

HOT SPRINGS COUNTY RURAL FIRE DISTRICT NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN a public hearing will be held at the Thermopolis Fire Department, 400 S. 14th Street, Thermopolis, Wyoming, on July 14, 2026, at 4:00 p.m., on the proposed budget for the Hot Springs County Rural Fire District, for the 2026-2027 fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, when and where anyone may appear and be heard on said budget summary of which follows:

Board Expenses	\$ 21,150.00
Legal & Accounting	\$ 15,800.00
Office Expenses	\$ 10,600.00
Community Relations	\$ 2,000.00
Capital Outlay	\$ 338,000.00
Depreciation	\$ 5,000.00
Insurance	\$ 28,000.00
Indirect Payroll Costs	\$ 28,500.00
Heat, Light & Building	\$ 48,700.00
Thermopolis Volunteer Fire Dept.	
Contract	\$ 81,365.00
Fire Management	\$ 158,257.00

TOTAL ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES \$ 737,372.00

Capital Outlay to be paid from cash reserves \$ 338,000.00

Net Operating Budget \$ 399,372.00

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Hot Springs County Overlook at Roundtop 2026

Request for Proposals (RFP)

The Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners is releasing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Property Lease and Development located at:

**Hot Springs County
140 Airport Road
Thermopolis, WY 82443**

Sealed packets will be received from qualified respondents that demonstrate the ability to reach the County's desired outcomes for the project, which includes, but is not limited to the following:

1. The County is seeking proposals for the property to increase economic development. The County may be willing to enter into a public-private partnership, if funding is available.
2. Ideal improvements include, hotel, recreational facilities, and multi use developments that are complementary to the property and community.
3. The County may select one more proposals for consideration, and the property may be kept as one lot or split into multiple units.
4. Each respondent shall describe the economic development benefit the project will provide to the County which include:
 - Projected capital investment
 - Estimated job creation
 - Projected average wage rate
 - Projected annual sales tax and property tax revenues, if applicable
5. The proposal shall include the amount the respondent is offering to pay for the lease of the property and the terms of the lease offered.
6. Qualified respondent(s) shall willingly negotiate with the County. Should negotiations with the selected respondent(s) be unsuccessful, the County has the right to cease discussion and move forward with another firm.

Sealed packets will be received by Hot Springs County Clerk, Becky Kersten, 415 Arapahoe St. Thermopolis, WY 82443, Phone: 307-864-3515, until 5:00 p.m. MDT, August 6, 2026.

The complete RFP can be found on the Hot Springs County Website (<https://hscounty.com>

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There is a 1996 Sportmaster camper, white, with VIN# 1KS208T24TD925369 that will be sold at Sheriff's public auction on the front steps of the Hot Springs County Courthouse on July 14th, 2026, at 11 a.m. This sale is to satisfy abandoned vehicle costs against Kieth Dietsch on the above listed vehicle by John Martinez in the amount of 1,000.00

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State of Wyoming)
) ss
County of Hot Springs....)

County Treasurer's Office July 21, 2026

Notice is hereby given that I, Julie Mortimore, the duly appointed, qualified and acting county treasurer within and for the county and state aforesaid, will on the 21st day of July A.D. 2026, at the North facing grounds of the Courthouse, Thermopolis, WY in the county and state aforesaid, offer for sale the following described real estate for taxes due and unpaid. The real estate will be sold subject to any special assessments for local or public improvements. Said

sale shall take place between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. of said day and will be continued from day to day, Saturdays and Sundays excepted, until all of said land has been sold. Personal Property listed below the real property will be advertised again and sold at a later date.

Sign up will be from 8:00 a.m. to 8:55 a.m. the day of the sale, in the Treasurer's office at 415 Arapahoe St.

The real property to be offered at said sale, together with the taxes, penalty, interest and costs due on the same is described as follows, to wit:

Owner's Name and Description of Property and Total Amount for Which Property will be sold + **\$20.00 Certificate Fee.**

District 100~Rural

000403-MCWILLIAMS SHAWN I & MARGARET I:HWY 120 W, 44-97-02 SE4/SW4 S/2SE/4 44-97-11 N/2 LESS 18.04 H/W TOTAL ACRES 412.06.....\$3,170.91

002132-OBRIEN LARRY & AMBRA & MACIE BILLY: 1216 S DICKIE AVE, 44-94-07 NWNE FR (0.964 ACRES) ALSO LAND SITUATE IN THE W1/2NE1/4 AND SE1/4NE1/4 BY METES & BOUNDS DESCRIBED IN MFPG (ACRES 26.39) TOTAL ACRES 27.351.....\$383.35

000091-SONRISE GRASS CREEK GUEST RANCH LLC: 3809 GRASS CREEK RD, 46-99-23 E2SE 46-99 24 N2NW,SWNW,SW,W2SE, SESE 46-99-25 N2NE (LESS 2.98 A) TOTAL ACRES 557.02 557.02 ACRES WITHIN COTTONWOOD/GRASS CREEK WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.....\$2,159.81

000093-SONRISE GRASS CREEK GUEST RANCH LLC: 3673 GRASS CREEK RD, 46-99-24 TRACT IN SENE TOTAL ACRES 3.87 3.87 ACRES WITHIN COTTONWOOD/GRASS CREEK WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.....\$790.42

000945-SONRISE GRASS CREEK GUEST RANCH LLC: GRASS CREEK RD, 46-99-24 NWNE,S2NE,SENW NESE LESS 9.34A IN SEC 24 SOLD TOTAL ACRES 195.1 195.1 ACRES WITHIN COTTONWOOD/GRASS CREEK WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.....\$541.07

