

Ms. Slater explained that 25% of Title I funding from the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service is for the County's Road and Bridge Department, 25% is for the County's school districts, and the remaining 50% distribution is to be decided by the Schools and the County. In 2019 some of the Title III funding, which should have all gone to Search and Rescue, was erroneously given to the Schools and Road and Bridge; this needs to be corrected. Ms. Holland asked if the 2019 Title III funds received could be subtracted from the 2020 funds received. Ryan Dunn, County Attorney, said he will find out whether funds distributed in one year may be recovered outside the year they were received. Ms. Slater said she submitted a letter to the Forest Service in 2019 when the County realized an error was made. The letter included several options for correcting the error. Ms. Slater has not received a response. Ms. Holland said she would like to view a breakdown of the funding before making a decision on dispersing the 50%, and asked Ms. Slater to send it. Mr. Crowther and Ms. Velasquez agreed it would be good to table the discussion until the schools can view the breakdown, and Mr. Dunn can find out about the Title III funding. The discussion was scheduled to be continued at BOCC meeting on June 10, 2020.

At 11:03 AM, there was a discussion on Wildlife Refuge funding from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for the County's Road and Bridge Department and Monte Vista School District. In the past, 85% has gone to the Road and Bridge Department, and 15% has gone to the school district. Ms. Slater asked if the Board wanted to continue funding distribution. Commissioner Noffske asked why the funds have gone to only the Monte Vista School District and not all County school districts. Ms. Slater said she had looked back to 2010 in BOCC minutes, and had not found an explanation. It may be because the wildlife refuge is located in the Monte Vista School District. It was decided to table the discussion to allow research into why the funds have been distributed as they have been.

At 11:09 AM the Board adjourned to the Board of Health.

At 11:44 AM the Board reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners.

Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, read a letter received from Kyle High, president of Oldcastle SW Group, LLC, dba Four Corners Materials. The company has withdrawn its request for a conditional use permit for a gravel yard east of South Fork. The CDOT project needing material from the yard has been rescheduled, and will not occur during the time frame requested in the permit. Matt Carnahan, manager, will have stockpiles on the proposed site removed.

At 11:51, Commissioner Noffske adjourned the special session for executive session according to 24-6-402(4)(f) to discuss personnel matters.

At 2:43 PM, the Board exited executive session.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

John Noffske
Chairman of the Board

DeAnn Jacobs
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

State of Colorado)
 ss
County of Rio Grande)

The Board of the Rio Grande County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, June 10, 2020.

At 10:00 AM Chairman Noffske called the meeting to order. The meeting was held via video conference call. Prayer was led by Commissioner Bothell, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said

Present were Commissioner Noffske, Commissioner Bothell, and Commissioner Glover, along with County Administrator Tricia Slater and Clerk of the Board DeAnn Jacobs.

Adoption of the Agenda

Ms. Slater said the CTC Contract listed under Public Health Business should be listed as EPR Grant Amendment for this year.

Ms. Slater said Ambulance License should be added under Consent Agenda. This is the same license approved at the May 13, 2020 meeting, but the name was misspelled on the certificate.

Approval of Minutes from the Previous Meeting

- May 6, 2020
- May 13, 2020
- May 19, 2020
- May 27, 2020
- June 3, 2020
- BOH February 26, 2020
- BOH March 30, 2020
- BOH April 6, 2020
- BOH April 8, 2020
- BOH April 13, 2020
- BOH April 15, 2020
- BOH April 22, 2020
- BOH May 6, 2020
- BOH May 13, 2020
- BOH May 19, 2020
- BOH May 27, 2020

Commissioner Bothell made a motion to approve the corrected minutes. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Public Comment

Commissioner Noffske asked if there were any comments. There were none.

Consent Agenda

- Void Check 153938 to Valley Publishing, PH double payment
- DSS AP
- AP
- Monte Vista Ambulance Certification

Commissioner Bothell made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Vender	Amount
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & EMPLOY	\$270.00
ALAMOSA CO NURSING SVC	\$31.74
ARLAN'S PRO SERVICES	\$100.00
ASSN. OF COLO CNTY ADMIN	\$200.00
AUTO TRUCK GROUP	\$4,235.96
AVENU INSIGHTS & ANALYTICS, LLC	\$9,843.63
BDI	\$699.81
BRANDON ROGERS	\$56.16
BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LEASING, INC	\$120.20
CARY ALOIA	\$73.40
CDHS CENTRAL ACCOUNTING	\$13.00
CENTURYLINK	\$469.95
CHAFFEE CNTY PUBLIC HLTH	\$1,372.75
CO DEPT OF PUB HLTH & ENV	\$26.91
COLORADO DEPART. OF REVENUE	\$318.00
COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIES, LLC	\$1,125.00
COURTNEY ARTHUR	\$43.20
CYNTHIA FORD	\$5,520.83
DEE A. KESSLER	\$3,586.00
DIXIE DILTZ	\$22.84
DOUG COOPER	\$52.07
DP AG SERVICES	\$600.00
EL PASO COUNTY CORONER	\$2,800.00
ENDPOINT DIRECT, INC	\$603.00
FERGUSON ENTERPRISES	\$705.00
FRONT RANGE REMOVAL SERVICE, LLC	\$275.00

