

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

BOARD OF PLATTE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, WYOMING

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, PLATTE COUNTY, WYOMING, met on the 2nd day of September 2025 in the county seat of Wheatland. Those present for the meeting were Steve Shockley, Commission Chairman; Ian Jolovich, Commissioner; John “Jeb” Baker, Commissioner; and Malcolm Ervin, County Clerk.

Chairman Shockley called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried. Commissioner Baker motioned, seconded by Commissioner Jolovich, to approve the August 19th, August 26th & August 29th meeting minutes. The motion carried. Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to approve the vouchers as presented. The motion carried.

Vouchers Approved for Payment: PAYROLL, GROSS, 388,107.31 HSA ACCOUNT, 957.24 PC TAX ACCOUNT, 28,665.21 WY DEPT OF WORKFORCE SVCS, 8,012.30 WYOMING RETIREMENT SYSTEM, 64,454.16 4-H LEADERS COUNCIL, Fair Expenses, 928.00 AIM HIGH EQUIPMENT, Facilities Building Maintenance, 46.80 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Children's Trust Fund, 329.67 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Children's Trust Fund (Public Health), 15.57 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Detention Board of Prisoners, 359.00 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Detention Supplies, 411.62 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Intertie Grant, 249.99 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, IT Peripherals, 253.27 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, PH Supplies, 9.89 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Sheriff Supplies, 194.69 ASCENT TECHNICAL SERVICES LLC, Facilities Building Maintenance, 1,330.00 AXON ENTERPRISE INC, Sheriff Uniforms, 229.75 BARNES LAW LLC, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 693.33 BILL KLEIN, Fair Expenses, 4,000.00 BLACK HILLS ENERGY, Ag. Ext. Utilities, 43.92 BLACK HILLS ENERGY, Facilities Utilities, 796.90 BLACK HILLS ENERGY, PH Repair & Maint., 20.86 BLACK HILLS ENERGY, R & B Utilities, 45.40 BLACK HILLS ENERGY, Library Utilities, 82.94 BMO, Ag. Ext. Travel Expenses, 7.64 BMO, Assessor Postage, 2.17 BMO, Assessor Travel Expenses, 32.78 BMO, Children's Trust Fund, 20.13 BMO, Clerk of Court Travel Expenses, 275.00 BMO, Commissioners Travel Expenses, 55.16 BMO, CSBG, 173.72 BMO, Detention Inmate Trust Fund, 362.46 BMO, Emergency Mgt. Supplies, 360.36 BMO, Facilities Building Maintenance, 459.18 BMO, Intertie Grant, 1,208.76 BMO, IT Software, 3,031.00 BMO, PH Supplies, 39.96 BMO, PH Travel Expenses, 230.00 BMO, Prevention Grant, 111.68 BMO, Problem Gambling Prevention, 150.00 BMO, R & B New Equipment, 1,536.94 BOB BARKER COMPANY INC, Detention Supplies, 770.22 BOMGAARS SUPPLY, Facilities Building Maintenance, 140.80 BOMGAARS SUPPLY, R & B Materials, 157.83 BOMGAARS SUPPLY, R & B Supplies, 229.39 BOMGAARS SUPPLY, R & B Vehicle Repair, 1,477.97 CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC, Leased Equipment, 2,238.89 CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC, Printing, 132.02 CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC, Leased