000781-STEPHENS ROY E & PATRICIA D:3674 GRASS CREEK RD, 46-98-19 PORTION OF TRACT # 57 DESC. BY METES & BOUNDS TOTAL ACRES 10.0.....\$305.95

000854-WATKINS DUANE W & ROSE E WATKINS PAM & RIGSBY VIVIAN:HWY 20 N, 43-94-18 LOT 1, NENW TOTAL ACRES 76.78 78.20 ACRES WITHIN OWL CREEK IRRIGATION DISTRICT (LOWER) - LEGAL IS AS FOLLOWS: N/2NE, NENW SEC 18 T43 R94 (LESS 7 A IN NENE SEC 18).....\$2,058.52

District 101~South Thermopolis

Water District

007274-DEARING KAITLEN:RED RIM RD, LOT 67 RED RIM RANCH SUBD 4.34 ACRES.....\$936.26

000689-FRAZER GERALD:331 LANE 12, RED GULCH SUBD TR 2 TOTAL ACRES 2.778 MANUFACTURED HOME - 1974 CHICKASHA 14' X 76' DECAL #404.....\$245.97

000378-PEBBLES RYAN WILLIAM:368 BUFFALO CREEK RD, 42-95-13 METES & BOUNDS DESC TOTAL ACRES 5.0 MANUFACTURED HOME - 1982 CREST 27' X 61' TITLE SURRENDERED NAO070.....\$915.01

District 102~Lucerne Water District

005607-WATKINS DUANE W & ROSE E WATKINS PAM & RIGSBY VIVIAN:491 HWY 20 N, 43-94-18 N2NE TRACT - LESS 2.75 R/W LESS 0.07 TO WAKELEY ROAD LANDOWNERS ASSOC LLC TOTAL ACRES 70.18 PERSONAL PROPERTY - WATKINS DUANE W - AG.....\$2,206.33

006955-WATKINS DUANE W & ROSE E WATKINS PAM & RIGSBY VIVIAN:HWY 20 N, 43-94-7 TR. OF LAND IN SWSE, SESE, NWSE. TOTAL ACRES 29.19 29.19 ACRES WITHIN OWL CREEK IRRIGATION DISTRICT (LOWER) - LEGAL IS AS FOLLOWS: N/2NE, NENW SEC 18 T43 R94 (LESS 7 A IN NENE SEC 18).....\$1,336.68

District 150~East Thermopolis

002779-5TH STREET SHOPS LLC C/O GETZFREID DUSKY:144 E WARREN ST, EAST THERMOPOLIS BLK 3 LOTS 56-57 LOT 58 W/2 MANUFACTURED HOME - 1973 BELLA VISTA 24' X 40' DECAL # NAO135 SURRENDERED.....\$512.89

District 151~Town of Kirby

002840-BULMAN DALE & MABEL C/O DIXON TRAVIS RAY:108 W 6TH ST, KIRBY OT BLK 4 LOTS 13-19 AND LOTS 21-24.....\$249.81

002876-FLINN BILLY L:107 W 4TH ST, KIRBY OT BLK 6 LOTS 9-12.....\$147.03

002843-OBRIEN LARRY & CHRISTINE:203 W 5TH ST, KIRBY OT BLK 3 LOTS 9-12.....\$635.49

District 152~Town of Thermopolis

002458-CABLE BERNICE HOPE:315 S 10TH ST, THERMOPOLIS OT BLK 43 LOTS 13- 15 N 51'.....\$861.83

002213-COOPER RAYMOND PAUL:518 RICHARDS ST, THERMOPOLIS OT BLK 53 LOT 21 E/2 LOTS 22- 23 FR 48' X 140' E OF LOT 23 COMMERCIAL.....\$2,036.45

002041-GRIMM PATRICK C:132 MEADOWLARK LN, MEADOWLARK SUBDBLK 2 LOT 7.....\$145.02

001700-JENNINGS BRYCE B:1029 BROADWAY ST, THERMOPOLIS OT BLK 36 LOTS 1-6 COMMERCIAL.....\$264.87

001779-MSBN HOLDINGS LLC:509 BROADWAY ST, THERMOPOLIS OT BLK 7 LOT 1-3 & E 1' LOT 4 COMMERCIAL PERSONAL PROPERTY - BROADWAY BAKERY.....\$1,195.76

002120-PRUETT MICAH N:603 WARREN ST, THERMOPOLIS OT BLK 11 LOT 1 N 65' LOT 2 N 65' OF E 21'.....\$920.48

002353-RTMVMC LLC:412 N 6TH ST, THERMOPOLIS OT BLK 31 LOTS 21-24 COMMERCIAL PERSONAL PROPERTY - ROUNDTOP MOUNTAIN MOTEL & ROUNDTOP FLIES AND MORE.....\$1,055.51

001755-SHINKLE GLENN & LOIS:502 RYAN ST, RYANS ADDN BLK 59 LOT 1 LOT 2 E 26'8".....\$358.85

001628-VARGAS PAUL ANTHONY:821 BROADWAY ST, THERMOPOLIS OT BLK 38 LOTS 5-6.....\$693.64

001514-WILLIAMS ROBERT A:835 AMORETTI ST, THERMOPOLIS OT BLK 50 LOT 9 LOT 10 N FR.....\$95.56

002497-WIXR LLC:736 1/2 RICHARDS ST, THERMOPOLIS OT BLK 51 LOTS 15- 16 N 50'.....\$332.46

Personal Property (without real property) to be sold at a later date:

003812-BRUCKNER BILLIE LOU & WILLIAM J C/O BULMAN DALE & MABEL:100 W 6TH ST, MANUFACTURED HOME - 1972 BILTMORE 12X52 DECAL #547.....\$99.10