GOBINS, INC	\$36.55
GOOD SPEED AUTOMOTIVE	\$89.95
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL	\$349.13
HIGH VALLEY COMMUNITY CTR	\$5,000.00
J & D ULTIMATE EMBROIDERING	\$874.20
JADE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC	\$92.19
JAMES CLARE	\$52.25
JERRY GALLEGOS	\$55.40
JOANN SIERRA	\$40.00
KEN'S SERVICE CENTER	\$973.29
KRISTI HILLIS	\$1,216.00
LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.	\$688.75
LEONARD BROWN	\$52.70
LOCKTON COMPANIES, LLC	\$898.00
MARC MID-AMERICA CHEMICAL	\$265.40
MARK MUELLER	\$56.30
MDS WASTE & RECYCLE, INC	\$143.00
MEADOW GOLD DAIRIES, INC	\$74.38
MICHAEL MITCHELL	\$65.30
MONTE GLASS SHOP	\$320.98
MONTE VISTA COOPERATIVE	\$276.08
MYERS BROTHERS TRUCK AND TRACTOR, INC	\$170.89
PITNEY BOWES, INC.	\$424.95
PRO COM, LLC	\$230.00
QUILL.COM	\$90.45
RODNEY REED	\$66.20
ROGERS FAMILY MORTUARY, INC	\$700.00
RUSSELL PRATT	\$62.60
S & S DISTRIBUTION, INC	\$61.00
SHAMROCK FOODS COMPANY	\$2,470.18
SLV REC	\$1,000.00
SOUTH CENTRAL COLORADO	\$10,000.00
STAPLES BUSINESS CREDIT	\$107.85
STROHMAYER'S FUNERAL HOME, LLC	\$3,270.00
SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT, CORP	\$10,547.00
TORRES PLUMBING & HEATING, LLC	\$865.13
U S POSTAL SERVICE	\$150.00
VALLEY ELECTRIC, INC	\$240.00
VALLEY LOCK AND SECURITY, INC	\$668.66
VALLEY LUMBER AND SUPPLY, INC	\$186.26
VALLEY PUBLISHING	\$48.00
VALUEWEST,INC	\$3,000.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$303.86
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$317.67
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$2,345.89
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$184.33
VICTIM ASSISTANCE FUND	\$13.00
W. RYAN DUNN, ATTORNEY AT LAW	\$4,568.75
WASTE MANAGEMENT-	\$251.30
WAXIE SANITARY SUPPLY	\$1,064.10
WEX BANK	\$275.69
WORLD FUEL SERVICES, INC	\$1,613.20
WSB COMPUTER SERVICES	\$1,928.00
	\$92,009.26

County official and Department Head Reports

At 10:15 AM, Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, spoke about the Kristen Edelman property east of Del Norte. She said summons for a land use violation have been served to Mario Nelson and

Andrew Buffington, with the court date set for August. Ms. Diltz will send a final letter to the camper illegally occupying an area off County Road 70 today. She said a new blight case has been reported near Monte Vista, and she will visit the site soon. Ms. Diltz sent forty-three letters to short term rental businesses in the County. Thirty-seven responded, and are now registered and in full compliance with the County.

At 10:18 AM, Randy Kern, Building Department, said Tyler Off from the South Fork Fire Department called. He asked Mr. Kern if the County would consider allowing the Department to use buildings condemned by the County for training. The Fire Department would clean up the debris after the training. Mr. Kern did not know of any condemned buildings owned by the County. After a discussion of liability concerns and hazardous materials it was decided not to offer any such properties for fire training.

At 10:30 AM, Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Department, gave his department's May report. The project on County Road 11 S was completed. Work on the asphalt plant was completed. Seventy-five percent of Schedule A roads have been graded. A cattle guard was installed on Rock Creek road, as a joint venture with the Bureau of Land Management. New culverts were installed on County Roads 28 and 28B. The crusher was used on site for several road sections. The shop has been preparing asphalt equipment. Carl Hill built a fuel tank/tool box for a pickup. Proposed work includes overlay projects in Masonic Park and on County Road 3 N, and grading.

Mr. Sullivan submitted a request for purchase of a pickup to replace one that has 317,000 miles. Commissioner Glover made a motion to approve the State Award for the base bid, plus bed liner and extra key for \$39,121. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:40 AM, Jay Sarason, Astronaut Rominger Airport Manager, spoke to the Board. He said there are prairie dog colonies near the runway. USDA Wildlife Services provides eradication services, funded by Colorado Department of Transportation with no cost to the county. Mr. Sarason asked for Board approval for a one- year waiver agreement for eradication services. Commissioner Bothell made a motion to authorize Mr. Sarason to sign the agreement. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:43 AM, Mr. Sarason asked for Board approval to put a consulting firm for airport projects on retainer. He has spoken with a consultant who estimated forty hours at \$85 per hour to coordinate all proposed projects, except the Jet A Fuel Tank system. Board consensus was not opposed to hiring a consultant, but would prefer to grant individual project work approval rather than one over-all approval. The topic will be discussed further at the work session on June 22, 2020.

At 10:54 AM, Mr. Sarason reported an increase in airport traffic due to onsite airport businesses. This has helped offset the decrease from tourists due to COVID-19. He said he is beginning to work on a grant to cover expenses for livestock fencing to be installed in the fall.