Equipment, 1,861.13 CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC, Printing, 132.02 CATHY HAGMAN, Fair Expenses, 387.00 CENTURY LINK - SEATTLE, 911 Phones, 930.68 CENTURY LINK - SEATTLE, PH Supplies, 69.10 CORVINUS GROUP LLC, Detention Supplies, 680.00 DAIGLE LAW GROUP LLC, Detention Training, 1,475.00 DAIGLE LAW GROUP LLC, Sheriff Training, 1,475.00 DOMINGUEZ PLUMBING LLC, Facilities Building Maintenance, 615.00 EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS, Printing & Publishing, 77.38 ERGON ASPHALT & EMULSIONS INC, County Road Fund (SCRF), 230,810.52 FARMER BROTHERS CO, Detention Board of Prisoners, 882.70 FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA, Fair Expenses, 2,863.10 FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA, Fair Supplies, 529.76 GORMAN FUNERAL HOME, Coroner Facility Rent, 1,500.00 GRAINGER, Jail Maintenance, 45.48 HAROLD ALLBRIGHT, Fair Expenses, 135.00 HYATT STEVENSON, Fair Expenses, 141.00 IDEAL LINEN & UNIFORM, Facilities Building Maintenance, 283.83 IDEAL/BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS, Detention Supplies, 988.00 IDEAL/BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS, Facilities Supplies, 642.71 IDEAL/BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS, Facilities Supplies, 1,205.10 JAMIE HUNTER, Ag. Ext. Travel Expenses, 9.42 JENNY ELLIOTT-DAVIS, Fair Expenses, 100.00 JIM DEWITT, Fair Expenses, 90.00 KAYLA BOHLANDER, Fair Expenses, 450.00 KENNETH BROWN, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 972.00 KRISTEN JONES, Fair Expenses, 334.00 MATTHEW JOHNSON, Fair Expenses, 225.00 MEDICO-MART INC, PH Vaccinations, 1,272.50 MEDICO-MART INC, PH Vaccinations, 15,932.21 HC KENWORTH - CHEYENNE, R & B Vehicle Repair, 81.04 MICHELE MCGUIRE, Fair Expenses, 546.00 PALEN LAW OFFICES LLP, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 2,028.00 PAMELA MERLINO, Library Postage, 217.42 PLATTE COUNTY, Emergency Mgt. Facility Rent, 700.00 PLATTE COUNTY FAIR, Fair Expenses, 163.00 QUADIENT LEASING USA INC, Leased Equipment, 1,404.00 RAPID FIRE PROTECTION INC, Facilities Building Maintenance, 1,190.00 RECORD TIMES, Printing, 1,294.13 RECORD TIMES, Printing & Publishing, 695.28 REESE HOFFMAN, Fair Expenses, 88.00 RICHARD ANDERSON, Sheriff Extradition, 20.48 SIMPLY CLEAN, Detention Supplies, 329.02 SOUTH STREET PHARMACY, Detention Medical Care, 217.74 STATE OF WYOMING, Clerk Supplies, 23.42 STATE OF WYOMING, Treasurer Supplies, 110.98 STEINER, FOURNIER, ZOOK & CASE LLC, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 1,126.00 STEVE P PEASLEY MD, County Health Officer Grant, 800.00 STEVE P PEASLEY MD, PH Health Officer, 365.00 STOP STICK LTD, Sheriff Uniforms, 1,340.99 STRATTON HATS INC, Inmate Trust Fund, 3,355.65 TDS COLLECTION SERVICE INC, R & B Utilities, 35.00 THOMSON REUTERS - WEST, Inmate Trust Fund, 1,832.00 T-MOBILE, Phone, 627.51 T-MOBILE, R & B Supplies, 128.04 WHEATLAND AUTOMOTIVE, R & B Vehicle Repair, 2,471.76 WHEATLAND AUTOMOTIVE, Facilities Building Maintenance, 82.85 WHITNEY GOFF, Fair Expenses, 264.00 WYOLOGIC INC, IT Repair & Maint., 1,000.00 WYOLOGIC INC, IT Technical Support, 14,116.50. Total: \$817,210.33.

