

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING, AUGUST 2, 2010**

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 10:00 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call was taken:

Lynn Attebery	Chairman	Present
Jim Austin	Vice-Chairman	Present
Carole Custer	Commissioner	Present
Kris Lang	Deputy Clerk to the Board	Present

Also present was Nora Drenner, Reporter for the Wet Mountain Tribune.

**AGENDA:**

- Call meeting to order
- Pledge of allegiance
- Roll Call
- Audience Introduction
- Amend agenda
- Approval of minutes

**Old Business:**

- Wetmore Project
- Wet Mountain Valley Waste Minimization Grant
- Victim Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) 2011 Grant Application for review and approval.
- Custer County School District Amy Perschbacher to discuss the Payment in Lieu of Taxes

**Staff Reports:**

- Public Health
- Human Resource
- Social Service
- Road and Bridge

**MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Austin:**

**To accept the posted agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner Attebery reported that the revised service agreement received from the Environmental Testing of Southern Colorado, LLC. regarding the building at the Wetmore Project property site will be reviewed with the county attorney at the August 3, 2010 BOCC meeting.

Commissioner Austin gave a report on the conference call of August 2, 2010 with the projects Grant Manager from the State Recycling Advisory Board as well as representatives from the Colorado Public Health Environment Division/Recycling Resource Economic Opportunity (RREO) program. He said under the guidelines of the Wet Mountain Valley Waste Minimization grant, the materials of the proposed building at the county landfill site could be revised providing the project remains on schedule. Commissioner Austin stated that the landfill facility committee was in agreement with a revised construction for a welded steel structure.

**MOTION by Commissioner Custer, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:**

To approve the construction of a welded steel structure at the landfill facility as part of the Wet Mountain Valley Waste Minimization project. The motion carried unanimously.

Donna McDonnall, RN and Gail Stoltzfus, RN met with the BOCC and gave the Public Health Agency report. 28 childhood immunizations, 14 adult immunizations and 31 blood pressure screenings were administered in July 2010. Ms. McDonnall and Ms. Stoltzfus attended a vaccine preventable disease conference and completed Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) training sessions. Ms. McDonnall reported that the Public Health Agency was in the final phase of completing the Project Public Health Ready (PPHR) guidelines. She introduced Ali Mathis one of the three summer interns working within the Public Health Agency. Ms. Mathis presented a copy of the survey the interns designed and distributed to the public to complete a community health needs assessment. She reviewed the final results and statistics with the Board. Ms. Mathis reported the targeted audiences included but were not limited to: the West Custer Library, the Westcliffe Supermarket, the Kids Club, the Preschool, Valley Ace Hardware and the Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource Center. The BOCC thanked Ms. Mathis and the interns for their motivation and support within the community and agreed if time allowed the survey could be distributed again to obtain additional information and statistics. Commissioner Custer suggested that the survey be forwarded to the local newspaper for publication and be added to the county website. She recommended that the survey also be distributed at the Custer County C-1 School District.

Sheriff Fred Jobe and the Sheriff's Office Administrative Assistant, Kristi Geroux met with the BOCC and presented the Victim Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) Grant Application Eleventh Judicial District 2011 for the Boards approval and signature. Ms. Geroux explained Larry Yatch the Project Director was currently out of town and that they were presenting the application on his behalf. Commissioner Custer referenced an e-mail she had forwarded to Mr. Yatch outlining her concerns regarding the goals and objectives noted in the grant application. She stated that she had the opportunity to discuss the concerns with VALE Administrator, Barbara Topliss and that she agreed the goals and objectives were not measurable as presented and the budget narrative does not align with those goals and objectives. Commissioner Custer presented her grant application recommendations to meet the required criteria. Sheriff Jobe said it was his understanding that the current and previous VALE grant applications had been acceptable as submitted. He remarked that his department would provide any additional information required by the VALE Administrator. Ms. Geroux remarked that the previous VALE grant applications she prepared had been accepted and awarded. She expressed dissatisfaction regarding the monitoring and intervention by the BOCC of the current grant application.

**MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:**

To approve and sign the VALE Grant Application for 2011 following confirmation on the revisions required by the VALE Administrator, Barbara Topliss of the Eleventh Judicial District Attorney's Office. The motion carried.

Amy Perschbacher, Custer County C-1 School District Administrator met with the BOCC and reported that the school district is currently in the process of preparing the 2011 budget. She remarked the budget deadline is October 1, 2010. Ms. Perschbacher asked the Board to notify the school district on the amount of funding they can expect from the county under the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Federal Payment Program. The Board agreed to provide the information when it becomes available. Ms. Perschbacher thanked the county on behalf of Lance Villers, Superintendent and the School Board for all the assistance and support the county has provided the Custer County C-1 School District.

The BOCC recessed at 11:15 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 11:30 AM.

Dawna Hobby, Human Resource/Finance Manager met with the BOCC and presented a client representation letter that was signed on July 26, 2010. The correspondence is addressed to Garren, Ross & DeNardo, Inc. in connection with the audit of the financial statements of Custer County, Colorado as of December 31, 2009. The Board states that to the best of their knowledge and belief all the information provided to the auditors was accurate and that they have had an opportunity to provide comments and views on the reported findings, conclusions and recommendations, as well as planned corrective actions, for the report.

**MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:**

To approve the client representation letter as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Hobby reported that the help wanted notice for a part-time County Recycling Coordinator under the Wet Mountain Valley Waste Minimization Grant was in the final preparation stages. She said the free prescription discount card that will be available to the Custer County citizens from the National Association of Counties (NACo) is tentatively scheduled to become effective on October 1, 2010. Ms. Hobby requested guidance from the BOCC regarding the interviewing process for the part-time Resource Navigator position at the Hanssen Haus Resource Center (HHRC). Following a discussion the Board agreed that Commissioner Custer, Dawna Hobby and Lorraine Silva would serve on the interview panel. Applicant interviews will be scheduled on Tuesday, August 10, 2010 at the HHRC.

Laura Lockhart, Social Service Director met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said the human/social department is experiencing a consistent increase in the case loads processed by the department. She stated as a result of the increase of requests for assistance, the department has allocated funds from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) reserve fund. Ms. Lockhart stated the Colorado Social Service Director Association (CSSDA) annual dues have increased from \$200 to \$375. She said the county was responsible for 20% of the total cost and requested BOCC approval for the expenditure.

**MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Attebery.**

To approve the expenditure for the annual CSSDA dues as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Dave Trujillo, Road and Bridge Supervisor met with the BOCC and gave a report. The work completed in July 2010 included: grading and patching of numerous roads, the hauling of water, mowing of grass and weeds and the patching the courthouse parking area. The work planned includes: continued grading and patching of roads, mowing and hauling water. He stated the annual training for the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is scheduled on August 26, 2010. Mr. Trujillo reported that the current material cost of the court house parking lot repairs is approximately \$2700. He said due to the current inclement weather the work on the parking lot was stopped. He said the area would require additional labor and repairs. Commissioner Custer requested that the surface area from the handicapped parking to the back door be leveled and smoothed out as soon as possible to provide safe handicapped accessibility. Mr. Trujillo reported that Diamond Mowers had inspected the mower and provided additional orientation and instructions on its operation and maintenance. He reported that he was called on out Saturday evening to run the grader due to the flooding on CR 254 and CR 255.

Commissioner Custer said that in the past it has been a Board policy to request rental monies from programs and organization using the HHRC facility. She stated that the Victims Advocate Law Enforcement (VALE) program is planning on occupying space in the HHRC. She said in an effort to sustain the cost of the HHRC she would like to request rent funds from the VALE program. Commissioner Austin agreed. Following a brief discussion the Board agreed that the Chairman of the BOCC would contact the VALE representatives regarding the proposed rental monies.

**MOTION by Commissioner Custer, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:**

**To adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 PM.

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Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder  
Attest

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Lynn Attebery  
Chairman