

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

State of Colorado)
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County of Rio Grande)

The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in special session on June 3, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Glover at 2:00 PM.

Present were Commissioner Gene Glover, Commissioner John Noffske, Commissioner Scott Deacon, County Attorney Nancy Lake, and Clerk of the Board Aubrey Pargin.

Business

At 2:01 PM Commissioner Glover waived the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, and moved that the Board go into Executive Session for discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(f)(I) & (II).

At 2:46 PM the Board exited executive session.

At 2:46 PM the Board resumed the special session.

Commissioner Deacon moved to hire Craig A. Barraglough as County Administrator. Commissioner Noffske seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 2:46 PM Commissioner Deacon made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Noffske seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover
Chairman of the Board

Aubrey Pargin
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

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The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on June 16, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Glover at 8:58AM. A prayer was led by Commissioner John Noffske and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present were Commissioner Gene Glover, Commissioner John Noffske, Commissioner Scott Deacon, County Attorney Nancy Lake, and Clerk of the Board Aubrey Pargin.

Agenda Approval

At 8:59 AM Commissioner Deacon moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Noffske seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Public Comment

At 9:01 AM Cathy Garcia, Southern Colorado Regional Director from Congresswoman Lauren Boebert's office, was present to update the Board on what Ms. Boebert's office is working on. Ms. Garcia stated that her office is working on fraud cases that have to do with the Internal Revenue Service, Social Security Administration and Unemployment filings. Her office is working with constituents that need help in these areas. Ms. Boebert introduced the Western Water Security Act, which protects private water rights for ranchers and farmers, and also the

Protecting American Energy Job Act, which helps protect jobs in the energy field. Ms. Boebert is also introducing a bill to move the Bureau of Land Management office back to Grand Junction. Ms. Garcia also stated that the redistricting map should be out in August. Ms. Garcia plans to come to Del Norte once or twice a month and meet with constituents.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of minutes of past meetings: May 28, 2021 BOCC and BOH minutes, and June 3, 2032 BOCC
- Accounts Payable
- DSS Accounts Payable
- Homeland Security – Scope Change – Letter reassigning Fiscal Agent Signatory

Vender	Amount
4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT, LLC.	4,746.49
ALL CLEAR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC	13,333.33
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	387.64
ARLAN'S PRO SERVICES	30.00
AVENU HOLDINGS, LLC	5,462.81
BRANDON ROGERS	56.16
BRENNA RIVALE	100.00
CDHS CENTRAL ACCOUNTING	18.00
CENTURYLINK	216.62
CO DEPT OF PUB HLTH & ENV	30.08
CO.BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIO	3,053.50
COLORADO COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION	600.00
COLORADO DEPART. OF REVENUE	430.00
CONSERVATION LEGACY	1,400.00
CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE	1,037.84
DBT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, LLC	5,290.00
DEE KESSLER	2,250.00
DFA DAIRY BRANDS	246.00
DIGITCOM ELECTRONICS, INC	11,136.95
DISCOUNT AUTO PARTS & GLA	65.00
DISTRICT ATTORNEY OFFICE	19,875.00
DOC'S OUTDOOR SPORTS	359.91
DOUG COOPER	52.07
DP AG SERVICES	1,815.75
GALLS, LLC	55.55
GOBINS, INC	271.92
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL	629.14
GUNBARREL STATION, INC	60.00
HAYNIE'S INC.	8.69
INDUSTRIAL & FARM SUPPLY	8.40
JADE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC	186.20
JAMES CLARE	52.25
KD KLENE	360.51
KEN'S SERVICE CENTER	170.86
LACAL EQUIPMENT,INC	200.06
LAWSON PRODUCT INC	23.46
LEGAL AND LIABILITY RISK MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE	295.00
LOWE'S PAY AND SAVE, INC	75.11
MARC MID-AMERICA CHEMICAL	319.93
MARK MUELLER	56.30
MATCO TOOLS	56.50
MATHIAS CONCRETE INC	2,200.00
McKESSON MEDICAL-	160.60
MICHAEL TODD & COMPANY	679.18
MIKE SCHAEFER	56.30
MOBILE RECORD SHREDDERS, LLC	28.00