General Business and Administrative Items

At 10:58 AM, the Secure Rural Schools Funding (SRS) distribution was discussed. Ms. Slater said the 2020 Title I funding from the USDA Forest Service totals \$152,877.92. Twenty-five percent will go to the County's Road and Bridge Department, twenty-five percent will be split by the three County school districts according to student count, and the remaining fifty percent distribution is to be decided by the County and the school districts. Ms. Slater said the discussion needed to include a decision on how to correct the 2019 overpayment from Title III to the Road and Bridge Department and the school districts.

Brian Crowther, Sargent School District, said his school used 2019 funding to hire a school resource officer. Leona Holland, Monte Vista School District, said her school used the funds for its Friday and after-school programs. Angela Velasquez, Upper Rio Grande School District, said her school used the funds to make up the difference from lost State funding.

Commissioner Bothell suggested subtracting the 2019 overpayment from the 2020 distribution. Commissioner Glover agreed. He and Commissioner Noffske suggested the total fifty percent of discretionary fund distribution be given to the school districts. Mr. Sullivan agreed. Commissioner Bothell made a motion that the 2020 SRS Title I distribution to the County school districts consist of the school districts' allotted twenty-five percent, plus the discretionary fifty percent, minus the 2019 overpayment. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the

motion carried. Ms. Slater said the total 2019 overpayment to be subtracted from the 2020 distribution would be \$12,770.75; Road and Bridge Department \$3,192.69, Monte Vista School District \$5,783.83, Upper Rio Grande School District \$2,059.58, and Sargent School District \$1,734.65.

At 11:13 AM, the Monte Vista Wildlife Refuge Funding distribution was discussed. Ms. Slater said in the past, the funds received from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service have been divided between the County Road and Bridge Department and the Monte Vista School District, with eighty-five percent going to Road and Bridge and fifteen percent to the School District. Ryan Dunn, County Attorney, said the Act under the United States code, amended in 1978, stated the funds were to go to local government, but did not require them to go to any specific school. Mr. Sullivan said the Road and Bridge Department works around and with the Wildlife Refuge, and the projects are usually expensive. He said he would like the department to continue receiving funds. Ms. Holland said she thought the current funds distribution split was good. Commissioner Bothell made a motion to approve the Wildlife Refuge funding with eighty-five percent going to the Road and Bridge Department, and fifteen percent going to Monte Vista School District. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Ms. Slater suggested the Board consider creating a resolution stating this distribution split. Mr. Dunn will review the 1978 Act before the Board discusses drafting a resolution.

At 11:21 AM, the request by D Mountain Park and Recreation District was discussed. Mr. Dunn said the Memorandum of Understanding between the County and the Town of Del Norte, concerning the grant and transfer of property, has not been signed. It needs to be signed before considering a new agreement with the Recreation District. He said there are other items, such as the possibility that a pump on the property may currently have more than one owner, that need to be researched before moving forward. A Del Norte Trustee meeting is scheduled for this evening, June 10, and the MOU could be taken to the meeting to be signed. Commissioner Bothell made a motion to approve the MOU. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Patti Kelley, D Mountain Park and Recreation, asked about the pump on the property. Mr. Dunn said he will research it more. Jessica Lovelace, D Mountain Park and Recreation, asked what other questions the County has. Mr. Dunn said the County is looking into any possible maintenance payments made by Upper Rio Grande School District.

At 11:30 AM, the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CVRF) was discussed. Ms. Slater said the request for CARES funding needs to be submitted to the State by the first week of July (30 days after June 1, 2020). Counties and municipalities may submit requests jointly or individually. Some businesses may also be eligible. Fund use has to follow specific guidelines. Ms. Slater will contact municipalities to meet with the Commissioners during the work session on June 15 to discuss the CVRF.

At 11:38 AM the Board adjourned to the Board of Health.

At 12:04 PM, the Board reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners.

Unfinished Business

The Governing Policy was discussed. Commissioner Noffske said the Policy has been adopted by the BOCC each year, but the basic policy for staff had not been modified since 2015. He encouraged each Commissioner and the County Administrator to review the full Policy, and asked if they had reviewed 2020-2021 goals and objectives. Commissioner Glover said work on getting the Pest Control Board and Tourism Board compliant with the Policy has been done. He will continue working on compliance for the Safe Routes to School Program and Colorado Health Pool. Commissioner Bothell said there are policies found in Federal, State, and County audits that are not listed in the goals and objectives that need to be approved. Ms. Slater said the Federal audit deficiencies have been corrected, and the County is now compliant. State and County audit deficiencies were identified in 2015, and procedures have been put in place to correct the deficiencies. Commissioner Noffske said sale of the SLRG Railroad has been proposed to take place in September. He asked that the Commissioners discuss the Railroad and Governing Policy priority items at the work session on June 15 if time allows. Mr. Dunn said the Railroad should also be discussed at a San Luis Valley County Commissioner meeting.

