

STATE OF) IN THE
WYOMING) DISTRICT COURT
) ss.

COUNTY OF) FIFTH JUDICIAL
HOT SPRINGS) DISTRICT

IN RE: TITLE TO .42 ACRE,
MORE OR LESS

RAY W. DeVRIES and,)
CYNTHIA S. DeVRIES,)
husband and wife)
)
Plaintiffs,)
) Civil Action No.
vs.) CV-2023-5
)
THE PUBLIC)
)
Defendants.)

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Clerk of the District Court in and for Hot Springs County, Wyoming, Fifth Judicial District, HEREBY GIVES NOTICE to The Public, pursuant to W.R.C.P. Rule 4(m) (4), that the Plaintiffs have filed a *Complaint* with the Court requesting that the Court Quiet Title in favor of the Plaintiffs and grant title in fee to the Plaintiffs for a parcel of real property consisting of .42 acre located within Lot 1 of Section 11, Township 42 North, Range 95 West, 6th P.M., Hot Springs County, Wyoming, lying westerly of US Highway 20/Wyoming Highway 789 located on the West by Lot 2 in Section 11, Township 42 North, Range 95 West 6th P.M., in Hot Springs County, Wyoming. Any person or persons making an adverse claim to the subject parcel must file their response to the *Complaint* within thirty (30) days of the last publication, failing which judgment by default may be rendered against the person or persons as members of The Public for failure to appear. Response to the *Complaint* must be filed within thirty (30) days of the date of the last publication of this *Notice*.

Terri Cornella
By: _____
Deputy

Pub. Feb. 9, 16, 23 & March 2, 2023
No. 1280

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Kurt & Lisa Shaffer, dba as Shaffer Development, have requested approval of a preliminary subdivision plat dividing a 36-acre parcel into seven lots. The proposal also includes a Land Use Change from Agricultural to Residential for six of the lots, and to Commercial for Lot 7. The applicant proposes to serve the lots with public water, and each would have an onsite septic system. The subject property is located in the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 13, Township 42 North, Range 95 West. It fronts 1,600 ft. on the southeast side of Buffalo Creek Rd., 1,400 ft. southeast of Highway 20 S, and is adjacent to the Dinosaur Center property.

A public hearing on this matter will be held before the Hot Springs County Board of County Commissioners at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 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. March 2, 2023 No. 1288

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Procedural Rules, the Commission hereby gives notice of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) for a non-situs Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to construct its Boardman-to-Hemingway transmission line as more fully described below:

1. RMP is a division of PacifiCorp, an Oregon corporation, engaged in the business of supplying electric utility service to customers throughout its six-state service territory, including Wyoming. RMP is a public utility, as defined by Wyoming Statute § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C), subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Wyoming Statute § 37-2-112.

2. On February 6, 2023, the Company filed an Application, together with supporting testimony and exhibits, requesting the Commission grant a non-situs CPCN to construct the Boardman-to-Hemingway transmission line (segment H of the Energy Gateway Project) (B2H). The Company included a Petition for Confidential Treatment and Protective Order with its Application.

3. The Company's proposed Boardman-to-Hemingway is an approximately 300-mile-long, 500-kV transmission line that will extend from a proposed switching station near Boardman, Oregon to the existing Hemingway Substation located in Owyhee County, Idaho. Approximately 274 miles of the transmission line is located in five Oregon counties: Malheur, Baker, Union, Umatilla, and Morrow Counties. A 24-mile segment of the Project will be in Owyhee County in Idaho. The project also consists of a newly

constructed switching station near Boardman, Oregon, ten communication stations within the right-of-way of the transmission line, and construction of the Midline Series Capacitor substation.

4. The Company has partnered with Idaho Power Company (IPC) and the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) to develop the Project. IPC is the overall project manager, responsible for permitting, design, procurement, and construction. IPC will fund and own 45.45 percent and the Company will fund and own 54.55 percent.

