

STATE OF)OFFICE OF THE
WYOMING)BOARD OF
)COUNTY
COUNTY OF)COMMISSIONERS
HOT SPRINGS)THERMOPOLIS, WY
)July 7, 2026

The Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, July 7, 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 with the addition of item number seven, the Tipi Retreat Land Use Change. The Commissioners approved the agenda.

Approval of Minutes
Commissioner Ryan moved to approve the minutes from June 30, 2026. The Commissioners approved the minutes.

Public Hearing - Transfer of Liquor License from The LLL Company dba Wind River Lounge to Thermopolis Lodging Group, LLC, dba Fairbridge Thermopolis.

Chairman Aguiar opened the Public Hearing at 9:08 a.m. After three calls for public comment and hearing none, the Public Hearing was closed at 9:10 a.m. Commissioner Ryan moved for the transfer of the liquor license from the LLL Company dba Wind River Lounge to Thermopolis Lodging Group, LLC, dba Fairbridge Thermopolis. The Commissioners approved the transfer. Clerk Kersten reported the fees were paid, the advertising was done correctly, and the transfer process with the State was complete.

Road and Bridge Monthly Report
Road and Bridge Supervisor, Shane Rankin, reported his department has been busy with blade and ditch work. The ditch work on Rimrock still needs rock checks installed to slow down the water and erosion. Mr. Rankin stated his department hauled manure for the fairgrounds and assisted with fence work at the airport. The Road & Bridge department also cleaned cattle guards at Buffalo Creek, Bridger Creek, and Kirby Creek. Sills were replaced as needed on the cattle guards. Mr. Rankin stated the County will need to switch over to concrete sills as the wooden sills are difficult to find; the State and County Road funds can be used to purchase the new sills. Bids were opened for the new motor grader with Caterpillar submitting a bid of \$317,697.38 and John Deere submitting a bid of \$276,000. Mr. Rankin recommended the County accept the bid from John Deere, he reminded the Commissioners the funds for the new motor grader will come out of the State and County Road Fund and not the General Fund. Payments for the grader will be spread out over three years. The Commissioners approved the purchase of the grader. Mr. Rankin reported the chip seal on Black Mountain Road was completed. The road seeding and fencing crews will complete their tasks soon and the road will be ready for final walk through by next week.

FBO (Fixed Base Operator) Monthly Report- FBO Manager, Nate Messenger gave an update for May and June. He reported there were 156 total recorded operations at the airport in May and fuel sales were up from the same month last year with 1,120 gallons of Avgas sold and 3,786 gallons of Jet fuel sold. Mr. Messenger reported there were 140 total recorded operations for June with 632 gallons of Avgas and 2,915 gallons of Jet fuel sold. Mr. Messenger stated he completed repair work on the wildlife fence by Owl Creek Highway; he thanked Road and Bridge Supervisor Shane Rankin for sending out a crew with a backhoe to assist him in repairing the fence. Mr. Messenger reported he is preparing for the September 12, 2026 Fly-In and said the Billings Flying Mustangs will be joining the Fly-In with their model airplanes.

Maintenance Monthly Report
Maintenance Supervisor, John Dorman, reported his department is down one employee and he has hired a new employee who is scheduled to start soon. A steering belt broke on a mower and has been repaired. Mr. Dorman stated he obtained a quote to reseal and restripe the Public Health parking lot and will move forward with getting the work completed. Mr. Dorman said his department will be busy training the new employee while completing their regular work. Chairman Aguiar asked Mr. Dorman the status of repairing the flood damage in the public meeting room, Mr. Dorman replied he is waiting on a quote for the work. Clerk Kersten reminded Mr. Dorman the insurance company will need a copy of the quote.

Public Health/Prevention Update
Public Health Nurse Manager, Shawn Mohr, reported Public Health hosted a Family Fun Night on June 25, 2026 in the State Park and it was a success with about five hundred people in attendance. Mr. Mohr stated the event was collaborative effort with Department of Family Services, The Learning Center, the

counseling center, and local First Responders. The event was made possible by the Children's Trust Fund Grant and was designed to promote healthy interactions between families. Mr. Mohr reported PHRC (Public Health Resource Coordinator) has been training the new Emergency Response Coordinator and is drafting a Public Health Response Administrative Plan for use in emergencies and disasters. Mr. Mohr reported there were ten participants from local bars and restaurants who attended the five-hour training on responsible beverage serving and prevention of underage drinking and drunk driving. The Prevention Department has been working to connect families and community members to resources and activities available through the summer.

Youth Alternatives Monthly Report

Youth Alternatives Director, Barbara Rice, reported Youth Alternatives currently has 9 juveniles, 5 males, and 4 females. Ms. Rice also provided the Commissioners with an update of many Learning Center activities.