Commissioners and Administrator Updates

At 12:22 PM, Ms. Slater gave April's Financial Report. As of April 30, the year was 33.3% complete. Year-to-date revenues were 37%, and expenditures were 28%. Revenues for Road and Bridge, Airport, and Tourism are down because of the effects of COVID-19. Sales Tax is higher than previous years. Lodging Tax and Highway Users Tax Fund (HUTV) are slightly down. Public Health grant revenues are at 7% and expenses are at 25%.

At 12:33 PM, Fedele Paccione asked if the County had received more than one bid for the pickup to be purchased by the Road and Bridge Department. Commissioner Bothell said that vehicles purchased through a State Award bid do not require additional bids.

At 12:34 PM, Ms. Slater relayed a request by Randy Kern for a letter from the Board of Health stating they approved the variance request approved earlier in the meeting. Commissioner Glover will get details from Mr. Kern about the letter.

At 12:35 PM, Commissioner Noffske's internet connection failed and Vice Chair, Commissioner Bothell asked for a motion to adjourn to executive session according to 24-6-402(4)(b), for legal advice from the County attorney. Commissioner Glover made the motion. Commissioner Noffske seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

At 1:25 PM, the Board exited executive session. No decisions were made.

At 1:26 PM, with no further business, Commissioner Glover made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Attest:

John Noffske
Chairman of the Board

DeAnn Jacobs
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

State of Colorado)
 ss
County of Rio Grande)

The Board of the Rio Grande County Commissioners met in special session on Wednesday, June 17, 2020.

At 10:00 AM Chairman Noffske called the meeting to order. The meeting was held via video conference call. Prayer was led by Commissioner Bothell, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present were Commissioner Noffske, Commissioner Bothell, and Commissioner Glover, along with County Administrator Tricia Slater and Clerk of the Board DeAnn Jacobs.

Adoption of the Agenda

Ms. Slater said a wire payment from the Road and Bridge Department to Suncor needed to be added to the Consent Agenda. The renewal for the Weed and Pest District insurance also needed to be added to the Consent Agenda. Ms. Slater said the contracts for the COVID-19 contact tracers and the Child Fatality Contract needed to be added to the Board of Health section.

Commissioner Bothell made a motion to approve the agenda as amended; Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from the Previous Meeting

- June 10, 2020 BOCC
- June 3, 2020 BOH
- June 10, 2020 BOH

Commissioner Bothell said the corrections she makes to the minutes are to clarify a point, or to correct grammatical and spelling errors. She said she had not yet checked the Board of Health (BOH) minutes for accuracy. Commissioner Noffske asked that the BOH minute approval be tabled until the meeting on June 24, 2020 to allow time for review. Commissioner Bothell made a motion to approve the June 10 Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) minutes. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Public Comment

Commissioner Noffske asked if there were any comments. There were none.

Consent Agenda

- South Fork Ambulance License Approval
- Center Ambulance License Approval
- Del Norte Ambulance License Approval
- Road and Bridge Wire to Suncor
- Weed and Pest District Insurance

Commissioner Bothell made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:08 AM the Board adjourned to the Board of Health.

At 10:43 AM the Board reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners.

Unfinished Business

Commissioner Goals in the Governing Policy were discussed. Commissioner Bothell said the list of goals in the Policy was fairly complete. She said, in addition to the list, some work needs to be done on finishing the written policies. Commissioner Noffske said work needs to be done on cataloguing and indexing files, and date stamping incoming mail. Commissioner Glover agreed that the policies need to be finished. Commissioner Bothell said the Commissioners also needed to work on the Conservation Trust Funds plan. Commissioner Noffske said the County-wide benefit plan needs to be evaluated. Areas of responsibility for the list need to be assigned to each Commissioner before the Governing Policy is approved. Further discussion was tabled until the work session on June 29, 2020.

Commissioners and Administrator Updates

At 10:53 AM, Ms. Slater gave an update on the Audit. It had been delayed due to COVID-19, and is still in progress.

At 10:54 AM, Ms. Slater said the Tyler Technology installation is nearly complete. The County should have the budgetary and finance program running in about a month.

At 10:55 AM, Commissioner Noffske talked about the railroad bankruptcy. A hearing before Judge McNamara in U.S. Bankruptcy Court is set for July 1, 2020. Mr. Dunn said the bankruptcy trustee will begin soliciting bids on June 19, 2020, not in September as he had previously believed. He is concerned the trustee may not take the interests of the San Luis Valley (SLV) Counties and Huerfano County into account. The county attorneys have been discussing the best action to make sure the counties' concerns are represented at the hearing. Mr. Dunn suggested setting up a meeting of the SLV Commissioners via Zoom before July 1, so the attorneys will know what concerns to bring to the bankruptcy trustee or court. Mr. Dunn will also verify that deadline for filing additional claims is August 20, 2020.

At 11:01 AM, Mr. Dunn spoke about the Jasper Septic System Variance approved by the BOH on June 10, 2020. He has learned that, in the past, resolutions have been passed for similar variances. Mr. Dunn said a resolution is not required, but would be beneficial for maintaining previous practices and creating an historical record. The Commissioners instructed him to draft a resolution for the June 10 variance approval. Mr. Dunn will ask Randy Kern, Building Department, if the resolution can take the place of the approval letter Mr. Kern requested at that meeting.

At 11:05 AM, Commissioner Noffske said he had been approached by the president of the San Luis Valley Fair Board asking for the Board's support if the fair is held.

