

## **TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF WYOMING**

The Transportation Commission of Wyoming met in the Commission Room of the Transportation Headquarters building in Cheyenne on November 15, 2012. The meeting was convened at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Latta. The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Jim Latta, Chairman, Pinedale  
Ted Ertman, Vice Chairman, Newcastle  
Cactus Covello, Jr., Commissioner, Torrington (via telephone)  
Milt Coulter, Commissioner, Gillette  
Clair Anderson, Commissioner, Riverton  
K. John Dooley, Commissioner, Laramie  
Bruce McCormack, Commissioner, Cody  
John F. Cox, Director  
Sandra J. Scott, Commission Secretary

Also present at and participating in the meeting were: Delbert McOmie, Chief Engineer; Gregg Fredrick, Assistant Chief Engineer of Engineering and Planning (via telephone); Ken Shultz, Assistant Chief Engineer of Operations; Tom Loftin, Support Services Administrator; Colonel John Butler, Highway Patrol Administrator; Dennis Byrne, Aeronautics Administrator; Doug Moench, Senior Assistant Attorney General; Kevin Hibbard, Budget Officer; Doug McGee, Public Affairs Manager; and Joe Dailey, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration.

Others present: Jerry Paxton, Carbon County Commissioner and the newly elected Wyoming Representative for House District 47; Bill Wadsworth, Assistant Director of the Grand Encampment Museum; John D. Farr, Chairman, Battle Pass Scenic Byway Project; Jim Buyske, Chief Pilot and Flight Operations Manager; Ken Spear, Contracts & Estimates Engineer; and Talbot Hauffe, Scenic Byways Coordinator.

1. Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Latta led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Approval of Minutes: It was recommended by Secretary Scott, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, and carried to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2012, breakfast meeting, regular business meeting, and education session.
3. Director Cox presented the Director's report.

Director Cox advised that he will attend the annual American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) and the Western Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (WASHTO) meetings in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, November 16-20, 2012.

Three legislative interim committees will meet in the next two months, including the Joint Revenue Committee on December 3, 2012, the Joint Transportation, Highways and Military Affairs Committee on December 10, 2012, and the Joint Appropriations Committee in early January 2013.

WYDOT has hired five consulting firms to perform value engineering studies on various WYDOT design projects. The purpose of the studies is to determine areas where WYDOT can experience potential cost savings through its design standards. A report of the findings will be generated by each consultant and will reveal whether the Department is operating at peak efficiency. Director Cox advised that the Department is open to finding ways to progress and to grow as an agency, and he looks forward to whatever guidance will be provided through the studies.

4. Mr. Hibbard presented the monthly Budget report and offered to answer questions of the Commission. No questions were asked about the budget report.

5. Mr. Fredrick presented the following bid tabulations from the letting held November 8, 2012, in Cheyenne.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 1  
Cactus Covello - Commissioner**

Federal project IM-I251163, involving grading, draining, placing crushed base, concrete pavement, sidewalk, curb and gutter, bridge deck repair, electrical, signing, and miscellaneous work at the I-25 and College Drive Interchange, in Laramie County.

Engineer's Estimate	\$2,754,278.10	
<b>S &amp; S Builders, LLC., Gillette, WY</b>	<b>\$3,126,613.21</b>	<b>+13.5%</b>
Simon Contractors and Subsidiaries, Cheyenne. WY	\$3,165,707.67	
Reiman Corp. and Subsidiary, Cheyenne. WY	\$3,200,463.65	
Concrete Works of Colorado, Inc., Lafayette, CO	\$3,474,220.42	

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner Covello, seconded by Commissioner Dooley, and carried that **S & S Builders, LLC., Gillette, Wyoming**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

Federal project HSIP-SEP-B132016, involving grading, guardrail, and miscellaneous work on US 26 in Transportation District 2, in Goshen and Platte counties.

