

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
March 7, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was brought to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Steven Freel. Those in attendance were Commissioner Peter Nicolaysen, Commissioner Dallas Laird, Commissioner Dave North, Acting County Attorney Charmaine Reed, County Clerk Tracy Good and Michelle Maines, Commissioners' Assistant. Commissioner Jim Milne was absent.

Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Laird moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Commissioner North seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Contracts, Agreements, Resolutions:

A. Transportation Services Agreement between Casper/NC International Airport & Skywest Airlines (term January 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023)

Commissioner Nicolaysen moved for approval of the agreement. Commissioner Laird seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Hearings:

RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES:

1. C. C. COWBOYS, INC. dba RACKS

Commissioner North moved to remove the tabled liquor license for CC Cowboys from the table. Commissioner Nicolaysen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Freel opened the public hearing.

Clerk Good reported the renewal application is incomplete as of today's public hearing due to absence of lease and deferred to County Legal. Charmaine Reed, Acting County Attorney reported the location specified on the original application has been sold. A new lease and location has not been provided for the public hearing held today.

Speaking in favor: Randy Hall, Broker One (newly appointed receiver of liquor license) (Casper), Sunny Pilcher (Casper), Judy Jones (Casper).

Speaking in opposition: none

Hearing no further comments Chairman Freel closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Nicolaysen moved to decline the renewal of the CC Cowboys liquor license. Commissioner North seconded the motion. Commissioner Laird abstained. Motion carried.

2. NORTHERN DREAMS

Commissioner North moved to remove the tabled liquor license for Northern Dreams from the table. Commissioner Laird seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Freel opened the public hearing.

Clerk Good deferred to Justin Smith, NC Building Official for a report. Justin Smith reported he is currently waiting on construction documents. Clerk Good reported the application is complete.

Speaking in favor: Ed Rojas (Casper).

Speaking in opposition: none

Hearing no further comments Chairman Freel closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Laird moved to table the liquor license consideration for Northern Dreams until the March 21, 2023 Meeting. Commissioner North seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resolution 03-23 Transfer of Funds

Clerk Good gave a brief report.

Chairman Freel opened the public hearing.

Hearing no comments in favor or opposition. Chairman Freel closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Nicolaysen moved to approved Resolution 03-23 Transfer of Funds.
Commissioner Laird seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Chairman Freel opened the floor to Public Comments.

Pat Sweeney (Casper), Judy Jones (Casper), Bob Ide (Casper), Dana Stone (Casper), Dan Sabrosky (Bar Nunn), Rosmaring Czaban (Casper), Greg Jarrard (Casper).

Hearing no further comments the floor was closed.

Commissioner Comments:

Chairman Freel opened the floor to Commissioner Comments.

Commissioner Nicolaysen moved to amend the agenda for the purpose of Mike Haigler, NC R&B Superintendent giving a roads update and equipment availability to potentially make some further decisions tonight. Commissioner Laird seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Haigler reported throughout the state equipment is being used nonstop, used hard and parts are hard to find. Converse County has offered the use of their equipment: \$100,000 for one month (based on FEMA rates); 3 pieces of equipment; Converse County will use their own drivers; Converse County will pay for repairs to their equipment.

Commissioner Nicolaysen moved to allocate up to \$100,000 for Road & Bridge to engage Converse County for the use of their equipment under the terms stated. Commissioner Laird seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Hearing no further comments the floor was closed.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Chairman Freel adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.



ATTEST:

NATRONA COUNTY CLERK

Cindy Piesler Chief Deputy for
Tracy Good, County Clerk *Tracy Good*

BOARD OF NATRONA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Steven Freel

Steven Freel, Chairman

My term of office expires
January 4, 2027