

Goshen County Board of County Commissioners

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of
GOSHEN COUNTY, WYOMING

Tues. November 19, 2019

The Board of County Commissioners of Goshen County, Wyoming met in regular session on the above date at 9:00 am at the Goshen County Courthouse in the Commissioners Chambers with the following members present, Chairman John Ellis, Vice Chairman Cody Cox, Commissioner Pinky Walter and Cindy Kenyon, County Clerk and Clerk of the Board. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Cox moved to approve the agenda and minutes of the last meeting, seconded and passed.

Chairman Ellis addressed the conduct outlined in Wyoming Statute for governmental facilities. Commissioner Walter moved to allow public comment only at the designated time on the agenda, seconded and passed.

Sheriff Fleenor presented the Sheriff's report and a Contract for Services with Banner Health for Inmate Services. Commissioner Cox moved to approve the inmate services agreement with Banner Health, seconded and passed. Commissioner Walter moved to accept the Sheriff's report, seconded and passed.

County Treasurer Leticia Dominguez presented the Treasurer's report. Commissioner Walter moved to accept the County Treasurer's report, seconded and passed.

County Clerk Cindy Kenyon presented the Clerk's report. Commissioner Cox moved to approve two employee bonds, seconded and passed. Commissioner Cox moved to approve the updated warrant report, seconded and passed. Commissioner Walter moved to approve the 2020 County Holiday Calendar, seconded and passed. Commissioner Cox moved to approve the Clerk's report, seconded and passed.

County Assessor Debbi Surratt presented Reduction Orders in the amount of \$1490.39. Commissioner Walter moved to approve the Tax Reduction Orders as presented, seconded and passed. Assessor Surratt encourages the public to complete their personal property reporting forms. Commissioner Cox moved to accept the County Assessor's report, seconded and passed.

GASB Consultant Ron Russell and County Treasurer requested time to discuss the Health Insurance Account and random audits of the Clerk of Court Accounts. The discussion will continue at the next Commission meeting.

Public Health Director Kelly Beard presented her report to the Commission. Commissioner Walter moved to approve the public health report.

Brian Pugsley with Wyoming Water Development and Bob Taylor requested a consent form be signed by the Commission amending a Torrington Irrigation District certificate to correct an error. Commissioner Walter moved to approve the Consent to Petition as presented, seconded and passed.

Congresswoman Liz Cheney's Field Representative Rachel Allen was present for questions.

Public comment was allowed. Citizen Road Committee member Pat Conway asked a few questions about the public comment period and being placed on the agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 am. Departmental reports and minutes are available online at goshencounty.org or at the County Clerk's Office. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday Dec 3, 2019. (approved for publication)

Attest:

Cynthia Kenyon
Goshen County Clerk

John Ellis, Chairman
Goshen County Commission

ARTICLE 3 - UNLAWFUL CONDUCT WITHIN GOVERNMENTAL
FACILITIES

6-6-301. Definitions.

(a) As used in W.S. 6-6-301 through 6-6-307:

(i) "Governing body" means any elected or appointed commission, board, agency, council, trustees or other body created or authorized by the laws of this state and vested with authority to perform specified governmental, educational, proprietary or regulatory functions;

(ii) "Facilities" means any lands, buildings or structures.

6-6-302. Obstructive or disruptive conduct within governmental facilities prohibited.

(a) No person, acting either singly or in concert with others, shall go into or upon facilities owned by, or under the control of, a governing body and obstruct or disrupt, by force, violence or other conduct which is in fact obstructive or disruptive, the activities conducted therein or thereon or the uses made thereof under the authority of the governing body. Obstructive or disruptive activities include restricting lawful:

(i) Freedom of movement on or within a facility;

(ii) And designated use of a facility;

(iii) Ingress or egress on or within a facility.

6-6-303. Refusing to desist or remove oneself from facilities.

No person within or upon the facilities of a governing body shall refuse to desist from a course of conduct or to remove himself from the facilities upon request by an authorized representative of the governing body, after having been notified that the conduct or the presence of the person is contrary to or in violation of established policies, rules or regulations of the governing body which are reasonably related to the furtherance of the lawful purposes of the governing body and incident to the maintenance or orderly and efficient use of its facilities for the purposes for which acquired or designated.

6-6-304. Freedom of speech, press or assembly not abridged.

Nothing in W.S. 6-6-301 through 6-6-307 prevents, denies or abridges the freedom of speech or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble to consult for the common good, to make known their opinions, and to petition for the redress of grievances.

6-6-305. Penalties for violations of article.

Any person violating any provision of W.S. 6-6-301 through 6-6-307 is guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days, or both.

6-6-306. Identification may be required; ejection from facilities when presence unlawful or prohibited.

Every governing body, acting through its officers and employees, may require identification of any person within or upon its facilities and eject any person from the facilities upon his refusal to leave peaceably upon request, when his presence in a facility is unlawful or otherwise prohibited by the governing body.

6-6-307. No restriction on powers of governing body.

Nothing within W.S. 6-6-301 through 6-6-307 is intended, nor shall operate, to limit or restrict each governing body from carrying out its purposes and objectives through the exercise of powers otherwise granted by law nor shall preclude a governing body from taking disciplinary action against those violating W.S. 6-6-301 through 6-6-307 who are subject to its disciplinary authority.

REPORT TO GOSHEN COUNTY COMMISSION

Meeting date: November 19, 2019

Department: Assessor

Discussion and new business:

Office update and presentation of reduction orders for signature

- Reduction Orders for the 2019 Taxroll: 3 Total reduction Orders amounting to \$1490.39 to correct errors found after valuations were certified in June. Frontier School of the Bible reported a mobile home and land should have been listed as student housing which makes it exempt, per Wyoming Statute - \$179.26 and 47.77. Farm machinery estimated in error - \$1263.36
- Will be adding supplements to the taxroll for structures discovered by my field crew totaling \$1865.34 at two separate locations.

