

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

BOARD OF PLATTE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, WYOMING

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, PLATTE COUNTY, WYOMING, met on the 7th day of July 2026 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 Baker motioned, seconded by Commissioner Jolovich, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried. Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to approve the June 16th meeting minutes. The motion carried. Commissioner Baker motioned, seconded by Commissioner Jolovich, to approve the vouchers as presented. The motion carried.

Vouchers Approved for Payment: PAYROLL, GROSS 1,251.00 HSA ACCOUNT 393,693.97 PC TAX ACCOUNT 29,157.80 WY DEPT OF WORKFORCE SVCS 7,882.01 WYOMING RETIREMENT SYSTEM 66,517.43 AG HEATING & COOLING LLC, Facilities Building Maintenance, 3,776.88 AG HEATING & COOLING LLC, Jail Maintenance, 1,659.85 ALEXANDER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, R & B Materials, 19,206.00 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Children's Trust Fund (Public Health), 92.42 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Clerk of Court Supplies, 219.42 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Detention Supplies, 244.43 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Maternal & Child Health (SGF), 22.98 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Sheriff Supplies, 286.01 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Clerk Supplies, 62.88 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Election Supplies, 292.18 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Inmate Trust Fund, 811.10 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Community Service Block Grant (CSBG), 445.24 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, PH Supplies, 85.73 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, Treasurer Supplies, 41.98 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, PH New Equipment, 930.69 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, PH Supplies, 61.68 BARNES LAW LLC, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 1,113.15 BLACK HILLS ENERGY, Ag. Ext. Utilities, 43.78 BLACK HILLS ENERGY, Facilities Utilities, 775.10 BLACK HILLS ENERGY, PH Supplies, 41.65 BLACK HILLS ENERGY, R & B Utilities, 45.19 BLACK HILLS ENERGY, Library Utilities, 62.87 BLOEDORN LUMBER, Facilities Capital Construction, 594.80 BOMGAARS SUPPLY, Facilities Building Maintenance, 111.94 BOMGAARS SUPPLY, R & B Materials, 14.99 BOMGAARS SUPPLY, R & B Supplies, 1,342.86 BROWN CO, Sheriff Vehicle Repair, 1,195.86 CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC, Leased Equipment, 2,339.89 CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING, Detention Board of Prisoners, 618.59 CENTURY LINK - SEATTLE, 911 Phones, 236.68 CHARM-TEX, Detention Supplies, 434.10 CHEYENNE KUBOTA, R & B Vehicle Repair, 605.78 CONNOR E MADSEN, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 450.00 CREED FUELS LLC, R & B Fuel, 23,548.00 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT, Unemployment, 832.88 DOUBLE AM&H/CINEMA WEST, Prevention Grant, 125.00 DOUBLE AM&H/CINEMA WEST, Problem Gambling Prevention, 125.00 ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE, Election Supplies, 546.00 FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA, Fair Expenses, 769.20 FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA, Fair Expenses, 933.19 FUSION CLOUD SERVICES LLC, Library Utilities, 611.20 GALLS LLC, Detention Supplies, 240.50 GORMAN FUNERAL HOME, Coroner Facility Rent, 1,500.00 GUERNSEY GAZETTE, Emergency Mgt. LEPC, 58.50 HF GROUP, Library Supplies, 200.00 HOFFMAN CUSTOM CONSTRUCTION INC, County Road Fund (SCRF), 40,000.00 IDEAL LINEN & UNIFORM, Facilities Custodial, 226.02 IDEAL/BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS, Facilities Supplies, 104.95 INDEPENDENT SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS INC, IT Software, 20,000.00 INDOFF INCORPORATED, Courthouse Renovation, 1,323.53 JAMES ANGLE, R & B Vehicle Repair, 78.71 JOHNSON LAW GROUP LLC, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 888.00 KENNETH BROWN, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 624.00 KINSCO, Detention Uniforms, 1,400.00 KNIFE RIVER MATERIALS, R & B Materials, 1,041.71 LARAMIE PEAK MOTORS, Facilities Vehicle Repair, 460.91 LOU'S GLOVES, Detention Supplies, 990.00 MAREL BUNKER ROTH, Attorney Dues & Continuing Ed., 525.00 MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL, PH Supplies, 36.63 MEDICO-MART INC, PH Vaccinations, 10,863.20 MHC KENWORTH - CHEYENNE, R & B Vehicle Repair, 360.79 MOLLY KEIL, Fair Expenses, 156.54 PALEN LAW OFFICES LLP, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 1,876.00 PHIL & JOYCE BENSON, WCF - FRC Services, 850.00 PLATTE COUNTY, Emergency Mgt. Facility Rent, 700.00 PLATTE COUNTY EXTENSION, Ag. Ext. Travel Expenses, 227.74 PLATTE COUNTY EXTENSION, Ag. Ext. Travel Expenses, 90.00 PURCHASE POWER, Inmate Trust Fund, 100.00 R&S NORTHEAST LLC, PH Vaccinations, 394.09 RECORD TIMES, Printing, 1,344.39 RECORD TIMES, Publishing, 65.58 RECORD TIMES, Emergency Mgt. LEPC, 58.50 RECORD TIMES, Fair Printing, 1,200.00 SHAMROCK CO FOODS AURORA, Detention Board of Prisoners, 11,000.00 SOUTH STREET PHARMACY, Detention Medical Care, 519.73 STATE OF WYOMING, Clerk Supplies, 15.61 STATE OF WYOMING, Treasurer Supplies, 59.35 STEIL SURVEYING SERVICES WHEATLAND, Clerk Supplies, 210.00 STEINER, FOURNIER, ZOOK & CASE LLC, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 181.00 STEVE & PAT MITCHELL, Community Service Block Grant (CSBG), 1,500.00 STEVE P PEASLEY MD, County Health Officer Grant, 800.00 STEVE P PEASLEY MD, PH Health Officer, 365.00 STITCHES & INK, Detention Uniforms, 386.75 STITCHES & INK, Workforce Development, 104.00 STREAKLESS WINDOW CLEANERS, Facilities Custodial, 390.00 SYLVESTRI CUSTOMIZATION, Prevention Grant, 4,245.00 THE WANDERER ON GILCHRIST, Library Supplies, 186.00 THOMSON REUTERS - WEST, Inmate Trust Fund, 4,402.00 THORPE LAW OFFICE LLC, Clerk of Court Court Costs, 144.00 ULINE, Election New Equipment, 1,466.20 VISA-, Detention New Equipment, 3,317.90 VISA-, Detention Vehicle Repair, 425.80 VISA-, Emergency Preparedness Grant, 268.83 VISA-, Recruiting, 18.01 VISA-, Sheriff Extradition, 1,449.04 VISA-, Sheriff Supplies, 180.21 VISA-, Sheriff Training, 359.10 VISA-, Sheriff Vehicle Repair, 415.93 VISA-, Inmate Trust Fund, 169.39 WC&PAA, Attorney Dues & Continuing Ed., 200.00 WEX, Facilities Fuel, 293.28 WHEATLAND FAMILY DENTAL, Detention Medical Care, 125.00 WYOLOGIC INC, IT Software, 3,600.00 WYOLOGIC INC, IT New Equipment, 3,050.00 WYOLOGIC INC, Workforce Development, 1,550.00 WYOMING SECRETARY OF STATE, Detention Supplies, 60.00 WYOMING SECRETARY OF STATE, Detention Supplies, 60.00. Total: \$693,761.80.

