

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING, MARCH 12, 2012**

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COURT ROOM.

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 Ken Felty, Lorraine Silva, Nora Drenner, reporter for the Wet Mountain Tribune and numerous citizens.

AGENDA:

Call meeting to order

Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call

Amend agenda

Audience introduction

Approval of minutes

Public Comment

Old/New Business

Review of Planning and Zoning Fees (repair septic, lot line vacation, setback)

TV Translator information – Roger Squire

Five County Tourism – Dorothy Urban

Public Health – Donna McDonnall

Prevention Coordination – Linda Brigham

Veterans Service – Lorraine Silva

Discussion: restructure VSO/Resource Navigator positions

Human Resource/Finance – Dawna Hobby

Human Services – Laura Lockhart

Road and Bridge – Dave Trujillo

Office of Emergency Management – Christe Feldmann

Commissioner Attebery stated that Roger Squire would not be in attendance at today's meeting and that he would present a summary on the TV Translator information topic later in the meeting.

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

To approve the minutes of February 29, 2012 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Ken Felty, Veterans Service Officer and Lorraine Silva, Veterans Service Office (VSO) Assistant joined the BOCC at the table and expressed concern regarding the proposed combination of the current part time VSO Assistant position and the part time Resource Navigator position into one full time position housed at the Custer County Resource Center Annex. Mr. Felty and Ms. Silva shared dissatisfaction regarding the correspondence notification prepared by the BOCC informing them of the change effective May 1, 2012. They said that they were 100% committed to providing services to the veterans and felt that the 511 Main Street location was well suited for the needs of the veterans in the community. Numerous citizens agreed. The Veteran of Foreign Wars Post and the American Legion Post also endorsed the services currently offered at the Veterans Service Office. Mr. Felty distributed a financial summary of the veterans funding being brought into the county as a direct result of the VSO. Commissioner Austin apologized and said that he felt the correspondence issued was a mistake. He said that he supported having the part time VSO Assistant position remain at its current location at 511 Main Street. Commissioner Attebery said that at the December 6, 2010 the BOCC informed Ms. Silva that not having full time coverage at the Resource Center facility was proving to be a concern and asked when she would be able to move back into the facility. Ms. Silva responded that it could be a future goal. Commissioner Attebery said that the BOCC was simply pursuing that option. He said that the original intent was for one person to be handling both positions at the resource center. He remarked that after hearing all the concerns expressed he agreed that combining the VSO position and the Resource Navigator position was not a good fit at this time. Commissioner Butler agreed. Jerry Lacy addressed the BOCC and said that seven years ago the constituents requested that a permanent full time Veterans Service Officer/Assistant position be created. He asked that the BOCC reconsider that request. The BOCC acknowledged the request as a possible future goal. Mr. Lacy said that the Veterans Service Officer and Assistant provide a valuable service to our valley. Numerous members in the audience agreed.

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

Approving that the Veterans Service Officer/Assistant is a stand-alone position in the county. That the Veterans Service Office will remain at 511 Main Street at this time. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Felty encouraged the BOCC to participate and become more actively involved with the Veterans Service Office. The BOCC thanked Mr. Felty and Ms. Silva for the valuable service they provide to the community.

The BOCC recessed from the Court Room at 9:50 AM.

The BOCC reconvened in the Commissioners Boardroom at 10:05 AM.

Dorothy Urban met with the BOCC and requested a letter of support and commitment from the county for \$1800.00 in 2013 for the Gateway to the Southern Rockies Crossroads proposal. She explained that this was a Five County Tourism Board Project and that Custer County's contribution would fund the placement of a tourism sign enhancement kiosk in the Wetmore area.

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

To consider an \$1800.00 contribution in 2013 for the placement of a tourism sign enhancement kiosk in the Wetmore area. The contribution is contingent on those funds being available in the 2013 county budget. The motion carried unanimously.

The BOCC signed the letter of support.

Donna McDonnall, Gail Stoltzfus and Linda Brigham joined the meeting.