I was able to fill the open Property Data Specialist position with Michelle Dever. She started working on November 4, 2019. She will be a great asset. Having a very new staff has taken a toll this year and we are about 45 days behind where we typically are at this point.

We are gearing up for 2020 and have started preparing for our personal property reporting forms. I have implemented some new discovery processes and canvassing this fall that will help us determine if we have missed any taxpayers that should be receiving a personal property reporting form. We currently have just over 1100 personal property accounts that we track – with only about 40% reporting promptly and accurately. It is a requirement of the Wyoming Statutes that the taxpayer report – if they do not we have to use the best information available. We will be mailing the notices again at the end of December and they will need to be returned by March 1, 2020.

I am working on my market analysis and have started to set land and improvement values as well and will continue with that through the end of February. While my staff finishes loading all the changes that have been discovered this past summer and fall during our property review.

Respectfully submitted,
Debra Surratt
Goshen County Assessor

Public Health nurses provide case management for these families. We have 12 clients currently on our caseload. No charge to clients for this service.

STI/HIV testing, education and treatment at low or no cost and free condoms to client. Wyoming State Dept. of Health provides some payment to the Public Health office for these services. We have tested 6 individuals this quarter.

Chronic Disease classes that Public Health nurses are trained or are in the process of being trained to facilitate include Healthy U, a class for chronic conditions, held at the Senior Center, along with Diabetes Self-Management Program and Diabetes Prevention Program. These classes are offered free of charge to the community. Public Health nurses also help clients in the community apply for free colorectal, breast and cervical cancer screening through the state or Goshen County Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. Goshen County Public Health also does free Blood Pressure checks performed by an RN.

Tuberculosis Risk Assessment and Screening are only provided to the public in Goshen County through Public Health, at a minimal fee. We may also help provide treatment and follow-up to positive TB clients at no or low cost.

Communicable Disease and Environmental Health follow-up/referral. Goshen County Public Health nurses may be called upon from the Wyoming Dept. of Health to follow-up on reportable communicable diseases in our county, to help prevent spread of diseases. We have also made 8 referrals this quarter involving Environmental Health issues.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness is a program funded by the state and CDC to respond to a Public Health threat in our community. We may need to respond to environmental, chemical or biological threats by potentially providing medication, vaccines or other assistance to our community. We would also have assistance from the State Public Health Emergency Response Program depending on the size and severity of the situation.

Public Health Nursing brought in \$28,243.00 for immunizations, including Flu vaccines, and \$5880.00 for LT101 assessments this quarter.

Report for Goshen County Public Health November 19, 2019

Public Health is responsible for providing many services to our community.

One of our main services is immunizations:

We have given 320 vaccines for children 18 and under and over 620 Flu vaccines for adults, this quarter. We administer vaccines to clients even if they cannot pay. Public Health is known to be “experts” in immunizations. We have recently, in the last few years, started purchasing vaccine to administer to clients with private insurance. Some of the vaccine we purchase is about \$2,000.00 for a box of 10 doses. We have contracted with BC/BS, Cigna, United Healthcare, Medicaid, Medicare (Flu only) and Railroad Medicare (Flu only) and are now able to bill for this private vaccine.

LT101s are functional assessments done by Public Health Nurses only, in Goshen County. It is done for individuals who seek Medicaid reimbursement for admission to a Nursing Facility, Hospital or for Home and Community Based Waiver Services. The goal of the waiver program is to keep individuals in their home setting as long as possible. It helps pay for services such as bathing, dressing, meal preparation, medication setup, light housekeeping and a lifeline set up. These services can be provided by several entities in the community, including Home Health agencies and client’s family. There is no charge to clients for these assessments. Medicaid pays Public Health to perform these assessments. We have done 45 LT101 assessments this quarter.

Best Beginnings Program is a nurse home visitation program for pregnant women and families with children under three years old. A nurse visits clients during pregnancy and after delivery of baby. She provides weight checks and assessments, breastfeeding and feeding education, developmental milestone screenings, screenings for depression, maternal blood pressure checks, referrals to health care providers and other county agencies and much more. All of our MCH nurses are Certified Lactation Counselors. Through these visits, we have identified dangerous maternal blood pressures, babies with jaundice, mom’s experiencing depression, and children with developmental delays and have referred to appropriate entities. The goal of this program is to improve pregnancy and birth outcomes, to strengthen families, improve child health and developmental outcomes, promote family stability and economic self-sufficiency in our community. We can help a pregnant woman sign up for Medicaid, if needed, so she can start her prenatal care right away. This program is free to any client who wishes to take advantage of it. Funding is provided to Public Health through State and Federal grants. We have done 64 visits this quarter.

Children’s Special Health is a program through the State which provides gap filling financial assistance for qualifying children with special healthcare needs, maternal high risk and newborn intensive care.

Month/Yr. Oct, 2019

Commissary #1

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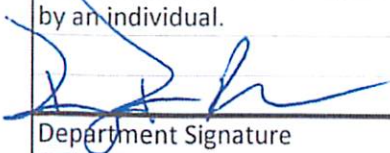
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Deposit Detail Attached \$1,527.39

Check Detail Attached \$796.34

Balance as of 10-31-19 - \$10712.05


I the undersigned do solemnly swear that the within account is just & correct & has not been paid, or any part thereof, by the County or by an individual.

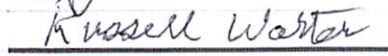

Department Signature

Deputy County Clerk

Date


Commission Chairman


Commissioner


Commissioner

Approval Date
11-19-19