5. The Company states the proposed project is necessary for the following reasons: 1) it increases the ability to move resources across and between both of the Company's balancing authority areas and will allow the Company to export 818 megawatts (MW) of additional generation capacity from Wyoming, Utah, and Idaho generators to Oregon, Washington, and California customers; 2) it enables the Company to avoid higher cost transmission and generation investments to serve the system, including Wyoming, that would be required absent B2H; and 3) it reduces the cost of third-party transmission service included in the net power costs allocated to Wyoming retail customers. The Company states that construction of B2H is expected to produce total-system cost savings of \$1.7 billion. The Company states that IPC must begin construction in July 2023 to have the project come into service by 2026.

6. The Company expects its share of the estimated total cost of the project to be between \$800 and \$900 million, which is estimated to increase Wyoming customer rates by an estimated 1.95 percent once the Company proposes to include the costs of the project in a future general rate case. The Company intends to finance the project through its normal internal and external sources of capital.

7. This is not a complete description of RMP's Application. You may review the Application at RMP's Wyoming offices and at the Commission's office in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during business hours or online at: <https://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx> (enter Record No. 17236).

8. Anyone desiring to file a statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do so, in writing, on or before March 15, 2023. Petitions shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding. Please mention Docket No. 20000-631-EN-23 in all correspondence with the Commission.

9. If you wish to participate in this matter and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711.

Pub. March 2 & 9, 2023 No. 1289

REQUEST FOR BIDS TO MAINTAIN TOWN PARK LAWNS AND OTHER PLANTINGS

The Town of Thermopolis is requesting bids for maintenance of lawns and plantings in Candy Jack Park, Glade Edwards Park, Bicentennial Park, Family Park, Southside Parkway, flower garden and median circles on Broadway, side islands on Sixth Street and flower barrels and grassy area in front of Town Hall. The scope of work also includes snow and trash removal for various Town properties and sidewalks.

Bid specifications detailing the entire scope of work may be obtained at Town Hall or calling 307 864-9285. Submit sealed bids to Mayor's Office, 420 Broadway, Thermopolis, Wyoming 82443. Sealed bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. Thursday, March 16, 2023 at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Late bids will not be accepted. Please mark envelope "Park Maintenance Bid." The Town reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to determine the qualifying proposal that will best benefit the Town.

Pub. March 2 & 8, 2023 No. 1291

STATE OF) OFFICE OF THE
WYOMING) BOARD OF
OF) COUNTY
COUNTY OF) COMMISSIONERS
HOT SPRINGS) February 7, 2023

The Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 7, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Public Meeting Room at the Government Annex. Present were Commissioners Tom Ryan, Phillip Scheel and Paul Galovich. Also present were County Attorney Jill Logan, County Clerk Becky Kersten and Administrative Assistants Penny Herdt and Connie Guntly. Chairman Ryan led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved as presented.

Approval of Minutes – The Commissioners approved the minutes of the January 17, 2023 meeting as presented.

WBC Site Visit Update – Commissioners participated in a site visit with the Wyoming Business Council representatives. Item was placed on the agenda to address any questions the Wyoming Business Council representatives had following their visit to the THP airport site prior to the meeting.

GIS Update – Worked with Road and

Bridge on trainings for the Road Maintenance App. Anticipated work includes working with Road and Bridge on the application, working with the Planner for septic permits and land use change mapping. Continuing to work on the septic mapping with 80% of the septic systems mapped and put in the records from 1970s and 80s. Plan to start opening the GIS map to make more layers and information available on the Open Data Hub.

FBO Monthly Report – There were 126 total recorded operations in January, fuel sales included 1760.86 gallons of Avgas and 794.73 gallons of jet fuel. Waiting on a price quote for the water pump in the FBO building. CARRSA grant funding can cover some of the cost. The roof of the electrical vault is peeling up and needs replacement soon.

