

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, MAY 4, 2009**

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COURT ROOM WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lynn Attebery	Chairman
Jim Austin	Vice-Chairman
Carole Custer	Commissioner
Kris Lang	Deputy Clerk to the Board

Also present was Nora Drenner reporter for the Wet Mountain Tribune and several community members.

AGENDA

Call meeting to order
Pledge of allegiance
Amend agenda
Approval of Minutes: March 30, 31; April 6, 7, 15 of 2009
Old Business:
Charter for the Custer County Wide Energy Savings Project
Jerry Seifert Presentation
Staff Reports
Tobacco Education
Finance
Social Services
Road and Bridge

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioner Attebery wished Commissioner Austin a happy birthday on behalf of the county.

MOTION by Commissioner Custer, seconded by Commissioner Austin:

To accept the agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Attebery stated the approval of the minutes from March 30, 31, April 6, 7, 15 of 2009 would be deferred until a later date.

Commissioner Attebery addressed the Charter for the Custer County Wide Energy Savings Project. He thanked all the participants involved in the project and hoped everyone would continue to assist with the project. He explained the decision to have one representative from each group on the charter would facilitate the decision making process.

Commissioner Custer stated that revised representation would not preclude the group from including as many sub-committees as they desire. She said her only issue was semantics in calling the project a charter rather than a committee. She advised the issue and project will be discussed with the county attorney.

Robin Young presented the Preliminary Timeline of the Energy Committee. She reported the core team made the recommendation to go with Ennovate Corporation.

Tim Kelling remarked the charter is just a piece of paper that allows the core team to do the research and report back to the BOCC.

Lockett Pitman remarked that the core group can only make recommendation to the BOCC and is concerned over the charter delay.

Commissioner Attebery responded the energy savings project charter and memorandum of understanding would be reviewed with the county attorney at the May 5, 2009 BOCC meeting.

Jerry Seifert gave a proposal for the installation of a 500KW solar field. He explained the project would be initiated as a 100KW to provide solar energy to the Shadow Ridge subdivision and maximize at 500KW when all the homes are built. He reported that Black Hills Energy and the Governors Energy Office were in support of the project. Mr. Seifert proposed using five acres of the old landfill for the project. He advised his research revealed that the use of the old landfill would be a county decision. Commissioner Austin asked if there was any methane on the old landfill. Mr. Seifert replied he did not think so since the trash had been burned at the site. Commissioner Custer remarked that Tom Flower and the FAA group had submitted a proposal to use of the landfill space for their projects. She advised there were severe limitations for usage of the landfill land based on the county agreement with the state. Commissioner Attebery reported the state regulations basically prohibit usage of the land although the largest solar field in Colorado is on the Fort Carson landfill. Commissioner Custer said she was in support of the project and that it was an excellent example of a small rural county making solar work for subdivisions. Commissioner Attebery stated the project would be reviewed with the county attorney. He said following Mr. Seifert's presentation the BOCC will would review the state guidelines closer and more in-depth.

The BOCC approved and signed the letters issued to Custer County Dark Skies and the Wet Mountain Fire Protection District.

Commissioner Custer excused herself for the remainder of the meeting due to a previously scheduled appointment.

The BOCC recessed the courtroom at 10:30 AM.

The BOCC reconvened in the commissioner's boardroom at 10:55 AM.

Jean Mavromatis, Tobacco Education & Prevention Coordinator, met with the BOCC and gave her monthly report. She reported that the 9 Health Fair was a success. She remarked she has attended excellent Media Training, CCPLC Communities That Care Training and Department of Behavior Health Training. She reported the Midnight Masquerade postponed after the prom party was rescheduled for May 7, 2009. Ms. Mavromatis gave an update on the week of the Young Child.

Dawna Hobby, Human Resource/Finance Manager, met with the BOCC and said she did not have a monthly report. She shared concern in not being apprised or informed of transactions that directly affect her position and department. Commissioner Attebery responded he will make every effort to keep her informed and up-to-date in the future.

The BOCC recessed at 11:55 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 12:05 PM.

Laura Lockhart, Human Services Director met with the BOCC and gave a monthly report for March 2009. Ms. Lockhart presented the revised Custer County Department of Social Services Colorado Works Policies for the Boards signatures.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Austin:

To approve and sign the revised Custer County Department of Social Services Colorado Works Policies. Motion carried.

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:

To adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The BOCC recessed at 12:30 PM.

The BOCC reconvened at 1:30 PM.

Dave Trujillo, Road and Bridge Supervisor met with the BOCC and gave a monthly report. Work completed in April: graded CR 220, 230, 238, 171, 172, 173, 243, 254, 265, Willow, 324, Airport Road, Centennial, Choctaw, Junks Loop; screened chip to remove the excess fines; hauled gravel to Wetmore on County Road 390 and replaced short culverts on Kettle next to Coleman's. Work planned: patch asphalt; Querida project with CDOT; grade roads and work at the Hanssen Haus Resource Center. Mr. Trujillo reported the permit was approved for the CR 341 and CR 96 project and he would coordinate the time schedule with CDOT. He reported a boiler pipe had been removed and would be offered for bid or sale at a later date. Mr. Trujillo proposed a sealed bid process for the county equipment being sold. He suggested the scraper be put on consignment with Wagner Equipment. Commissioner Attebery responded that the sale of the county equipment would be reviewed with the county attorney and that a policy for selling county equipment would be issued for future reference. Mr. Trujillo advised the department would hold back on hiring until more clarification on the Highway User Tax Fund (HUTF) could be obtained.

Commissioner Attebery and Commissioner Austin congratulated Dave Trujillo for twenty-five years of county service.

Commissioner Attebery stated the Custer County Government Appointments made at the beginning of the year required revisions to clarify that the Veterans Service Officer (VSO) is Ken Felty and Veterans Service Assistant (VSA) is Lorraine Silva.

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:
Clarifying Ken Felty as the VSO and Lorraine Silva as VSA. Motion carried.

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:
To adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 PM.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder
Attest

Lynn Attebery
Chair