

Commissioners Meeting
July 20, 2010

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held on Tuesday, July 20, 2010 at the Buena Vista School District Administration Building, 113 North Court Street, Buena Vista. Board members present were Chairman Frank Holman and Commissioner Dennis Giese. Others present were Director of Finance Dan Short, Director of General Administration Robert Christiansen, County Development Services Director Don Reimer, County Attorney Jenny Davis and Deputy County Clerk Merrilou Cicerelli. Commissioner Glenn was not in attendance.

Board of Health and Human Services:

At 9:03 a.m., the Board of Commissioners convened as the Board of Health and Human Services. A staff member from Human Services took those minutes. The meeting adjourned at 9:24 a.m.

Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting:

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Holman called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Chairman Holman asked Deputy Clerk Cicerelli for verification regarding the distribution of the Board of Commissioners' Agendas. Deputy Clerk Cicerelli stated that the agendas were properly distributed.

Items for Review:

- ❖ Public Notices.
- ❖ Agenda's for upcoming meetings.

Commissioner Giese asked that an executive session be placed on the agenda for the August 3, 2010 Meeting with Attorney Steve Monson on continuing water issues within the County.

Director of General Administration Christiansen reminded the Board that on the August 3rd meeting, the Board would also have the findings of the Board of Equalization for approval.

Public Comment:

Brenda Runyan, Runyan Mortuary, Buena Vista, stated she had concerns of the current workings of the Chaffee County Coroner and the Deputy County Coroner. She listed those concerns:

- ✚ Paychecks from both County and a County Commissioner who is the owner of the Salida funeral home.
- ✚ Body cooler available only in Salida.
- ✚ No Deputy Coroner in Buena Vista.
- ✚ Various stated regulations and laws.

Chaffee County Coroner Randy Amettis stated that the allegations were not true. He explained the workings of his office. He stated that currently Robert Bolton was the Deputy Coroner in Buena Vista.

Chairman Holman stated that the Board of Commissioners had no authority over the Coroner's office. He suggested Ms. Runyan talk with County Attorney Davis to see if she would help answer some of the questions.

Agenda Item A:

Report from the County EMS Director.

County EMS Director Lisa Ortega presented an overview of the month of June statistics and happenings of the EMS. She thanked the Board for the retirement party for Jackie Berndt.

Agenda Item B:

2009 Audit Report from Auditor Scott Wright.

Auditor Wright presented a summary of his County Audit.

Commissioner Giese made a motion to accept the audit as presented. Chairman Holman seconded the motion. On the question, the motion carried 2 – 0.

Agenda Item C:

Consider request from Wade Shelton, Trust for Public Lands, for a Conservation Easement for the Hutchinson Ranch.

Wade Shelton, representing Trust for Public Lands, presented an overview of the request for a support letter from the Chaffee County Commissioners to move forward with grant application to GOCO and NRCS. He also requested any financial support that the County could provide for the purchase so it would make it more competitive for the grant funding.

Eric Glenn, representing Trust for Public Lands, spoke on the obligation of these ranchers to protect ranching in the valley.

Commissioner Giese made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a letter of support for the Conservation Easement for the Hutchinson Ranch and allocate up to \$10,000 of Conservation Trust Funds toward grants for the Hutchinson Ranch Easement. Chairman Holman seconded the motion. On the question, the motion carried 2 – 0.

Agenda Item D:

Consideration of "Resolution Concerning Fees Charged by the Chaffee County Sheriff's Office" relating to the service of process pursuant to 2010 amendments to Sections 30-

1-104, 30-1-105.5, 30-106, 30-1-107, and 30-1-116, CRS included in House Bill 10-1057 effective August 11, 2010.

County Attorney Davis presented an overview of the draft resolution and the amendments.

Commissioner Giese made a motion to approve Resolution 2010-48, a Resolution concerning fees charged by the Chaffee County Sheriff's Office relating to the service of process pursuant to 2010 Amendments §§30-1-10480, 30-1-105.5, 30-1-106, 30-1-107 and 30-1-116, C.R.S. House Bill 10-1057. Chairman Holman seconded the motion. On the question, the motion carried 2 – 0.

Agenda Item E:

Transit Feasibility Study Contractor Recommendation.

Director of General Administration Christiansen presented an overview of the recommendations.

Lori Isenberger, 9355 County Road 178A, Salida, explained the clientele that would use this type of transportation.

Commissioner Giese made a motion to approve funds in the amount of \$5,000 for match fund for the grant proposal for \$25,000 for a Transit Feasibility Study Recommendation. Chairman Holman seconded the motion. On the question, the motion carried 2 – 0.

