

TOWN OF NEWCASTLE, TOWN OF UPTON, WESTON COUNTY JOINT POWERS BOARD COMMUNICATIONS MEETING MINUTES

Call Meeting to order: 16:35 **Date:** 7/15/26

Guests: NA

Attendance: Brian Meals, James Curren, Derek Thompson, Brian Colvard, Austin Baker, interim

Director Tonia Mills

Changes to Agenda: NA

Motion: no new minutes ready

Motion by: 2nd **By:**

Treasures Report:

Checking Account: \$364,247.99

Savings: \$262,662.62

Motion made to accept treasures report and to pay outstanding bills **by:** Thompson 2nd **By:** Curren. Motion Carried

Public Comment: NA

Old Business: Upton backup dispatch consol and generator- We received a quote from Ricks Electric for \$11500 that is for the generator and the wiring, it does not include gas piping. Curren will contact Black Hills and see if they will cover the gas piping. Thompson Moved to move forward with the Ricks Electric quote for the generator and the power for the consol. Meals 2nd it motion carried. CIS to Flex Migration- it is all done except for some training Thompson signed the final signoff for it. Attorney- Thomas, Thomas and Thrall received our proposal and came back and said they are willing to charge 275.00 an Hr. for attorneys, \$175 for paralegals, and \$125 for legal assistants billed in tenths of an hr. and \$50 an hr. for travel time. They would not charge a retainer. Curren moved to accept their proposal. Meals 2nd it motion carried. Modifications to employee wage schedule- Thompson and Mills haven't had the time to really look at this. Discussion was made and Tonia will get back with us about what the extra

tasks are and what she thinks they are worth and a performance base for said tasks. Board member Terms- Colvard did some research on the by-laws, and the 3 permanent members can pick the members at large they don't have to go up for interview, also we don't have to advertise if the members at large are interested in keeping their current position.

New Business: Meals asked if the JPB would help pay for new locks on the doors for Upton PD since we are putting a backup dispatch there. Discussion was made Chief Thomson stated that the city of Newcastle paid for the locks in dispatch and for Newcastle PD. Colvard stated that he may have some locks for Upton to use.

Directors Report: Mills cleaned up the NVFD paging procedures She returned it to Chief Kenney but hasn't received anything back from him at this point. Discussed a training platform called Gov Worx. It seems pretty good. Worland and Casper use it she will check with them and see what their thoughts are, she will also set up a Demo with their rep. The Budget is finalized and sent to the state.

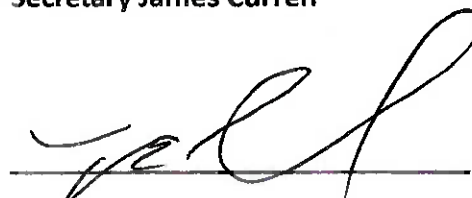
Other Business: : Thompson moved to go into executive session under Wyoming State Statue 16-4-405 (a) (ii) personnel Baker 2nd motion carried at 18:16. Returned from executive session at 19:01.

Next Meeting: 8/19/26 **Time:** 16:30 **Location:** Weston co attorney's office

Meeting adjourned Time: 19:05 **Motioned by** Thompson 2nd **by Baker Motion Carried**



Secretary James Curren



Chairman Bryan Colvard