest shall be presented within fifteen days after the closing of the public inspection and shall state with reasonable certainty the grounds of the contest. The statement must be verified by the sworn affidavit of the contestant, his/her agent or attorney. If no contest is initiated as allowed by Wyoming Statute § 41-4-312, the advertised proofs will be submitted to the State Board of Control for consideration during its meeting beginning on **November 15, 2021**, with the Division Superintendent's recommendation that certificates of appropriation be issued.

CLAIMANT	U.W. PERMIT/WR ABR S.C. NO.	NAME OF WELL	PRIORITY DATE	WELL LOCATION			AMOUNT OF ACREAGE	GALLONS PER MINUTE	USE(S)
				Sec.	Twp.	Range			
L.U. Sheep Company	U.W. 207585	Enl. Dickie Canal #2 Well	June 28, 2017	33	47N	99W	0.00	0	Miscellaneous

LOREN SMITH, SUPERINTENDENT
WATER DIVISION III
715 E. ROOSEVELT
RIVERTON, WYOMING 82501
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Pub. Oct. 7, 2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Britt Taylor has requested a land use change from the Agricultural land use category to the Commercial land use category, to allow a 50-unit RV campground. The subject property is a 21-acre parcel described as a portion of the NE quarter of the NE quarter of Section 3, Township 42 North, Range 95 West. Fronting on the north side of Highway 120 W, approximately ½ mile west of Fremont St. in the Town of Thermopolis, it is addressed as 138 Hwy 120 W.

A public hearing on this matter will be held before the Hot Springs County Land Use Planning Commission at 6:15 p.m. on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 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.

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

Hot Springs County, Thermopolis, Wyoming will receive sealed proposals from General Roofing Contractors for the furnishing of labor, tools, materials, and equipment necessary for the construction of the following building:

Hot Springs County
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Thermopolis, Wyoming

Bids will be received for a single General Contract by a qualified prime roofing contracting firm with 10-years (minimum) documented experience installing thermoplastic membrane with 3 projects of similar scope and size within the last 3-years; including Architectural, all roofing materials & Mechanical and Electrical work.

Sealed bids will be received by Hot Springs County Clerk, Becky Kersten, 415 Arapahoe Street, Thermopolis, Wyoming 82443, Phone: 307.864.3515, Fax: 307.864.3333, until 2:00 PM, local time, November 10, 2021 at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bids shall be submitted on the form provided with the Contract Documents. Digital Contract Documents may be secured at Nelson Architects, LLC at 214 N. Broadway, Riverton, Wyoming. Phone: (307) 856-6155, nelsonarchitects@wyoming.com.

Bids shall be accompanied by bid security in accordance with Instructions to Bidders in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid. The successful bidder shall be required to furnish to Nelson Architects, LLC, within ten (10) days of the bid's acceptance, Performance, Labor and Material Bonds, each in an amount not less than 100% of the contract sum, and as authorized by Wyoming Statutes Section 16-6-112 (as amended)

Contractors shall comply with all fair labor practices and must meet the requirements of the Wyoming State Statutes. Preference is hereby given to materials, supplies, equipment, and machinery and provisions produced, manufactured, supplied or grown in Wyoming, quality being equal to articles offered by the competitors outside of the State, all as more fully outlined in W.S. SS16-6-106 and 107.

A five percent (5%) preference will be given to resident Wyoming Contractors in accordance with the applicable State Statutes. Resident contractors shall be certified as such by the Wyoming Department of Employment at the time of the bid opening.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for at least thirty (30) days after the scheduled time for receipt of bids, except as noted in

the Instructions to Bidders.

The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities, to evaluate the bids submitted and to accept the proposal which best serves the interest of the Owner.

A mandatory pre-bid walk through for all Prime Roofing Contractors of the entire project, will be held at 2:00 p.m. (local time), October 18, 2021 at the Hot Springs County Annex Building, 117 North 4th Street., Thermopolis, Wyoming. Attendance is required for all Prime Roofing Contractors & encouraged for all Subcontractors who are interested in bidding on this project.

Dated this 1st day of October 2021

Pub. Oct. 7 & 14, 2021 No. 9043

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Elyse Dufour has requested a Land Use Change from Residential to Commercial, to allow the following:

1. Short-term rental of two existing bed-rooms;
2. Short-term rental of two existing recreational vehicle (RV) spaces
3. Short-term rental of three tent sites.

