

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 31, 2020**

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:

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| Tommy G. Flower  | Chair              |
| William R. Canda | Vice-Chair         |
| Jay Printz       | Commissioner       |
| Kelley Camper    | Clerk to the Board |
| Clint Smith      | County Attorney    |

**AUDIENCE INTRODUCTIONS**

No audience was present due to COVID-19 Coronavirus restrictions and the County Building being closed to the public.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

**MOTION by Commissioner Printz, to postpone “letter to cities of Widefield and Fountain” and “KLZR antenna request”. Motion carried unanimously.**

**COMMISSIONER ITEMS**

The board reported on the various meetings they attended and individuals they met with.

**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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**VOUCHERS**

**MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to approve the vouchers for March 2020. Motion carried unanimously.**

County payroll and accounts payable were:

|                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| County General          | \$250,118.30        |
| Road & Bridge           | \$ 88,163.05        |
| Emergency Services      | \$ 41,619.07        |
| Human Services          | \$ 63,830.48        |
| Self Insurance          | \$                  |
| Capital Improvement     | \$ 40,250.00        |
| Airport                 | \$ 161.74           |
| Conservation Trust Fund | \$                  |
| Tourism                 | \$ 4,927.95         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>\$489,070.59</b> |

**RATIFICATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLARATION**

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to ratify the March 16<sup>th</sup> action of signing the Disaster Emergency Declaration. Motion carried unanimously.**

**COLORADO STAY AT HOME ORDER ISSUED BY GOVERNOR POLIS**

On March 25<sup>th</sup>, Governor Polis issued a stay at home order through April 26<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to continue closure of the County Building until May 4<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.**

**IT/GIS ASSISTANT MOVING TO FULL TIME**

Because of the heavy workload of the IT Director, discussion was had about moving the assistant to a full-time position.

**MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to move the IT/GIS Assistant from a part-time position to a full-time position. Motion carried unanimously.**

**OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MOVING TO PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY OFFICE**

OEM Director, Meredith Nichols, had previously spoken with the board about moving her office from the Search and Rescue Building to the Public Health Agency Office. She felt that would allow Search and Rescue to utilize her office space for other purposes, and because Emergency Management and Public Health often worked together, it would benefit having them in the same building.

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to authorize the Office of Emergency Management to move to the Public Health Agency Office. Motion carried unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF ATTAINABLE HOUSING BOARD MEMBERS

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to approve Ed Stefanich as an Attainable Housing Board member for a 1-year term, with his term expiring in January 2021. Motion carried unanimously.**

RATIFICATION OF .GOV CONTRACT

IT Director, Vernon Roth, requested the BOCC send a letter to the .Gov Domain Registration asking for the authority to use custercounty-co.gov domain name. This will be used for the County website, as well as emails for County officials. The domain fee is \$400 per year.

**MOTION by Commissioner Canda, to ratify the March 5<sup>th</sup> action of the signing of the letter to .Gov Domain Registration. Motion carried unanimously.**

BROADBAND PROGRAMS

Commissioner Canda would like to schedule an Executive Session for the BOCC, the Towns of Westcliffe and Silver Cliff, and individuals from the Carmel group to discuss plans for moving forward with the broadband project. He felt this fell under the Executive Session statute for negotiations. He will get with the other parties to come up with a date.

The board recessed at 11:00 a.m. and reconvened at 11:06 a.m.

ARMSTRONG ASSOCIATES OUTSTANDING INVOICE

Armstrong Associates issued an invoice in March 2019 for \$3,600 that was for the second half of the work done by Geotech to test the ground at the airport and take samples for the apron and runway. Another invoice was issued in September 2019 for \$15,250 for engineering for the taxiway and apron. Commissioner Canda reported that because there were several things going on at the time, he felt there was some confusion, and these invoices were never paid. The Aught Six Ranch has been billed for half of this. HR/Finance Manager, Dawna Hobby will issue a check for \$18,850 to Armstrong Associates.

CUSTER COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MOU

The board discussed having County Attorney, Clint Smith, draft a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County and Custer County Economic Development Corporation (CCEDC) since an MOU had never been done. They felt this would protect both party's interests.

UTILIZING COUNTY EMPLOYEES AS VOLUNTEERS

The board discussed encouraging County employees that are currently either not working, or working half-time, to volunteer to help with any needs during this time with the pandemic.

RATIFICATION OF LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT

**MOTION by Commissioner Flower, to ratify the appointment of Terry Matthews to the Library Board. Motion carried unanimously.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

Having no further business, Commissioner Flower adjourned the meeting at 12:39 p.m.

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BOCC Chair, Tommy G. Flower

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Attest:  
County Clerk & Recorder, Kelley S. Camper