Engineer's Estimate	\$1,254,394.50	
<b>Oftedal Construction, Inc., Miles City, MT</b>	<b>\$1,227,620.60</b>	<b>-2.1%</b>
Pine Bluffs Gravel & Excavating, Inc., Pine Bluffs, WY	\$1,486,408.58	
Wilson Bros. Construction, Inc., Cowley, WY	\$1,489,593.50	

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner Dooley, seconded by Commissioner McCormack, and carried that **Oftedal Construction, Inc., Miles City, Montana**, having

prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

Federal project STP-P251031, involving milling, overlaying, and placing of plant mix pavement, with the addition of ADA ramps at the corners of the intersection, and miscellaneous work on 0.92 miles of US 85, beginning at reference marker (RM) 10.70, also known as Central Avenue and Warren Avenue in the city of Cheyenne, in Laramie County.

Engineer's Estimate	\$1,226,701.00	
<b>Simon Contractors and Subsidiaries, Cheyenne, WY</b>	<b>\$1,055,531.00</b>	<b>-14.0%</b>
Knife River, Cheyenne, WY	\$1,383,626.80	

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner Covello, seconded by Vice Chairman Ertman, and carried that **Simon Contractors and Subsidiaries, Cheyenne, Wyoming**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 2**  
**K. John Dooley - Commissioner**

Federal project AML13-PM-B131004, involving chip sealing and miscellaneous work on US 30/287, in Transportation District 1, in Albany County.

Engineer's Estimate	\$1,381,725.00	
<b>Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc., Watsonville, CA</b>	<b>\$1,128,775.00</b>	<b>-18.3%</b>
Riverside Contracting, Inc., Missoula, MT	\$1,149,617.50	
Knife River, Cheyenne, WY	\$1,219,237.50	
Hardrives Construction, Inc. and Subsidiaries, Billings, MT	\$1,230,873.57	
Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries, Grand Junction, CO	\$1,329,744.00	
Simon Contractors and Subsidiaries, Cheyenne, WY	\$1,358,770.00	

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner Dooley, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried that **Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc., Watsonville, California**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 3**  
**Jim Latta - Chairman**

Federal projects NH-N103095 and STP-E-N103101 combined, involving grading, draining, milling plant mix, placing crushed base, and bituminous pavement surfacing, plant mix wearing course, bridge erection, curb and gutter, landscaping, fencing, and miscellaneous work on 3.71 miles on US 89, beginning at RM 81.80, between Smoot and Afton, in Lincoln County.

Engineer's Estimate	\$3,698,929.65	
<b>HK Contractors, Inc., Idaho Falls, MT</b>	<b>\$3,893,299.88</b>	<b>+5.3%</b>
LeGrand Johnson Construction Co., Logan, UT	\$4,079,189.55	
Kilroy, LLC., Afton, WY	\$4,165,241.59	
McMurry Ready-Mix Co., Casper, WY	\$4,617,743.22	
Oftedal Construction, Inc., Miles City, MT	\$4,729,000.00	

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried that **HK Contractors, Inc., Idaho Falls, Montana**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 5**  
**Bruce McCormack - Commissioner**

Federal projects NH-DR50954, NH-DR50955, NH-DR50956, and NH-DR50957 combined, involving erosion repair including grading, machine-placed riprap, and miscellaneous work at various locations on US 14/16/20, between Yellowstone National Park and Cody, in Park County.

Engineer's Estimate	\$ 603,547.50	
<b>Hinckley James, Inc., Cowley, WY</b>	<b>\$ 814,270.00</b>	<b>+34.9%</b>
Wilson Bros. Construction, Inc., Cowley, WY	\$ 833,970.50	
Albin Carlson & Co., Addison, IL	\$ 946,615.50	
Oftedal Construction, Inc., Miles City, MT	\$ 997,204.72	
COP Wyoming LLC., Sheridan, WY	\$1,084,313.50	

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried that **Hinckley James, Inc., Cowley, Wyoming**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

State project CMP-RF-N371036, involving grading, right-of-way fence, cattle guard, and miscellaneous work on US 14, between the town of Shell and Burgess Junction, in Big Horn County.

