

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, MAY 21, 2014**

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE WETMORE FIRE STATION, WETMORE, COLORADO.

Commissioner Allen Butler called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call was taken:

Allen Butler	Chairman	Present
Kit Shy	Vice-Chairman	Present
Lynn Attebery	Commissioner	Present
John Naylor	County Attorney	Present
Kris Lang	Deputy Clerk to the Board	Present

Also present were: Shannon Byerly, Bernadette Castillo, Nan Davenport, Tom Duke, Kevin Day, Dale Falske, Alden Gray, Larry Hayes, Rose Hildebrand, Nancy Kruez, Cal Leslie, Ryan Pritchett, Ruth Roper, John Spaar, Tony Supan, Irene Stearns and Candi and Paul Sage, reporters for the Sangre DeCristo Sentinel.

AGENDA:

Call meeting to order

Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call

Amend agenda

Audience introduction

Approval of minutes

Public Comment

County Attorney

- Airport Lease Agreements
- Zoning Resolution
- Tower Guidelines in the Zoning Resolution
- Traffic Code Ordinance
- WMFPD False Alarms
- World Aviation Museum

Commissioner Items

Executive Session

Old/New Business

- Armstrong Consultants Inc. Airport Engineering and Planning – Ryan Pritchett
- US Forest Service Annual Contract – Sheriff Office
- Title III Funding update
- Wetmore Community Building update

Commissioner Butler asked if there were any public comments. Paul Sage said that he was impressed with the Wetmore community’s attendance and participation in the BOCC meetings scheduled in the area.

The BOCC met with the County Attorney and the following topics were discussed:

- The draft Airport Lease agreements will be forwarded to the Airport Advisory Board for review.
- The Zoning Regulations have been reviewed several times and correspondence has been dictated for processing regarding suggested revisions and inclusions.
- The guidelines related to the construction and installation of towers are in process.
- The Amended Traffic Code Ordinance outlining the disbursement of fines is near completion.
- The proposed Ordinance regarding the false fire alarms will require additional information and input. A workshop that would include the Wet Mountain Fire Protection District volunteers and the Sheriff's Office personnel will be scheduled at a later date to review the topic.
- A draft MOU is in process regarding the World Aviation Museum. Legal agreements and contracts will be forthcoming as the project progresses.

Following a discussion that included the BOCC and the County Attorney it was agreed to ask the Planning and Zoning Department to continue reviewing and maintaining the individual Silver West Airport lease records. The Board commended the Planning and Zoning Director for her motivation and research in an effort to bring all the airport leases current.

Commissioner Attebery asked the Wetmore Road and Bridge Supervisor about the status of the land being prepared for the Way Finding Sign project in the Wetmore area. Larry Hayes, said that additional fill dirt will be required. He said that the department will be removing topsoil from roadside ditches and that the soil would be used on the project. Mr. Hayes commented that additional fill dirt will still be needed. He said that presently they have about 1/3 of the dirt that will be necessary to complete the project. Commissioner Attebery remarked that he would contact the contractors that previously donated and supplied the fill materials regarding any additional donations.

Commissioner Attebery remarked that he will accompany personnel from the Sangre DeCristo Electric Association, Inc. during the inspection of their tower. He asked the BOCC for direction regarding the conglomerate aspects regarding who owns the tower, the equipment, the land and the building on site.

Commissioner Attebery will take copies of the contracts between Diverse Datum Wireless (DDW) and Ridgeview Tel and the County for reference. He stated for the record that DDW and Ridgeview Tel have paid the annual site rental to the County.

Commissioner Butler commented that a Retirement Open House is being held on May 29, 2014 for Dave Trujillo from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM at the Westcliffe Road and Bridge (R&B) County Shop. Mr. Trujillo will be retiring after thirty years of service with the County R&B Department. Commissioner Butler said that Rusty Christensen will assume the position as the Road and Bridge Supervisor and Roger Squire will continue as the Road and Bridge Westcliffe Assistant Supervisor. The positions of Larry Hayes and Kevin Day in the Road and Bridge Wetmore Division will remain the same. Paul Sage asked if Rusty Christensen's position as Landfill Manager would be filled. The BOCC responded that at this time, Mr. Christensen will also be responsible for the landfill. Commissioner Shy said that the job descriptions of the R & B Supervisor and Assistant Supervisor have been revised and that the Assistant Supervisor will now be responsible for additional tasks and responsibilities. He said that the hours utilized as the R & B Supervisor and Landfill Manager will need to be clearly documented for budget purposes. The BOCC said that the designations would be reviewed in six months but that they felt it would result in a financial savings and increase of productivity.

