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**Rockpile Museum Board**

17 September 2019  
6:00 PM

<b>Board Members</b>		
<b>President</b> John Daly	<b>Vice President</b> Tami Bishop	<b>Secretary/ Treasurer</b> Rita Cossitt Mueller
<b>Member</b> William Monahan	<b>Member</b> Lalia Jagers	<b>Museum Director</b> Robert Henning

Agenda

*Collect. Preserve. Educate.*

*The Campbell County Rockpile Museum tells the story of the Powder River Basin.*

**I. Call to Order and Guest Introductions**

**II. Quarterly Meeting of the Campbell County Commissioners and Rockpile Museum Board**

- Chamber of Commerce Key Service Award Nomination
- Museum Building Facilities
  - Please see attached letter from Rockpile Museum Board
- Property Subdivision Request – Northwest Performance & Machining
  - Please see attached map
- Upcoming Events and Programs
- Other:
- Adjourn Commissioners Meeting

Next Quarterly Meeting Date – 17 December 2019 at 6:00 PM

*The mission of Campbell County is to provide quality, efficient, and cost-effective services for all Campbell County residents through sound decision making and fiscal responsibility.*



# ROCKPILE MUSEUM

## *Campbell County Rockpile Museum*

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August 20, 2019

Campbell County Board of Commissioners  
Rusty Bell, Chairman  
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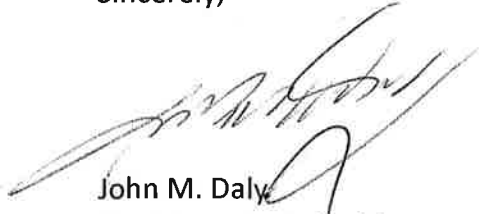
Chairman Bell and Commissioners,

It is the duty of the Rockpile Museum Board to report the use, problems, and needs of the resource that is the Rockpile Museum to the Campbell County Commissioners. We are reaching out via letter in the hopes of beginning an open and honest dialogue about our space issues at the Rockpile Museum. Our board had long discussions about the future of the museum at our July board meeting we discussed further our desire to see a small storage addition built onto our current facilities at 900 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Our capital construction budget request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (see attachment) requesting funds to do a site and building analysis was not approved and therefore we are again requesting either the county engineer or an outside consultant be tasked with studying our current site and estimating the costs and placement of a small expansion. Such an expansion would give us the room to continue collecting the important photographs, documents, and objects that help us preserve the history of Campbell County and the Powder River Basin and tell the story of the environment and the people who live and work in this region.

Our current conditioned storage space was constructed in 1995 and is approximately 700 square feet. We have made the most of this space for the last 24 years and the museum staff continues to do everything they can to fully utilize this area. It is time to add another storage space to extend the useful life of these buildings for another period of time. We know budgets are tight and revenue forecasts look bleak and therefore we are not seeking a new building currently. What we are advising is an addition, renovation, or upgrade to allow us to end our collections moratorium and continue to complete the mission of the Rockpile Museum which is to *Collect, Preserve, Educate, and Tell the Story of the Powder River Basin*. One need only read the local newspaper to see history. We may be missing history because of the need for space.

Temporary space in temporary buildings is not adequate for the preservation of our community's history and culture. We need quality storage space at the museum where it can be accessed easily by staff, researchers, and members of the public. We hope you will consider this request over the next few months and work with us to create a plan during this fiscal year and begin to implement a plan. Put simply how are we going to save the historical material if we have no place to put it?

Sincerely,



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Attachments: Capital Construction Request Form, Budget Year 2019-2020  
Photographs of Rockpile Museum Main Storage

**CAMPBELL COUNTY CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION REQUEST FORM**  
**Budget Year 2019-2020**

One Project Per Form

**NEW CONSTRUCTION REQUEST**

Quarter you anticipate/require construction:

<b>DEPARTMENT/BOARD:</b> Rockpile Museum Board	<b>Sequential Priority #</b> _____	<b>1ST QTR</b> _____
<b>PROJECT NAME:</b> Site and Building Analysis		<b>2ND QTR</b> _____
<b>PROJECT LOCATION:</b> Rockpile Museum		<b>3RD QTR</b> _____
		<b>4TH QTR</b> _____

**BUDGET REQUEST:** \$12,500  
**GRANT SOURCE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**GRANT AMOUNT:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please attach estimate information if available*

Will assistance be required from Facilities Maintenance or ITS? **YES**  **NO**   
 • (i.e. installation, assembly, electrical, cabling, carpentry, moving fixtures, etc.)

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The Rockpile Museum Board of Directors would like to request that the County approve and budget for a site and building analysis at our current location of 900 W. 2nd Street in order to establish possibilities for an expansion/renovation of our current structure. This would include possible expansion off the back (ditch side), expansion in the front (street side), an expansion where the schoolhouses and pole barn are currently, or a renovation to the pole barn interior.

