

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 31, 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 Vince Dougan. 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; Vince and Lisa Dougan; Rob Klein; Tribune Editor, Jordan Hedberg; Library Director, Sean Beharry; OEM Director, Meredith Nichols; and Ron and Barb Beckner.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None

MINUTES

MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to approve the minutes from the December 18th BOCC meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

The board reported on the various meetings they attended and individuals they met with (see attached reports for the month of May).

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

Jackie Bubis commented on EMS, and Rob Klein commented on the REACH Air program and the fire truck at the airport.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

VOUCHERS

MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to approve the vouchers for December 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

County payroll and accounts payable were:

County General	\$296,604.18
Road & Bridge	\$108,372.09
Emergency Services	\$ 37,110.92
Human Services	\$ 35,217.07
Self-Insurance	\$ 100.00
Capital Improvement	\$
Airport	\$ 351.52
Conservation Trust Fund	\$ 7,747.73
Tourism	\$ 125.00
TOTAL	\$485,628.51

HUMAN SERVICES YEARLY CONTRACTS

Human Services Director, Laura Lockhart, forwarded three contracts to the BOCC for their approval. They are the Special Project Accrual Accounting Contract with John Piquette; the Agreement for Legal Services contract with Daniel Slater; and the Child Support Enforcement Purchase of Legal Services Agreement with Daniel Slater.

MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to approve the three contracts for Human Services. Motion carried unanimously.

RATIFICATION OF LIBRARY BOARD MEMBERS

West Custer County Library District Director, Sean Beharry, met with the board to have them ratify the newly appointed board members.

MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to ratify the three-year appointments of Dave Heppe, Nicole Parsons, and Renee Tobin. Motion carried unanimously.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to transfer \$25,000 from the Lieu of Taxes Fund to the County General Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to transfer \$9,600 from the County General Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund earmarked for the Judicial Center. Motion carried unanimously.

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN GRANT

Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Director, Meredith Nichols, met with the board to have them approve the Hazard Mitigation Plan Grant. The funds from this FEMA grant will be used to update the Hazard Mitigation Plan for the County. The total for the project is \$48,005. The match is \$5,000 (split between the County and the towns of Westcliffe and Silver Cliff) and \$7,000 in-kind.

MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to approve the Hazard Mitigation Plan Grant. Motion carried unanimously.

The board recessed at 10:14 a.m. and reconvened at 10:18 a.m.

LANDFILL MANAGER POSITION

Landfill Manager, Rusty Christensen, presented the board with a letter of resignation.

MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to accept Rusty Christensen's retirement letter effective March 31, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Rusty stated that he would like to have his replacement hired by February 1st so that whoever is hired will have two months training while Rusty is still on the job. After researching, Rusty felt that the starting salary for this person, depending on experience, should be \$45,000-\$55,000.

LEGAL PUBLICATION BIDS

Two bids were received for legal publications for 2020. County Attorney, Clint Smith, opened and read both bids. The Sangre De Cristo Sentinel's bid was .13/line for the first insertion and .12/line for subsequent insertions for statutory publications; and .30/line for non-statutory publications. The Wet Mountain Tribune's bid was .09/line for statutory publications and .25/line for non-statutory publications. The bid will be awarded during the January 8th BOCC meeting.

CUERNO VERDE ROAD MAINTENANCE

Road and Bridge Supervisor, Gary Hyde, forwarded a list of roads in Cuerno Verde Pines Subdivision that the County currently maintains. County Attorney, Clint Smith, will draft a Resolution for these roads to be approved at the January 15th BOCC meeting.

SADDLE CLUB FUNDING REQUEST

Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club (WMVSC) Vice-President, Ron Beckner, met with the board to continue the discussion about the County giving the Saddle Club \$5,000 towards the annual July rodeo.

MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to approve the expenditure of \$5,000 out of Community Outreach for 2019. Motion died with Commissioner Flower abstaining, Commissioner Canda voting against, and Commissioner Printz voting in favor.

SADDLE CLUB WATER LINE

WMVSC Vice-President, Ron Beckner, received two bids for the materials needed to replace the water line from Winsupply of Pueblo and Rampart Supply Inc. Commissioner Flower will set up a meeting in January between all the parties involved.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH FUND CARRYOVER TO 2020

The board wanted to carryover the money that is left in the Community Outreach fund to 2020. Commissioner Flower checked with HR/Finance Manager, Dawna Hobby, to see if this was possible. She let Commissioner Flower know that this is not possible because the budget is zero based and starts over in January depending on what was approved.

SICK LEAVE BANK RESOLUTION # 19-19

MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to adopt Resolution # 19-19 "A Resolution of Custer County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Colorado, establishing an addendum for a "sick leave bank" to the Custer County Personnel Policy". Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to amend the resolution by adding "and department supervisor" after "Human Resources director". Motion carried unanimously.

JANUARY BOCC MEETINGS

MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to have the first two BOCC meetings of 2020 on January 8th and 15th. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ron Beckner commented on the Chamber of Commerce's website updates.

Having no further business, Commissioner Flower adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

BOCC Chair, Tommy G. Flower

Attest:
County Clerk & Recorder, Kelley S. Camper

December Commissioner Report

Commissioner Flower

- Dec. 2-4 Attended the CCI Conference, Colorado Springs
- Dec. 5 – Attended BOCC meeting, commissioner room
- Dec. 6 – Attended BOCC meeting, commissioner room
- Dec. 8 – Attended CCRCC Christmas party, Alpine Restaurant
- Dec. 12- 17 – Attended non-BOCC conference, Nashville, TN
- Dec. 18 – Attended BOCC meeting, commissioner room
- Dec. 18 – Attended courthouse employee Christmas party, Tony's Pizza
- Dec. 19 – Extension interviews were held, Extension office
- Dec. 20 – Attended the Road and Bridge Christmas party
- Dec. 24, 25 – Courthouse Closed