Donna McDonnall, Public Health Nurse met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said that 6 childhood immunizations, 4 adult immunizations and 33 blood pressure screenings were administered in February 2012. She reported that the department was in the final preparations for the Health Fair on March 30, 2012. She encouraged those wishing to expedite the process pre-register on line. Ms. McDonnall said that six restaurants have signed up for the Smart Meals Program. She displayed the plaque presented to the public health department from NACCHO for completion of the Project Public Health Ready Certification. She gave report on the car seats being purchased from the CDOT grant. Gail Stolfus gave a report on the Public Health Nurses Association

Linda Brigham, Prevention Coordinator/Executive Director, Custer Health met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said that the results of the Healthy Kids Colorado Survey were completed and is available for review at the Custer County School Administrators office. Ms. Brigham reported the Sheriff's Office and the Drug Enforcement Administration have scheduled a Drug Take Back Event in late April 2012.

Jackie Hobby, Planning and Zoning Director met with the BOCC to discuss and review the following Planning and Zoning Fees: repair of the septic system; lot line vacation; and setback variance. Following a brief discussion the BOCC and the Planning and Zoning Director agreed to schedule an annual review of all the Planning and Zoning fees for April 2012.

Donna Squire, Resource Navigator addressed the Board and asked if a decision has been made regarding the part time Resource Navigator Position. The BOCC responded by stating they will schedule a meeting next week to include Commissioner Butler, Dawna Hobby and herself to review the job requirements and responsibilities.

Dawna Hobby, Human Resource/Finance met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said that she is in the process of obtaining estimates and bids for the county employees medical insurance. The current and existing insurance renewal date is July 1, 2012. She said the salary survey for Colorado Technical Services Inc. was completed and submitted. Ms. Hobby asked if the Board had made a decision regarding the proposed retirement of the Administrative Assistant. The BOCC responded that they will review the options with the Clerk and Recorder and the Human Resource/Finance Manager before making a final decision.

Laura Lockhart met with the BOCC and presented a report on the Custer County Human Service Expenditures and Unexpended Balance; the State Allocations; the Emergency Services Block Grant Expenditures; and the Energy Outreach Colorado Expenditures. Ms. Lockhart presented the 2012 Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) Certification of Compliance County Merit System for the Boards approval and signature.

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

To approve and sign the CDHS Certificate of Compliance County Merit System as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Dave Trujillo, Road and Bridge Supervisor met with the BOCC and gave a report. The work completed in February included: grading of numerous roads, snow removal, hauling of gravel and water and the crushing of 40,000 tons of gravel. The work planned will include but not be limited to: grading of roads, hauling of water and gravel, snow removal and the construction project on Copper Gulch.

Mr. Trujillo said that the telephone conference/seminar regarding mag-chloride revealed that other counties show reduced maintenance cost of roads and section treated with mag-chloride.

Christe Feldmann, Office of Emergency Management Director met with the BOCC and the following topics were discussed: Duckett Fire Management Assistance Grant; NIMS/ICS 100 and 700 training; Teen CERT; Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan; Wetmore Volunteer Fire Department training, the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan for Custer County, the Social Media Policy; the Emergency Conference; and the EOC development EMPG grant for acoustic improvement. Ms. Feldmann said that the upcoming training would include: Disaster Communication Redundancy for HAM radio operators; CERT classes for the sheriff's posse; Tree removal/Fire Mitigation and Safety Event; Colorado Fire and Incident Management classes. She stated that she was asked to be an exercise evaluator at the Chemical Depot in Pueblo, Colorado on May 2 and 3, 2012.

Commissioner Attebery said that Roger Squire was unavailable at this time. He gave a summary of the LARCON Go Digital Now Program and stated that Mr. Squire was scheduled on the March 29, 2012 BOCC Agenda to provide detailed information on the topic.

**MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Austin:**  
**To adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 PM.

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Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder  
Attest

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Lynn Attebery,  
Chairman