Commissioner Noffske said there may be a change to Colorado's Gallagher Amendment.

trucks in daily use. Water used in production, including dust mitigation will be secured from off-site sources. Reclamation will take place after all mining is done, and the land will be ready for grazing one to two years after reseeded. The request has been approved by the Rio Grande County Planning Commission, and is awaiting approval from Colorado Division of Reclamation and Mining (DRMS) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and well as Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners (BOCC). Public concerns received include reduced property values, and increases in truck traffic, noise, and dust. Mr. Dlubac's presentation listed criteria and recommendations that need to be met before approval by the BOCC.

Mr. O'Rourke said the property owner wants to maintain the ranch as a ranch, and the gravel extraction will improve the grazing land. He said the pit and extraction will be done in a responsible manner. Mr. Schoen said the rock removal will increase the amount of land available for grazing, and the gravel extracted from the pit will be used to improve roads on his ranch. He said the object of the gravel pit is not to make money, but to improve ranch land.

The session was opened to public comment.

Dave Barbour, whose property is adjacent to Mr. Schoen's, spoke, listing three comments. He said Mr. Schoen's ranch existed before many of the surrounding residential subdivisions, and that some of the subdivisions, such as River Island Ranch, are still aspirational in nature. Next, he spoke about the potential increase in traffic. He said the surrounding subdivisions do not restrict the amount of traffic, and asked why Mr. Schoen should receive less consideration than the subdivision property owners. Lastly, he said the gravel pit would use less than three percent of the ranch, and is being requested to improve the ranch, and keep it as open space, which would benefit the surrounding area.

Mark Craig said the ranch would not be kept as a ranch, but would be turned into an open gravel pit. The traffic would be heavy truck traffic, not normal traffic. He questioned why the County would approve a permit that would benefit two people to the detriment of all neighbors. Mr. Craig said the permit did not include limitation of hours of operation, dust mitigation, or noise mitigation. He would like to hear the details in the permit the BOCC will vote on.

Gwen Patterson said the notice from of the last meeting when the gravel pit was discussed were published in the Monte Vista newspaper, not the South Fork newspaper, so she was concerned many people might not be aware of today's public hearing. She has sent letters to the planning and zoning commission and BOCC, but her concerns have not been addressed. She is concerned with the potential increased truck traffic on County Road 15, noise, and dust. She asked what is considered a "windy day", as stated in the request. Ms. Patterson said the criteria for items such as hours of operation and truck traffic are too vague, and details need to be written. Commissioner Noffske said the BOCC followed Colorado State Statute in publishing the notice. Commissioner Glover said the Monte Vista Journal is local to Rio Grande County. Commissioner Noffske said the BOCC's approval or disapproval of the conditional use permit is to be based on the application and whether it comports with the regulations of the EPA and DRMS. Commissioner Noffske said the purpose of this meeting is to see if the request complies with federal, state, and county regulations. Mr. O'Rourke said mornings are not usually as windy as afternoons, and if the day becomes extremely windy, the operators will use their judgement and stop work. He said there will be crushed gravel on the roads to and from the pit, which will decrease dust. Mr. O'Rourke also said the current rocky conditions on the land prevent pivot irrigation, so there may be more dust now than during pit operations.

Julia Lange said she and her husband own property adjacent to Mr. Schoen's. Their place was established in 1910. She was in agreement with Mr. Craig.

Lawana DeWees owns a parcel in River Island Ranch. She said she and other owners there have not built because of water litigation. She plans to build a home when the water issue is resolved, and does not want to live next to a gravel pit.

Commissioner Noffske said it is difficult to make a decision immediately after a public hearing, because new information is received. He said he would like to have the vote on the conditional use permit at the next BOCC meeting, July 1, 2020. Commissioners Glover and Bothell agreed. Commissioner Noffske asked Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, about the zoning of properties surrounding Mr. Schoen's ranch. She will research and let the BOCC know what she finds.

Ryan Dunn, County Attorney, had several questions for Mr. O'Rourke based on the public comments. He asked about the duration of the project. Mr. O'Rourke said the permit is for fifteen years, but he anticipates completing it in four to five years. The extra time requested is a

cushion for unforeseen circumstances. Mr. Dunn asked about dust mitigation. Mr. O'Rourke said the roads will be gravel instead of dirt like now. Water will be used during crushing as well as on the roads. Mr. Dunn asked about the water source. Mr. O'Rourke said he will use water from outside sources, such as the golf course. Mr. Dunn asked about noise mitigation. Mr. O'Rourke said the crusher would probably be used two to three weeks every other year, or perhaps annually if there was a need for gravel. It would operate in the fall.

Mr. Dunn asked Ms. Patterson what criteria was not satisfied in the application. Ms. Patterson said she had written her concerns in her letter to the BOCC. She references Approval Criteria #4 – 7 in the permit application. Mr. Dunn asked about her specific recommendations. Ms. Patterson said she listed several recommendations in her letter, such as sun-up to sun-down operations, the number of trucks, and the decibels (DBI) of noise.

Mr. Craig asked if any of the conditions Ms. Patterson mentioned were going to be addressed in the permit. Commissioner Noffske said the BOCC would consider the requests and use their best judgement.

