

# **LEGAL NOTICE**

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## **OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WESTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING OPIOID DISCUSSION**

**February 22, 2024**

The special meeting of the Weston County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Don Taylor at 9:00 a.m. at the Weston County Courthouse. Commissioners Garrett Borton and Vera Huber, Attorney Stulken and Clerk Becky Hadlock were present. Commissioner Nathan Todd joined via phone. Vice-Chairman Borton opened the meeting with prayer, and Attorney Stulken led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board of Commissioners, Attorney Stulken and Clerk Hadlock discussed the Class 6 local government Opioid Claim for Endo International. Attorney Stulken explained that the Board can either accept or reject to be a part of this claim. Attorney Stulken recommends the Board votes to accept. Attorney Stulken explained that this had been sent to the Extension Office and it was given to Deputy Attorney Jeani Stone. Attorney Stulken then reviewed it before getting it to the Board which caused the delay in presenting it to the Board.

Vice-Chairman asked about the \$1 mentioned in the document and Attorney Stulken explained that is so everyone has equal voting rights. Chairman Taylor asked what it would mean if we accept this and Attorney Stulken responded that we would get a portion of the funds. Commissioner Todd wondered if this could possibly be reorganizational and not funding. Attorney Stulken stated yes it could be. Commissioner Huber added we are a very small entity in this and may get money and we may not. Attorney Stulken answered if we don't say yes we won't get anything. Vice-Chairman Borton asked if there was any repercussion if we say yes. Attorney Stulken answered no. Commissioner Todd stated if I am court ordered to pay a fine, I can't just declare bankruptcy and walk away from paying the money. Attorney Stulken said Commissioner Todd was correct. Vice-Chairman Borton read to everyone about who Endo International was.

Commissioner Huber moved to allow the Clerk to go online to accept the Chapter II from Endo International from advice from the County Attorney; seconded by Vice-Chairman Borton. Carried.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Don Taylor

Chairman

Attest: Becky Hadlock

Weston County Clerk

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