004679-BULMAN DALE & BULMAN MABEL:108 W 6TH ST, MANUFACTURED HOME - 1976 SKYLINE 14' X 66' DECAL # 207.....\$45.37

01591-CABLE LEA A:217 S 12TH ST, CANDY JACK #19 MANUFACTURED HOME - 1970 MARLETTE 12'X 65' DECAL #369.....\$78.80

007385-FABNAUTO LLC:167 HWY 20 S, PERSONAL PROPERTY - FABN AUTO LLC.....\$238.20

001894-HARRIS KYLE A:122 HWY 20 S, GRANDVIEW #29 MANUFACTURED HOME - 1974 HILLCREST 14' X 56' DECAL #358.....\$69.94

004337-HARRIS KYLE A:122 HWY 20 S, GRANDVIEW #32 MANUFACTURED HOME - CHAMPION 1995 16' X 76' DECAL # 14.....\$106.19

003316-HARVEY WALTER D & MELODYN C/O FLINN BRENDA:107 W 4TH ST, MANUFACTURED HOME - 1975 CHAMPION 24' X 58' DECAL #072.....\$273.09

004756-HOT SPRINGS THRIFT:1002 SHOSHONI ST, PERSONAL PROPERTY - HOT SPRINGS THRIFT.....\$33.77

007390-HOWMILLER CHERYL DBA CAMPING COWGIRL CUISINE:1022 BLACK MOUNTAIN RD, PERSONAL PROPERTY - DBA CAMPING COWGIRL CUISINE.....\$154.89

007349-LOW RANGE 4X4 LLC PREMIER CADE & MALDONADO NOAH:144 N 6TH ST PERSONAL PROPERTY - LOW RANGE 4X4 LLC.....\$108.07

004490-MERKLEIN DWIGHT DBA ROCKY MOUNTAIN STEAM CLEANING:621 WARREN ST, PERSONAL PROPERTY - ROCKY MOUNTAIN STEAM CLEANING.....\$81.39

004800-OBRIEN DENNIS & KATHY:1216 S DICKIE AVE, MANUFACTURED HOME - 1978 GALLATIN 18' X 67' DECAL # 159.....\$81.47

007081-OBRIEN DENNIS KATHY & AMBRA:1218 S DICKIE AVE, MANUFACTURED HOME - 1993 DARBY 16' X 76' DECAL # 288.....\$220.98

003173-RADER MELISSA:2001 HWY 120 W, MANUFACTURED HOME - 1974 GREAT LAKES 14'X 66' DECAL #419.....\$41.20

003950-RADER MELISSA:2001 HWY 120 W, MANUFACTURED HOME - 1982 BLAIR HOUSE 16'X 70' DECAL #047.....\$43.15

003228-SHERARD JOHN WILLIAM JR:1225 CANYON HILLS RD CYNHL#17 MANUFACTURED HOME - 1974 OLYMPIAN 14'X 62' DECAL #2 54.....\$162.82

007078-SLAGE CONSTRUCTION LLC C/O MATT SLAGE:451 RIMROCK DR, PERSONAL PROPERTY - SLAGE CONSTRUCTION LLC.....\$89.97

LLC:3809 GRASS CREEK RD, PERSONAL PROPERTY - SONRISE OPERATIONS LLC - AG, RENTALS, COOKHOUSE & BUTCHER.....\$263.90

002940-TJEPKES MELISSA:2001 HWY 120 W, MANUFACTURED HOME - 1974 CENTURY 14'X 66' DECAL #313.....\$75.82

004797-WATKINS DUANE & ROSE:489 HWY 20 N, MANUFACTURED HOME - 1979 CHICKASHA 14' X 76' DECAL #137.....\$90.82

Pub. June 25, July 2 & 9, 2026 No. 2121

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules, notice is hereby given of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) for approval to establish baseline standards for electric reliability, 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 in its service territory consisting of parts of six states, including Wyoming. RMP is a public utility, subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Wyo. Stat. §§ 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C) and 37-2-112.

2. On May 29, 2026, the Company filed its Annual Update containing the Wyoming Service Quality Review and Wyoming Power Quality Reports for calendar year 2025. The Company states the reports provide an overview of reliability and power quality performance delivered during calendar year 2025. The Company requests no changes to the baseline reliability performance standards approved by the Commission in Docket No. 20000-653-EA-23. In this docket, the Commission established baseline performance standards of 175 minutes for the System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI), 1.8 events for the System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI), and 1.73 events for the Momentary Average Interruption Frequency Index (MAIFI). The Commission also required the Company to continue monitoring established power quality metrics.

3. RMP is required to file these reports, for Commission approval, to establish baseline standards for electric reliability pursuant to Commission Rule, Chapter 3, Section 38(e) and Wyoming Statute §§ 37-18-102(a)(v).

4. This is not a complete description of RMP's Application. Interested persons may inspect the Application at the Commission, or online at: <https://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx> (enter Record No. 18143).

5. Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, protest, intervention petition or request for a public hearing in this matter must do so, in writing, to the Commission on or before July 24, 2026. Any intervention request 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. 20000-712-EA-26 in your communications.

6. If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing that you will attend, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711.

DATED: June 25, 2026.

Pub. July 2 & 9, 2026 No. 2124

Notice of Public Hearing
Hot Springs County
Hospital District

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing of the proposed budget for the Hot Springs County Hospital District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, which is now being considered by the Hot Springs County Hospital District Board of Trustees will be held at the Hot Springs County Hospital District Conference Room at 150 E. Arapahoe, Thermopolis, WY on the 14th of July 2026 at 5:30 PM at which time any and all such persons interested may appear and be heard regarding such budget.