Engineer's Estimate	\$258,952.00
<b>King Enterprises, Mills, WY</b>	<b>\$488,022.00 +88.5%</b>
Wilson Bros. Construction, Inc., Cowley, WY	\$546,540.00

This project was advertised in October 2012, but no bids were received. The engineer's estimate was generated using bid prices from a similar type of fence project. The project has some very difficult conditions involved, there is a significant amount of hand work involved, and extreme terrain influenced the bidders' cost estimates. The project need is paramount to the safety of this roadway, and Mr. Fredrick believed that the bidders have accurately addressed the work, and that it is in the best interest of the Department to move forward with this work.

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Covello, that **King Enterprises, Mills, Wyoming**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder.

Vice Chairman Ertman asked what type of fence was specified for this project. Mr. Fredrick advised that this project involves a timber-pole-type fence, which is made up of a top and bottom rail with barbed wire in between the poles. He also advised that this is a new fence, and not a replacement of an existing fence.

Commissioner McCormack asked if there was an apparent reason for the engineer's estimate being so diverse from the contractors' bids. Mr. Fredrick indicated that the extreme complexity and the terrain of this project was unknown at the time the engineer's estimate was prepared. Mr. Spear indicated that estimators do not have the opportunity to review the job site before preparing the estimate, as there is simply not enough time to do so, and bid history is commonly used to prepare the engineers' estimates.

Chairman Latta called for the vote, and the motion to award the project to King Enterprises passed. Vice Chairman Ertman and Commissioner Anderson voted no.

**COMMISSION DISTRICTS 5 and 7**  
**Bruce McCormack - Commissioner**  
**Clair Anderson - Commissioner**

State project CMP-PM-SL13-B135007, involving chip sealing and miscellaneous work on 111.24 miles of various roads in Transportation District 5, in Big Horn, Fremont, Hot Springs, and Park counties.

Engineer's Estimate	\$3,339,355.00	
<b>Riverside Contracting, Inc., Missoula, MT</b>	<b>\$3,292,170.00</b>	<b>-1.4%</b>
Plus 5% for Comparison	\$3,456,778.50	
Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc., Watsonville, CA	\$3,358,353.00	
Plus 5% for Comparison	\$3,526,270.65	
Simon Contractors and Subsidiaries, Cheyenne, WY	\$3,798,350.00	
Frost Rock Products Company, Lovell, WY	\$3,899,090.00	
Mountain Construction Company, Lovell, WY	\$3,984,533.18	

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Vice Chairman Ertman, and carried that **Riverside Contracting, Inc., Missoula, Montana**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder.

State project CMP-PM-SL13-B135006, involving contract patching and miscellaneous work at various locations in Transportation District 5, in Big Horn, Fremont, Park, and Washakie counties.

Engineer's Estimate	\$2,546,810.00	
<b>Mountain Construction Company, Lovell, WY</b>	<b>\$2,574,618.87</b>	<b>+1.1%</b>
Century Companies, Inc. and Affiliates, Lewistown, MT	\$3,082,545.00	
Plus 5% for Comparison	\$3,236,672.25	
Riverside Contracting, Inc., Missoula, MT	\$3,814,650.00	
Plus 5% for Comparison	\$4,005,382.50	

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner McCormack, and carried that **Mountain Construction Company, Lovell, Wyoming**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 6**  
**Ted Ertman - Vice Chairman**

Federal project IM-PM-I904135, involving slab replacement and miscellaneous work on 9.25 miles on I-90, beginning at RM 185.74, between Sundance and the South Dakota state line, in Crook County.

