

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
BOARD OF PLATTE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, WYOMING

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, PLATTE COUNTY, WYOMING, met in a special session on the 17th day of October 2025 in the county seat of Wheatland. Notice of this special session was provided by the Office of the County Clerk pursuant to Wyoming Statute §16-4-404(b). 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 for the purposes of considering a Memorandum of Understanding for Industrial Siting Impact Assistance Funding related to the Chugwater Energy Project and for the purpose of considering three nominees to fill the vacancy in the Office of the County Sheriff.

Chugwater Energy Project: The Board began by considering a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Industrial Siting Impact Assistance Funding related to the Chugwater Energy Project. The MOU outlines an agreement where multiple governmental entities that were identified as impacted communities in NextEra Energy’s application to the Industrial Siting Council. Platte County has taken the lead on the MOU through their hired counsel, Rex Johnson, because the project is wholly contained within the County. The Industrial Siting Council will review all impact assistance requests for the Chugwater Energy Project on November 21, 2025. Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to approve the MOU and authorize the chairman to sign. The motion carried.

Sheriff Vacancy: Due to the resignation of David Russell, who was elected sheriff in 2022 and assumed office in 2023, a vacancy in the office was declared. Mr. Russell resigned from the position effective September 30th. On October 1st, Clerk Ervin provided notice of the vacancy to the Platte County Republican Party pursuant to W.S. §22-18-111(ii). On October 13th, the Platte County Republican Party met and nominated three individuals to be considered by the Board to fill the vacancy. The party forwarded Jay Harrison, Tony Krotz and Curtis Hoffrock. Chairman Shockley asked those three nominees to select a random number from a hat. From that, the order of interviews was set as follows: Mr. Hoffrock, Jay Harrison, Tony Krotz. Each was interviewed by the Board.

At 12:04 PM, Commissioner Baker motioned, seconded by Commissioner Jolovich, to call for an executive session for personnel matters pursuant to Wyoming Statute 16-4-405(a)(ii). The motion carried. At 12:25 PM, Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to adjourn executive session where no decisions were made. The motion carried.

Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to appoint Anthony Krotz to fill the vacancy in the Office of the County Sheriff for the remainder of the term. The motion carried. Sheriff Krotz then swore his oath of office pursuant to Article 6 §20 of the Wyoming Constitution. The oath was administered by Chairman Shockley. The Sheriff role will be up for election in 2026 at its regular time.

At 12:36 PM, Commissioner Baker motioned, seconded by Commissioner Jolovich, to call for an executive session for personnel matters pursuant to Wyoming Statute 16-4-405(a)(ii). The motion carried. At 1:09 PM, Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to adjourn executive session where no decisions were made. The motion carried.

There being no further business for board consideration, the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:10 PM. This proceeding was recorded by County 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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