A summary of such proposed budget follows:

Total Operating Revenue	41,308,454
Operating Expenses:	
Salaries & Wages	18,000,572
Employee Benefits	3,612,352
Professional Fees	7,118,876

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Supply Expense	7,791,057
Other Expenses	3,057,832
Depreciation & Amort	
Exp	3,298,365
Total Operating Expenses	<u>42,879,055</u>
Net Operating Surplus/	
(Loss)	(1,570,601)

Non-Operating Income/(Exp):	
Property Tax Mill Levy	491,968
Interest Expense	(636,170)
Other Non-Operating	
Income	<u>1,775,680</u>
Total Non-Operating Revenue/	
(Exp)	<u>1,631,477</u>

Total Net Surplus/(Loss)	<u>60,877</u>
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Restricted Funds for Building	
Project-Special Purpose	
Tax	<u>1,241,239</u>

Capital Expenditures	<u>1,407,473</u>
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Pub. July 9, 2026 No. 2130

Public Notice

There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, July 21, 2026 at 7:00pm. At Town Hall to review the Conditional Use Permit, Request for Variance, Roberto Vargas, Residential Construction, at Kinney 1st Addn. Blk. 5 Lot 9 W half & Lot 10 in LDR. For further information, please contact Codes Admin. 864-9285.

Pub. July 9 & 16, 2026 No. 2129

NOTICE

The Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners is asking Hot Springs County Residents to apply to serve on the following Hot Springs County Board:

Fair Board – One seat open due to resignation. (Term through January 1, 2029)

Residents of Hot Springs County interested in applying to serve on the Board should submit their County Board Application (available on the County website www.hscounty.com or at the County Clerk's Office) to the Hot Springs County Clerk's Office. Applications will be considered and appointments made at the Hot Springs County Commissioners meeting on July 20, 2026.

Becky Kersten
Hot Springs County Clerk

Pub. July 9 & 16, 2026 No. 2135

ORDINANCE NO. 884

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 857, SECTION 1, ADOPTED CODES, ADOPTING THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE, INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CODE, INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE, INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE, INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE AND THE NFPA 58 NATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE AND THE NFPA 54 NATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE AND ESTABLISHING RELATED FEES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS:

Section 1. Ordinance 857, Section 1, Adopted Codes, shall be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

A. The fire and life safety provisions of the following codes and appendix chapters are hereby adopted, exclusive of the appellate process for building permits, structural provisions, and structural plan review.

B. Thermopolis Town Code presently sets forth specific procedures for building permit fees, appeals of the building permit process, a board of appeals, and electrical codes, and does hereby supersede and specifically exclude all such specific sections of the International Code from adoption.

C. "International Building Code" or "IBC" means the code adopted by the Town of Thermopolis and published by the International Code Council, Inc., including all appendices, tables, figures, and any materials incorporated by reference therein, as the same may be amended, supplemented, replaced, renumbered, or otherwise modified from time to time by the International Code Council, Inc.

D. "National Fire Protection Association" or "NFPA" means the code adopted by the Town of Thermopolis and published by the National Fire Protection Association, including all appendices, tables, figures, and any materials incorporated by reference therein, as the same may be amended, supplemented, replaced, renumbered, or otherwise modified from time to time by the National Fire Protection Association.

E. In any area where the Town Code has specific code requirements that conflict with provisions of the adopted International Code Editions, the more stringent requirement shall apply.

F. The following Codes are adopted: (a) International Building Code (b) International Residential Code (c) International Existing Building Code (d) International Fire Code (e) International Property Management Code (f) International Mechanical Code (g) International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (h) International Plumbing Code (i) International Fuel Gas Code Section 101.2.4 LP-gas equipment and piping systems (j) NFPA 58 Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code (Most Recent Edition) (k) NFPA 54 National Fuel Gas Code (Most Recent Edition)

G. All other references in the Thermopolis Town Code to any Code Standards shall refer to the applicable International Code as adopted herein.

Section 2: The Adopted Code shall automatically include and adopt each and every future edition of the IBC and NFPA and all future amendments, supplements, errata, and other modifications to the IBC issued by the International Code Council, Inc., as such changes are adopted, issued, or published from time to time, without the need for further legislative action by the Town of Thermopolis.

Section 3: The Town of Thermopolis shall provide notice that there have been updates to the IBC or NFPA when they become aware of the updates. Failure to provide notice of updates to the IBC or NFPA shall not invalidate the applicability or enforceability of an update that is otherwise effective under this Section.

Section 4: This Ordinance shall take effect on the 8th day of May 2026, after having been published in the Thermopolis Independent Record as required by law.

PASSED ON THE FIRST READING March 17, 2026.

PASSED ON THE SECOND READING April 7, 2026.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THE THIRD AND FINAL READING April 21, 2026.

TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS
By: _____
Adam R. Estenson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Connie Guntly, Deputy Town Clerk

Pub. July 9, 2026 No. 2132

ORDINANCE 885

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REENACTING TOWN CODE SECTION NO. 11-102 CONCERNING THE SALE, DISTRIBUTION AND DETONATION OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS; PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION THEREFORE AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS:

Town Code Section 11-102 is hereby repealed and reenacted as follows:

Section 1. Sale of Fireworks. The sale of fireworks shall be allowed by an approved retailer who has obtained a transient business license from the Town Clerk within the corporate limits of the Town of Thermopolis. The permit granted by the Town shall be for a period not exceeding 14 days cumulatively before and after the July 4th holiday. The Mayor and Council may also designate 7 days and hours of operation surrounding New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

a. The sale of fireworks shall take place on property owned by the retailer.
b. The retailer shall obtain property and liability insurance in an amount not less than \$250,000.00 per occurrence and \$500,000.00 in the aggregate, naming the Town as an additional insured.