Engineer's Estimate	\$ 479,571.00	
<b>Multiple Concrete Enterprises, Inc., Ogden, UT</b>	<b>\$ 698,137.90</b>	<b>+45.6%</b>
S & S Builders, LLC., Gillette, WY	\$ 776,277.80	
DRM, Inc., Gillette, WY	\$ 815,688.50	
Concrete Works of Colorado, Inc., Lafayette, CO	\$ 831,595.50	
Stanley J. Johnson Concrete Contractor, Inc., Rapid City, SD	\$ 882,945.50	
Century Companies, Inc. and Affiliates, Lewistown, MT	\$1,021,950.00	

Vice Chairman Ertman expressed concern about the significant difference between the engineer's estimate and the lowest bid. Mr. Spear advised that traffic control was a major factor on this project. This project has limitations on how much traffic flow can be shut down at any given time. The sections of highway that may be closed at any given time are much shorter than usual, which increases the cost of mobilization. The Sturgis Motorcycle Rally is also a major consideration on this project, as it takes place during construction. The engineer's estimate does not consider these factors.

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Vice Chairman Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, and carried that **Multiple Concrete Enterprises, Inc., Ogden, Utah**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 7**  
**Clair Anderson - Commissioner**

Federal project NH-N212107, involving slide repair, including grading, draining, placing bituminous pavement leveling and surfacing, and miscellaneous work on WYO 220 at RM 101.60 'Narrows Slide), between Muddy Gap and Casper, in Natrona County.

Engineer's Estimate	\$7,188,111.40	
<b>Malcolm Drilling Company, Inc., San Francisco, CA</b>	<b>\$6,876,497.67</b>	<b>-4.3%</b>
Ralph L. Wadsworth Construction Company, LLC., Draper, UT	\$7,605,567.46	
Reiman Corp. and Subsidiary, Cheyenne, WY	\$7,888,375.36	
American Civil Constructors, Inc. and Subsidiary, Littleton, CO	\$8,693,882.00	
71 Construction, Casper, WY	\$8,799,724.90	
Anderson Drilling, Inc., Denver, CO	\$9,092,184.95	
Oftedal Construction, Inc., Miles City, MT	\$9,203,288.30	

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Dooley, and carried that **Malcolm Drilling Company, Inc., San Francisco, California**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

Federal project NH-N341109, including the installation of two dynamic message signs and a road weather system, and miscellaneous work at RM 30.00 and RM 12.00 on US 20/26, west of Casper, in Natrona County.

Engineer's Estimate	\$327,161.00
<b>Casper Electric, Inc., Casper, WY</b>	<b>\$402,685.99 +23.1%</b>
Modern Electric Co. and Subsidiary, Casper, WY	\$472,658.00

It was recommended by Mr. Fredrick, moved by Commissioner Dooley, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried that **Casper Electric, Inc., Casper, Wyoming**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

7. Mr. Hauffe presented a nomination for the designation of Wyoming State Highway 70 from Encampment to Baggs as a state scenic byway. This portion of WYO 70 has been recommended by the Scenic Byway Advisory Committee, which is made up of representatives from the USDA Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, the Division of Tourism, the State Historic Preservation Office, WYDOT, and the private sector tourism industry.

Vice Chairman Ertman asked if WYDOT is responsible for the one mile stretch of the roadway that dips into Colorado. Mr. McOmie indicated that it is WYDOT's standard practice to maintain such roadways even when the road crosses Wyoming's borders.

It was recommended by Mr. Hauffe, moved by Commissioner Covello, seconded by Vice Chairman Ertman, and carried to approve the Battle Pass Scenic Byway designation.

Messrs. Paxton, Wadsworth, Farr, Fredrick, and Hauffe left the meeting.

8. Mr. McOmie presented the Chief Engineer's report.

Energy Audit on WYDOT Buildings: The Department and the Wyoming Business Council have met with Chevron Energy Solutions, the firm that conducted a preliminary energy audit at WYDOT Headquarters and some field offices. Each building was reviewed, and the audit revealed many areas where WYDOT could become more energy efficient, which would realize approximately \$180,000 in savings per year if all of the proposed changes are made. WYDOT has opted to move forward with making the changes that were recommended by Chevron. Plans should be complete in March 2013, and the estimated completion date for the upgrades is in the fall 2013. The project will be paid for through bonds. WYDOT is the first state agency that is investigating such an option. Light fixtures and bulbs and boiler upgrades will be addressed as Phase I. Phase II will include other buildings in the field, and Phase III will be to investigate the efficiencies of state-operated traffic signals/lights and street lighting. Cities and counties will also be given the option of participating in the project.