Collections Before the Board: The Board reviewed the daily receipts of Treasurer Kristi Rietz from June 11 through June 30, 2026, which totaled \$1,973,315.21.

Semiquincentennial Celebration: Cindy Witt addressed the Board regarding the mural she organized, which commemorated the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. The Board also reminded the public of a public reading of the Declaration of Independence on July 8th on the Courthouse steps.

Grant Application: The Board reviewed an application for grant funding in the sum of \$28,000. The grant is administered by public health and would be for a term of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. The granting entity is Community Action of Laramie County (CALC). Commissioner Baker motioned, seconded by Commissioner Jolovich, to approve a grant application for the Community Services Block Grant. The motion carried.

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Budget Amendment: Clerk Ervin presented Resolution #2026-10 to amend the 2025-2026 budget. Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to approve Resolution #2026-10 Amending the Fiscal Year 26 Budget. The motion carried.

PLATTE COUNTY RESOLUTION #2026-10
AMENDMENT TO THE 2025 – 2026 BUDGET

WHEREAS, Platte County has received unanticipated revenue, in the sum of \$242,540.30, as reflected in the following revenue accounts:

Receipt #	Revenue Account #	Account Name	Revenue Received
7828	513	Insurance Payments	\$6,535.97
Multiple	520	Other, Unanticipated Revenue	\$74,487.40
Multiple	521	Acceptance Agreements	\$26,361.90
Multiple	530	Detention Collections, Federal	\$17,538.58
Multiple	552	State Grants	\$23,000.00
Multiple	558	Sales Tax	\$94,616.45

WHEREAS, the budget of the general fund may be increased by resolution pursuant to Wyoming State Statute §16-4-113; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF PLATTE COUNTY, WYOMING, that the following accounts shall be amended as follows:

Line Item #	Line-Item Name	Amended Amount
100.401.0120	Commissioner, Mileage	\$864.13
100.401.0465	Commissioner, Litigation	\$31,155.50
100.405.0265	Sheriff, K9 Operations	\$2,600.00
100.405.0290	Sheriff, Vehicle Repair	\$6,535.97
100.405.0540	Sheriff, New Equipment	\$10,112.06
100.411.0420	Clerk of Court, Court Costs	\$20,860.07
100.413.0500	Facilities, Building Maintenance	\$23,158.77
100.413.0501	Facilities, Jail Maintenance	\$7,426.52
100.415.0210	Planner, Supplies	\$1,051.18
100.415.0418	Planner, Contract Services	\$34,112.00
100.418.0721	State Grants, Maker Space	\$13,000.00
100.418.0722	State Grants, P.H. Chronic Health	\$10,000.00
100.419.0110	Dispatch, Holiday & OT	\$23,861.90
100.422.0120	Public Health, Supplies	\$140.00
100.422.0210	Public Health, FRC Donations	\$1,700.00
100.425.0210	Elections, Supplies	\$2,500.00
100.425.0540	Elections, New Equipment	\$53,462.20

Given our hand and seal this 7th day of July 2026.

ATTEST:
/s/Malcolm Ervin, County Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
/s/Steve Shockley, Chairman
/s/Ian Jolovich, Commissioner
/s/John “Jeb” Baker, Commissioner

Public Hearing – Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027 Budget: Chairman Shockley called a public hearing to order at 10:00 AM for the purpose of accepting public comment on the Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027 (FY27) budgets for Platte County, Guernsey Rural Fire District and Y-O Ranch Improvement & Service District.

Two board members of the Guernsey Rural Fire District were present. Those members were Dennis Miller and Ted Stanfield. Mr. Stanfield presented the Guernsey Rural Fire District budget for FY27. No public comment was received. Two of the three members of the Y-O Ranch Improvement & Service District (ISD) were present. Those members were Patricia Billing and Georgann Brown. Board Member Brown presented the Y-O Ranch ISD budget for FY27. No public comment was received, but Clerk Ervin did provide clarification on the ISD’s assessment and how it is collected.

Chairman Shockley opened the meeting to public comments. Lucinda Houtchens asked for clarification on when the notice of the budget hearing was published and in which paper. Clerk Ervin said the notice was published on June 17th in the Platte County Record Times. Ms. Houtchens also asked how much of the budget residential property taxes contribute to the budget. Clerk Ervin said the exact percentage depends on what budget items are considered. For instance, if compared to the entire budget, the percentage is approximately 7%; if large federal grants and the Courthouse Phase II project are removed the percentage is 8%; and if all specific purpose funds like 911 and State County Road Fund are removed the percentage is 9%. No other public comment was received.

Encroachment License: The Board reviewed, and approved, an encroachment license for Silvia Rutherford for a driveway improvement on North Dwyer Road.

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Jail Medical: Sheriff Krotz informed the Board he needs medical care at the jail. Historically, the jail employed an LPN, but she is unable to perform her duties at this point due to illness. Considering that absence, Sheriff Krotz said their research indicated a minimum of a Registered Nurse (RN) is needed. Sheriff Krotz introduced Melanie Dimas who specializes in detention center medical care. Ms. Dimas provided options as to how medical care can be provided. Those options included employment of an RN, contracting with medical providers and employment of a Health Services Administrator (HSA). Sheriff Krotz could not provide information on what those costs would entail, but Ms. Dimas said she estimated hiring an RN would be somewhere around \$75,000 per year. Sheriff Krotz will work with Ms. Dimas to develop a proposal and plan. He will return to the Board meeting on July 21st to discuss those options.

Fairgrounds Fence: The Board reviewed a proposal to build a six-foot-tall fence between the airport hangers and fairgrounds. Jim DeWitt, Maintenance Supervisor, informed the Board the Fair Board wanted to rebuild the fence that divided the fairgrounds and airport. The Town of Wheatland was interested in cost sharing the project if the fence met the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requirements. Mr. DeWitt said he had a proposal to build that type of fence, which was approximately \$12,000. Jenny Davis, Fair Manager, said the Fair Board would be satisfied with a standard barbed wire fence. The Board agreed that a standard barbed wire fence was sufficient and directed Mr. DeWitt to repair the fence to its original state. The Board did not approve the proposal to build the fence to FAA specifications.

Roofing Quotes: The Board discussed two roofing quotes, which were submitted by Fischer Roofing. The first, for repairs at the Coleman building, was in the sum of \$7,698. The second, for a roof replacement at the Wheatland Library, was in the sum of \$62,196. The Board said they would use Specific Purpose Excise Tax (SPET) funds to pay for the quotes. Commissioner Baker motioned, seconded by Commissioner Jolovich, to approve Fischer Roofing & Restoration quotes for roof repairs at the Coleman Building and Library. The motion carried.