Section 2. Detonation Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to detonate, discharge or use fireworks within the corporate boundaries of the Town of Thermopolis and within one-half (1/2) mile outside the Town, except as hereinafter provided.

Section 3. Supervised Discharge. A supervised public fireworks display may be held in Hot Springs State Park, under the Town of Thermopolis Town limits, that is not subject to an open fire ban if the fireworks operator has obtained both a special use permit from the superintendent of the park, pursuant to Wyoming State Laws to department rules and regulations, and from the Town of Thermopolis.

Section 4. Permitted Discharge. The governing body of the Town may, from time to time, designate an area within the boundaries of the Town for persons to detonate fireworks for special events other than the Independence Day (July 4th) and New Year's Eve (December 31), and may designate such place with dates and hours for which persons may detonate fireworks. It will be entirely in the discretion of the governing body whether to designate or not designate such a place from year to year. All det-

onation, use, or discharge of fireworks by minors shall be under adult supervision, and any person participating in such activity shall assume the risk and responsibility for injury to themselves or others, or damage to property of themselves or others. The Town will not supervise any such activity and hereby disclaims any responsibility for injury to persons or property.

Section 5. Permitted Discharge for Independence Day and New Year's Eve.

(a) The discharge of legal fireworks shall be permitted within the corporate limits of the Town of Thermopolis, except in areas where fireworks are expressly prohibited in part C, from 3:00 p.m. on July 4 through 12:30 a.m. on July 5, and from 3:00 p.m. on New Year's Eve through 12:30 a.m. on New Year's Day.

(b) All detonation, use, or discharge of fireworks by minors shall be under adult supervision. Any person participating in the detonation, use, or discharge of fireworks shall assume all risk and responsibility for injury to themselves or others, and for damage to their own property or the property of others. The Town shall not supervise any such activity and hereby disclaims all responsibility and liability for injury to persons or damage to property arising from the use of fireworks.

(c) Fireworks shall remain prohibited within the Town limits in designated restricted areas, including, but not limited to, town property, on US or State Highway public highway publicly maintained and dedicated to public use for vehicular travel, and areas zoned as commercial business.

Section 6. The Ordinance shall take effect on the 8th, day of May 2026, after being published in the Thermopolis Independent Record as required by law.

PASSED ON FIRST READING March 17, 2026.

PASSED ON SECOND READING April 7, 2026.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THE THIRD AND FINAL READING APRIL 21, 2026.

TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS
By: _____
Adam R. Estenson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Connie Guntly, Deputy Town Clerk

Pub. July 9, 2026 No. 2131

NOTICE OF HEARING ON BUDGET FOR HOT SPRINGS COUNTY RURAL WATER JOINT POWERS BOARD, HOT SPRINGS COUNTY, WYOMING

A public hearing on the Final Proposed Budget for the Hot Springs County Rural Water Joint Powers Board in Hot Springs County, Wyoming for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, will be held at the Hot Springs County Annex Building, Thermopolis, Wyoming on July 16, 2026 at 5:00 PM, at which time all persons interested may appear and be heard in respect to said proposed budget. Following the public comment, if any, the Board intends to vote on adoption or rejection of the proposed budget. The hearing will be followed by the regular monthly Board meeting.

Pub. July 9, 2026 No. 2136

Notice Cancellation of Regular Meeting - Reschedule

Notice is hereby given that the regular meeting of the Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners, scheduled for July 21, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. has been canceled. All regular business will be held immediately following the Public Hearing for Hot Springs County 2026-2027 Budget. The meeting will be held in the Governmental Annex Building meeting room, 117 North 4th, Thermopolis, Wyoming on the 20th day of July 2026, at 1 p.m.

Becky Kersten
Hot Springs County Clerk

Pub. July 9, 2026 No. 2137

Hot Springs County Weed and Pest Control District
711 Springview Street, PO Box 543
Thermopolis, WY 82443
307-864-2278

Notice of Hearing

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on the Final Budget for the Hot Springs County Weed and Pest Control District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, which is now being considered by the Board, will be held at the Office of the District, 711 Springview Street, Thermopolis, WY on the 14th day of July, 2026 at 6pm. A summary of the same follows:

Regular Mill Levy:
• Cash & Revenue

Available:	\$1,408,788
• Requested Mill Levy: (One Mill)	\$158,000
• Red Canyon Fire Recovery Grants:	\$9,419,489
• Total Budget:	\$10,986,277

Special Mill Levy:	
• Cash & Revenue Available:	\$579,715
• Requested Mill Levy: (One Mill)	\$158,000
• Total Budget:	\$737,715

Pub. July 9, 2026 No. 2138

STATE OF WYOMING)
OFFICE OF THE)
BOARD OF)
COUNTY)
COUNTY OF)
HOT SPRINGS)
) COMMISSIONERS
) THERMOPOLIS, WY
) June 23, 2026

The Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners met in a special session Tuesday, June 23, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. in the Public Meeting Room at the Government Annex. Purpose of the special meeting was to discuss financing and loan overview for the proposed County owned hangar, SLIB (State Lands Investment Board) funding of the hangar cistern, bids submitted for hangar construction, and the RFP (Request for Proposals) for the Overlook at Roundtop. Present were Commissioners Bob Aguiar, Paul Galovich, and Tom Ryan. Also present were County Clerk Becky Kersten, County Attorney Jill Logan, and Commissioner's Administrative Assistant, Kim Lindseth. Chairman Aguiar led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda Commissioner Galovich moved to approve the agenda. Commissioners approved the agenda.