The subject property is Lot 1 of the Kirby Creek Subdivision, located in the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 33, Township 44 North, Range 94 West. Fronting on the south side of Black Mountain Road (State Hwy. 172) and the northeast side of East River Road, it contains a residence addressed as 1014 Black Mountain Rd.

This matter was tabled by the Hot Springs County Land Use Planning Commission on September 15th. However, it will return before the Land Use Planning Commission at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 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. Oct. 7 & 14, 2021 No. 9044

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session September 21, 2021, at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Mike Chimenti, Council members Tony Larson, John Dorman Sr., Bill Malloy and Dusty Lewis. Also, present were Mayor/Codes Administrative Assistant Fred Crosby, Clerk/Treasurer Tracey Van Heule, Public Works Director Ernie Slagle, Interim Police Chief Pat Cornwell, Town Engineer Anthony Barnett and Town Attorneys Mike Messenger and Marshall Keller.

AGENDA: Following the pledge of allegiance, Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the agenda with the following changes: the budget adjustment before the financial and add the Golf Board under Citizen Participation.

RESOLUTION 565: Larson made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve and adopt Resolution 565 which adjusts the budget to actual.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Malloy made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to approve the financial statement for August 2021.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: HOME-COMING PARADE: Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the mayor's signature on the WYDOT highway request for the Homecoming Parade on September 24, 2021.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: BRADYN HARVEY: PANTRY REQUEST: On behalf of the Odd Fellows Lodge, Harvey requested placing a free pantry in Bi-Centennial Park. Discussion ensued on vandalism, privacy, park hours and responsibility. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to allow the pantry (cupboard) in front of Town Hall, unless it becomes problematic.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: MERIANN RUSH: CHAMBER REQUEST: Following discussion, Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to close Broadway, between 4th and 5th streets on October 28th, to allow for the Halloween costume contest.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: JACKIE DOROTHY: UPDATES: Dorothy presented the 2nd edition of the Hot Springs-Thermopolis magazine. She also invited the Mayor and Council to the grand opening of the 1920's schoolhouse on September 28th.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: THERMOPOLIS RENDEZVOUS RODEO: LIQUOR PERMIT: Lewis made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve two malt beverage permits for the benefit rodeo at the Fairgrounds on September 24th and 25th.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: GOLF BOARD: Carrie Ryan updated the Mayor and Council on the increased use at the golf course, the state high school golf tournament, cows and antelope on the course and new staffing at the Pro shop and restaurant.

ENGINEER: ANTHONY BARNETT: Larson made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve pay estimate #1 for \$52,140.75 to Dave Loden Construction on the town shop roof. Dorman made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve

pay estimate #1 to Wild West Construction for \$85,096.25 for the chip seal project.

TOWN ATTORNEY: MIKE MESSENGER: Nothing at this time.

ADMINISTRATION: FRED CROSBY: Crosby noted the property insurance renewal process was beginning.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: Lewis noted the Hot City Outdoor Alliance is working on two grants for trails near Roundtop and T-Hill. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm and the next Council meeting is October 5, 2021, at 7pm. A sanitation/landfill work session is scheduled for October 19, 2021 from 5-7 pm.

ATTEST:	
Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer	Mike Chimenti, Mayor
Pub. Oct. 7, 2021	No. 9045

STATE OF)	OFFICE OF THE
WYOMING)	BOARD OF
OF)	COUNTY
COUNTY OF)	COMMISSIONERS
HOT SPRINGS)	August 17, 2021

The Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 17, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. in Public Meeting Room at the Government Annex. Present were Commissioners Tom Ryan, Phillip Scheel and Jack Baird. Also present were County Attorney Jill Logan and Interim County Clerk Karen Slocum.

Chairman Tom Ryan led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda
Phillip Scheel moved to approve the agenda with the following changes:

ADD: Other Business #3
Sign Final RFR and closeout document for the Cares Act Airport Grant

DELETE: Item #5
Julie Mortimore – Mineral Liens
(Item #5 will remain as a commissioners' discussion)

Jack Baird seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes
Unfortunately the minutes for July 6th, 2021 were not available so this matter will be readdressed at a future meeting.

Roundtop Trail Support Letter
Meri Ann Rush on behalf of Hot City Outdoor Alliance, was requesting a support letter for the Roundtop Trail Support Letter. Last August or September they came to the County as they were applying for the land and water conservation grant however the Mercer grant fell through so they pulled out of that grant because they did not have the matching funds. Cristy Waldon with Walmart gave them \$20,000.00 to develop Round Top Mountain so Wyoming Pathways, as they work with them, needs a letter of support because they have some other grants they are going to go after if it is ok with the Commissioners for them to develop that trail with it being on County land. Phillip Scheel made a motion to sign the previously prepared Letter of Support, Tim Young, Wyoming Pathways in regards to Roundtop Trail Consequential Program. Jack Baird second the motion. Motion carried.

