

Resolution to Require Live Streaming, Recording, and Remote Public Comment for All Lincoln County Commission Meetings

WHEREAS, the people of Lincoln County, Wyoming, have the constitutional right to observe, participate in, and hold accountable those elected to serve them in all matters of public business; and

WHEREAS the Lincoln County Commission conducts official business that directly impacts the lives, property, and financial interests of county residents; and

WHEREAS many citizens live significant distances from Kemmerer or Afton and face hardship attending meetings in person due to geography, weather, employment, or health constraints; and

WHEREAS the technology to provide live-streamed meetings and two-way online participation is both readily available and affordable, and numerous Wyoming counties—including Sweetwater, Natrona, and Teton—already provide such public access as a standard practice; and

WHEREAS, ensuring transparency through video recording, archiving, and online testimony strengthens public trust, increases accountability, and preserves an accurate record of public proceedings for future reference;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the citizens of Lincoln County hereby demand that:

1. All meetings of the Lincoln County Commission—including regular, special, and-work sessions—be live streamed in their entirety through an accessible online platform (e.g., YouTube, Facebook Live, or the County website).
2. Each meeting's audio and video recording shall be archived and posted online-within five (5) business days of the meeting for permanent public access.
3. Remote participation shall be made available for citizens wishing to offer public-comment or testify during designated agenda items, utilizing a secure online conferencing system (e.g., Zoom, Microsoft Teams, or equivalent).

4. The County shall ensure equal access for all by publishing clear instructions for online participation, including sign-up procedures and comment guidelines, at least 48 hours prior to each meeting.

5. The County shall adopt a written transparency policy codifying these practices to guarantee consistent implementation and protection of public access moving forward.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be transmitted to the Lincoln County Commissioners, the County Clerk, and the County Attorney, and that it shall remain in effect as a standing demand of the citizens until adopted and implemented.

ADOPTED by the Lincoln County Republican Central Committee, October 11, 2025