Loan Overview and Financing

Commissioner Ryan spoke regarding the County's attempt to secure financing for the proposed County owned airport hangar. He stated the County has approximately \$1.5M in funds from the FAA and WYDOT, to put towards the construction of the County owned hangar, and needs approximately \$1.3M in additional funds. The County started the loan process with USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) Rural Development this past February; the USDA recently informed the County the loan application was denied. The USDA stated they believed the County could afford to secure financing through a local lender, and the USDA is not allowed to take business away from local lending institutions. Commissioner Ryan explained the County then applied with the Bank of Thermopolis (The Bank of Bridger), but the bank needed more collateral than the revenue bond offered. The Commissioners decided the County would go through the appeal process with USDA in an attempt to obtain loan approval. Commissioner Ryan reported SLIB (State Lands Investment Board) contacted the County stating they are now able to provide all of the funds requested to install a cistern for the new hangar; this along with the bid for the airport coming in lower than the estimated cost, means the amount of money the County needs to borrow will now be lower. Commissioner Ryan thanked County Clerk Becky Kersten, County Attorney Jill Logan, and Administrative Assistant Kim Lindseth for all of their hard work so far with the hangar financing.

Review of County Owned Airport Hangar Bids

Carson Rowley, Project Manager from Ardurra Engineering and Consulting Firm, attended the meeting to review the bid received for the airport hangar project. Mr. Rowley stated there were initially two parties interested in bidding the project, but only one bid was received. The bid received was from WURX, LLC and is currently under review; the County has sixty days to award the bid. Mr. Rowley reported the bid costs were reasonable and lower than estimated. The total bid amount was \$2,498,957.00 and the estimated amount was \$2,985,500.00. Mr. Rowley recommended the Commissioners accept and award the bid to WURX, LLC. Mr. Rowley stated the FAA requires a written concurrence of the bid from the Commissioners in order to obligate their funding by the June 30, 2026 deadline. Commissioner Galovich moved to concur with Mr. Rowley's recommendation contingent upon receiving the FFA grant award, the WYDOT grant award, and securing additional financing. Commissioners agreed with the recommendation and contingencies.

RFP for Overlook at Roundtop

Connie Guntley presented the RFP for the Overlook at Roundtop to the Commissioners for approval. Ms. Guntley said she needed clarification on the site visit for the RFP. The Commissioners agreed to meet for a site visit with interested parties on July 14, 2026 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Ms. Guntley suggested all questions from interested parties be submitted in writing to her versus trying to answer all questions at the site

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visit. Commissioner Ryan moved to authorize the release of the RFP. Commissioners authorized the release of the RFP. Ms. Guntley reported she would put the finishing touches on the RFP and release it the next day. The RFP will be advertised in the Independent Record in Thermopolis and the Casper Star-Tribune.

Adjourn Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

A regular meeting of the Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners will be held on June 30, 2026 at 1:00 p.m., at the Hot Springs County Annex building, 117 N. 4th St. Thermopolis. The public is invited to attend in person, or view the meeting via Zoom through the link provided on the County website. To be placed on the Agenda please email Becky Kersten, County Clerk at commissioners@hscounty.com Per Wyoming Statute section 18-3-516 (f), 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:

/s/Bob Aguiar, Chairman
/s/Becky Kersten, County Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING HOT SPRINGS 2026-2027 COUNTY BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on the proposed budget for Hot Springs County's fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, now being considered by the Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners, will be held in the meeting room of the Government Annex building, 117 North 4th, Thermopolis, Wyoming, on the 20th day of July, 2026 at 1:05 p.m. at which time any and all persons interested may appear and be heard respecting such budget. Pursuant to W.S. 16-4-109, a summary of the same follows:

HOT SPRINGS COUNTY SUMMARY OF PROPOSED FY 2026-2027 BUDGETS (CASH BASIS)						
1	2	3	4	5	6	
Fund	Total Cash Available	Total Estimated Revenue & Transfers Available	Estimated Total Cash And Revenues (Cols 2 + 3)	Total Appropriations & Cash Reserves	Estimate of Tax Requirements	
					Amount	Mill Levy
General & Insurance	8,254,689	8,823,481	17,078,170	19,046,142	1,967,972	12
Fund	Total Cash Available	Total Estimated Revenue & Transfers Available	Estimated Total Cash And Revenues (Cols 2 + 3)	Total Appropriations & Cash Reserves	2026-2027 Surplus (Shortfall)	
Airport Fuel Sales	231,458	143,324	374,782	260,100	114,682	
Vaccine	135,215	78,460	213,675	90,000	123,675	

Note: all amounts rounded to nearest dollar for the purpose of this summary

Becky Kersten, Hot Springs County Clerk/Budget Officer

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STATE OF WYOMING)
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BOARD OF)
COUNTY)
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COMMISSIONERS)
HOT SPRINGS)
THERMOPOLIS, WY)
June 2, 2026)

The Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 2, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the Public Meeting Room at the Government Annex. Present were Commissioners Bob Aguiar, Paul Galovich and Tom Ryan. Also present were County Clerk Becky Kersten, County Attorney Jill Logan, and Assistant to the Commissioners Kim Lindseth. Chairman Aguiar led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda Commissioner Galovich moved to approve the agenda. Commissioners approved the agenda.

Approval of Minutes Commissioner Ryan moved to approve the minutes from May 19, 2026. Commissioners approved the minutes.

Approval of Bills-Accounts Payable Warrants Register Commissioner Galovich moved for approval of the Accounts Payable Register Warrant numbers 69099 through 69209 for a total of \$536,249.12, with payroll total of \$212,025.33. Commissioners approved the May 2026 Revenue/ Expenditure Report.

