

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 23, 2018**

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE WETMORE COMMUNITY BUILDING.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Flower at 9:00 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken and the following were present:

Tommy G. Flower	Chair
William R. Canda	Vice-Chair
Jay Printz	Commissioner
Kelley Camper	Clerk to the Board
Clint Smith	County Attorney

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Additions – UAACOG Water Conservancy District workshop; Children’s Health Fund Grant; and agenda items wording.

**AUDIENCE INTRODUCTIONS**

Present in the audience were BOCC Administrative Assistant, Brenda Gaide; Tribune reporter, Tracy Ballard; Alden Gray; John and Ruth Spaar; Cindy Flower; Arlie Riggs; Sentinel reporter, Jackie Bubis; Colorado Department of Public Safety Fire Management Officer, Joe LoBiondo; Claudia Morris; Courtney and Nan Davenport; OEM Director, Cindy Howard; Linda Washington; Planning and Zoning Director, Jackie Hobby; John Johnston; Nancy Kruez; Coalitions and Collaboratives Inc. (COCO) representatives Jason Moore, Jeff Jenkin, and Theresa Springer; Ann Willson; Ann Barthrop; Town of Silver Cliff Mayor, Steve Laswell; Ann Marie Donohoe; and West Custer County Library District Director, Sean Beharry.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The approval of minutes was tabled until the February 28<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

**COMMISSIONER ITEMS**

The board reported on the various meetings they attended and individuals they met with.

**ATTORNEY ITEMS**

None

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT ITEMS**

None

STAFF REPORTS

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

OEM Director, Cindy Howard, met with the board to give the monthly report for the month of January. Cindy informed the board that Ruth Roper of Wetmore is receiving the South Region Emergency Management Volunteer of the Year award for all of her volunteer work during the Wetmore fires. Cindy also stated that she had previously obtained a public health grant in the amount of \$373,000 to clean up debris left by the 2012 Wetmore fire. Coalitions and Collaboratives Inc. (COCO) was the company that was hired to do that cleanup. Theresa Springer, COCO Recovery Coordinator, gave a report on the progress of that cleanup.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Planning and Zoning Director, Jackie Hobby, met with the board to give the monthly report for the month of January.

The board recessed at 10:45 a.m. and reconvened at 10:51 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

2018 CUSTER COUNTY ANNUAL OPERATING PLAN

OEM Director, Cindy Howard, and Colorado Department of Public Safety Fire Management Officer, Joe LoBiondo, presented the board with the 2018 Custer County Annual Operating Plan for their approval. This plan is between Custer County, Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control, USDA Forest Service Rocky Mountain Region, and USDI Colorado Bureau of Land Management and addresses how fires will be handled in Custer County between the agencies.

**MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to approve the 2018 Custer County Annual Operating Plan. Motion carried unanimously.**

WETMORE LIBRARY

Wetmore Library Director, Nan Davenport, met with the board. She gave them a brief history of how the Wetmore Library started and the fact that they do not have any funding. The books are donated to them and library help is on a voluntary basis. She would like to purchase the Aspencat system for libraries which would connect them with libraries all over the state and enable them to share books. The cost of the system is \$1,500/year and a one-time book migration fee of .05/book. She asked for the boards help in funding this. Nan will get more information and present it to the board at a later date.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CODE OF CONDUCT

Commissioner Printz presented the board with a draft copy of a "Commissioner's Code of Conduct" and a "Code of Ethics Policy for Elected and Appointed Officials". He stated that several other counties have these codes and would like Custer County to implement them also.

**MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to send the “Code of Ethics Policy for Elected and Appointed Officials” out to the appropriate boards and elected officials for their input.**

After a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Flower asked for a roll call vote on the motion.

**Commissioner Flower voted against; Commissioner Canda voted against; and Commissioner Printz voted against. Motion failed.**

Commissioner Printz would like to look at this further and possibly implementing a “Code of Ethics” for particular boards that the BOCC appoints.

UPPER ARKANSAS WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT WORKSHOP

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to schedule an Upper Arkansas Water Conservation District presentation during a March BOCC meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

CUSTER COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WORKSHOP

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to schedule a workshop with CCEDC on February 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.**

CHILDREN’S HEALTH FUND GRANT

Public Health Agency Director, Elisa Magnuson, is applying for a High Mountain Hay Fever Children’s Health Fund grant in the amount of \$7,000. These funds will be used to provide dental care to uninsured and underinsured kids.

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to let Elisa move forward with the Children’s Health Fund grant. Motion carried unanimously.**

AGENDA ITEMS WORDING

In future agendas, Commissioner Canda would like for there to be a little more explanation on agenda items so that citizens will have more of an idea about what will be discussed at that particular board meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was public comment by Tracy Ballard, Steve Laswell, John Johnston, Cindy Flower, Ann Barthrop, Jackie Bubis, and Claudia Morris.

Having no further business, Commissioner Flower adjourned the meeting at 1:26 p.m.

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BOCC Chair, Tommy G. Flower

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Attest:  
County Clerk & Recorder, Kelley S. Camper