Commissioner Butler introduced Ryan Pritchett of Armstrong Consultants Inc. Airport Engineering and Planning of Grand Junction, CO. to the audience. Mr. Pritchett said that Armstrong Consultants, Inc. is a professional engineering firm specializing in airports that offer exceptional airport planning, engineering and construction administrative services to all type of airports. He said that they specialize in small rural airport facilities. Mr. Pritchett said the has been involved in the original master plan for the Silver West Airport and would like to remain a resource to Custer County as the facility moves forward. Mr. Pritchett explained that all small rural airports are in the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Division of Aeronautics and that a substantial amount of funding has been allocated for the small rural airports. He explained that the funding comes from the taxes of the aeronautic fuel mainly from the Denver International Airport Facility. Johnny Smith, Chairman of the Airport Advisory Board (AAB) outlined the proposed projects that included: crack sealing of the taxiway, the automated weather observatory system and a lighting system. Commissioner Butler reported that the \$125,000.00 grant for the repair and crack sealing of the taxiway was available from the CDOT Division of Aeronautics. Cal Leslie asked if the county had to match any funds for the project. Commissioner Butler said there would be some type of an in kind match required from the county. Commissioner Attebery asked Mr. Smith if he has been able to start research regarding the suggestion for creating a fire staging area at the airport as discussed at the May 5, 2014 BOCC meeting. Mr. Smith said that the topic was not currently on the priority list and that he has not had an opportunity to investigate or research the option at this time. Mr. Pritchett strongly suggested the AAB review and research the possibility of providing a fire staging area and a flight for life designation. He said that not only would it be a public service for the community but would also generate additional funding for the Silver West Airport.

Tony Supan, Under-Sheriff met with the BOCC and presented the 2014 Annual Operating and Financial Plan between the Custer County Sheriff's Department and the U.S. Forest Service. He explained that the U. S. Forest Service reimburses the Sheriff's Department for patrolling the service roads. He commented that the 2014 Year Total Annual Operating Plan was \$8,700.00. John Naylor, County Attorney reviewed the plan at the meeting.

MOTION by Commissioner Shy, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:

To approve and sign the 2014 Annual Operating and Financial Plan as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Butler said that the Public Notice regarding the Title 111 funding was published on May 1, 2014 and that the 45-day public comment period expires on June 16, 2014. He commented that the proposed expenditures of the approximate \$21,000.00 included fire equipment, personal protective clothing, and fire mitigation education and training for the Wetmore and Rye Volunteer Fire Departments. Kevin Day, Wetmore Volunteer Fire Fighter thanked the county for the funding and said that all the proposed expenditures would tremendously assist fire-fighting in the area.

Commissioner Attebery introduced Tom Duke of T.A. Duke & Associates, Colorado Springs, CO. to the audience and said that Mr. Duke has submitted a proposal for the architectural and engineering design services for the Wetmore Community Center Building. Mr. Duke said that his projects have ranged from historic renovations to state-of-the-art co-location facilities. He remarked that some of his completed projects included the Scott Residence, the Banz Blaha Residence and the Our Lady of Assumption Catholic Church in the Westcliffe area as well as the Bent County Court House and Jail in Las Animas, CO. Mr. Duke said that the primary purpose of the renovations would be to bring the facility up to date with ADA Compliance while maintaining the integrity of the historic building. He

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said that he would like to work with the citizens of the Wetmore community and welcomed public suggestions and participation. Following a brief discussion that included the Board, the Wetmore citizens and Mr. Duke, the first meeting for discussion and review of the proposed engineering project will be scheduled on May 28, 2014 at 9:00 AM in the Wetmore Community Center Room, Wetmore, CO.

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Commissioner Butler remarked that he spoke with Beverly Goertz, CSU Extension Office Manager and was informed that there is someone in the county who is wanting to donate an indoor horse arena to the 4-H Program. The 4-H Foundation would receive the building as a donation and then give the building to the county for the insurance and maintenance costs, etc., purposes. The BOCC agreed to encourage the CSU Extension Office to move forward regarding the acquisition of the indoor horse arena.

Commissioner Attebery thanked Irene Stearns and Rose Hildebrand for the home-made muffins served at the morning meeting.

Commissioner Butler asked if there was any more business to discuss. Hearing none, he adjourned the meeting at 11:05 AM.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder
Attest

Allen Butler,
Chairman