Year-End Court Security Report Sheriff Kraushaar presented the required Wyoming Court Security Committee Annual Report. He reported the second bi-annual Court Security Committee Meeting was held on May 13, 2026 and it was well attended. Sherriff Kraushaar went over the upgrades and changes made to court security equipment over the past year. He reported a grant is available from the Wyoming Judicial Council for \$337,000; the grant requires a 10% county match of funds utilized. The grant money would be used to address the findings of the January 11, 2024 security assessment performed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and other security related improvements. Projects would need to be completed by June 2028.

Road and Bridge Monthly Report Road and Bridge Supervisor, Shane Rankin, reported most of the spring blading has been done. Mr. Rankin asked the Commissioners for approval to send out a bid advertisement for a new blade and trade-in of the oldest blade. Mr. Rankin stated the County is allowed to use \$100,000 a year out of the State County Road Funds toward the purchase of new equipment. Mr. Rankin reported his department received approval to install the final signage on Black Mountain Road; the speed limit signs will come after the speed study is completed in July. The chip seal for Black Mountain Road is scheduled for June 22, 2026.

Maintenance Monthly Report Maintenance Supervisor, John Dorman, reported the parts for the condensing unit on top of the Law Enforcement Center are in and will be installed soon. Mr. Dorman stated his department has all of the sprinkler systems up and running and the five-year inspection of the internal sprinkler system at the museum has been completed.

Public Health/Prevention Update Public Health Nurse Manager, Shawn Mohr, reported Public Health Office Manager, Holly Turbyfill, worked with CRC (Children's Resource Center) to coordinate car seat checks with parents at the school during drop off and pick up and it was successful. Mr. Mohr said his department is actively looking to hire a new Public Health Nurse; they have issued an offer to one candidate and are waiting for a response. WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children) will be returning to Public Health every second and fourth Tuesday of the month helping the community and new moms. Public Health is in the early stages of working with the Child Protection Team for a community-building event for families; the event will be supported by a Department of Family Services grant. Sady Mounts, HSC Public Health Coordinator, attended the PHEP (Public Health Emergency Preparedness) Summit in Cheyenne and is working on the 2026-2027 budget. Mr. Mohr reported the Mental Health Matters event held in May was well attended with over 100 people stopping by for free tacos and mental health resources over the lunch hour. There will be a TIPS (Training for Intervention Procedures) training on June 6th teaching alcohol servers how to reduce over-service and intoxication, prevent drunk driving, prevent sales to minors, and promote responsible alcohol consumption for a safer community. Mr. Mohr said 10 people from local business have registered to date. Community Prevention Specialist, Jennifer Cheney, has been working with the schools to decide on a substance abuse prevention curriculum for next school year. The two-year work plan for the new Prevention grant cycle has been submitted to the Wyoming State Department of Health for approval; once the grant is approved, a new MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between Hot Springs County and the school district will be signed. Commissioner Aguiar asked what services are provided for local seniors [citizens], Mr. Mohr stated Public Health is part of the Adult Protection Team, administers LT101s, performs blood pres-

sure checks, and has held health fairs in the past.

Planner/Project Manager Update Planner/Project Manager, Les Culliton, reported the NRPC (Natural Resources Planning Committee) meeting was held on May 13, with no action taken other than Kelly Owen turning in her resignation. Mr. Culliton stated there would be an advertisement published for openings on the NRPC board, he said the board is actually down several people and he would like to see a few more people get involved. The LUPC (Land Use Planning Commission) met on May 20th where action taken included the introduction of new member Dixie Vialpando, election of Hubert McAlister to vice-chairman, and a change to Section IV of the by-laws, which added teleconference as a way of attending meetings. Mr. Culliton asked for Commissioner approval of the amended by-laws. Commissioner Ryan moved for approval of the new LUPC by-laws; Commissioners approved the by-laws.

County Clerk County Clerk Becky Kersten discussed a proposed grant agreement between Wyoming Office of State Lands and Investments and Hot Springs County in regards to a download required by the Office of Homeland Security. This requirement was put into Wyoming session law in 2024 and implemented in 2025; it requires the Clerk's office to download all recordings to the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security for critical structure analysis, tracking, and compliance. Part of that legislation gave all counties \$10,869.56 apiece to complete this process. Clerk Kersten recommended the grant not be accepted as the requirement had to be implemented last July, the software provider for Hot Springs County already made the changes at no charge, and Clerk Kersten had no proposal for the use of the funds. The Commissioners agreed not to accept the grant. Clerk Kersten also presented documents from SLIB (State Lands and Investments) in regards to prior fairgrounds improvement grants; the improvements did not require spending all of the funds available and Clerk Kersten asked for Commissioner agreement for SLIB to return the unspent funds [not disbursed to the County] to the County general consensus process. Commissioners agreed.

County Commissioners The County Commissioners Renewal Scholarship for returning college students was re-advertised in May; one application was received. Commissioner Ryan made a motion to award the scholarship to Sydney Shaffer; Commissioners awarded the renewal scholarship.

Commissioners discussed the upcoming commissioner meeting scheduled for June 16, 2026 and moving it to June 30, 2026 after the Year-End Budget Hearing (scheduled for June 30, 2026 at 1pm). Clerk Kersten also proposed a special meeting be held on June 23, 2026 at 11 a.m. to discuss the bid award and financing for the county-owned airport hangar, and the Request for Proposals for the Overlook at Roundtop. Commissioner Galovich moved for the change in regular meeting dates and for a special meeting to be held on June 23, 2026. Commissioners approved the meeting dates.