Road and Bridge Monthly Report – Snow removal has increased this year. The new fire numbers (red numbers) have arrived and are installed. The switch over to the red numbers may be a 5-year project due to the number of them and the funds. Shane went through the County with the Sheriff to determine which areas would benefit emergency responders and completed those first. The data for the Road Maintenance app is extensive, Chairman Ryan asked Shane to work with IT personnel for different options and prices for devices that can be used in the field by Road and Bridge employees, Shane will return in March with an update. The Black Mountain Road project has been stalled during the winter due to weather.

Maintenance Monthly Report – The boiler and compressor parts are ordered for the Annex building. The generator for the detention center is on order, and maintenance is working with Jadedco to ensure the pad is ready for when the generator arrives. The Extension Center needs duct work, and the materials are being collected. Fair building roof meeting is on February 9, 2023. One library pump for the heater went down and maintenance was able to make the heater work with one pump.

Public Health / Prevention Monthly Report – The Prevention Coordinator had broken up the prevention meetings into different topics to be able to provide better outreach for each subject. The prevention program is providing different community groups and outreach services. Public Health Nurse Manager reported revenues are up by 50% from last year. The preparedness program has been providing trainings and participating in meetings.

Youth Alternatives Monthly Report – There are 12 participants in the program 9 males, 3 females. There are 15 students at HiSet; 13 are in the age waiver program, and 2 in the adult basic education. The Foster Grandparent program started with a foster grandma. Grant funds have been received for computers, and an application is in for funds for mats at the Skate Park.

Emergency Management Monthly Report – The Wyoming Gas inquiry is an annual inquiry making sure the County is aware of the transmission lines in the County. The County is aware of the transmission lines. March 1st at 5:00pm there will be a free H2S awareness training at the Fire department meeting room. Bill presented a SnoTel report with information for the snow water equivalent that will affect Hot Springs County. If the trend of snow continues the spring run-off can be high and may be a danger if people or animals are on the river during the run off. Bill provided a draft copy of the HSC Emergency Operations Plan and the Debris Management Plan to the Commissioners for review; copies have also been provided to County Attorney, First Responder Agencies, and Road and Bridge for review and return in March.

Planner Monthly Report – A Planning Commission meeting is set for February 8, 2023, with a public hearing item on the agenda. Natural Resource Planning Committee (NRPC) meets next week on February 15, 2023. Emergency Planning Committee will meet February 8, 2023. The annual septic report had been submitted to the Wyoming DEQ. Future projects: Black Mountain Road project – BLM is working with Bo for permits; when the construction for Red Rim Ranch starts in the spring, Bo and Shane will monitor and work with property owners to ensure everything happens smoothly. The Performance Bond for Red Rim Ranch with the County will be released after the restrictions of the bond have been met and the roads are complete.

Audit Review – There were two audits this year – the standard audit of financial statements and the Grant Compliance audit. The Grant Compliance Audit (Single Audit) was required as the County received more than \$750,000.00 in federal grant money in fiscal year 21-22. GASB 87 was explained for leases and county reporting requirements. The Commissioners accepted the audit as presented. Copies of the financial statements are available for review in the Clerk's office and on the Clerk's page on the County website.

Chamber Update – Chamber gave an update to the Commissioners, and invited them to the Chamber meetings, held on the second Thursday of the month at 6:00pm at Big Horn Federal. Chamber Banquet is going to be held in the Fall. The Chamber is providing work ready classes to teenagers/young adults and hopes to provide classes to senior citizens with a technology component.

Tax Rebates – The Commissioners approved the following tax rebates: Rebate #1-23 - Parcel #6995 for tax year 2020 (District 100)- Valkyrie Resources, LLC – NOV 2023-0012 in the amount of \$618.76. Rebate #2-23 - Parcel #6894 for tax year 2021 (District 100)- Foreland Resources, LLC – NOV 2023-in the amount of \$2,492.62.

Streaming Discussion – Different meeting streaming options were presented for cameras, zoom options, or video streaming. Videos can be saved for a certain amount of time if wanted. Dean will return to the February 21st meeting with different options and pricing.