The Wyoming Business Council will contact the Wyoming State Treasurer to see if he is interested in the low-energy bonding issue, but the Department will also seek private entities to find the lowest interest rate for the bond.

Commissioner Covello advised that a similar audit was done for Eastern Wyoming Community College and for the Goshen County Courthouse and municipal building. The project involved reviewing the heating and ventilation systems, lighting, windows, and other areas. Monthly cost savings were realized as well as lower overall maintenance costs.

Sage Creek Project Update: Pursuant to the new federal highway bill, Wyoming will receive about \$11 million for the Federal Access Program. WYDOT has been working with Carbon County to bring the WYO 71 project to fruition. The project is currently being bid, with various options being investigated. Carbon County and the U.S. Forest Service will provide matching funds for the project. The Department is able to accelerate the project because of the additional funding that the Federal Moving Ahead for Progress (MAP-21) bill has provided.

Mr. McOmie indicated that Carbon County does not have adequate funds in its current budget, but WYDOT could potentially loan the county's contribution to the project, and reimbursement would be received when the county's next budget was implemented.

Vice Chairman Ertman voiced concern about the state fronting the counties money for a project. Mr. McOmie indicated that he also has some reservations about loaning funds for the project, but WYDOT has a mechanism in place to recuperate the funds if necessary.

Worland East Project Update: McOmie has received numerous complaints about Hout Fencing's performance on the project. The rideability of the roadway is poor, and some grinding and repaving of the road will be required. Timeliness of the work has also been an issue with the contractor. Hout Fencing has also worked on a couple of other projects that have been problematic. Mr. McOmie advised that the completed project must ultimately be built to WYDOT standards and that the problems will be corrected at the contractor's expense. Hout Fencing's prequalification to bid recently expired, and it will not be able to bid on WYDOT projects until they make an application for renewal. Hout Fencing's sub-standard work product will be considered in its prequalification renewal process.

Utility Companies and the Buy America Program: The FHWA recently implemented a requirement that WYDOT must purchase American-made materials in conjunction with its utility projects. The requirement has significantly complicated the Department's work process. One utility company has refused to begin working on a new project and does not want to be involved with future WYDOT projects because it does not want to purchase only American-made products. The Department continues to work with the utility company and has involved the State Attorney General's office in the matter. So far, five projects are involved in the matter.

Value Engineering Studies: WYDOT plans to meet on November 16, 2012, with consultants that prepared two of the value engineering studies for design projects. The projects that will be reviewed are the Wyodak Road near Gillette and the Etna Road project in District 3.

Hoback Junction Bridge Update: The contractor on the Hoback Junction Bridge project has filed a claim against the Department. Mr. McOmie briefed the Commission about the construction claims process.

Mr. Ben Neery, a reporter for the Associated Press, entered the meeting.

9. Colonel Butler presented the Highway Patrol report.

The Fatal Crash Summary through October 31, 2012, includes 92 fatal crashes involving 103 deaths. The fatalities include 48 rollover crashes, 35 multi-car crashes, 4 fixed objects, 12 motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles, and 4 pedestrians. Of the 92 crashes that occurred so far this year, 22 involved commercial vehicles.

There have been 27 crashes to date deemed alcohol related, that resulted in 29 deaths (not all chemical test results were available at the time of the report). Of those deaths, 19 were attributed to not using occupant restraints.

Of the 103 deaths that have occurred to date this year, 48 can be attributed to the non-use of occupant restraints, with 34 involving rollover crashes, 10 involving multi-car collisions, and 4 involving fixed objects. Of the 48 deaths that occurred from non-use of occupant restraints, 41 were Wyoming residents and 7 were non-residents. Twelve of those who perished were under 20 years of age, and 6 of those fatalities were attributed to the failure to use proper occupant restraints.

