

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING, FEBRUARY 7, 2011**

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 9:00 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Roll Call was taken:

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

Also present was Nora Drenner, Reporter for the Wet Mountain; Hal Julsen, President of the Custer County Conservation District (CCCD); and Ben Lenth, Land Protection Specialist for the San Isabel Land Protection Trust.

**AGENDA:**

Call meeting to order

Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call

Amend agenda

Audience introduction

Approval of minutes

San Isabel Land Protection Trust – Ben Lenth

**Staff Reports**

Recycling

Public Health

Prevention Coordinator

Resource Center

Human Resource/Finance

CTSI Loss Analysis – Ted Lindtveit

Social Services

Road and Bridge

Veterans Service

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

To accept the posted agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Ben Lenth, San Isabel Land Protection Specialist addressed the BOCC and requested a letter of support for the Great Outdoors Colorado Open Space Grant Application. He distributed a copy of the grant application for the Boards review. He stated that the San Isabel Land Protection Trust is submitting an application for a conservation easement at the San Isabel Scout Ranch. He remarked that although the 409 acres are across the county line in Pueblo County, the property is accessed via Custer County roads and is functionally shared by the two counties. He said that both Custer and Pueblo Counties are discouraging additional development in the area in order to maintain scenic open space, wildlife habitat, and watershed preservation.

Commissioner Attebery shared some concerns regarding notification of the other adjacent counties. He asked Mr. Lenth if a letter of support would be obtained from Pueblo County. Mr. Lenth responded that the commissioners in Pueblo County have agreed to prepare a correspondence supporting the grant application. Commissioner Butler asked for clarification that Custer County would not be required to provide any funding towards the project. Mr. Lenth replied that no funds from the county would be necessary.

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

To sign a letter of support for the Great Outdoors Colorado Open Space Grant Application as presented.  
The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Austin said that Hal Julsen had a request of the BOCC. Mr. Julsen addressed the Board and referenced the correspondence he sent the BOCC requesting financial assistance for the second water conference hosted by the CCCD on January 15, 2011. He outlined the expenditures for the water forum and said that the CCCD was currently experiencing a shortfall of \$800 from the conference. Commissioner Butler asked if the CCCD worked with a written budget and if they received any state funding. Mr. Julsen responded the CCCD has a budget and that they receive small state grants that are used for community education and workshops. Commissioner Austin asked if the CCCD received any federal funding. Mr. Julsen replied that they did not. Commissioner Austin said the water forum topic was a county issue and that he felt the county was obligated to provide some financial assistance. Commissioner Attebery stated that the topic was not a published or posted agenda item for this meeting. He expressed transparency concerns regarding the allocation of the taxpayers' monies without the proper public notification. He proposed that the topic be a published and posted agenda item for the February 28, 2011 BOCC meeting. Commissioner Austin agreed.

Tim Thrun, Recycling Coordinator met with the BOCC and gave a report. He presented the Board with a copy of the Recycling Resources Economic Opportunity Fund Grant Program Bi-Annual Report. He reported that the building at the recycling/landfill location was in place. He said that a priority plan regarding the building has been established and that it would be dictated by the weather. Mr. Thrun said that the recycling committee members will be personally contacting the local businesses to complete a business survey of their recycling needs, choices and options. He remarked that May 31, 2011 is the target date to have the recycling center up and running. He commented that recycling within the community has increased in the last year and that the county was responding to the recycling efforts.

Commissioner Attebery excused himself from the meeting to contact the Social Service Director regarding her scheduled report. Commissioner Austin left the meeting. The meeting was paused due to a lack of quorum at 9:40 AM. Commissioner Attebery returned at 9:45. Commissioner Austin returned at 9:50 AM and the meeting was continued.

The BOCC met with Laura Lockhart, Department of Social Services (DSS) in her office to review and approve the DSS monthly service report.

Donna McDonnell, Public Health Nurse met with the BOCC and distributed the Custer County Public Health Agency Yearly Summary for 2010. Ms. McDonnell reported that 13 childhood immunizations, 7 adult immunizations and 20 blood pressure screenings were administered in January 2011. She provided a summary on the classes/meetings taught or conducted and the workshops/meetings attended. She said that the Project Public Health Ready (PPHR) has been completed and that the application has been submitted to NACCHO for certification. Ms. McDonnell stated that the 9 Health Fair was scheduled for April 9, 2011 from 7AM to 12PM.

Linda Brigham, Prevention Coordinator met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said she was in the process of completing A Needs Assessment. The assessment would include a county profile and the communities' readiness to have a prevention coalition. She said she has been working with the school district to improve and smooth out the patched curriculums currently available to the students. Ms. Brigham commented that although the county social services department may not have the numbers to support a Collaborative Management Program Intra-Agency Oversight Group (CMP/IOG) the school may have those numbers. Commissioner Austin said that he is currently in discussions regarding the topic. Ms. Brigham reported that a drug abuse specialist met with the students at the school and provided them with drug abuse information. She reported the scheduled parental evening meeting on the same topic had no attendee's. She said that drug abuse is a difficult and sensitive topic to address. She said one of her goals was to change the negative perception of the term prevention coalition. Her first step is to schedule prevention presentations as part of spring events that will be open to the public.