Other Business – Board Appointments – Weed & Pest Board – The Commissioners appointed Heather Love to the Weed & Pest Board. Land Use Planning Board – The Commissioners appointed Jeremiah (JR) Ramsey to the Land Use Planning Board. **Ratify Signature – 2023 NAVAID Maintenance Grant** – The Commissioners ratified the chairman's signature on the 2023 NAVAID Maintenance Grant in the amount of \$5,943 (\$4,754 WYDOT share, \$1,189 County Share). **Greater Sage Grouse Management Plan Revision** – The Commissioners approved the Memorandum of Understanding with the WCCA to allow the WCCA to represent the counties in the Plan Revision. The Commissioners approved the chairman's signature on the Contractors Coordination Letter for the Plan Revision. **RFR #6 BHB Children's Outdoor Discovery Center** – The Commissioners approved RFR \$6 for the BHB NDC in the amount of \$4,588.25 (\$3,670.60 - WYDOT share, \$917.65 – BHB NDC share) **RFR #7 Black Mountain Road Reconstruction Project** – The Commissioners approved RFR #7 for the BMR Reconstruction Project in the amount of \$16,721.63. **WBC Meeting Attendance (February 22, 2023)** – Discussed attendance at the WBC meeting regarding Hot Springs County's application for Wyoming Business Council grant for the airport site.

Correspondence – NRPC Minutes – November, 2022; **Dept. of Revenue** – 2023 Property Tax Appraiser Certification; **Wyoming Water Association** – Membership Form; **Owl Creek Irrigation District** – Annual Meeting Notice/Minutes; **Lucerne Pumping Plant Canal Company** – Annual meeting Notice/Minutes; **United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs** – Notice of Decision; **Department of Revenue** – Special District Compliance Report; **Fifth Judicial District** – Appointment of Part Time Magistrates; **Museum Board Minutes** – November 15, 2022; **HSC Fair Board** – January 11, 2023 Minutes; **Chamber of Commerce** – Business, Non-Profit & Citizen of the Year Nomination Form; **Western Confluence Magazine** – Issue 12; **Chamber of Commerce Newsletter** – February 2023

Executive Session – Real Estate – The Commissioners entered into Executive Session for real estate discussion at 11:50 a.m. Those present for the Executive Session were Commissioners Ryan, Scheel and Galovich, County Clerk Kersten, County Attorney Logan and Commissioners Staff. The Commissioners returned to Regular Session at 12:00 p.m. No action was taken during or as a result of the Executive Session.

Approve Bills – The following bills were submitted for approval. Payroll for January - \$190,814.98.