MONTE VISTA COOPERATIVE	83.99
MONTE VISTA JOURNAL	63.00
MOUNTAIN WEST INSURANCE	1,548.09
MOUNTAIN WEST SERIES OF LOCKTON COMPANIES	944.79
NANCY N. LAKE	7,332.50
NOTES & NUMBERS, LLC.	555.00
PAULINE MADDOX	85.00
PNS COLORADO, LLC	1,123.40
POSTMASTER	196.00
PRO COM, LLC	37.00
REBECCA KOLB	53.42
RMS	606.50
S & S DISTRIBUTION, INC	142.80
S L V HEALTH	1,459.60
SAFETY - KLEEN	210.94
SAGUACHE COUNTY JAIL	1,305.00
SAN LUIS VALLEY FAIR BRD	1,500.00
SARAH HERRERA	96.30
SHAMROCK FOODS COMPANY	3,464.95
SLV GIS/GPS AUTHORITY	150.00
SLV PARTS, INC	2.37
SLV REC	109.00
SOUTH CENTRAL COLORADO	10,000.00
STAPLES BUSINESS CREDIT	615.00
STATE OF COLORADO	1,375.78
SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT, CORP	10,547.00
TERMINIX PROCESSING CTR	73.84
THE MASTER'S TOUCH, LLC	1,739.22
TOWN OF DEL NORTE	467.49
UNITED REPROGRAPHIC	139.30
VALLEY COURIER	120.00
VALLEY ELECTRIC, INC	128.44
VALLEY LOCK AND SECURITY, INC	97.50
VALLEY LUMBER AND SUPPLY, INC	93.38
VALLEY PUBLISHING	335.60
VALUEWEST,INC	3,000.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	2,052.20
VERIZON WIRELESS	273.98
VERIZON WIRELESS	180.49
VERIZON WIRELESS	41.35
VERIZON WIRELESS	494.96
VICTIM ASSISTANCE FUND	18.00
WAGNER EQUIPMENT	2,520.15
WASTE MANAGEMENT-	296.62
WELCH EQUIPMENT COMPANY	33,050.00
WEX BANK	4,545.07
WEX BANK	563.53
WEX BANK	42.05
WEX BANK	1,037.34
WORLD FUEL SERVICES, INC	15,103.99
WSB COMPUTER SERVICES	4,447.05
XCEL ENERGY	1,881.60
XCEL ENERGY	2,655.92
XCEL ENERGY	1,581.16
	198,534.77

At 9:08 AM Commissioner Noffske asked why there was approximately \$3,000 paid to the State. Sheriff Don McDonald stated that there was money in the account due to payment for finger printing for Concealed Carry Weapons (CCW) permits. Commissioner Noffske moved to

approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

County Official and Department Head Reports

At 9:10 AM Sheriff Don McDonald was present to give a monthly report on the Rio Grande County Sheriff's Office. He stated that the health inspection was completed on the kitchen yesterday and it passed. Undersheriff, Chris Crown, and Rhonda McKinney are taking "manager tests" for the kitchen. Ms. McKinney is the new cook that they recently hired on April 13, 2021. Sarah Herrera is a nurse for the Sheriff's office and she completes exams on juveniles, but she recently became approved to complete exams on adults. Two other nurses have come forward to help her. This is through Tu Casa. Sheriff McDonald also stated that the finger printing system they have has been running since 2004 and it is not FBI certified. He also stated that they are starting to have issues with this system. A new Automated Fingerprint Information Systems Interoperability (AFIS) will cost approximately \$37,000, and it would be FBI and CBI certified. Sheriff McDonald recommended replacing this system soon to meet the department's needs. He also said that this system would be able to attach to inmates' records. Sheriff McDonald asked for a pay raise for Undersheriff Chris Crown. He asked for an increase from step four to a step six. Undersheriff Crown has increased his duties to managing the kitchen. Commissioner Noffske moved to approve a pay raise 1140 to step six for Undersheriff Crown. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Sheriff McDonald asked to move forward with damage repair to the "A" Pod wall. He got a quote from Van Iwaarden Builders, Inc. for \$11,424. Right now, the Sheriff's office cannot use these areas of the jail, so it has been a loss of six beds. Sheriff McDonald stated that he got a sole source bid from Van Iwaarden Builders, Inc. because they have the specs on this area of the jail. Commissioner Noffske moved to use Van Iwaarden Builders, Inc. to repair the wall in Pod "A" and that an insurance claim will be turned in. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Sheriff McDonald stated that his department is at 50% strength and he is having a hard time hiring people. He is requesting a review of the pay/wage for the Sheriff's Office personnel to an average increase of \$2.00 per hour. Lieutenant Tyler Dean said that he is working on breaking down overtime averages and the amount of overtime is going up because they are short staffed. Sheriff McDonald stated that being short staffed also effects the safety of the inmates.