Donna Squire, Resource Navigator met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said the VALE program and Helping Hands are working from the resource center. She said the usage is providing rental revenues for the resource center. She remarked that the presence has helped boost the awareness of the facility. Ms. Squire reported that one of the offices is rented full time and the other available offices have been used eight times in January 2011. She said that she will present the proposed street dance at the Summit Meeting on February 24, 2011. She remarked that the event would result in additional revenues for the resource center. She reported that the locks on the facility have been changed and the key distribution and guidelines will be established by the resource center policy committee. Ms. McDonnell and Ms. Brigham said that their car seats were stored in the resource center and for that reason they are requesting that the public health agency be issued a key. Commissioner Attebery expressed concern that numerous keys to the facility had been previously distributed. He said now that the locks have been changed it was the Boards goal to minimize and restrict the number of keys distributed. Commissioner Butler said that a resource center policy committee meeting was scheduled on February 9, 2011 and that the request would be considered.

Ted Lindveit, County Technical Service Inc. (CTSI), Loss Prevention Team Leader met with the BOCC and presented the 2010 CTSI annual report.

Dawna Hobby, Human Resource/Finance Manager met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said she would like approval to release the \$2,575.00 payment to Oakley Construction Inc. for the materials and labor for the installation of a new 36" out swing door. She reported that Oakley Construction Inc. has submitted another invoice for additional work performed totaling \$275.53. She remarked that the funding received from Garfield County for the project has been exhausted prior to receipt of the additional charges. Ms. Hobby said she will need a budget directive. Commissioner Attebery proposed that the payment of \$2,575.00 be released at this time. He said that the additional charges would require review before payment authorization could be determined. Commissioner Austin and Commissioner Butler agreed.

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

To release the check payment of \$2,575.00 to Oakley Construction Inc. as requested by the Human Resource/Finance Director. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Attebery reference a letter of request from Carol Mallett, Custer County Coordinator for the National Day of Prayer (NDP) Event to hold the NDP Ceremony on the front lawn around the flag pole of the Custer County Courthouse. The event is scheduled for May 5, 2011 at 11 AM.

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

To sign the letter of approval to hold the ceremony as requested and extend the support of the BOCC during this meaningful event. The motion carried unanimously.

The BOCC recessed at 12:45 PM.

The BOCC reconvened at 1:00 PM.

Larry Weber, Mayor of the Town of Silver Cliff joined the meeting.

Dave Trujillo, Road and Bridge Supervisor met with the BOCC and gave a report. The work completed in December 2010 and January 2011 included but was not limited to: grading numerous roads, the hauling of water and gravel, the plowing of snow, the hand patching of potholes, and reclamation work at the north pit. He said that the state contracted engineer for bridge inspections has recommended the installation of guard rails at Hermit Road/Grape Creek and Wykagyl/Airport Roads. Mr. Trujillo said he was reviewing construction options for the Grape Creek Bridge and potential replacement solutions on CR 220 below the dam. He reported that several road and bridge employees have completed the MSHA required new miner training. Mr. Trujillo said that he was in discussions with Mr. Weber regarding the possible sale of the water truck to the Town of Silver Cliff. He said the total value of the water truck was estimated at \$25,000. Mr. Weber said he would like to propose an Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA) between Custer County and the Town of Silver Cliff for the purchase of the water truck. He said he would present the proposed IGA to the Town of Silver Cliff Trustee's for approval. The IGA would outline the Town of Silver Cliff's agreement to pay Custer County \$5,000 a year for five consecutive years for the purchase of the water truck. Following a brief discussion the Board agreed to have the County Attorney review and approve any proposed IGA. Mr. Trujillo said that the additional dirt work needed at the HHRC will be scheduled as weather permits and allows. He remarked that several fire ban signs on the county roads have been damaged or blown down. Commissioner Attebery responded that the lifting of the fire ban was scheduled at the next BOCC meeting. Mr. Trujillo presented estimates for the purchase of a pick up truck, forks for the challenger tractor and thumb attachments for the back hoe. Commissioner Attebery said that as long as the proposed purchases fall within the road and bridge department budget, no action by the BOCC was required. Mr. Trujillo reported that Seifert/Beach Redi-Mix is currently hauling materials from the south pit to the Road and Bridge Wetmore Shop for \$25 per load.

The Veterans Service Office staff report was cancelled due to inclement weather. Ms. Silva will reschedule the report at a later date.

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

To adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM.

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Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder  
Attest

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Lynn Attebery  
Chairman