

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 30, 2012**

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 was: Joe Arbuckle, Jon Carmain, Dave Custer, Mark Evert, Dan Fox, John Johnston, Chuck Ippolito, Cal Leslie, Debbie Livengood, Scott Lundstedt, Lockett Pittman, Sue Pittman, Bob Senderhauf, Charlie Tomsick, Jon Wallestad 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 Comment

Old/New Business:

Custer County Resource Center Annex

Letter of Support for KWMV Radio Station to the FCC

Review vouchers and sign checks

Transfer from the County General Fund to the Airport Authority Fund

IT Report – Chuck Ippolito

Five County Tourism Presentation – Angie Arterburn

OEM Report/Slash Days – Christe Feldmann

FEMA Flood Plain Survey – John Johnston

Town of Westcliffe/Silver Cliff Clean Up Days – Kathy Reis

Custer County Weed Board Management and Implementation Plan – Robin Young

Hospital District Presentation – Jon Wallestad

Christy Culp – Department of Local Affairs (DOLA)

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Butler:

To accept the posted agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Attebery asked if there were any public comments. Dan Fox stated that he had requested a full accounting of the county's Colorado Counties Incorporated (CCI) costs and benefits on December 30, 2011. He said that he has not seen that information and asked for the status of his request.

Commissioner Austin responded that a link to CCI has been setup and is available on the county website. Mr. Fox said that he is still requesting detailed accounting information from the commissioners regarding the costs and benefits of the county's participation in CCI. He requested that the information be made available at a future BOCC meeting. Commissioner Austin said that he will review the request. David Custer stated that he could not stay for the entire meeting but wanted to express his support of Jon Wallestad and the Hospital District presentation scheduled later in the meeting.

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

County General	\$175,041.43
Road and Bridge	\$ 70,145.08
Emergency Services	\$ 31,036.80
Human Services	\$ 20,893.90
Capital Improvement	\$ 4,946.11
Airport Fund	\$ 467.66
Tourism Fund	\$ 4,898.33
Self Insurance	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$307,429.31

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Austin:

To approve the April 2012 payroll and accounts payable. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Butler gave an update on the Custer County Resource Center Annex (CCRCA). He said that the organization of the facility included a calendar outlining the usage and a sign in sheet. He also reported that monthly custodial services will be scheduled for the facility. Commissioner Butler said that the safety issue of the cracked window glass in the building was being addressed this week. He said that six phone headsets were inventoried in the facility. He reported that the Care and Share program was utilizing space in the facility and that an agreement would be forthcoming. He said that an access key to the facility is available through a sign in and out process at the sheriff's office. The BOCC agreed that Deputy Halpin would issue Ruth Mitchell of the Care and Share program a key to the facility on a temporary basis.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Butler:

To send a letter on behalf of KWMV radio station to the FCC in support of the new proposed rule MM Docket No.99-25 that would increase power levels for rural areas and provide for the expanded broadcast of the KWMV 95.9 radio station. The motion carried unanimously.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder asked the BOCC to approve the transfer of \$17,188.00 from the County General Fund to the Airport Authority Fund. The BOCC said that additional clarification regarding the transfer request would be necessary. The Board agreed to review the request on May 1, 2012 during the Airport Authority Board's monthly report. Dan Fox asked for an estimated figure of the county tax dollars budgeted to support the airport. Commissioner Attebery responded that the figure was approximately \$37,000.00. Mr. Fox expressed his dissatisfaction regarding that allocation and disbursement of the tax payer dollars on a facility that services a minimal number of citizens. David Custer stated that the airport returns more money to the community than the dollar amounts expended by the county.

