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## Legacy close to allowing visitors

Facility should know soon if it's gone at least 2 weeks without a positive COVID test

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In-person visitation may soon return to the Legacy Living and Rehabilitation Center.

Campbell County Health is 20 test results from being able to return in-person visitation privileges and resident activities to the long-term care facility since implementing tighter restrictions last month.

If those results come back negative for COVID-19, communal dining and group activities for residents can immediately resume, while visitation could return within 12 hours of confirmation of the last negative test, said Dane Joslyn, CCH spokesperson, via email.

CCH expects to know the results by Monday.

If all tests come back negative and visitation resumes, visits will not need to be scheduled in advance and will have no time limits, but visitors will still need to be screened and inside the facility by 5 p.m., Joslyn said.

COVID-19 testing will only be done if a resident is symptomatic or if there is another positive COVID-19 case associated with the facility.

A positive COVID-19 test result associated with the facility was found on April 21, putting a freeze on in-person visitation. Since then, weekly testing of residents and employees associated with the facility has been conducted, with a two-week stretch of no new cases needed to end the restrictions.

On April 28, two more COVID-19 tests came back positive, resetting the two-week lockdown.

Dating back to April 21, none of the positive COVID-19 tests were of residents, Joslyn said.

It is unclear exactly when the last remaining test results will return.

## City's projected budget down about 20% for 2021-22

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In March 2020, the city of Gillette was not sure how much COVID-19 and a prolonged energy downturn would affect the city's budget.

More than a year later, sales and use tax revenues have mostly been down and the city is again budgeting conservatively for the upcoming fiscal year.

The city's proposed budget for next year is about \$118 million, about 19% less than the fiscal year 2020-21 adjusted

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Ron Doty sits down at a wagering machine at Wyoming Downs earlier this year. A pair of historic horse racing businesses in Gillette are suing the Campbell County Commissioners, asking for a stay on a new ordinance that would give 307 Horse Racing exclusive rights to do off-track betting in the county starting May 22, when the company's live horse racing season begins.

# Betting on a long shot

## Wyoming Horse Racing, Wyoming Downs suing county commissioners

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Two Wyoming live horse racing outlets are betting that a lawsuit they've filed against the Campbell County Commissioners will pay off in their favor.

Wyoming Horse Racing and Wyoming Downs have filed an injunction against a resolution the commission passed this spring that gives control over off-track betting and simulcasting activities to whoever is operating live horse racing in the county.

Without a ruling in their favor, when live horse racing starts its season at Morningside Park on Saturday, Wyoming Horse Racing and Wyoming Downs in Gillette will basically be abruptly out of business, and dozens of people will be unemployed, according to their lawsuit.

## 307 Horse Racing gears up for start of summer season

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In one week, live horse racing will return to Gillette, but also could mean the end for three other Gillette businesses.

Since the beginning of April, Randy and Jack Greer of 307 Horse Racing have been doing work at Morningside Park in preparation for May 22, the start of the live racing season. They're excited to put on races for the foreseeable future. They have a five-year exclusive deal with Cam-plex for live horse racing.

"We plan on being here for years," Randy said.

Along with 307 Horse Racing preparing the track last month, Campbell County Commissioners passed a resolution saying that off-track betting can only be done by an operator that also is putting on live horse racing.

Now the commissioners are being been

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The injunction asked the 6th Judicial District Court to scratch the resolution out of the gate. The businesses claim they will "both suffer catastrophic and irreparable harm if the resolution is not stayed."

The lawsuit accuses the commissioners of playing favorites. The resolution passed April 20 is "an exercise in crony capitalism" and is "illegal, beyond the scope of their authority, arbitrary and capricious, and has zero basis in objective fact, logic, or law," it says.

It also alleges that the commissioners are "intentionally seeking to destroy two businesses."

Wyoming Downs and Wyoming Horse Racing are represented by attorneys Matthew J. Micheli



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Resident Steve Rozier looks toward Randy Greer of 307 Horse Racing while expressing his concerns to Campbell County Commissioners on Wednesday.

and Macrina M. Sharpe with Holland and Hart, and Robert C. Jarosh and Traci L. Lacock with Hirst Applegate. Both firms are out of Cheyenne.

The companies also are asking for a declaratory judgment that the commissioners exceeded their statutory authority and jurisdiction in passing the resolution.

Wednesday, the commissioners hired a pair of attorneys to represent them in the suit.

As of Friday morning, no hearing had been scheduled for the civil action that had been filed with District Judge Thomas Rumpke. And the case that had been assigned to

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