The Board of County Commissioners of Goshen County, Wyoming met in regular session on the above date at 9:40 am at the Goshen County Courthouse with the following members present, Chairman Carl Rupp; Vice Chairman Wally Wolski; Commissioner John Ellis & Cindy Kenyon, County Clerk and Clerk of the Board. Commissioner Wolski moved to approve the agenda as modified and minutes of the last meeting, seconded and passed.

The Road and Bridge report was accepted from Jerry Hort, Bob Taylor, and Val Hankins. Commissioner Ellis moved to sign CRF 17-01 Agreement (County Road Fund) in the amount of $10,414.40 to be used for the purpose a Wyoming Rural Road Safety Program Striping Project, seconded and approved.

Commissioner Wolski moved to allow the County Clerk flexibility in issuing Goshen County Transient/Temporary Vendor Permit on an individual basis, seconded and passed. The following warrants were approved for payment: 193218 21ST Century Repair $692.91; 193219 Action Communications internet $110.00; 193220 Baros Stripping Repair $1,523.00; 193221 Benchmark retain $150.00; 193222 Benchmark rd projects $12,180.75; 193223 Black Hills Energy utilities $423.84; 193224 Bloodom Lumber Repair $49.95; 193225 Bluffs Sanitary Supply janitorial $543.11; 193226 Bob Barker Co supplies $172.81; 193227 Bob Ruwart Motors Repair $64.90; 193228 Bomgaars tools $16.78; 193229 Brittany Schneider Pub def $850.00; 193230 Canon equip $299.00; 193231 Capital Business Systems lease $285.70; 193232 Capital One travel $562.64; 193233 Cash-Wa dietary $7,926.64; 193234 CDW Government repair $8,435.28; 193235 Century Lumber Repair $1,451.61 193236 CenturyLink phone $1,595.70; 193237 C Wright travel $58.85; 193238 CNA Surety bonds $500.00; 193239 CNH Capital repair $17.48; 193240 Cobecon ins consult $3,250.00; 193241 Communication Technologies equip $488.11; 193242 Community Drug health care $1,241.05; 193243 Community Drug health care $151.88; 193244 Cool Customs Repair $325.22; 193245 Copier Connection equip $566.00; 193246 Culligan Water supplies $404.85; 193247 D Surratt travel $342.40; 193248 Dell equip $9,290.25; 193249 Delta Dental ins $246.55; 193250 D Duncan equip $499.00; 193251 Economic Development svc commit $625.00; 193252 ESRI warranty $25,000.00; 193253 Fastenal tools $1.31; 193254 Food Services of America dietary $990.07; 193255 FTD $990.07; 193256 Food Services of America dietary $100.00; 193257 Goshen County Treasurer rent $627.67; 193261 Great American Leasing equip $526.40; 193262 GRO Business Solutions grant exp $1,215.86; 193263 Gwynn Bartlett travel $217.21; 193264 Haul travel $256.73; 193265 Herbert K Doby atty fees $4,126.25; 193266 High Plains Fire Protection mait $284.90; 193267 High Plains Print supplies $5,932.00; 193268 Hometown Auto Repair $702.51; 193269 ICS Jail Supplies supplies $109.43; 193270 Ideal Linen janitorial $991.37; 193271 IPI GrammarTech LTD warranty $4,878.50; 193272 J Bowen travel $93.13; 193273 John Maier Law atty fees $2,193.00; 193274 K Rickard travel $100.00; 193275 Kelley Bean tools $15.00; 193276 K Flock phone $32.36; 193277 K Wann supplies $109.79; 193278 Lance Griggs medical $1,792.00; 193279 Lingle Guide publishing $172.06; 193280 Lujan Cleaning Service maint $2,015.00; 193281 Marion Smith retainer $100.00; 193282 M Wagner repair $137.25; 193283 Masterpiece Masonry grant exp $2,200.00; 193284 Matthew Bender supplies $298.31; 193285 Max Masters mapping $3,800.00; 193286 M Johnson travel $84.53; 193287 Mervin Mecklenburg ct appt atty $1,770.00; 193288 Neves vest $1,690.00; 193289 Niobrara County Senior Center rent $50.00; 193290 Norma Cantu MD health care $833.75; 193291 Northern Exposure supplies $198.92; 193292 Olson Tire repair $32.70; 193293 Panhandle Coop repair $483.17; 193294 Pitney Bowes grant exp $150.87; 193295 Print Express postage $22.22; 193296 ProForce equip $260.70; 193297 Russell Business Services GASB consult $5,523.75; 193298 S Coxhill travel $60.99; 193299 Sandberg Implement repair $264.44; 193300 Scotts Bluff Co Sheriff witness fees $3.34; 193301 Shopko supplies $229.99; 193302 Simon Contractors rd repair $1,797.79; 193303 Solarwinds warranty $2,904.00; 193304 St Josephs Childrens Home grant exp $4,649.58; 193305 Sun Ridge training $610.00; 193306 T Y Pickett & Co contract $5,500.00; 193307 TDS utilities $203.00; 193308 Thomson Reuters-West misc $500.10; 193309 Torr Office Supply supplies $545.39; 193310 Torr Telegram publishing $2,607.93; 193311 City of Torrington utilities $8,862.98; 193312 travelers ins $43,042.50; 193313 True North Steel rd projects $7,198.13; 193314 Tyler Technologies contract $8,693.78; 193315 United Healthcare ins $3,737.79; 193316 Valley Motor supplies $192.38; 193317 Valley Plumbing maint $250.50; 193318 Verizon phone $1,536.57; 193319 Visa misc $1,038.45; 193320 Visa Sheriff misc $6,821.85; 193321 Waco travel $100.00; 193322 WAM-WCCA lease $2,500.00; 193323 West Hwy Water Sewer Dist utilities $68.00; 193324 Westco supplies $461.03; 193325 Westco fuel $12,348.46; 193326 Wy Coronors Assn dues $125.00; 193327 Wy County Commissioners Assn dues $9,106.00; 193328 Wy Dept of Health st pmt $34,339.97; 193329 Wy DOT road projects $413.55; 193330 Wy Machinery repair $4,805.47; 193331 Wyoming Behavioral Institute plcnt svc $3,425.00; 193332 Xerox equip $188.01; Total Payroll $204,816.87; 193333 Aflac $144.24; 193334 Circuit Court Cheyenne garnish $258.80; 193334 Colonial Life $130.50; 193335 Delta Dental ins $2928.10; 193336 Dist Court Platte garnish $433.28; 193337 Great West Trust emp retire $2325.00; 19334 R. Johns
Commissioner Ellis moved to have Jesse Bowen IT Director to include windmills on the Goshen County Brand, seconded and passed.