Chuck Ippolito, IT Director met with the BOCC and gave a report. He said now that the BOCC administrative assistant was following a part time schedule, the 719-783-2552 commissioner's phone line is forwarded to the clerk and recorders phone when unanswered. Mr. Ippolito reported that the computer system at the veteran's service office (VSO) was inoperable and that the system from the resource center was relocated to the VSO office at 511 Main Street. He said that the Wetmore Community Library purchased two computers from the county and that he was in the process of setting up those systems. He is also assisting with the setup of the new electronic equipment at the Search and Rescue facility. The equipment was purchased under as Office of Emergency Management Grant. He said that Century Link completed equipment changes in the courthouse and that the previous disconnections with the ACS System are rectified. Mr. Ippolito said he was approached by the Custer County Connect (CCC) group to setup a specific website related to broadband and asked the BOCC for direction. The BOCC said that any request involving the use of county employee time or county funds requires the approval of the BOCC. Mr. Ippolito said he will notify the CCC group of the county's protocol.

Jon Wallestad introduced himself to those present and extended an invitation to attend the Hospital District Forum scheduled on April 30, 2012 to review the pros and cons of pursuing a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) for the Wet Mountain Valley Community Clinic (WMVCC). Mr. Wallestad spoke against the FQHC status and recommended rescinding the contract between the Hospital District Board and the FQHC Board. He expressed concern regarding the expense of mandated services under the FQHC status and the loss of local authority and citizen support. Jon Carmain and Charlie Tomsick agreed. Joe Arbuckle thanked Mr. Wallestad for his report and said that the WMVCC is in a financial crisis and that immediate action must be taken.

The BOCC recessed at 10:00 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 10:15 AM.

Angie Arterburn and Dorothy Urban presented the mission, vision and time line of the Southern Rockies Crossroads of Cultures, formally known as the 5 County Group.

Christe Feldmann, Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Director met with the BOCC and gave a report. She expressed concern regarding the removal and disposal of the slash that resulted from the November 2011 wind storm. She proposed additional slash free days at the county landfill. Rusty Christensen, Landfill Manager said the landfill is currently offering a discounted rate on slash. He expressed concern regarding the space and cost to the landfill and asked the BOCC to research and consider alternative options. Ms. Feldman reported on the Teen SERT classes; the Wild Land Fire classes; the Regional Hazard Preparation workshop; the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Planning meeting; and the CSFS workshop. She presented the BOCC with a draft copy of the G-358 Evacuation and Re-Entry Planning procedures.

John Johnston addressed the BOCC and shared a concern regarding FEMA mapping. He said that a national lending institution would not approve a home-buyer mortgage loan without the necessary FEMA flood mapping. Mr. Johnson said he was concerned that in the future other lenders will not approve mortgages and loans without the mapping. He suggested that the county and the two towns review the issue. He said that he was meeting with the Town of Westcliffe to discuss the National Flood Plain Insurance Plan. He asked the BOCC to consider and review the request. The Board agreed that flood mapping is a land-use issue and would need to go before the Planning Commission.

Kathy Reis, Town of Westcliffe Clerk addressed the BOCC and requested free landfill space on May 3, 2012 for the Town of Westcliffe and Town of Silver Cliff clean up days. She said that she had already received approval from the land fill manager.

MOTION by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Austin:

To approve free landfill space during the May 5, 2012 clean up days from 8 AM to 12 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

Robin Young, CSU Extension Agent presented the BOCC with the 2012 Custer County Noxious Weed Management Plan and the Custer County Noxious Weed Management Plan Implementation for the Boards approval.

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:

To approve the 2012 Custer County Noxious Weed Management and Implementation Plan as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The BOCC recessed at 11:50 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 1:30 PM.

Christy Culp said that she has worked for DOLA for a number of years. She has assumed the role as the new DOLA Regional Director on February 1, 2012. Ms. Culp gave a brief summary of the tentative funding available for energy, health, safety and welfare ready to go projects. She said that additional CDBG funding for ready to go projects would be forthcoming. Ms. Culp said that she will accompany the DOLA Executive Director, Reeves Brown on a tour of DOLA projects throughout the regional area. She said that the tour is scheduled for May 9, 2012 and that a lunch will be scheduled for the representatives of Custer and Fremont County and Mr. Brown. The BOCC thanked Ms. Culp for attending the meeting and wished her success in her new role.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Butler:

To adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:48 PM.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder
Attest

Lynn Attebery,
Chairman