Grant Administrator, Connie Guntly gave an update on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) regarding the demolition of the Arapahoe Street properties. Ms. Guntly reported the CDBG had agreed to the edits the County had requested in the grant contract. Ms. Guntly also presented the draft RFP (Request for Proposals) for the Overlook at Roundtop development project, asking the Commissioners if they had any suggestions or edits. The Commissioners and Ms. Guntly discussed at length the possibility of applying for the Wyoming Business Council "Business Ready Community Grant," which would aid a developer in the infrastructure improvements required for development at the Overlook at Roundtop [the old airport]. Ms. Guntly and the Commissioners agreed the RFP would be presented for approval at the June 23, 2026 Special Meeting.

Ardurra Project Manager, Carson Rowley, presented via Zoom, an update on the work still to be done at the Overlook at Roundtop, which is largely deciding on how much more grading needs to be completed to make it suitable for construction. Mr. Rowley and the Commissioners discussed the project at length and agreed to do a site visit at the property on June 30, 2026.

Youth Alternatives Monthly Report Youth Alternatives Director, Barbara Rice, reported Youth Alternatives currently has 11 juveniles, 7 males, and 4 females. Ms. Rice also provided the Commissioners with an update of many Learning Center activities.

Other Business

1. **Request for approval of Grant Award between Wyoming Office of Homeland Security and Hot Springs County** for the Emergency Management Performance Grant for \$35,183.00 covering grant year 10/1/2025 - 9/30/2026. This is the grant Sady Mounts, current Emergency Management Coordinator, operates under and the Department of Homeland Security was delayed in delivering the grant paperwork to the County. Clerk Kersten stated there have been no reimbursements to the County

for expenditures from October 2025 to date under this grant. Commissioners approved the grant.

2. **Request for Approval of WBC (Wyoming Business Council) Draw Down Request #7** for Hot Springs County Re-use of Abandoned Airport Property for \$3,102.00 (WBC Reimburses \$2,637.00; County pays \$465.00). Commissioners approved the draw down request.

3. **Letter to Wyoming Office of Homeland Security** - Commissioners are required to send a letter to the Director of Wyoming Office of Homeland Security informing them of the new Hot Springs County Emergency Management Coordinator, Christal Eversole, who will start July 1, 2026. Commissioners approved Chairman Aguiar's signature on the letter.

Executive Session (W.S. 16-4-405) Commissioner Ryan moved to enter into Executive Session at 10:48 a.m. Commissioners moved into Executive Session. Present for the Executive Session were Commissioners Tom Ryan, Bob Aguiar, Paul Galovich, County Attorney Logan, County Clerk Kersten, and County Planner/Project Manager Les Culliton. The Commissioners voted unanimously to terminate Executive Session with no action taken and reconvene in open session at 10:58 a.m.

Real Estate: Commissioner Galovich motioned for the County to sign a contract to purchase the property located at 526 Arapahoe Street for \$25,000.00 in relation to the CDBG grant project. Commissioners approved the purchase.

Commissioner Galovich motioned for the County to sign a contract to purchase the property located at 530 Arapahoe Street for \$50,000.00 in relation to the CDBG grant project. Commissioners approved the purchase.

Adjournment There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

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ATTEST:

/s/ Bob Aguiar, Chairman
/s/Becky Kersten, County Clerk

BILLS - May 2026

MATTHEW BENDER & CO., INC. 254.31 / CASPER STAR-TRIBUNE 841.16 / HASCO INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY 997.98 / SAFEGUARD BUSINESS SYSTEMS 932.95 / WYOMING LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY 2,050.65 / UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING 13,962.00 / WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH 27,746.90 / HOT SPRINGS COUNTY LIBRARY 14,500.00 / VERNON W. MILLER, M.D., PC 1,350.00 / STATE OF WYOMING 55.91 / ALLEGIANCE BENEFIT PLAN MANGT, INC. 35,239.02 / ANDY NELSON 500.00 / ARDURRA GROUP, INC. 30,504.58 / CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS 139.98 / BIG HORN WATER 502.50 / LONG BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 6,984.00 / AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP, 351.50 / CHARM-TEX, INC. 619.60 / CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT, INC. 1,500.00 / COLEMAN OIL COMPANY, LLC 16.00 / U.S. POSTAL SERVICE 5,000.00 / THERMOPOLIS HARDWARE 451.73 / COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INS. 18.70 / VERIZON BUSINESS 37.01 / CONSTANCE GUNTLY 562.50 / DANIEL S. WEBBER 120.00 / DAWNETTE M. PEIL 3,319.97 / COLORADO DOORWAYS, INC. 2,623.68 / FARMINSURANCEBROKERAGE CO. INC. 3,404.78 / PINNACLE BANK OF THERMOPOLIS 45,595.20 / US. FOODS 4,445.98 / MORTIMORE FUNERAL HOME 1,150.00 / GOTTSCHKE THERAPY REHAB WELLNESS 85.00 / HIGH PLAINS POWER 520.02 / HOT SPOT COLLISION 1,294.37 / HOT SPRINGS COUNTY SCHOOL DIST. #1 6,000.04 / HOT SPRINGS COUNTY HEALTH INS ACCT 69,399.32 / HOT SPRINGS HEALTH - THERMOPOLIS 160.00 / HOT SPRINGS CO. SCHOOL DIST #1 4,997.06 / THERMOPOLIS INDEPENDENT RECORD 5,760.85 / JENNIFER CHENEY 236.66 / KELLERLAW FIRM, PC 380.00 / KIENLEN ACE HARDWARE 23.68 / KOOTENAI COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE 600.00 / KRISTINA D. MCNEFF 407.47 / WYOMING LOCAL GOVERNMENT LIAB. POOL 26,521.00 / MACK'S MARKET, INC. 93.64 / MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGICAL 200.39 / NAPA MOTOR SUPPLY, INC. 1,549.52 / OWL CREEK VETERINARY SERVICE 378.54 / O'REILLY AUTO PARTS 220.11 / O'REILLY

