

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, MAY 5, 2015**

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

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

Roll Call was taken:

Kit Shy	Chairman	Present
Lynn Attebery	Vice-Chairman	Present
Bob Kattnig	Commissioner	Present
Clint Smith	Attorney	Present
Kris Lang	Deputy Clerk to the Board	Present

Also present: Bob Dreher, Tim Swartz and Paul Sage reporter for the Sangre DeCristo Sentinel.

AGENDA:

- Call meeting to order
- Pledge of allegiance
- Roll Call
- Amend agenda
- Approval of minutes:
- Audience introduction
- Public Comment
- Commissioner Items
- Attorney Items
- Executive Session
- New/Old Business
- Appropriation of the Title 1 Funding
- Staff Reports: VSO, Treasurer, Planning and Zoning, Road Bridge/Landfill

AMEND AGENDA

Commissioner Kattnig asked that the Proclamation recognizing Teachers Appreciation Week be approved and signed.

MOTION by Commissioner Kattnig, seconded by Commissioner Shy:

To approve and sign the Proclamation proclaiming May 4 through May 8, 2015 as Teachers Appreciation Week. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Commissioner Shy asked if there were any public comments. Hearing none, he continued with the meeting.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

Commissioner Kattnig said he attended the 911E meeting and the Action 22 meeting.

ATTORNEY ITEMS

Clint Smith, Attorney said that he was meeting with the invested parties to review the Open Burn Policy/Ordinance draft he prepared on May 8, 2015.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None at this time.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Veteran Service Report

Tim Swartz met with the BOCC and gave a report. He said that since he assumed the position of Veterans Service Officer (VSO) he has had several busy but productive weeks. He reported that he completed the training and is now a certified VSO. The setup and organization of the VSO at the Resource Center Annex is near completion and he has been welcoming veterans to the facility. He said that currently the office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. He reported that additional salary compensation for his position is available through the CDMVA agency and that would allow him to provide additional hours to assist the veterans. Mr. Swartz said that he was researching the possibility or option of acquiring a vehicle through the Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (CDMVA) and would keep the BOCC informed. Mr. Swartz said that his goal is to inform every veteran in the county about the relocated VSO office and the benefits available to them. His focus is pro-active outreach and he shared several ideas with the BOCC. Bob Dreher commended Mr. Swartz on his focus. Commissioner Kattnig remarked that the American Legion is interested in erecting a flag pole in front of the Resource Center Annex and cautioned Mr. Swartz that permits or coding from the Town of Westcliffe would be required. He expressed safety concerns and proposed that railings be added to the front steps of the facility. He remarked that he was meeting with a designer later this date to discuss and review options for the most effective use of the space at the facility. He suggested that Mr. Swartz create a dialogue with the Eagle Summit Ranch. Commissioner Attebery suggested that Mr. Swartz meet and discuss the proposed addition of hours with Dawna Hobby, Human Resource/Finance Manager for possible reclassification of the position. Commissioner Attebery said that Senator Larry Crowder is a good source of information and support regarding veterans service affairs. Mr. Swartz presented the County Veterans Officers Monthly Report and Certification of Pay for April 2015.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Kattnig:

To accept the Veterans Certification of Pay Report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The BOCC recessed at 9:45 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 10:00 AM.

Treasurer Report

Virginia Trujillo, Treasurer met with the BOCC and gave a report. The starting balance on April 1, 2015 was \$3,964,268.68 and the ending balance on April 30, 2015 was \$5,206,255.21.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Kattnig:

To accept the Treasurer Report for April as presented. The motion carried unanimously

Appropriation of the Title 1 Funding

Chris Selle, Custer County School Superintendent met with the BOCC. Virginia Trujillo, Treasurer was also present. Mr. Selle said that he understood that the Colorado Department of Local Affairs has reauthorized the funding under the Secure Rural School program. Ms. Trujillo explained that the funding had been reauthorized with a 5% reduction.

She stated under the revised figures \$91,143.52 will be allocated to the C-1 School District and \$27,982.95 to the County Road and Bridge Department.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Kattnig:

To allocate and distribute the funds as determined by the County Treasurer after the county has received the funding. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Shy read the Proclamation recognizing May 4 to May 8, 2014 as Teacher Appreciation Week. The BOCC presented the Proclamation to Mr. Selle on behalf of the county.

Planning and Zoning Report

Jackie Hobby, Planning and Zoning Director met with the BOCC and the following topics were discussed:

- File # 102-36-873 Zoning Violation (referred to legal counsel)

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Kattnig:

To refer File # 102-36-873 to legal counsel for action. The motion carried unanimously.

- File #100-86-010 Oversized Sign will be removed.
- File #101-87-650 Zoning Violation resolved.
- File #101-90-652 Zoning Violation pending.

Ms. Hobby asked if there was a policy or procedure regarding the waiving of zoning permit fees to rebuild on property where the previous dwelling was burned down in a fire. The BOCC said that there is no specific policy and that they will review the request on a case by case basis. The Board said that a land owner can request that the fee be waived when applying for a zoning permit to rebuild.

The BOCC recessed at 10:40 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 10:50 AM.

Road and Bridge Report

Roger Squire, Westcliffe, Road and Bridge Assistant Supervisor met with the BOCC and gave a report for the month of April 2015. The work completed included: plowing of snow, the grading of numerous roads, hauling of water and gravel, the cleaning of ditches, culverts and cattle guards, repair and replacement of signs and delineators and the completion of the R&B Supervisor's office. The work planned for May 2015 will include but not be limited to the grading of roads, hauling of water and gravel, the cleaning of ditches, culverts and cattle guards, the spraying of weed. He presented the Black Hills Energy Program prepared for the Road and Bridge Westcliffe Facility. The program is through the Smart Watt Energy Inc. The county's cost is \$16,611.34 with a projected savings of \$17,383.18 annually.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Shy:

To proceed with the Black Hills Energy Proposal as presented with a caveat that the Chief Financial Officer and Human Resource/Finance Manager will determine the payment options. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Attebery said he was in the process of researching a similar energy savings plan with San Isabel Electric for the R&B Wetmore Shop.

Commissioner Kattnig said that he spoke with Jeff Outhier and learned that the county has a contractual agreement and obligation with the USFS to maintain some of the forest service roads. He asked for the status on the work. Mr. Squire responded that the R&B Department has already started grading those roads.

Landfill/Recycling Report

Mr. Squire said that the old landfill site will be closed out after the spreading of additional top soil and weed spraying.

Bob Weisenbach and Cindy Howard joined the meeting. Mr. Weisenbach gave an update on the KIOSK signage for the Wetmore area. He said that the regional project was generated by CDOT and that the projects were still in the design phase. Mr. Weisenbach said that workshops and meetings will be scheduled to discuss the specific design of the KIOSK in the Wetmore area. . Commissioner Attebery commented that the final approval for the design and placement will come from the BOCC.

Commissioner Shy asked if there was any more business to discuss. Hearing none, he adjourned the meeting at 11:45 AM.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder
Attest

Christopher L. (Kit) Shy,
Chairman

(Audio Recordings of the BOCC meetings are available for public review or purchase)