Collections Before the Board: The Board reviewed the daily receipts of Treasurer Kristi Rietz from August 14 through August 29, 2025, which totaled \$1,485,544.97.

Grant Agreement: The Board reviewed a grant agreement between the Wyoming Department of Transportation, Highway Safety Program, and Platte County. The agreement provides up to \$13,000 in overtime funding for deputies to work overtime for the purpose of enforcing traffic laws, specifically targeting impaired driving. The term of the agreement is from October 1, 2025 through January 28, 2027. Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to approve a grant agreement and authorize Undersheriff McConahay to sign. The motion carried.

Road & Bridge: Chris Bookout, Superintendent, provided updates to the Board regarding the projects his department completed over the last 30 days, and those they anticipate completing in the next 30 days. Most notably, Road & Bridge completed chip sealing operations, which totaled \$290,352.30. Over the next 30 days, Road & Bridge anticipates over 100 miles of paved road will be striped by utilizing the High-Risk Rural Roads grant. Additionally, Superintendent Bookout intends to treat one mile of Jefferson Road with “Base One”, which he hopes will hold the road together thereby reducing ongoing maintenance.

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Emergency Management: Tony Krotz, Emergency Management Coordinator, provided updates to the Board, which included an approximately 30-acre fire, which qualified for the Emergency Fire Suppression Account (EFSA) to be utilized. Coordinator Krotz also said the Emergency Preparedness Grant (EMPG) was approved and that Platte County was awarded \$36,097 – approximately \$21,000 more than the previous fiscal year.

Platte County Economic Development (PCED): Josephine Young, Executive Director of PCED, provided an update to the Board. Director Young intends to meet with the 90 members of PCED within her first 90 days of taking her position. Director Young also informed the Board that three businesses are closing and said she has gathered quite a bit of information about what impedes businesses from coming to Wheatland, which she will share with the Board at a later date.

Chamber of Commerce: Tresha Cancino, CEO, provided an update to the Board. Ms. Cancino is chairing the Semiquincentennial Committee. The Committee was formed for the purpose of creating a celebration for the 250th anniversary of the American independence. The Committee will also have the ability to apply for grants from the State of Wyoming for the same purpose. Ms. Cancino needs the Board to appoint members to the Committee, which will be considered by the Board at their September 16th meeting. Ms. Cancino will forward a list of suggested individuals to serve on the Committee.

Executive Session: At 9:55 AM, Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to call for an executive session for litigation pursuant to Wyoming Statute 16-4-405(a)(iii). The motion carried. At 10:27 AM, Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to adjourn executive session where no decisions were made. The motion carried.

WyoLogic Inc: Jordan Ham, WyoLogic Inc., provided updates to the Board, which included an update on the Library network implementation. Mr. Ham said he was waiting for a vendor to respond so he can move the camera equipment to the new network. Mr. Ham informed the Board that he has been working with David Russell, County Sheriff, to transition operations of the Spillman reporting software. Sheriff Russell is currently the administrator of the software and is resigning from his position on September 30, 2025. Mr. Ham believes he should be the administrator and provide “power user” status to the entities utilizing the software. The Board agreed that utilizing Mr. Ham to administer the software is important and asked that he draft an agreement for their consideration.

Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD): The Board reviewed an agreement with Motorola Systems to operate the Spillman reporting software. Spillman is used by the Sheriff’s Office and the police departments for the towns of Wheatland and Guernsey. The agreement is for a period of five years. In the agreement, Platte County would be required to pay \$58,881.60 per year – of which \$11,610.09 would be billed to the Town of Wheatland and \$9,354.32 to the Town of Guernsey. Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to approve the agreement with Motorola Solutions and authorize Sheriff Russell to sign. The motion carried.

Chugwater Energy Project: Lucinda Houtchens read a prepared statement for the purpose of stating that the regulations they suggested for changes are neither arbitrary nor capricious. Ms. Houtchens also expressed concerns regarding decommissioning of wind, solar and battery energy storage projects.

Johnston Farms Subdivision: Dan Melcher spoke to the Board regarding the Johnston Farms Subdivision. Mr. Melcher owns a majority of the land within that subdivision and informed the Board that the subdivision shows a 30’ right-of-way for Palmer Canyon Road. The majority of that road is a 40’ total right-of-way – 20’ on either side of a section line. However, the Johnston Farms Subdivision dedicates an additional 10’ to the Palmer Canyon Road right-of-way. Mr. Melcher would like to request that the Board revert its additional 10’ back to the landowner. To do so, Mr. Melcher would need to replat the subdivision, but wanted to understand how the Board felt about his request prior to hiring a surveyor. The Board agreed that the additional 10’ is not necessary and said they would not hesitate to revert that additional 10’.

Plat Map: The Board reviewed, and approved, a final plat for the Replat of Lakeshore Tracts 3rd Filing. The plat vacates and replats the north 42 feet of Lot 128 of Lakeshore Tracts and a portion of Maple and Elm streets.

Courthouse Phase II Project: The Board reviewed the five Statements of Qualifications they received. Wyoming law requires the Board interview at least two qualified contractors for consideration. Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to invite Sampson Construction and VanEwing Construction Inc. for interviews for the Courthouse Phase II Project. The motion carried.

There being no further business for board consideration, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:40 AM. This proceeding was recorded by Clerk Ervin pursuant to Wyoming statute §18-3-402(a)(i)(C).

APPROVED:


STEVE SHOCKLEY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD


MALCOLM ERVIN, COUNTY CLERK
& CLERK OF THE BOARD



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