

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, JULY 31, 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: Bob Senderhauf 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:

Review vouchers and sign checks

Colorado State University (CSU) Regional Director, Bill Nobles/CSU

Extension Agent, Robin Young – county programming discussion and review.

Liquor License Renewal/Letter Drop Inn, Westcliffe, CO. – Clerk and Recorder

Clerk and Recorder report

Veterans Service Office reports

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Butler:

To approve and accept the minutes of July 18, 2012 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Attebery asked if there were any public comments. Bob Senderhauf distributed copies of the District Court, Water Division 2, Colorado Case Number 08CW47 concerning the applicant for change of water rights by the City of Fountain and Widefield Water and Sanitation District. He said that the court has scheduled a pre-trial readiness conference for April 15, 2013 and the trial will commence on June 25, 2013.

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

County General	\$173,069.62
Road and Bridge	\$105,227.38
Emergency Services	\$ 23,474.84
Human Services	\$ 19,966.72
Capital Improvement	\$ 14,327.08
Airport Fund	\$ 492.27

Tourism Fund	\$ 1,850.00
Self Insurance	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$338,407.91

MOTION by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Austin:

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

Commissioner Attebery said that the San Isabel Electric Association (SIEA) has obtained approval from the Board of the Wetmore Baptist Church to re-route the electric lines on the property. This will allow SIEA to move forward on the removal of the electrical poles on the Wetmore project property. Commissioner Attebery said that a non-slip overlay would be installed on the stairs leading to the second floor of the courthouse. The installation should be completed before the year end of 2012.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder presented the liquor license renewal for The Letter Drop Inn, Rosita, CO. She said the application was complete and in order. She reported that the sheriff department investigation report is without incident.

MOTION by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Austin:

To approve the Liquor License Renewal for the Letter Drop Inn as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Livengood presented one of the restored and archival public record books for the Boards review. She said that the document restoration was paid for with the monies collected from an extensive record research project completed within the Clerk and Recording (C&R) department. Ms. Livengood stated that this transaction was previously approved by the BOCC. She said that there are more books in need of restoration and that the C&R department has received funds from the on-line official record search option now available to the public. She requested the Boards approval to use those funds to continue restoring the public record books as financially feasible.

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Butler:

To approve the use of the on line official record search fees to restore the public record books in the C&R department pending the approval of the Finance Officer. The motion carried unanimously.

Bill Nobles, Robin Young, Mary Gompf, Greg Watkins, Bob Kattnig, Bill Donley, Janet Freeburg and Kit Shy joined the meeting.

Bill Nobles, Colorado State University (CSU) Extension Regional Director introduced himself to BOCC and those present. He said that prior to accepting the appointment as CSU Regional Director he had been an Extension Director in Archuleta County, Colorado for many years. Mr. Noble remarked that CSU President, Tony Frank is developing a new scenario that will involve input and suggestions from the commissioners and the citizens regarding the role of a CSU County Extension Agent within the community. He said that CSU is supporting a new direction allowing the extension agent to specifically focus on the community's needs and areas of interest. Mr. Nobles complimented CSU Extension Agent, Robin Young for the job she is doing and said that the role of a county extension agent would evolve as the needs of the community change. Mr. Nobles asked if anyone had any questions or concerns. Commissioner Attebery said that the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between CSU and Custer County dated back to 1985. He requested that the MOU be reviewed and brought up to date. He said that the MOU should routinely be reviewed and revised as necessary. Bob Kattnig agreed and said that the structure, role and mission of the extension department has changed over the last 25 years

Commissioner Butler said that the county allocated \$12,600.00 of tax payer funds to support the extension office and requested a breakdown of the disbursement. Mr. Noble said that overall 90% of the extension budget is for salaries. Mary Gompf said that she supported having a CSU Extension Agent that focused on the individual community needs and felt that the Fair, 4-H, and Youth Programs were a priority in Custer County. Former Commissioner Shy said he would like to see CSU institute a program to provide wildfire education for the youth in the community. Robin Young, CSU Extension Agent said the county fair was a success and that she will continue to focus on the 4-H programs and home economics. She remarked that the current 4-H enrollment is down. Bill Donley proposed surveying the number of school age children in the area to determine if the reduction was due to statistics. Ms. Young said that she welcomed input from the commissioners and the citizens of the community to ensure that the proper topics were being addressed. Commissioner Austin said that he agreed that the emphasis should be on 4-H and youth programs. He said as the over-sight to the extension department he was very pleased with the job Ms. Young is doing and the role she is playing within the community. He mentioned that this was a good opportunity for anyone to share comments or concerns regarding the role of the extension agent and department in the community. No additional comments were shared and no further issues were noted. The BOCC thanked Mr. Nobles for joining the BOCC meeting.

The BOCC recessed at 10:25 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 10:40 AM

Lorraine Silva, Veterans Service Office (VSO) Assistant met with the BOCC and gave reports from March to July of 2013. She presented the County Veterans Service Officers Monthly Reports and Certification of Pay for March, April, May, June and July 2013 for BOCC signatures. Commissioner Butler signed the report on behalf of the BOCC. Ms. Silva expressed appreciation and thanks to Anna Orgeron for her assistance and support at the VSO. Commissioner Austin said that he is continuing to work to have our local veterans receive treatment at the clinic. Ms. Silva requested a confidential meeting with the BOCC.

Commissioner Attebery made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Austin to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Attebery cited C.R.S. 24-6-402 (f). Personnel Matters. The BOCC went into Executive Session at 10:55 AM.

Commissioner Attebery made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Butler to go back into Regular Session.

The BOCC came out of Executive Session at 11:05 AM. No matters were adopted and no actions or decisions were made.

Commissioner Butler gave a summary of the teleconference call on July 30, 2012 regarding the groundwater sampling and gas monitoring at the old Westcliffe Landfill. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) are requiring that eight water sample events be taken at the property. The schedule proposed is twice a year for the next four years. The CDPHE is also requiring the installation of a gas probe well to provide sufficient documentation of monitoring before the state can release the Westcliffe Landfill property.

Commissioner Attebery requested that the appointments to the Office of Economic Development & International Trade (OEDIT) be added to the agenda of the August 7, 2012 BOCC meeting.

Nora Drenner approached the BOCC and asked if the county had made any decisions or actions regarding File: 100-52-100. Commissioner Attebery said the BOCC was not aware of any decision and that any determination would come from the Planning and Zoning Director.

Commissioner Austin requested that he be appointed as the 2012 Legislative Committee Member to attend the Colorado Counties Incorporated (CCI) Legislative Committee on October 5, 2012.

MOTION by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:

To appoint Commissioner Austin as the CCI Legislative Committee Member until the end of his term.
The motion carried unanimously.

Laura Lockhart and Tom Perkins joined the meeting. Mr. Perkins announced that his position as the Field Administrator for the Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) would end on September 20, 2012. He said that the CDHS Field Administrator positions are being eliminated. The counties would be assisted by a Communication and Coordination Representative. Mr. Perkins thanked the BOCC for their cooperation and support. The BOCC thanked Mr. Perkins for his service to the county.

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Butler:

To adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder
Attest

Lynn Attebery,
Chairman