

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 5, 2019**

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COMMISSIONERS BOARDROOM.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Flower at 9:00 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Clint Smith. 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

**AUDIENCE INTRODUCTIONS**

Present in the audience were BOCC Administrative Assistant, Cara Evans; Sentinel reporter, Jackie Bubis; Charles Bogle; Landfill Manager, Rusty Christensen; Road and Bridge Supervisor, Gary Hyde; VSO, John Carroll; Courthouse Security, Mike Halpin; Human Services Director, Laura Lockhart; Sheriff, Shannon Byerly; IT Director, Vernon Roth; and OEM Director, Meredith Nichols.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to remove the second FRECOM agenda item. Motion carried unanimously.**

**COMMISSIONER ITEMS**

The board reported on the various meetings they attended and individuals they met with. Commissioner Flower reported that he never received any response to the ad he placed asking for bids to construct a security wall for Human Services. Over the Thanksgiving holiday, Steve Peterman and Ivan Marrs helped him build the wall and he would like for them to be compensated for that.

**MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to allocate \$20/hour to be paid to Ivan Marrs and Steve Peterman for assisting with work done over the holiday weekend. Motion carried unanimously.**

**UPPER ARKANSAS WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT REPORT**

None

**ATTORNEY ITEMS**

County Attorney, Clint Smith, reported on the various items he has been working on.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT ITEMS**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**STAFF REPORTS**

**LANDFILL REPORT**

Landfill Manager, Rusty Christensen, met with the board to give the monthly report. Rusty informed the board that he would like to discuss hiring another employee that would become the Landfill Manager when Rusty retires sometime around March. The board informed Rusty that he would need to give them an “official” date for his retirement, and they would also like to see a job description and pay scale for the Manager position. Rusty will meet with them again during the December 18<sup>th</sup> BOCC meeting to discuss this further.

**ROAD AND BRIDGE REPORT**

Road and Bridge Supervisor, Gary Hyde, met with the board to give the monthly report. He presented the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Highway User Tax Fee (HUTF) yearly report for the board’s approval.

**MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to certify to CDOT the 360.6 HUTF miles. Motion carried unanimously.**

Gary presented the quotes he had received for a new water truck.

**MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to authorize the expenditure of \$158,065 to purchase a 2021 Mack truck from Bruckner’s. Motion carried unanimously.**

**HUMAN SERVICES REPORT**

Human Services Director, Laura Lockhart, met with the board to give the monthly report. Laura presented the board with the Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) Certification of Compliance for 2020. This certifies that the County is in compliance with certain principles and criteria for the administration and operation of its County personnel and merit system.

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to certify the CDHS Certification of Compliance for 2020. Motion carried unanimously.**

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) REPORT**

IT Director, Vernon Roth, met with the board to give the monthly report.

**VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER REPORT**

VSO, John Carroll, met with the board to give the monthly report. John reported that the Veteran’s Trust Fund hasn’t received any funding yet. The money in this fund is used to help veteran’s when they are having trouble paying for certain things like utilities.

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to donate \$1,000 to the Veteran’s Trust Fund out of Community Outreach. Motion carried unanimously.**

John asked the board if he could use space in the annex basement to use for storage of dry goods to be dispersed to veterans in need. The board approved this.

**MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to approve the VSO monthly report. Motion carried unanimously.**

The board recessed at 10:53 a.m. and reconvened at 10:59 a.m.

#### HUMAN RESOURCE (HR)/FINANCE REPORT

HR/Finance Manager, Dawna Hobby, met with the board to give the monthly report. Dawna presented the board with the handwritten check report and several resolutions for their approval.

**MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to approve the handwritten checks in the amount of \$43,983.20. Motion carried unanimously.**

**MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to adopt Resolution #19-15 “A Resolution appropriating additional sums of money to defray expenses in excess of amounts budgeted for Custer County”. Motion carried unanimously.**

**MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to adopt Resolution #19-16 a “Resolution to adopt budget” for 2020. Motion carried unanimously.**

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to adopt Resolution #19-17 a “Resolution to set mill levies” for 2020. Motion carried unanimously.**

**MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to adopt Resolution #19-18 “A Resolution to appropriate sums of money”. Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Custer County Economic Development Corporation (CCEDC) Chair, Charles Bogle, met with the board to discuss CCEDC handling the implementation of the Strategic Plan. Charles asked for funding to use to pay SBrand Consulting LLC owner, Sheryl Trent, to conduct quarterly meetings in 2020 to start implementing the Strategic Plan. The cost of this would be \$10,000. The board would like Charles to follow up with Sheryl to come up with a proposal for this.

FRECOM AGREEMENT

This agreement is between Custer County and the Combined Regional Communications Authority (CRCA). This temporary agreement is for dispatch services for the County. It is retro-active to October 1, 2019 and goes through December 31, 2020. This temporary agreement will be prorated. The permanent agreement will be for the salary and benefits for 3 full time employees.

**MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to approve the agreement between Custer County and CRCA for dispatch services. Motion carried unanimously.**

HOSPITAL DISTRICT LETTER

County Attorney, Clint Smith, drafted a letter to the West Custer County Hospital District Board of Directors from the BOCC regarding the new information that Clint found and addressed during the November 27<sup>th</sup> BOCC meeting.

**MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to approve the letter as revised. Motion carried with Commissioner Flower and Commissioner Printz voting in favor of. Commissioner Canda was out of the room on an emergency phone call when the vote was taken.**

REPLACEMENT OF BROKEN LIGHT BULBS

The lights in the parking lot to the east of the Courthouse are out. Dark Skies is paying for the light bulbs. Commissioner Flower is working with Brad Hough to order the bulbs and replace them.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

**MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to transfer \$30,000 for end of the year bookkeeping from the General Fund to the Emergency Services Fund. Motion carried unanimously.**

WETMORE COMMUNITY BUILDING FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Ruth Roper informed the BOCC that after the remodeling of the Wetmore Community Building, the fire extinguishers were never replaced.

**MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to authorize the purchase and installation of fire extinguishers in the Wetmore Community Building. Motion carried unanimously.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

Having no further business, Commissioner Flower adjourned the meeting at 12:54 p.m.

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BOCC Chair, Tommy G. Flower

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Attest:  
County Clerk & Recorder, Kelley S. Camper