Sheriff McDonald also requested to lease three new commercial grade washers (Jetz Service). This would include maintenance costs and would be \$93.78 dollars per month at a total cost of \$1,125.36 per year. In the past when Sheriff McDonald has had the current washers worked on it is an average of \$600 each time. Under this plan he stated that the inmates can be charged \$2 a week for their laundry. Commissioner Deacon moved to approve the Jetz Service commercial grade washer lease for the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Noffske seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Sheriff McDonald stated that there are two senate bills concerning mental health presently passed or being passed through the state legislature. Jails/detention centers must be able to provide for mental/behavior health of an inmate in a safe but secure environment. Sheriff McDonald stated that the cost for a padded room that can be used for mental/behavior health inmates is approximately \$21,777. Ms. Lake remarked that the County is behind schedule on this and also for AFIS. Sheriff McDonald stated that this could be COVID-19 funding related. Commissioner Noffske moved to use American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding for a mental health (padded) room and also for AFIS. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion passed. There was a brief discussion on the sewage traps. Sheriff McDonald and Lieutenant Dean stated that the sewage trap on their side is working and once a year they have Brown's Septic service come in and clean it. Undersheriff Crown stated that according to Stan Montoya, Maintenance Department, if the trap overflows it goes into the Town of Del Norte's system. Commissioner Glover said he would talk to Mr. Montoya and the Town of Del Norte about the system.

At 9:51 AM Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Department, presented his May report. Mr. Sullivan reported that his department completed projects on County Road 1 South and County Road 29 including mailboxes and fencing. They repaired and replaced numerous culverts and installed a Snaptite liner under County Road 3 East. He said they opted for a more expensive Snaptite liner (around \$8,000), so the road would not be shut down for an extended period of time. The Road and Bridge Department rented a vibratory compactor for projects on County Road 1 South and County Road 29. They also completed necessary repairs at the hot plant for

the upcoming season and shouldered asphalt on County Road 3 East, 1 East and Lariat Road. Mr. Sullivan stated that Roy Paulson will officially retire on the 30th of June after 48 years of service. He encouraged the Board to stick to an across the board pay grade. Mr. Sullivan said he interviewed a 23-year-old, very qualified, potential employee and his starting pay was going to be \$15 an hour. He said the young man turned down the job because it wasn't enough money to cover his bills.

Performance Grade (PG) asphalt is shut down in the state due to an oil shortage. The asphalt is made in the front range at Suncore. Mr. Sullivan said he called Suncore and there will not be PG asphalt available until the end of August or September. He also stated materials for medium cure projects come from Texas so that will be what his department will work on. Mr. Sullivan said he does not anticipate high water, but his department will monitor bridges over the next few weeks.

General Business

At 10:05 AM Jason Tillman, Fair Board President and Ski-Hi Stampede Committee representative, was present to ask the Board to waive the fee to use the Ski-Hi grounds and buildings for the SLV Fair August 7-14, 2021 and for the Ski-Hi Stampede July 17-25, 2021. Commissioner Deacon moved to waive the fee for the SLV Fair (August 7-14, 2021) and Ski-Stampede (July 17-25, 2021). Commissioner Noffske seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