BILLS – January 2023

MATTHEW BENDER & CO., INC. 336.20 / THERMOPOLIS - HOT SPRINGS 100.00 / NORTHERN WYOMING NEWS 58.32 / HASCO INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY 37.86 / UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING 6,663.00 / WYOMING DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE 80.00 / HOT SPRINGS COUNTY LIBRARY 16,250.00 / VERNON W. MILLER, M.D., PC 1,300.00 / AFLAC (ACCOUNT#HW652) 609.87 / ENTERPRISES TECHNOLOGY SERVICES 14.35 / ALLEGIANCE BENEFIT PLAN MANGT, INC. 42,607.12 / ANITA WEISBECK 73.13 / BARTON STAM 366.80 / BIG HORN WATER 353.75 / LONG BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 644.48 / BLOEDORN LUMBER-WORLAND 99.98 / AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP, 350.90 / BUDD-FALEN LAW OFFICES, LLC 442.90 / CANYON CONCRETE SAND & GRAVEL 3,864.00 / CARDINAL HEALTH 110, LLC 2,421.31 / CARVER, FLOREK & JAMES, CPA'S, LLC 5,500.00 / CITY SERVICE VALCON 16.00 / RED ROCK FAMILY PRACTICE, PC 505.00 / U.S. POSTAL SERVICE 1,900.00 / THERMOPOLIS HARDWARE 527.15 / COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTS INS. 18.70 / VERIZON WIRELESS 49.81 / VERIZON WIRELESS 37.01 / VERIZON WIRELESS 122.33 / VERIZON WIRELESS 81.24 / COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES 297.35 / CR LOCK AND SAFE 21.00 / CURTIS CHENEY 205.00 / DISCOVER THERMOPOLIS 298.22 / PINNACLE BANK OF THERMOPOLIS 40,360.98 / US FOODS 6,684.36 / GOTTSCHKE THERAPY REHAB WELLNESS 110.00 / HIGH PLAINS POWER 555.26 / HOT SPRINGS COUNTY SCHOOL DIST.#15,176.01 / HOT SPRINGS COUNTY MUSEUM 22,500.00 / HOT SPRINGS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 400.00 / HOT SPRINGS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE 180.00 / HOT SPRINGS COUNTY TREASURER 1,089.21 / HOT SPRINGS COUNTY HEALTH INS ACCT 53,951.27 / HTO CHEMICAL COMPANY, LLC 888.45 / THERMOPOLIS INDEPENDENT RECORD 3,990.75 / INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE 159.83 / FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER WY 42.30 / JADECO, INC. 733.98 / JENNIFER CHENEY 30.00 / JULIE MORTIMORE 18.36 / KENNEDY ACE HARDWARE 157.89 / KRISTEN J. SCHLATTMANN 980.00 / HOLDING'S LITTLE AMERICA 796.00 / MACK'S MARKET, INC. 558.57 / MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO. 237.59 / NAPAMOTOR SUPPLY, INC. 444.69 / OWL CREEK VETERINARY SERVICE 215.01 / O'REILLY AUTO PARTS 144.29 / O'REILLY

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or if it's good. If it has the quantity so that having a conversation about what we're going to do five to 10 years down the road. Right? So everything hinges on knowing what the water's up there. If there's enough, if there's quantity, then we can start answering all these other questions. And that's to me is why I think it's important to help get this ball rolling by the [Level 2 study application's] March 1st deadline."

The council voted and passed the approval unanimously of the resolution.

During citizen participation, Douglas Nelson representing the Red Dirt Master Gardeners made his annual request for street closure for the Farmer's Market. The event will be on Saturdays from June 3 until October 7 from 8 a.m. until noon with 30 minutes to set up and take down. The area closed will be on 5th Street between the alley from Warren St and Broadway, next to Bicentennial Park and Pinnacle Bank. The council voted and passed the approval of the request.

Wade Lippincott, representing Hot City Outdoor Alliance, presented some ideas to

the council for improving the boat ramp area on the 8th Street Bridge next to the Bighorn River. Lippincott said that the river's use for floaters and fishermen has "exponentially increased in the last 20 to 25 years." Part of his proposal is to remove the Russian olive plants and make the ramp wider, clear out the trash, add some picnic tables, and provide a place for proper toilet use. Lippincott added that there was no formal action he requested. Mayor Estenson said, "Excellent. I think we look forward to continuing that conversation and seeing what we can collaborate on."

Mayor Estenson and the council held a public hearing for the liquor license renewals for various businesses and for Los Cabos, contingent on their proof of purchase or renewal with the State Labor Division before March 31. There were no public comments made. The council voted and passed the approval of the liquor license renewal for Los Cabos and its contingency.

The next meeting of the Thermopolis Town Council will be Tuesday, March 7 at 7 pm. at the town hall.



photo by Jurri Schenck

New police officer

During last Tuesday's town council meeting, Mayor Adam Estenson swore in new Thermopolis Police Officer Lain Thorpe. During the ceremony Thorpe, left, was officially pinned by his grandfather, John Gerrells.

Commissioners

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roof project that engineers QC10 were supposed to be on-site last week, but due to the weather, they weren't able to come. They will try again next Friday. Also, Culliton said he is addressing the air conditioning unit at the Extension office and that maintenance supervisor Frank Davis is taking the lead with it and working

with Long.