Agenda Item F:

Tax Work-Off Program.

Commissioner Giese presented an overview of the program.

County Treasurer Diana Wood commented that the Board would have to set up strict criteria for the work that the seniors would do for the County.

Director of General Administration Christiansen will take this to the next department head meeting for input.

Agenda Item G:

Discussion about recent legislation regarding medical marijuana.

County Attorney Davis reviewed the options that were available for the Board of Commissioners.

Discussion of the Board was held on whether or not to put the issue on the ballot.

It was the determination of the Board not to add to the ballot at this time and examine the regulations and the codes that could regulate this in unincorporated Chaffee County.

Agenda Item H:

PowerPoint presentation regarding skateboarding race on Cottonwood Pass.

Justin DuBois gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding a request for road closure on Cottonwood Pass for a skateboarding race.

Discussion was held on the request including the following ideas:

- ✚ Possible weekday event.
- ✚ Contact forest system.
- ✚ Late summer best time.
- ✚ Have a car count done the last part of the road by Road and Bridge.
- ✚ Breaks in morning and afternoon and at noon for traffic to go over the pass during those days.
- ✚ Signage at major intersections in the County to let people know the delays.

The Board suggested that Mr. Dubois put a proposal together and try to firm up a good date for next year.

Agenda Item I:

Thom LeDoux, District Attorney, 11th Judicial District – Request to reconsider of ballot question for Waiver of District Attorney Term Limits.

District Attorney Thom LeDoux presented his concerns on why the Board of Commissioners had voted not to place the ballot question for Waiver of District Attorney Term Limits on the ballot for November. He presented an overview of the letter he had presented to the Board of Commissioners that explained his issues. He asked that the Board of Commissioners reverse their decision on the request. He questioned the amount of the cost that it would cost the County to put the issue on the ballot. He stated that this should not be a cost sharing issue because the cost would be the same whether the question was on the ballot.

County Clerk Joyce Reno explained the cost analysis that she had given to District Attorney LeDoux.

Discussion was held on the request.

Michael Blitstein commented negatively on this request.

Chairman Holman made a motion to approve Resolution 2010-49, a Resolution providing for the submission to the registered qualified electors of Chaffee County, Colorado, and the Eleventh Judicial District of Colorado (Including Fremont, Chaffee, Park and Custer Counties) of a Ballot Question which would waive Term Limitations for the Office of District Attorney imposed in accordance with Article XVIII, Section 11 of the

Constitution of the State of Colorado, said ballot question to be submitted at the General Election to be held November 2, 2010, prescribing the form of ballot question for submission at said election, providing for certification of the election question to the County Clerk and Recorder, and otherwise providing for the conduct thereof. Commissioner Giese seconded the motion. On the question, the motion carried 2 – 0. .

Agenda Item J:

FAA – Phase I Airfield Pavement Rehabilitation/Airfield Lighting System Rehabilitation Grant.

Director of General Administration Christiansen presented an overview of the Grant for rehabilitation and airfield lighting system at Harriett Alexander Field. He asked the Board of Commissioners to approve the amount of \$3,947.

Commissioner Giese made a motion to approve the application and approve \$3,947 toward the County's share of the grant for Rehabilitation and Airfield Lighting System. Chairman Holman seconded the motion. On the question, the motion carried 2 – 0.

Agenda Item K:

2010 Bridge Inspection Final Presentation from Stantec.

Ryan Nataluk presented an in-depth overview of their county bridge's inspection reports.

Agenda Item L:

Acknowledge report from the County Treasurer for the month of June 2010.

Commissioner Giese made a motion to acknowledge the June 2010 County Treasurer report. Chairman Holman seconded the motion. On the question, the motion carried 2 – 0.

Agenda Item M:

Acknowledge report from the County Public Trustee for the second quarter 2010.

Commissioner Giese made a motion to acknowledge the County Public Trustee's Report for the second quarter of 2010. Chairman Holman seconded the motion. On the question, the motion carried 2 – 0.

Agenda Item N:

Semi-annual report from the County Treasurer for January 1, 2010 thru June 30, 2010.

Commissioner Giese made a motion to acknowledge the County Treasurer semi-annual report for January 1, 2010 thru June 30 2010. Chairman Holman seconded the motion. On the question, the motion carried 2 – 0.

Consent Agenda:

- ❖ Pay bills.

Commissioner Giese made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Chairman Holman seconded the motion. On the question, the motion carried 2 - 0.

Chairman Holman closed the meeting of the Board of Commissioners for July 20, 2010 at 1:48 p.m.

Attest:

Joyce M. Reno
Chaffee County Clerk