

**Monolith Ranch Advisory Committee  
October 15, 2009**

**MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Monolith Ranch Advisory Committee convened on Thursday, October 15, 2009 at 2:02 p.m. in the Historic Carnegie Building, 405 Grand Avenue.

**I. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Rich Elliott, Joe Lord, Pete Burns, Dave Moore and Paul Rechard  
Members Absent: Grant Frost, Eric Molvar, Paul Beckett, and Dave Evertson  
Staff Present: Mike Lytle, Sherryl Schilling

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION BY ELLIOTT**, seconded by Burns, to add Contract Fencing 2008/09 and the Status of the Met Tower to Old Business. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION BY RECHARD**, seconded by Lord, to approve the minutes of August 6, 2009. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION BY LORD**, seconded by Rechard, to approve the minutes of September 17 as amended. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Contract Fencing 2008/09

Elliott provided a map and a copy of the fencing invoice in the amount of \$40,901.62. Dick Little generated the map and has indicated that the work has been done. The completed work includes fencing and corrals, which are too small to show on the map. Items appurtenant to fencing, such as cattle guards and gates are included in the completed work and add to the cost of straight fencing. As per the current contract, fencing "or necessary improvements" are stipulated as acceptable upon review by the city.

**MOTION BY RECHARD**, seconded by Lord, to acknowledge that staff and the committee have reviewed the map, the invoice and the completed work and that this invoice appears to be reasonable. Roll call showed: Burns/aye; Elliott/aye; Lord/aye; Rechard/aye; Moore/abstain. **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Status of Met Tower

The met tower has been cited for installation. As soon as we receive an approved application from the County, installation of the tower will be scheduled. Elliott provided a map to indicate the proposed location of the installer.

**MOTION BY ELLIOTT**, seconded by Rechard, to adjourn to executive session to discuss the grazing lease. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C. Lease between City of Laramie and Faessler Farms, Ltd.

**MOTION BY MOORE**, seconded by Burns, to recommend approval of the Lease between City of Laramie, Wyoming and Faessler Farms, Ltd. as reviewed by the Ranch Advisory Committee. Said lease to be initiated June 1, 2010. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Recommendation by Rechard to consider purchasing the Bath Ranch

Rechard reported that Mr. Bath was contacted and is not interested in selling his property at this time. Rechard stated that if he ever considers selling the property, the City should be ready to

purchase the property. Bath controls the irrigation season which affects the city's time and use of the water which will affect the transfer. Bath does not want the water turned back on when the haying is done because it makes his fields soft. The irrigation ditch is over a mile long. Moore suggested that the City line the ditch so it doesn't affect the Bath property. It was suggested that the city should get an opinion from the State Engineer and Harriet Hageman.

**VI. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting date was set for November 19, 2009 at 10:00-12:00 p.m. at the Annex Conference Room, room availability will be confirmed.

**VII. SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING**

- A. Review Future Work Plan Items
- B. Review the November 5, 2008 Resolution authorizing creation of the Ranch Advisory Committee, *Section 7- Charge of the Committee* to review progress on the items listed.
- C. Well Applications for Simpson Springs

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION BY ELLIOTT**, seconded by Rechar, to adjourn the meeting at 3:09 p.m. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Sherryl Schilling, Secretary