Regarding the detention center plumbing project, Culliton said that it is about ready to go to bid. The other project involved at the detention center is the fire alarm system. Culliton said that Laramie Fire Protection is "really struggling to get up here to look at that space." If Laramie

Fire Protection doesn't work out, Culliton said that they may need to find another contractor.

Commissioner Galovich discussed with Culliton about spray foam insulation as well for the Fair Building. Culliton added, "It might be a viable option."

Commissioner Scheel recessed the meeting for 20 minutes un-

til IT consultant Dean Peranteux could arrive to discuss the video streaming project. When Peranteux arrived, he presented his research and budgeting information to purchase an Owl Labs camera, which costs about \$1,200, a one-time cost, and a Zoom webinar software license, which costs \$552 per year. The commission-

ers discussed with County Clerk Becky Kersten how to address the budget with this proposal as it was not originally planned for. Kersten said there is room in the emergency expenditure and that they would add it to the budget for the following year. The commissioners voted and passed the approval of Peranteux's proposal.

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logical balance," said Angi Bruce, deputy director of Wyoming Game and Fish. "This is not happening, and there are consequences. The research of unmanaged feral horses shows that they can have a substantial negative impact on wildlife population and rangeland health."

Winter further said that the current management practices of sending wild horses to feedlots came at great expense to taxpay-

ers — over \$77 million a year nationwide.

Members of the Senate Agriculture Committee all agreed wild horses are a major management problem that needs to be fixed. But they were split on whether a resolution sent to the state's congressional delegation would have any impact.

"Having sat through wild horse battles for 30 years or so, this is not the most effective thing I think the state can do," Hicks

said. "... I don't think sending resolutions back to our congressional delegations that are well aware of the problem are going to make a darn bit of difference in Congress. This is going to be solved by science and lawsuits and, to a certain degree, education. If we're going to be serious about wild horse management, we need to put some time and effort into it."

Kolb agreed.

"Trying the same thing over and over again is something we ought not do anymore," Kolb said. "I do recognize this to be a very serious problem, and look forward to doing something different and more substantive."

Prior to being considered by the Senate Agriculture Committee, Winter's resolution was widely supported by the House, passing on third reading with a 57-5 vote.

Emergency management coordinator adds clarity to school board report

by Kirk Boxleitner
Bill Gordon, the Hot Springs County Emergency Management coordinator, contacted the Thermopolis Independent Record to add clarity about his Feb. 16 testimony to the Hot Springs County School District Board of Trustees.

Gordon clarified that, rather than independently contacting "a firm in Chicago," he was one of several people invited to take part in a Dec. 7 Zoom call, regarding local school emergency management plans. This call was between Hot Springs County School District Superintendent Dustin Hunt, Hunt's Administra-

tive Assistant Kathy Groh, County Public Health Response Coordinator Sady Mounts, and representatives of "the Chicago firm," Facility Engineering Associates, P.C. — which also has offices in Denver, San Francisco, Washington, D.C., and Cheyenne, Wyoming — including Randy Braverman and Rich Merrill, the latter of whom served as the call facilitator and project manager for FEA.

Gordon had requested that Mounts be included in the call due to her position, just as he was invited out of courtesy to his own position, although he had anticipated being tapped as

more of a "partner" in the planning. But when Gordon recommended including reunification between students and their families as an emergency management step, following any sort of incident that would require evacuations of the schools, that was when the FEA representatives vetoed Gordon's concerns with expressed concerns of their own.

Gordon wanted any emergency management plan to be totally transparent to families about exactly where they could collect their evacuated students, but the FEA representatives countered that such trans-

parency about a student collection point could create "a secondary target" for violence against students and their families. By contrast, Gordon's viewpoint was, and continues to be, that only "a tiny percentage" of incidents requiring school evacuations would likely inspire such violence, since they would more likely be in response to evacuation incidents that were themselves violent.

