

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING, MAY 31, 2007**

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN  
REGULAR SESSION WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dick Downey	Chairman
Kit Shy	Vice-Chairman
Carole Custer	Commissioner
Debbie Livengood	Clerk to the Board

Also present was Nora Drenner, reporter for the Wet Mountain Tribune, and Dawna Hobby, Human Resource and Finance Manager for the county.

The meeting was called to order at 8:44 am.

The pledge was recited.

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

County General	\$169,264.80
Road & Bridge	\$133,976.53
Emergency Services	\$ 12,808.72
Social Service Dept.	\$ 16,255.06
Capital Improvement	<u>\$ 85,340.65</u>
Total	\$417,645.76

There was discussion on travel expenses and the high cost of fuel. Other counties were contacted to see what they were paying per mile for travel. It was decided to raise our mileage rate from \$ .38/mile to \$ .45/mile.

Commissioner Shy made a motion to raise mileage to \$ .45/mile and to send a memo to all county offices regarding this raise and letting them know that this will not change their budget, so they will need to keep this in mind. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Custer. Motion carried.

Commissioner Custer gave \$40.00 back to the county for two meals that had been charged to the county. There was some discussion on turning in meal receipts for reimbursement.

Amber Hanson met with the Board, along with Charles Bogle and Bob Dreher, to discuss the Veterans Service Office. According to the 2007 budget, there is \$2,400.00 that has been designated for administration salary. Amber was asking how they could use this money from the budget to pay for operating expenses instead. The Board informed her that they have already used \$512.27 that was in their budget to attend a training class, leaving them with a balance of \$2,140. All of this amount must be used for salaries only. The Board did agree to

pay for postage, buy business cards, pay the telephone bill, and provide for their printer, starting on this date. Amber, Bob, and Charles all expressed their “Thanks”.

Commissioner Downey shared with those present the information that he had learned from other counties concerning their Veteran Officer. Amber responded by stating that Custer County’s population is 22% veterans.

Under-sheriff Craig Feldmann met with the Board to discuss the FPPA Death and Disability Coverage for the Sheriff’s Department. He presented a model resolution to the Board for them to review.

The Board notified the county attorney by phone for his opinion of the model resolution. He had no problem with the county adopting this resolution.

Commissioner Shy made a motion seconded by Commissioner Downey to adopt Resolution Number 07-05. Motion carried unanimously.

*CUSTER COUNTY RESOLUTION  
NUMBER 07-05  
INCLUSION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, WHO’S EMPLOYERS  
PROVIDE SOCIAL SECURITY*

*WHEREAS, Custer County covers its Sheriff’s Deputies / law enforcement officers under the federal Social Security Act; and*

*WHEREAS, pursuant to 31-31-704.5 C.R.S., Custer County desires to affiliate with the Fire and Police Pension Association for purposes of supplemental coverage under:*

- XXX The statewide death and disability plan under 31-31-801 et seq., C.R.S.*
- \_\_\_ The statewide defined benefit plan under 31-31-401 et seq., C.R.S.*
- \_\_\_ Both the statewide defined benefit plan under 31-31-404 et seq., C.R.S. and the statewide death and disability plan under 31-31-801 et seq., C.R.S.*

*WHEREAS, Custer County, in addition to social security benefits, currently:*

- XXX provides a defined contribution plan.*
- \_\_\_ provides a defined benefit plan.*
- \_\_\_ does not provide an additional pension plan.*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that:*

1. *The Board of County Commissioners does hereby intend to cover its Sheriff's Deputies / law enforcement officers whose duties are directly involved with the provision of police and fire protection under (the statewide death and disability plan established pursuant to part 8 of Title 31, Article 31, C.R.S.).*
2. *Such supplemental benefits shall be funded by contributions as established in 31-31-811 (4) C.R.S. for the social security supplemental plan component of the statewide death and disability plan.*
3. *Coverage under the social security supplemental component of the statewide defined benefit plan shall be subject to the approval of at least 65% of all active members employed by the employer prior to approval of the application by FPPA.*
4. *Coverage shall become effective on **August 1, 2007**, assuming all necessary forms, procedures, election of the membership if required, and other relevant work is completed.*
5. *The Employer makes the following certifications:*
  - a. *All active sheriff's deputies / law enforcement officers will become participants in the social security supplemental plan component of the statewide death and disability plan.*
  - b. *The Employer acknowledges that the department's election to participate in the social security supplemental plan is irrevocable.*
  - c. *The Employer agrees to participate in the social security supplemental plan as described herein and to be bound by the terms of the plan and the decisions and actions of the board with respect to the plan*
6. *The Employer intends to offer the following plan, (with the employee's paying the total allocation costs for the Death and Disability Plan) in addition to the social security supplemental plan.*
7. *This affiliation resolution shall be revocable at any time prior to the commencement of the withholding of contributions from the members' salaries. If the employer does not revoke the resolution prior to the withholding of contributions, affiliation becomes irrevocable.*
8. *The Board of County commissioner's clerk or secretary is directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Fire and Police pension Association as soon as is practicable and Custer County's staff is directed to take all other actions necessary to implement the coverage.*

*Approved this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2007 by the Chairman and Board of County Commissioners.*

*APPROVED*

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*(Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners)*

*ATTEST:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Secretary or Clerk)*

*(Additionally for Counties including sheriff deputies):*

*APPROVED:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*County Sheriff*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

Bob Senderhauf met with the Board to inform them that the Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District is willing to work with Round Mountain Water and Sanitation District to lease water to be used on the county roads at \$235.00 an acre foot.

Commissioner Custer has written a letter to the Wetmore Fire Department requesting permission for the Board to hold their meetings in the new firehouse.

The Board adjourned at 12:15pm.