Patrol-Investigated Crash Summary: The Patrol-Investigated Crash Summary reflects activity through September 30, 2012. The summary depicts 4,211 crashes statewide, of which 3,488 involved non-commercial vehicles, and 723 involved commercial vehicles.

Patrol Field Arrest Activity: Field arrest activity indicates that the majority of arrests made as of October 31, 2012, have been DUI related. There have been 1,231 field arrests made so far this year, including:

- DUI arrests from crashes – 110
- DUI arrests from traffic stops – 532
- DUI arrests from the REDDI Program – 128
- DUI arrests from ports-of-entry – 6
- NCIC hits (person) – 45
- Wyoming warrants hits – 155
- Drug arrests – 121
- Other arrests – 134

10. Mr. Byrne presented the Aeronautics report, including the Aeronautics Flight Operations Passenger Summary Report for October 2012.

11. Mr. Buyske presented the 2012 Flight Operations Report, beginning with the FY 2009-2012 state agency and WYDOT aircraft usage report.

The aircraft have been flown over 8,000 hours with over 12,000 landings during the last 10 years, with no accidents or injuries. Good maintenance practices, consistent pilot training, and sound standards and operating procedures are adhered to by the pilots, which contribute to the quality track record.

Flight Operations is fully staffed. Its pilots attend frequent refresher training and ground safety programs, including semi-annual pilot training and annual mechanic/line support training. Pilots are also fully engaged and integrated in a flight/ground safety program.

Flight Operations serviced 30 state agencies and organizations in FY 2012. The aircraft operation rate is \$1,250 per flight hour, which has remained the same for about three years. Aeronautics will investigate in the near future whether the current hourly rate will need to be adjusted based on actual operating expenses.

The aircraft flew 661.0 flight hours in 2012, which was a decrease of 4.3 percent compared to FY 2009-2011; however, passenger enplanement increased last year.

The fuel farm has proven to be very economical over the years, saving the state about \$2 per gallon for jet fuel. Pilots continue to adjust flight profiles to save fuel. Flight Operations also made the transition to a paperless cockpit last year, using iPads for maintenance manuals, flight manuals, and other publications. The paperless cockpit reduces the aircraft weight by about 40 pounds, and saves the state about \$4,000 per year in operating costs.

Mr. Buyske noted that since August 2012, Aeronautics has experienced a 50 percent increase in aircraft usage. There is no apparent reason for the increase.

Messrs. Neery and Buyske left the meeting.

12. Mr. Loftin stated that he did not have a report for the Commission this month.

Mr. Loftin briefed the Commission about the outcome of a recent State Compensation Commission (SCC) meeting that was held in Cheyenne. At the meeting, the SCC reviewed the performance measurement system that applies to all at-will, vested, appointed, and probationary employees within Wyoming state government. Performance ratings range from one to four, with a four being the highest possible rating. State employees averaged a rating of 2.4, and WYDOT's average rating was

2.6. There are currently no pay-for-performance measures tied to the ratings. Proposed changes and rules were also discussed for at-will personnel.

Overall compensation for Wyoming state employees has dropped 3 percent in the last year compared to surrounding states. Wyoming state employees were within 91 percent of the average salaries last year.

Employee housing allowances were also discussed. Sublette, Teton, and Campbell counties have received a supplemental housing allowance in the past, but individuals receiving housing allowance in Campbell County will no longer receive additional compensation because of a reduced cost of living in that area of the state.

Mr. Moench briefed the Commission about a lawsuit for which he received notification on November 14, 2012, involving the Wyoming Transportation Commission and the Sublette County School District. Mr. Moench advised that he will provide a response to the declaratory judgement action after determining an appropriate approach for addressing the issue.

