

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING, OCTOBER 31, 2011**

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COMMISSIONER'S BOARDROOM.

Commissioner Lynn Attebery called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call was taken:

Lynn Attebery	Chairman	Present
Jim Austin	Vice-Chairman	Present
Allen Butler	Commissioner	Present
Kris Lang	Deputy Clerk to the Board	Present

Also present: Joe Arbuckle, Vic Barnes, Keb Guralski, Doug Jones, John Piquette, Virginia Trujillo, and Nora Drenner, reporter for the Wet Mountain Tribune.

**AGENDA:**

Call meeting to order

Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call

Amend agenda

Approval of minutes:

Audience introduction

Public Comments

Old/New Business:

Review vouchers and sign checks

Colorado State Parks OHV Program letter of support

Confirm meeting on November 15, 2011 at 10AM/ Preliminary Budget Review

Review Horn Creek Conference Grounds/Community Wildfire Protection Plan / Mutual Agreement

**MOTION by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Austin:**

To approve the minutes from September 30, October 3, 4, 11 and 12, 2011 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Attebery asked if there were any public comments.

Joe Arbuckle suggested that the BOCC prepare a official correspondence to the Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District (UAWCD) Board to closeout the open ended correspondence between the UAWCD and the BOCC. Vic Barnes said that he supported this suggestion. Commissioner Butler agreed and said that he had prepared a draft correspondence addressed to Ralph (Terry) Scanga of UAWCD and presented it to the BOCC for review and approval. He said that the draft correspondence outlined the reason for the cancellation of the meeting scheduled on October 27, 2011 between the UAWCD Board and the BOCC. He said the correspondence proposed the scheduling of a joint work shop to present and explain the findings, recommendations and conclusions of the Water Assessment Committee to the UAWCD Board. Commissioner Butler said that in the future he will deal directly with Mr. Scanga at UAWD and eliminate the mediator from the equation. Commissioner Austin said that this was a good step in the right direction. He stated that any scheduled work shops should include the WAC. The BOCC reviewed the draft correspondence and agreed to approve and sign the paperwork following the review and approval of the county attorney.

County payroll and accounts payable were approved from the following funds:

County General	\$ 190,558.20
Road and Bridge	\$ 77,362.91
Emergency Services	\$ 17,718.76
Human Services	\$ 25,920.60
Capital Improvement	\$ 2,308.93
Tourism Fund	\$ 1,624.82
Airport Fund	\$ 1,728.12
Self Insurance	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$ 317,222.34

**MOTION by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Austin:**

To approve the October 2011 bills and vouchers. The motion carried unanimously.

The Sheriff’s Reports for August and September, 2011 were accepted.

Virginia Trujillo, Treasurer addressed the BOCC and requested a transfer of \$50,000 from the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Fund to the County General Fund.

**MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Austin:**

To approve the transfer of \$50,000.00 from the PILT Fund to the County General Fund as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Austin:**

To amend the BOCC schedule and schedule a 2012 Preliminary Budget Review on November 15, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.

Doug Jones, Horn Creek Conference Center, Westcliffe, Colorado, Chairman/Executive Director and Keb Guralski, Colorado State Forest Service met with the BOCC and presented the Horn Creek Conference Grounds, Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CCWP) Mutual Agreement for review. Mr. Jones and Mr. Guralski explained that the CCWP developed for the Horn Creek Conference Grounds was collaboratively developed and identifies and prioritizes areas for hazardous fuel reduction treatments and recommends measures to reduce the ignitability of the structures throughout the area addressed by the plan. The entities that mutually agree and support the plan include: Horn Creek Conference Center; the BOCC, the Wet Mountain Fire Protection District, the Custer County Sheriff and Office of Emergency Management, the Colorado State Forest Service and the US Forest Service. Following a brief discussion the Board agreed that the mutual agreement would require the review and approval of the county attorney.

**MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Butler:**

To support the Mutual Agreement with Horn Creek Conference Grounds following the review and approval of the county attorney. The motion carried unanimously.

Kris Lang, Deputy Clerk to the Board reported that the public notice for 2012 appointments to the various county boards, commissions and advisory groups will be published and posted within thirty days. She said that the appointments were made at the first BOCC meeting in 2012 and suggested the Board determine the date.

**MOTION by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Austin:**

To approve January 9 and 10 as the first two scheduled BOCC meetings in 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

The public notice will read as follows: The Custer County Board of Commissioners, at their first regularly scheduled meeting in 2012 will be making appointments to the various county boards, commissions and advisory groups. A complete list of the openings will be posted on the court house bulletin board in the main hall and on the county website at: [www.custercountygov.com](http://www.custercountygov.com). Please submit a letter of interest to the appropriate board by 4PM, Wednesday, December 28, 2011.

**MOTION by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Austin:**

To adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.

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Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder  
Attest

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Lynn Attebery  
Chairman