**JUSTIFICATION**

While off-site buildings may work for some types of storage, they do not work well for highly sensitive archival storage, workspace, or office space for museum staff and volunteers. We feel that something must be done at our home site in order to extend the life of these buildings and make them useful for the Rockpile Museum for at least another ten years.

  
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**Authorized Signature (Director/Chairman)**

4 MAR 19  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**Public Works Assessment - OFFICE USE ONLY**

**Received By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Request Review By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Recommended Changes:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Received:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

FY 19-20 Department Request \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 PW Recommended Budget \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Notification of Change to Director/Board**

**Director/Member Notified:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Communication Method Used:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Director/Board  
 Concur with Change

**Notes:**

N/A \_\_\_\_\_  
 YES \_\_\_\_\_  
 NO \_\_\_\_\_

Board Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Department Director: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PW Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Office Use Only**

Increase: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Decrease: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Change: \_\_\_\_\_



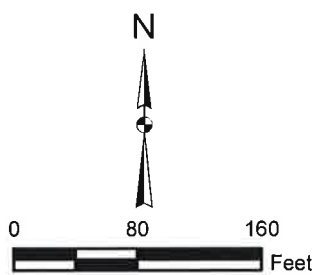
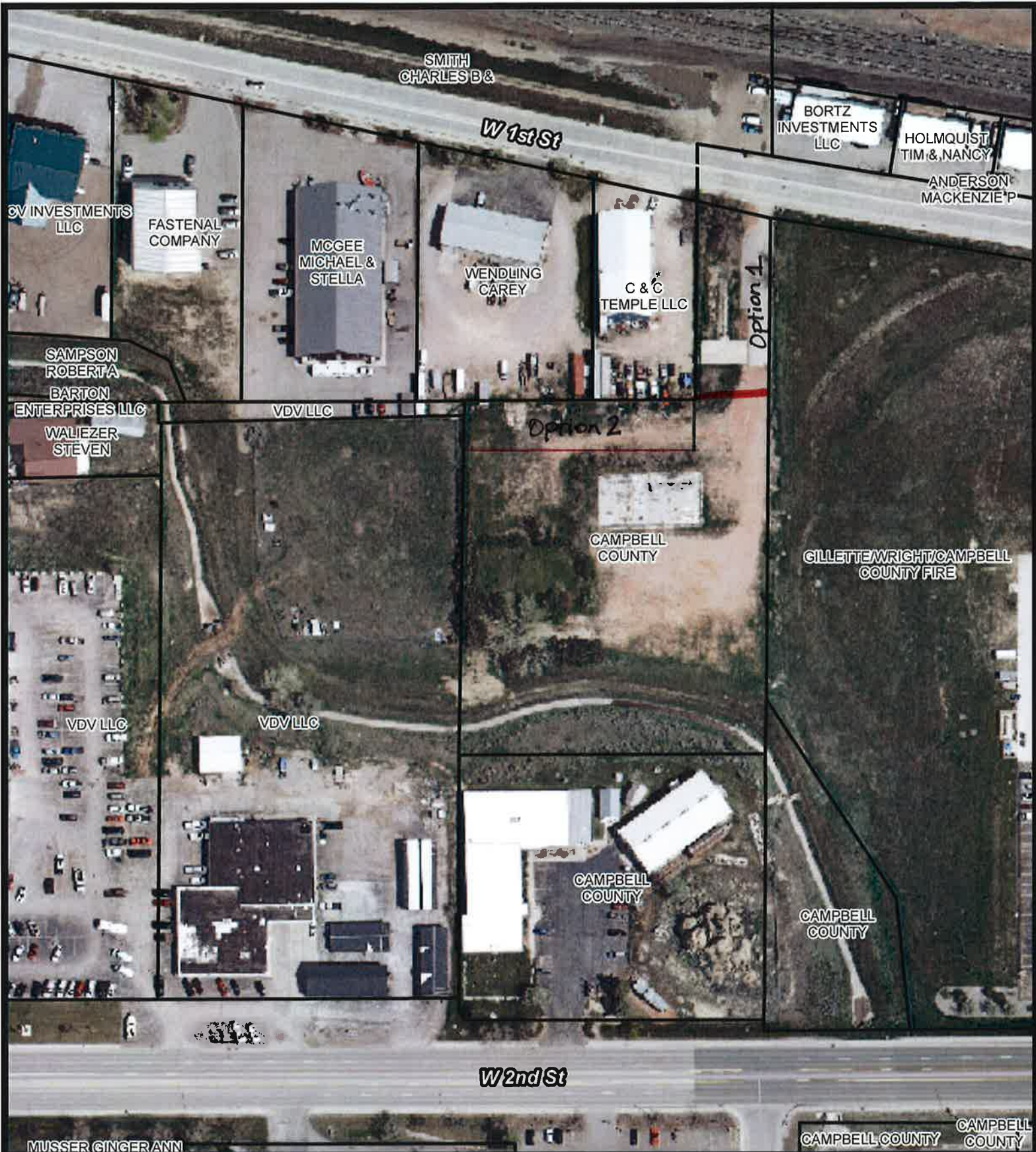












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