To address that supposedly "tiny" percentage, Gordon recommended tapping law enforcement personnel to provide security at any student collection points, the latter of which Gordon

deemed essential to foster accountability in the process of delivering students back to their families safely. It was due to what Gordon interpreted as the FEA representatives' lack of receptiveness to his suggestions that he reiterated his recommendation of evacuation reunifications to the Hot Springs County School Board directly on Feb. 16.

"I do not mean to imply this company is not capable of writing a school emergency management plan," Gordon told the Thermopolis Independent Record. "But their firm cited experience working with Chicago school districts in which

a single high school could have as many as 5,000 students, which is more residents than we have in all of Hot Springs County."

With that disparity in mind, Gordon suggested that emergency management plans developed for a Chicago-sized school district might not be ideally suited to fit a Hot Springs County-sized school district, and vice versa. Gordon again recommended identified evacuation reunification points to foster both comfort and "practiced familiarity" with emergency management procedures among students and their families.

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/ TUMBLEWEED PROPANE 1,542.87 / TAK ELECTRIC 72.89 / TEPEE POOLS 192.00 / THOMAS J. RYAN 509.79 / T-O ENGINEERS 4,588.25 / TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS 1,390.75 / TRAVELING COMPUTERS, INC. 19,738.11 / TRI COUNTY TELEPHONE ASSOC. INC 963.31 / TRICIA MCPHIE 40.00 / TW ENTERPRISES, INC. 769.01 / NORCO, INC. 720.66 / VERIZON WIRELESS 95.61 / VERIZON 80.23 / VERIZON WIRELESS 50.52 / VICKLUND PHARMACY 219.35 / PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD ONE) 371.83 / PINNACLE BANK (VISA-CARD TWO) 154.89 / PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD FOUR) 355.24 / PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD SIX) 354.61 / PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD SEVEN) 817.48 / PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD EIGHT) 452.20 / PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD 1-SHERIFF) 141.51 / PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD 2-SHERIFF) 42.07 / PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD 3-SHERIFF) 1,626.67 / PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD 4-SHERIFF) 983.77 / WASHAKIE

COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH 28.00 / WAVES WEB DESIGN 400.00 / WEDGWOOD & COMPANY LLC 190.00 / WHITE HORSE FEED & SEED LLC 48.33 / WILLIAM F. GORDON 25.00 / WINTER EQUIPMENT COMPANY 2,628.64 / WYOMING DEPT. OF WORKFORCE SERVICES 6,775.25 / WYOMING CO. TREAS. ASSOC. 200.00 / GREAT-WEST TRUST COMPANY, LLC 4,350.00 / WYDOT-FINANCIAL SERVICES 3,280.63 / WYOMING FLEET AND AUTO REPAIR 94.50 / WYOMING CLERKS OF DISTRICT 150.00 / WYOMING GAS 1,858.00 / WYONET INC. 910.85 / WYO RETIREMENT SYSTEM 33,667.47 / WYOMING T2 CENTER 190.00 / 036-NCPERS GROUP LIFE INS. 320.00 / WYOMING RETIREMENT SYSTEM 337.50 / WYOMING WASTE SERVICES - RIVERTON 155.00 / YOUTH ALTERNATIVES 200.00 / YUN CHENG, PH.D. 400.00

Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

Notice:
A regular meeting of the Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners will be held on March 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m., at the Hot Springs County Annex building, 117 N. 4th St. Thermopolis. The public is invited to attend in person.

To be placed on the Agenda please email Connie Guntly, Administrative Assistant to the County Commissioners at connie.guntly@hscounty.com.

Per Wyoming Statute section 18-3-516, County information can be obtained at the County website <https://hscounty.com/> or by requesting a Public Records form from the County Clerk's office.

Attest
Phillip Scheel, Vice Chairman
Becky Kersten, County Clerk

Pub. March 2, 2023 No. 1290

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