Commissioners
Chairman Aguiar stated a letter was received from the attorney for the Tipi Retreat Land Use Change that referenced a delay in the application process. Chairman Aguiar stated the Commissioners will investigate and become involved.

Other Business

1. **Approval of USDA Request for Appeal Letter – USDA Financing for County Owned Hangar Project** – Letter to the National Appeals Division regarding USDA Rural Development loan rejection decision. The Commissioners approved the signing of the letter.

2. **Approval of Reimbursement Request for County – Incurred Indigent Burials Costs**

The Commissioners approved the reimbursement request.

3. **Approval of Wyoming Business Council Draw Down Request #8** – for a total of \$87,112.00 (WBC pays \$74,046.00; County pays \$13,066.00). The Commissioners approved the draw down request.

4. **Approval of Black Mountain Road SLIB MRG-20515 Draw Down Request #8 (construction)** – For a total of \$666,835.43 (SLIB pays \$244,795.29; County pays \$422,040.14). The Commissioners approved the draw down request.

5. **Approval of Black Mountain Road WYDOT Grant Reimbursement Request #24 (engineering)** – For a total of \$28,367.85 (WYDOT reimburses \$24,112.67; County pays \$4,255.18). Commissioner Ryan moved for approval of the reimbursement request. The Commissioners approved the request. Clerk Kersten stated there is about \$60,000.00 left in this grant.

6. **Approval of Airport Hangar RFR #8 (engineering)** – For a total of \$6,874.03 (FAA reimburses \$6,186.62; WYDOT reimburses \$412.44; County pays \$274.97). The Commissioners approved the request.

7. **Approval of Airport Hangar RFR #9 (engineering)** – For a total of \$3,789.84 (FAA reimburses \$3,410.85; WYDOT reimburses \$227.39; County pays \$151.60). The Commissioners approved the request.

8. **Approval of Airport Hangar RFR #10 (engineering)** – For a total of \$6,188.25 (FAA reimburses \$5,569.42; WYDOT reimburses \$371.30; County pays \$247.53). The Commissioners approved the request.

9. **Reading into Minutes the 2026-27 Proposed Budget Summary** – Pursuant to W.S. 16-4-109, the below Proposed Budget Summary for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 was entered into the minutes of the Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners dated July 7, 2026. Clerk Kersten read aloud the Budget Summary on behalf of the Commissioners. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget will be adopted at the Special Public Hearing on July 20, 2026. – The General and Insurance Fund total cash available is \$8,254,689. Total estimated revenue and transfers available is \$8,823,481. Estimated total Cash and Revenues is \$17,078,170. Total of Appropriations and Cash Reserves is \$19,046,142. Estimate of Tax Requirements is \$1,967,972; Mill Levy 12%. The Airport Fuel Sales Fund total cash available is \$231,458. Total Estimated Revenue and Transfers available is \$143,324. Estimated Total Cash and Revenues is \$374,782. Total Appropriations and Cash Reserves is \$260,100 with a surplus of \$114,682. Vaccine Fund total cash available is \$135,215. Total Estimated Revenue and Transfers available is \$78,460. Estimated Total Cash and Revenues is \$213,675. Total Appropriations and Cash Reserves is \$90,000. The 2026-2027 Surplus of \$123,675. All amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar for the purpose of this summary. The Commissioners approved the budget summary being entered into the minutes as read.

Written Reports Submitted

1. Project/ Planner Update
2. Grant Administrator Update
Correspondence
None
Adjournment
Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

A regular meeting of the Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners will be

held on July 20, 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 may 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
Pub. July 30, 2026	No. 2151

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in Special Session on July 15, 2026, at 4 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Adam Estenson, Council members Tony Larson, John Dorman Sr., Rachel Hughes and Dusty Lewis. Also, present were Mayor/Codes Administrative Assistant Jim Jeunehomme, Clerk/Treasurer Connie Guntly, Town Attorney Marshall Keller, and Public Works Director Basil Sorensen.

AGENDA: Following the pledge of allegiance Dorman made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to approve the agenda.

MINUTES: Lewis made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve the Minutes from June 2, 2026, June 16, 2026, June 25, 2026 and Executive Session minutes from June 2, and June 16, 2026.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL: 1. GOLF COURSE LEASE AGREEMENT: Larson made a motion, seconded by Dorman to approve the Golf Course Lease Agreement for the term of ten years for \$10.00 a year. 2. **EXECUTIVE SESSION W.S. 16-4-405 (a)(iii):** At 4:05 pm, Hughes made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to go into executive session as allowed by state statute 16-4-405(a)(iii). The Mayor and Council returned to regular session at 4:12 pm, with no action taken during Executive Session. Attorney Keller, recommended a motion to authorize the Mayor to act, sign, and effectuate the settlement agreement and all required documents required by LGLP to finalize the settlement agreement, Larson made the motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the signature of documents for the settlement agreement.