Commissioner Bothell asked whether crushing and hauling would be limited to daylight hours. Mr. O'Rourke said they would. She asked if work would be done on weekends. Mr. O'Rourke said he would not normally work on weekends, but would if requested by a customer. Commissioner Bothell asked if 7.74 acres was the maximum size to be mined, and whether reclamation would be done between each of the three phases or at the end of the project. Mr. O'Rourke said 7.74 was the maximum, and the edges of the pit would be tapered. He said reclamation would be done at the end of the project.

Mr. Barbour asked if there would be more public comment allowed at the July 1 meeting. Commissioner Noffske said, unless unforeseen circumstances arose, today's session was the last time public comment could be made.

At 10:24 AM, Commissioner Noffske adjourned the public hearing.

The Board of the Rio Grande County Commissioners reconvened in regular session at 10:31 AM. The meeting was held via video conference call. Prayer was led by Commissioner Glover, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present were Commissioner Noffske, Commissioner Bothell, and Commissioner Glover, along with County Administrator Tricia Slater and Clerk of the Board DeAnn Jacobs.

Adoption of the Agenda

Ms. Slater said the Colorado Department Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) Contract, Amendment II for Communities that Care needed to be added under General Business. Commissioner Glover made a motion to approve the agenda as modified. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from the Previous Meeting

- 6-3 BOH
- 6-10 BOH

The Board of Health (BOH) minutes were approved during the BOH section of the meeting.

Public Comment

Commissioner Noffske asked if there were any comments.

Kenneth McBride, Del Norte resident, asked for information in regard to the termination of Emily Brown, former Rio Grande County Department of Public Health Director. Ryan Dunn, County Attorney, said much of the information is protected for Ms. Brown's privacy. Mr. McBride withdrew his question, and said he commended the Commissioners for terminating her.

Consent Agenda

- DSS AP
- AP
- Payroll
- Veterans Report
- BOH, Jasper Variance Resolution

- Void Warrant Request, 2018 and 2019 Lost Checks

Ms. Slater clarified the checks were lost by the recipients, not the County.

Commissioner Glover made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Vender	Amount
4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT, LLC.	\$19.56
ADAMSON POLICE PRODUCTS	\$98.00
AIRGAS USA, LLC	\$267.54
ALAMOSA CO NURSING SVC	\$3,166.66
ALAMOSA COUNTY	\$315.00
AMERICAN ELEVATOR PROFESSIONALS, LLC	\$175.00
ARLAN'S PRO SERVICES	\$100.00
AUTO TRUCK GROUP	\$724.96
BRENTON WILLIAMS	\$54.95
BROWN'S SEPTIC SVC INC	\$25.00
CAROL VORIS	\$9.90
CARY ALOIA	\$73.40
CENTURYLINK	\$57.00
CENTURYLINK	\$65.55
CENTURYLINK	\$64.82
CHAFFEE CNTY PUBLIC HLTH	\$1,372.75
CHARLES STILLINGS	\$65.75
CHRISTOPHER OTWELL	\$24.52
CIELLO POWERED BY SLVREC	\$1,561.36
CITY OF MONTE VISTA	\$2,000.00
CLEANING SOLUTIONS	\$2,632.64
CO DEPT OF LABOR & EMPLOY	\$30.00
CO DEPT OF PUB HLTH & ENV	\$281.00
CO.BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIO	\$262.50
COLORADO AIRPORT OPERATORS ASSOCIATION	\$50.00
COLORADO COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION	\$600.00
COLORADO DEPT OF AG / PLANT INDUSTRY DIV	\$90.00
COSTILLA COUNTY PUBLIC	\$10,165.00
CRYSTAL HERNANDEZ	\$175.00
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF	\$1,395.00
DEE A. KESSLER	\$3,150.00
DEL NORTE SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$23,562.08
DIANNE KOSHAK	\$15.75
DON MCDONALD	\$12.36
DP AG SERVICES	\$1,151.55
EATON SALES & SERVICES, LLC	\$2,213.25
EL PASO COUNTY CORONER	\$10,500.00
EMILY BROWN	\$289.62
FASTENAL	\$116.85
FIRST BANKCARD	\$13,592.92
FUENTES AUTO GLASS	\$775.00
GCR TIRE CENTER / TDS	\$2,200.33
GENOA HEALTHCARE	\$50.80
GOBINS, INC	\$43.59
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL	\$375.13
H & B TRANSPORT, LLC	\$2,683.44
HAYNIE'S INC.	\$337.99
HEATEC, INC	\$868.51
IDA SALAZAR	\$189.00
IHS PHARMACY	\$373.20