Appoint New County Clerk
Jack Baird made the motion to appoint Becky Kersten as the new County Clerk. Phillip Scheel second the motion. Motion carried. Tom Ryan wanted to thank all who put their names in and applied for the position and came and interviewed with them. Phillip Scheel also wanted to thank the Republican Party who did their work in the process and forwarded three well qualified applicants. Motion passed.

518 Arapahoe Street Property Proposals

No proposals or bids were received. Since no bids were received it allows the Commissioners to proceed with whatever they choose to do with the property as they have given the public at large the opportunity to take over the taxes and it was advertised for RFP's and no one responded to that advertisement. The Commissioners have went above and beyond to satisfy the requirement for the disposal of public property.

Worker's Comp. Discount Programs

As previously requested, the Interim Clerk Karen Slocum presented the Worker's Comp. Safety Programs for Drug and Alcohol Program and Safety Program. Discussion ensued on both programs regarding the possible savings at 20% which would roughly be around \$800.00 per month if the programs were implemented as the Worker's Compensation monthly payment almost doubled with the new rates. These programs would entail drug and alcohol testing and also implement safety programs. The Commissioners are asking the elected officials and department heads to discuss the programs with their employees and bring their input back to the Commissioners for discussion at a future meeting. Tom indicated that Workforce Services would help in setting up these programs and policies. The programs can bring awareness to possible issues so the issues can be addressed. Tom indicated we should continue down this road to implement these programs.

Board of Control – Consent to Conveyance - Becker

Phillip Scheel made a motion to sign the Petition Seeking Recordation of a Change in Point of Diversion prior to 1965 of the following appropriations under the O.P. Jones Ditch, Permit No. 2945, as enlarged for Beckers and Browns. Seconded by Jack

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Baird. Motion carried.

Airport Cares Act Grant

Phillip Scheel made a motion to sign the final RFR for the Airport Cares Act Grant in the amount of \$3,081.16 which will close out that grant. Jack Baird seconded. Motion carried.

Jack Baird made a motion for the Approval for the Federal Financial Report for the close out of the Airport Cares Grant in the amount of \$20,000.00. Phillip Scheel seconded. Motion carried.

Removing the Construction Notice 4-1 from the County Land Use Plan

Commissioner Scheel requested the striking of 4-1 out of the Land Use Plan. 4-1 Construction Notice required (A) Structures Requiring Construction Notice and (B) Exempt Structures. Scheel stated the goal of the notice is to curb potential misuse of land, take care of septic notifications and just to have a general idea of what's going on in the County. He thinks the construction of or on the use of land is probably the one thing that is least understood. Discussion ensued on the construction notice in newspaper ads, information being sent out with tax notices, what notification needs to be done for a land use change, what constitutes a land change, and contacting the Hot Springs County Planner. Chairman Tom Ryan was not in favor of removing the construction notice as he indicated if you own property and you are thinking about changing the use you need to talk to the County Planner. The problems arise when someone changes the use without going through the proper channels when all it would have taken is a call or visit with the County Planner. He also mentioned that another discussion they should be having is how hard of a line should they take if people do not follow the rules. Commissioner Scheel moved that they strike 4-1 Construction Notice from the Land Use Plan. Jack Baird seconded. After further discussion, a vote was held and Commissioner Scheel voted in favor and both Commissioners Baird and Ryan were opposed. The motion failed.

Commissioner Scheel would like to continue the discussion and come up with consequences or path forward for those in violation of the Hot Springs County Land Use Plan.