At 4:15 pm Dorman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Hughes and carried. The next Council meeting is August 4, 2026, at 7pm.

ATTEST:	
Connie Guntly Clerk/ Treasurer	Adam R. Estenson, Mayor
Pub. July 30, 2026	No. 2150
STATE OF) WYOMING)) ss.	IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF HOT SPRINGS) FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT)
IN THE MATTER of the) CHANGE OF NAME OF) Lisa A. Reesy) Petitioner)	
Case Number 2026-CV-0000034	

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF AN ADULT

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Change of Name of an Adult, Case Number 2026-CV-34, has been filed in the 5th Judicial District of Wyoming District Court by a Petitioner whose current full name is Lisa Anne Reesy. The address of the District Court is 415 Arapahoe Street, Thermopolis, Wyoming.

The object and prayer of the Petition is to change the Petitioner's full name to Lisa Anne Goton.

Any objection to this action must be filed with the District Court within 30 days following the final date of publication of this notice. If no objection is timely filed, an Order granting the name change may be issued without further notice.
Dated July 21, 2026

	Clerk or Deputy Clerk of District Court
	Chalice Weichman, Deputy
Pub. July 30, Aug. 7, 14 & 21	No. 2152

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules and Regulations, notice is hereby given of Rocky Mountain Power's (RMP or the Company) Application for Commission review and approval of its 2026-2028 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP), as more fully described below:

1. RMP is a division of PacifiCorp, an Oregon corporation, engaged in the busi-

ness of supplying electric utility service to customers throughout its six-state service territory, 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 July 20, 2026, RMP filed the Application requesting Commission review and approval of its 2026-2028 WMP. Prior to the enactment of Wyoming's wildfire mitigation statutes, RMP filed an initial WMP which was approved by the Commission under Docket No. 20000-671-ER-24. However, as of July 1, 2025, all WMPs must be filed and reviewed for compliance with Wyoming Statute §§ 37-3-401 et seq. in order to be approved. A WMP outlines actions the electric utility takes to minimize the risk of wildfire and to respond to wildfire events. WMPs must include areas that may be subject to a heightened wildfire risk, a description of the standards for inspecting infrastructure and performing vegetation management, procedures for deenergizing power lines to mitigate potential wildfires, and procedures to restore service after a wildfire.

3. RMP states it has notified all municipalities, conservation districts, and counties in its service territory that the WMP has been filed with the Commission. No rate review or review of prudently incurred costs have been requested in this docket.

4. This is not a complete description of RMP's Application. You may review the WMP at the Commission or online at: https://psc.wyo.gov/public-resources/wildfire-mitigation (enter Record No. 18211).

5. 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 August 21, 2026. 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. The Commission encourages the public's participation and comments will be received throughout the entirety of this proceeding. The opportunity to present verbal comments will be available to anyone appearing, either in person or remotely, during future public proceedings related to this matter. Submitting written comments to the Commission by the deadline set forth above may allow for resolution of issues and/or concerns identified therein. Please mention Docket No. 20000-716-EA-26 in all correspondence with the Commission.

6. 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 necessary arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711.

Dated: July 21, 2026.	
Pub. July 30 & 16. 5, 2026	No. 2153
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF HOT SPRINGS COUNTY, WYOMING	
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT	
IN THE MATTER OF) THE ESTATE OF)) ROBERT HOWARD GALYAN,)) Deceased.)	
Probate No. 2026-CV-30	

NOTICE OF PROBATE

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on the 2nd day of July, 2026, the Last Will and Testament of the above-named decedent was admitted to probate by the above-named Court, and that Kristen Monasmith was appointed Personal Representative thereof. Any action to set aside the Will shall be filed in the Court within three months from the date of the first publication of this notice or thereafter be forever barred.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all persons indebted to the decedent or to his Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned at Thermopolis, Wyoming.

Creditors having claims against the decedent or the Estate are required to file them in duplicate with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of said Court, on or before three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, and if such claims are not so filed, unless otherwise allowed or paid, they will be forever barred.

DATED this 24th day of July, 2026.

	/s/Marshall Keller
	Marshall E. Keller, WSB #7-6406
	Atty. for Personal Representative
	Keller Law Firm, P.C.
	P.O. Box 111
	Thermopolis, WY 82443-0111
	(307) 864-2318
	marshall@kellerlawpc.com

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