INDUSTRIAL & FARM SUPPLY	\$33.74
INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	\$106.94
JAY SARASON	\$40.00
JEAN BORREGO	\$5,287.59
JESSICA LOVELACE	\$50.00
KS STATEBANK	\$28,051.87
LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.	\$688.75
LENCO WEST, INC	\$36.66
LEONARD BROWN	\$52.70
LEROY A ROMERO	\$150.00
LOWE'S PAY AND SAVE, INC	\$50.37
LUCAS CASIAS	\$265.00
McKESSON MEDICAL-	\$82.26
MDS WASTE & RECYCLE, INC	\$98.00
MICHAEL MITCHELL	\$65.30
MONTE VISTA COOPERATIVE	\$514.82
MONTE VISTA MACHINE TOOL	\$45.00
MONTE VISTA SCHOOL DIST.	\$61,708.85
O & V PRINTING, INC	\$392.39
PHIL LONG FORD	\$65,008.00
PITNEY BOWES, INC.	\$105.00
PRO COM, LLC	\$115.00
PSYCHOLOGICAL RESOURCES	\$135.00
RIO GRANDE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	\$35,026.79
ROCKY MOUNTAIN PLUMBING	\$17.75
RUSSELL PRATT	\$62.60
S & S DISTRIBUTION, INC	\$33.40
SAFE LIFE DEFENSE	\$485.10
SAFETY - KLEEN	\$210.94
SAGUACHE CO PUBLIC HEALTH	\$1,472.50
SARGENT SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$19,809.45
SLV PARTS, INC	\$144.45
SLV REC	\$568.00
SLV REGIONAL MEDICAL	\$139.20
SOUTH FORK PROPANE, LTD. CO.	\$280.15
SPARKLE CLEANERS	\$35.00
STAPLES BUSINESS CREDIT	\$148.70
SUMMIT MARKET	\$152.38
SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT, CORP	\$10,547.00
SUZANNE BOTHELL	\$18.58
TONI STEFFENS-STEWARD	\$67.50
TOP VALUE	\$27.92
TOWN OF DEL NORTE	\$590.71
VALLEY COURIER	\$120.00
VALLEY LOCK AND SECURITY, INC	\$163.75
VARIDESK, LLC	\$395.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$357.88
WAGNER EQUIPMENT	\$2,240.97
WAGNER EQUIPMENT	\$966.82
WEX BANK	\$312.63
WEX BANK	\$3,339.81
WORLD FUEL SERVICES, INC	\$7,630.73
WSB COMPUTER SERVICES	\$2,863.50
XCEL ENERGY	\$1,894.17
XCEL ENERGY	\$1,590.53
XCEL ENERGY	\$1,936.11
	\$345,157.49

June 2020 Payroll

COUNTY GENERAL FUND	\$313,568.24
ROAD AND BRIDGE	\$97,354.82
SOCIAL SERVICES	\$160,404.70
WEED DISTRICT	\$12,256.18
AIRPORT FUND	\$1,513.89
PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY FUND	\$37,278.14
TOTAL:	\$622,375.97

County official and Department Head Reports

At 10:40 AM the Board adjourned to the Board of the Department of Social Services.

At 10:45 AM the Board reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners.

Sheriff Don McDonald announced that Under Sheriff Ed Raps will be retiring at the end of June. Chris Crown, coming from Conejos County Sheriff Department, will be the new Under Sheriff.

Sheriff McDonald said the department's radios will not meet the new State standards. The radios are eighteen years old. The department has received a bid from Digicomm for \$43,000 for eight mobile and eight handset radios. This was not included in the current budget.

Sheriff McDonald spoke about State Senate Bill 20-217, which includes unfunded mandates. It requires the radios, and also requires body cameras to be worn at all times. Sheriff McDonald said his department is looking for grants and ways to save expenses in other areas.

Sheriff McDonald said the vehicle orders approved during the BOCC meeting on January 29, 2020 had been put on hold due to COVID-19. They may now be ordered, and he will do so this week.

Sheriff McDonald said the department's law enforcement officers will be attending use of force training this week as mandated in Senate Bill 20-217. He said the Bill also requires that by 2023 all demographic data from contacts be sent to the State. The Bill also ends qualified immunity for law enforcement. Sheriff McDonald said camera recordings will be subject to open records law. He said that the five-year total cost for cameras, data storage, and meeting the requirements of the Bill is estimated to be one quarter of one million dollars. Annual cost will be roughly \$55,000 to \$60,000.

At 11:06 AM, Mr. Raps thanked the Commissioners and said it has been a pleasure working with the department.

General Business and Administrative Items

At 11:07 AM, Tom Monaco, Rural Opportunity Representative for Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT), spoke. He said there are State resources available to the County, municipalities, and local businesses for economic recovery from COVID-19 closures. OEDIT is working with the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) on a federal community and economic development grant. They will be working with State resources, such as Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE) and local resources, such as the San Luis Valley Development Resources Group (DRG). DRG is eligible for up to \$400,000 in grant funding for local recovery efforts. Mr. Monaco said he will help the County, municipalities, and businesses navigate through the various funding available.