Courthouse Renovation Phase II: Clerk Ervin presented a proposal from JB Engineers to conduct testing of work performed by Sampson Construction. The proposal was in the sum of \$13,230. Clerk Ervin said if the proposal was approved, he would work to secure a formal agreement with JB Engineers. Clerk Ervin then presented the status of the renovation project. Commissioner Baker motioned, seconded by Commissioner Jolovich, to approve the 3rd party testing proposal by JB Engineering for the Phase II Courthouse Renovation Project. The motion carried.

Budget Adoption: Clerk Ervin read his budget message for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and presented Resolution #2026-11. Commissioner Jolovich motioned, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to approve Resolution #2026-11 adopting the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget. The motion carried.

PLATTE COUNTY RESOLUTION #2026-11
ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 – 2027

WHEREAS, on the 7th day of July 2026, Malcolm Ervin, as Budget Officer for the County of Platte, Wyoming, prepared and submitted to the Board of County Commissioners the budget for the 2026 – 2027 fiscal year, ending June 30, 2027; and,

WHEREAS, such a budget was duly entered, at large, upon the records of this Board and such a copy thereof was made available for public inspection at the Office of the County Clerk; and,

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing on such budget, together with the summary of said budget, was published in the Platte County Record-Times, a legal newspaper published and of general circulation in the County on the 17th day of June 2026; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on such budget, at the time and place specified in said notice, at which time all interested parties were given an opportunity to be heard; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to W.S. § 16-4-111(a) the governing body of Platte County shall adopt a budget to make necessary appropriations within twenty-four (24) hours of said hearing; and,

WHEREAS, also pursuant to W.S. § 16-4-106, the amount of estimated revenue from property tax required by the budget shall constitute the basis for determination of the property tax to be levied.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Platte County Board of County Commissioners hereby adopt the final budget of Platte County for Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027 and justify the necessary amounts to be raised by collection of property tax:

Section 1. It is estimated the total amount of revenues other than property taxes to be collected during the fiscal year are in the amount of \$9,461,620.77 as detailed below:
General Fund Revenues\$7,992,620.77
Restricted Fund Revenues\$1,457,500.00
Library Fund Revenues\$11,500.00

Section 2. The total cash carry-over on July 1st will total \$14,231,767.27. Of that, Platte County intends to commit \$7,207,172.96 towards the budget of fiscal year 2026 – 2027 as detailed below:
County General Funds Committed\$3,979,532.39
Restricted Funds Committed\$3,226,140.57
Funds with Internal Constraints Committed.....\$1,500.00

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Section 3. The total cash committed to the budget and revenues other than property taxes available for appropriations total \$16,657,293.73.

Section 4. It is estimated the appropriations to be made total \$19,164,495.98 as detailed below:

Commissioners	\$235,300.00
Clerk	\$285,160.00
Treasurer.....	\$264,200.00
Assessor.....	\$225,750.00
Sheriff.....	\$2,401,028.00
Attorney.....	\$311,004.00
Planning & Zoning	\$73,850.00
Coroner.....	\$92,300.00
Ag. Extension Services.....	\$99,680.15
Clerk of District Court.....	\$263,680.00
Facilities & Maintenance.....	\$4,553,540.00
Detention (Jail).....	\$531,400.00
Road & Bridge/SCRF.....	\$1,621,420.00
Emergency Mgmt.....	\$107,543.60
Elections.....	\$96,184.22
Public Health	\$818,714.60
Library	\$371,340.00
Fair	\$148,960.00
Fire Protection	\$37,910.00
Dispatch & 911.....	\$423,900.00
Financial Administration	\$43,000.00
Social Services – Other	\$2,971.41
County Administration	\$4,012,000.00
Operating Funds	\$2,300,000.00
Depreciation Reserve Fund	\$5,000.00
<u>Provision for Tax Shrinkage.....</u>	<u>\$210,000.00</u>
<u>Total Appropriations</u>	<u>\$19,535,835.98</u>

Section 5. It is estimated that Platte County will be required to levy a property tax of 12 mills on the taxable property within the County to collect \$2,878,542.25 as detailed below:
County General Fund \$2,543,702.25 – a levy of 10.6 mills
County Library Fund..... \$334,840.00 – a levy of 1.4 mills.

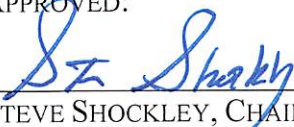
Section 6. Therefore, it is necessary for the County of Platte to raise \$2,878,542.25 through the taxation of property within the County.

Given our hand and seal this 7th day of July 2026.

ATTEST:
/s/Malcolm Ervin, County Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
/s/Steve Shockley, Chairman
/s/Ian Jolovich, Commissioner
/s/John “Jeb” Baker, Commissioner

There being no further business for board consideration, the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:55 PM. 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