The Fire Warden report was accepted from Bill Law. Commissioner Wolski moved to ratify the action by the Fire Warden that all of Goshen County is subject to full fire ban as of August 1, 2017, seconded and passed.

The Emergency Manager report was accepted from Shelly Kirchhefer. Commissioner Ellis moved to allow the Chairman to sign a letter updating the Emergency Operations Plan Update as soon as the update is ready, seconded and passed.

Commissioner Wolski moved to accept the recommendation of the County Planning Commission to amend the Land Use Plan adding Appendix H wind Energy Siting Regulations, seconded and passed. Aron Branam with EDR Renewables LLC/Buffalo Bluff Wind Farms attended the meeting.

County Assessor Debbi Surratt presented the Final Budgets for the Districts that have requested a mill levy in Goshen County. Commissioner Ellis moved to approve Resolution 2017-09 A Resolution Establishing Tax Levies For Fiscal Year 2017-2018, seconded and passed.

The Commission recessed for lunch from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. The Commission reconvened at 1:00 pm for the State Transportation Improvement Project (STIP) presentation. The presentation was led by Lowell Fleenor and attended by seven other representatives from WYDOT. Mayor Norm Feagler of Yoder, Mayor Mike Varney and Dennis Estes with the City of Torrington were also present. WYDOT stated that mowing is a priority because of the Eclipse.

The Commission discussed the Vacation of Road 100/Pine Ridge Estates. Cindy and Doug Jackson, Pat and Steven Scoggan, and Billie Allen, were present. Also, County representatives Jerry Hort, Bob Taylor, Val Hankins and Deputy County Attorney Dana Lent were present. No action taken.

The Board of County Commissioners recessed and then convened as the Board of Equalization to deliberate the Tax Appeal from West Plains. Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law were received from Attorney Herb Doby who represented County Assessor Debbi Surratt. Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law were not received on behalf of West Plains (taxpayer). Commissioner Ellis moved to accept the Assessor’s Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and adopt her Order as submitted, seconded and passed. The Chairman stated that any aggrieved party may appeal to the State within 30 days of this decision pursuant to Statute. The Board of Equalization adjourned and the Board of County Commissioners reconvened at 3:20 pm.

The Commission adjourned at 3:25 pm. (approved for publication)