At 11:25, AM, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) amendment was discussed. Ms. Slater said the County is the fiscal agent for the grant. Commissioner Bothell made a motion to authorize the chair to sign the CDBG amendment. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 11:26 AM, the Corona Virus Relief Fund (CVRF) collaboration with municipalities was discussed. A letter has been written to notify the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) that the County and its municipalities are working together on the funding. Commissioner Bothell made a motion to approve the letter and authorize Chairman Noffske to sign for the County. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 11:28 AM, the Board discussed hiring a part-time employee to administrate the CVRF for the County. Ms. Slater said one would be needed if the County is to be the fiscal administrator for the County and the municipalities. Commissioner Bothell made a motion to allow the County

Administration Department to hire a part-time employee for CVRF administration. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 11:32 AM, appointments to the Tourism Fund Panel were discussed. Ms. Slater said several members left in January 2020, leaving only two members, which is not a quorum. Letters of interest were sent to potential members, and a resolution has been created listing the two current members, plus seven who responded positively to the letter. There will be three representatives from each municipality on the panel. Monte Vista representatives will be Linda Burnett, Carol Riggerbach, and Ken Hamko. Del Norte Representatives will be Brandi McClure, Dustin Underwood, and Sam Bricker. South Fork representatives will be Travis Cross, Steven Valdez, and Cheryl McIntosh. Commissioner Glover made a motion to approve the appointments in the resolution. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

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Commissioner Gene Glover moved for adoption
 of the following Resolution

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 COUNTY OF RIO GRANDE, STATE OF COLORADO**

RESOLUTION NO 2020- 19

A RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING THE TOURISM FUND PANEL

WHEREAS, pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes, Section 30-11-107.5 (4)(b), the Rio Grande County Board of County Commissioners (“Board”) shall select a panel of no less than three citizens to administer the tourism fund, and

WHEREAS, the Rio Grande County Lodging Tax was approved at a special election by the registered voters of Rio Grande County on May 3, 1988

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized to appoint members to the Rio Grande County Tourism Fund Panel from the tourism industry within the municipalities or unincorporated areas from which the lodging tax is collected.

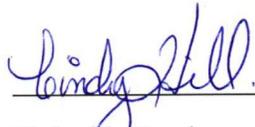
WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners wishes to appoint the following members to the Rio Grande County Tourism Panel.

Board Member	Representing	Term Begins	Term Ends
Linda Burnett	Monte Vista, CO	1/1/2019	12/31/2021
Carol Riggerbach	Monte Vista, CO	6/24/2020	12/31/2022
Ken Hamko	Monte Vista, CO	6/24/2020	12/31/2023
Brandi McClure	Del Norte, CO	6/24/2020	12/31/2021
Dustin Underwood	Del Norte, CO	6/24/2020	12/31/2022
Sam Bricker	Del Norte, CO	6/24/2020	12/31/2023
Travis Cross	South Fork, CO	6/24/2020	12/31/2021
Steven Valdez	South Fork, CO	6/24/2020	12/31/2022
Cheryl McIntosh	South Fork, CO	6/24/2020	12/31/2023

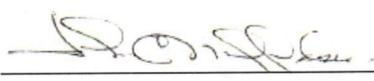
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners for Rio Grande County hereby appoints the above mentioned to the Rio Grande County Toursim Fund

Panel with the term of such appointment commencing on June 24th, 2020. Re-appointment shall be reviewed upon a request of continuance by the appointee.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Commissioner Suzanne Bothell and passed on vote of the Board of County Commissioners at a meeting of said Board on the 24th day of June 2020.



Clerk of the Board

By: 

John Noffske, Chairman



Gene Glover, Commissioner



Suzanne Bothell, Commissioner

At 11:44 AM, the Board discussed the Governing Policy. Commissioner Bothell made a motion to approve the Governing Policy. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 11:45 AM the Board adjourned to the Board of Health.

At 12:33 PM the Board reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners.

Commissioners and Administrator Updates

Ms. Slater received a request from Heather Tillman with the 4-H Fair. They are planning to have the fair in the McMullen Building. In the past, the BOCC has allowed the building's use at no charge, and Ms. Tillman asked that be allowed for 2020. There was general agreement between the Commissioners to do so. It will be discussed more at the BOCC meeting on July 1 2020.

At 12:35 PM, Commissioner Glover said the San Luis Valley Regional Landfill Authority Board had a good report at their meeting. He also said the 2020 Census is winding down.

At 12:36 PM, Commissioner Noffske said he and Mr. Dunn participated in a conference call with the railroad bankruptcy petitioners. Mr. Dunn has also been in communication with the attorneys from all counties involved. They would like to have a committee of creditors to give a voice to San Luis Valley and regional creditors in the proceedings.

At 12:39 PM Commissioner Bothell made a motion to adjourn the regular session for executive session according to 24-6-402(4)(f) to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner Noffske noted that the executive session would be held after the 1:00 PM Task Force meeting. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

At 2:06 PM, the Board entered executive session.

At 3:14 PM, the Board exited executive session.

At 3:15 PM, the Board reconvened the regular session. Commissioner Noffske said no decisions were made during executive session. He said that during executive session, the hiring of a Grant Manager had been discussed. Toni Steffens-Steward, part-time Department of Public Health Deputy Director, has fulfilled her obligation to the County to work on grant and financing issues for the Department of Public Health and the Administration Department. Ms.

Steffens-Steward will now continue working for the Administration Department as the Grant Manager. She will work at an agreed upon salary, and her position will be funded through various grants, Public Health, and the general fund if necessary. In addition to working on Public Health grants, she will work on grants for other departments and the CVRF. Commissioner Bothell made a motion to employ Toni Steffens-Steward as Grant Manager. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 3:20 PM, Commissioner Bothell made a motion to adjourn the regular session. Commissioner Glover seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

John Noffske
Chairman of the Board

DeAnn Jacobs
Clerk of the Board