Executive Session

At 4:15 p.m. Phillip Scheel moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss possible litigation. Jack Baird seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Commissioners returned to Regular Session at 4:45 p.m. No action was taken during or as a result of the Executive Session.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come

before the board, Chairman Tom Ryan declared the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Attest

Thomas J. Ryan, Chairman Karen Slocum, Interim County Clerk

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STATE OF) OFFICE OF THE
WYOMING) BOARD OF
OF) COUNTY
COUNTY OF) COMMISSIONERS
HOT SPRINGS) September 21, 2021

The Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Public Meeting Room at the Government Annex. Present were Commissioners Tom Ryan, Jack Baird and Phillip Scheel. Also present were County Clerk Becky Kersten. Chairman Ryan led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Phillip Scheel moved to approve the agenda with the addition of "Other Business Item 2" - Commissioner Support of Round Top to T-Hill Trail. Jack Baird seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TANF/CPI Grant Application

Phillip Scheel moved to approve the Chairman's signature on the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Community Partnership Initiative (TANF CPI) Grant application. The requested amount of funding is \$19,500.00. Jack Baird seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approach Agreement

Jack Baird moved to approve the Silver Creek Midstream Approach Agreement. Phillip Scheel seconded the motion. Discussion: Road & Bridge will only be constructing the approach; Silver Creek will be supplying gravel and culvert. All fees have been received. Road & Bridge Supervisor has reviewed the application and has no objections. Motion carried.

FMLA Leave

Phillip Scheel moved to approve the Chairman's signature on the FMLA request for Penny Herdt beginning September 16, 2021. Jack Baird seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Appointment of Museum Board Member

No applications were received for the vacant Museum Board member position. County Clerk will re-advertise.

Resolution Approval

Dusty Lewis, representing the Hot City

Outdoor Alliance, requested the County approve a resolution supporting the application of Wyoming Pathways to the Wyoming department of State Parks and Cultural Resources for a Recreational Trail Program Grant. Jack Baird moved to approve Resolution 2021-06 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2021-06
RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION OF WYOMING PATHWAYS TO THE WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF STATE PARKS AND CULTURAL RESOURCES FOR A RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$50,000 TO BUILD AND CONSTRUCT A SUSTAINABLE TRAIL CONNECTING THE ROUND TOP TRAIL TO T-HILL AND HOT SPRINGS STATE PARK

WHEREAS, recreational opportunities and access to hiking and biking trails are important to the residents of Hot Springs County, Wyoming ("County");

WHEREAS, the Recreational Trail Program (RTP) Grant is an opportunity for increased funding to provide support for the creation and maintenance of hiking and biking trails in the Thermopolis and Hot Springs County area;

WHEREAS, trails such as the new T-Hill Trail have seen a continuous increase in use from County and Town residents as well as increasingly become a destination for visitors on a year-round basis to our community;

WHEREAS, the Hot City Outdoor Alliance, Town of Thermopolis and other community partners recently completed the Thermopolis Community Trail Plan, which identified the Round Top to T-Hill Trail as the "highest trail priority for the community";

WHEREAS, Wyoming Pathways is requesting RTP funds to construct the Round Top to T-Hill Connector Trail project and Wyoming Pathways will donate its administrative and project management services to construct a quality trail and complete the RTP grant requirements;

WHEREAS, Wyoming Pathways is working closely with the Hot Springs Outdoor Alliance, Town and County, Chamber of Commerce, and community partners on this trail;

WHEREAS, the Wyoming Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources requires a five-year agreement between a non-profit and government agency to apply for a RTP grant;

WHEREAS, access to quality outdoor recreation is increasingly important for Wyoming to diversify our economy and enhance the quality of life in our communities. This project is an outstanding exam-

ple of the type of investment that will help achieve our goals.

NOW THEREFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HOT SPRINGS COUNTY, WYOMING, RESOLVES:

Section 1. That the foregoing recitals are incorporated in and made a part of this resolution by this reference.

Section 2. That the County acknowledges that outdoor recreational opportunities are an important aspect to the County economic development and access to public land for residents and visitors alike and are vital to improve the quality of life for present and future generations.

Section 3. That the Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners supports the application of Wyoming Pathways to the Wyoming Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources for Recreational Trail Grant in the amount of up to \$50,000 to construct the Round Top to T-Hill Connector Trail, a key component of the Hot Springs area trail system.

Section 4. That this trail partnership agreement with the County and Wyoming Pathways shall have a term of up to 5-years, with the first project being the Round Top to T-Hill Connector Trail Project. Any and all future year trail projects shall be subject to the prior review and approval of the Hot Springs Board of County Commissioners.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 21st Day of September 2021.

Thomas J. Ryan, Commissioner Chairman Phillip Scheel, Vice Chairman Jack Baird, Commissioner

ATTEST: Becky Kersten, County Clerk

Phillip Scheel Seconded the motion, Motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Phillip Scheel moved to adjourn. Chairman Ryan declared the meeting adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

Attest

Thomas J. Ryan, Chairman Becky Kersten, County Clerk

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