13. Mr. Shultz presented the Operations report.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner Dooley, seconded by Commissioner Covello, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 12-318 to replace electrical service equipment at WYDOT Headquarters in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to Simpson Electric Co., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the sum of \$230,900.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Vice Chairman Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 12-319 to relocate a generator at WYDOT in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to Quality Electric, of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the sum of \$63,600.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 12-324 to furnish 2,930,000 pounds of reflective glass spheres 'type I) in 50-pound sacks, for delivery at various statewide locations. The bid was awarded to Potters Industries, LLC, of Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, for the sum of \$744,220.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner Dooley, seconded by Commissioner Covello, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 12-325 to furnish 361,430 gallons of acrylic traffic line paint, for delivery at various statewide locations. The bid was awarded to Ennis Paint Inc., of Ennis, Texas, for the sum of \$3,305,944.20.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Vice Chairman Ertman, seconded by Commissioner McCormack, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 12-328 to furnish janitorial

maintenance at the Wyoming Welcome Center south of Cheyenne for a 12 month period. The bid was awarded to Kleen Sweep Janitorial, Inc., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the sum of \$57,300.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 13-004 to furnish six each, new, current model, 35-series, two-wheel-drive, crew cab and chassis for bodies, for delivery in Cheyenne, Laramie, Casper, Gillette, and Thermopolis. The bid was awarded to Spradley Barr Motors, Inc., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the sum of \$141,318.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner Coulter, seconded by Commissioner McCormack, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 13-007 to furnish four each, new, current model, 35-series, four-wheel-drive, extended cab and chassis for utility bodies, for delivery in Cheyenne and Lander. The bid was awarded to Spradley Barr Motors, Inc., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the sum of \$97,788.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Vice Chairman Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Covello, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 13-009 to furnish two each, new, current model, 35-series, extended cab and chassis (DRW) for utility bodies, for delivery in Cheyenne and Sundance. The bid was awarded to Spradley Barr Motors, Inc., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the sum of \$58,642.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 13-011 to furnish one each, new, current model, 26,000-pound gross vehicle weight, regular cab and chassis for stake body, for delivery in Afton. The bid was awarded to Greiner Motor Company - Casper, of Casper, Wyoming, for the sum of \$51,066.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner Dooley, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 13-018 to furnish one each, new, current model, Class 7, four-yard, cab and chassis for dump body, for delivery in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to CMI-TECO, of Mills, Wyoming, for the sum of \$78,983.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 13-019 to furnish 25 each, new, current model, Class 8, eight-yard, cab and chassis for dump body, for delivery in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to CMI-TECO, of Mills, Wyoming, for the sum of \$2,440,525.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 13-021 to furnish 25 each, new, current model, eight-yard, stainless steel dump bodies, for delivery in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to CMI-TECO, of Mills, Wyoming, for the sum of \$276,975.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Vice Chairman Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 13-022 to furnish 27 each, new, current model, 13-foot, self-unloading, abrasive spreaders, for delivery in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to Henke Manufacturing, of Leavenworth, Kansas, for the sum of \$286,065.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Dooley, and carried to approve purchase for Requisition Number 0000028031 to furnish annual maintenance on the Falcon/Document Management System (DMS) Department-wide license at WYDOT, for use by the WYDOT Information Technology Program. The contract was awarded to TSA/ADVET, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for the sum of \$212,307.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner Coulter, seconded by Commissioner McCormack, and carried to approve purchase for Requisition Number 0000028192 to furnish adaptive traffic system, for use by the Traffic Program. The contract was awarded to Northwest Signal Supply, Inc., of Tualatin, Oregon, for the sum of \$91,840.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried to approve purchase for Requisition Number 0000028362 to furnish digital license plate materials for a one-year period. The contract was awarded to 3M Corporation, of St. Paul, Minnesota, for the sum of \$317,000.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Dooley, and carried to approve purchase for Requisition Number 0000028482 to furnish a Meridian 511 telephone system, for use by the Geographic Information Systems/Intelligent Transportation Systems (GIS/ITS) Program. The contract was awarded to Meridian Environmental Technology, Inc., of Grand Forks, North Dakota, for the sum of \$450,000.00.

14. It was moved by Commissioner Covello, seconded by Commissioner Coulter, and carried to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Latta adjourned the meeting at 11:19 a.m., on Thursday, November 15, 2012.