County Official and Department Head Reports Continued

At 10:08 AM Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, was present to give her monthly report. Ms. Diltz stated that her office has been a little slow. They completed two New Boundary line revision applications and eleven Site Development reviews for building permits. Her department received one New Short Term rental application and six short term renewal rental applications, and four short term rental inspections were completed. Seven renewal letters were sent to short term rental owners whose permits will expire in June. Four New Land Use code violations were reported to Ms. Diltz. There was one violation of camping on vacant private property without a camping permit, and also one with three campers in a lot in a subdivision. An enforcement code violation involved an abandoned trailer in Alpine Village in South Fork. Ms. Diltz stated that the property owner is very aware of the situation and will probably hire someone to have it cleaned up. Ms. Lake said a pretrial conference is set for June 28, 2021 for the Mario Nelson/Andrew Buffington case. Ms. Diltz is getting bids to clean up the property.

Commissioner Noffske asked about campers on properties. Ms. Diltz stated that if someone has a building permit, they can camp on the property that they are going to build on while the construction is going on. The Planning Commission recommended a change to the "camping on private property" regulation. The recommendation is that there be a two-camper limit, with special consideration for large groups for a limited time. The Board and Ms. Diltz agreed that a work session in July would be beneficial to discuss this further. Ms. Lake said this issue came up at the County Attorneys' conference last week so she will come with examples of how counties have dealt with this issue. A work session was set for July 19, 2021 at 1 PM. Commissioner Glover asked if Ms. Diltz had seen the notice of annexation from the Town of South Fork. Ms. Diltz had not seen the notice, but was aware of the intent of Tiny Timbers to seek annexation.

At 10:31 AM Randy Kern, Building Department, was present to give his monthly report. There was discussion on regulations and zoning for property owners in the County. Mr. Kern stated that his department issued 20 building permits, four On-site Wastewater Treatment System (OWTS) permits, and three new address assignments for the month of May. He performed 66 inspections and completed 22 plan reviews. He reported he issued five Certificates of Occupancy for May, inspected a couple new hangars at the airport, and a commercial dog boarding facility. He was proud to report he has a 48-hour turnaround time when people contact his department. There was discussion on the IGA with the Town of South Fork and the Building Department. Mr. Kern stated that the Town of South Fork handles residential building permits, and the County does commercial buildings. Mr. Kern expressed his concern that the Ski-Hi project might not be done in time for Stampede. He has visited the site several times. The goal is to have the Events center open for Stampede, and section off the Conference center of the building because it will not be completed yet. Mr. Kern stated all life, health, safety, and accessibility items must be completed in order to temporarily occupy the building for the event. Mr. Kern will have Ken Van Iwaarden cover inspections and help with plan reviews while he is out of town the end of June.

Actions as the Board of Health

At 11:00 AM the Board adjourned as the BOCC and moved to the Board of Health.

At 1:06 PM the BOH adjourned and reconvened as the BOCC.

Commissioners and Administration Updates

At 1:08 PM Commissioner Deacon gave his brief update to the Board. He stated that he talked with the SLV Television Board and he will tour the site on San Antonio Mountain. They have 10-12 channels now with that reception.

Commissioner Noffske stated that Astronaut Rominger Airport received a \$25,000 grant plan. He said he met with the Airport Board and they are out of hangar spaces. The proposed airport layout plan includes going south of the McCallister place and using the old taxiway. They would designate hangar space and there is power close by. The proposed plan will have T-hangar space available and wildfire helipads. Commissioner Noffske also mentioned that a hangar space expired in 2010 and it was \$60 a year. This space was sold and Earl Robinson, Airport Manager, caught the mistake. The Board discussed the importance of language that makes the seller contact the new purchaser of the lease agreement and the importance of having a separate file for each hangar space. Commissioner Deacon moved that the Airport Manager and Board can move forward with an airport layout plan. Commissioner Noffske seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Ms. Lake stated that she was supposed to meet with Jim Edwards concerning resolving the water issues, but he had back surgery recently.

Commissioner Glover stated that he will meet with the Employee Council Plan. He met with Larry Brown CSU Extension Director, attended the Tri-County Seniors meeting, and the District Library meeting. He had Commissioner Deacon join him at the District Library meeting because he will be taking his spot on that Board.

At 1:25 PM Commissioner Noffske moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover
Chairman of the Board

Aubrey Pargin
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

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County of Rio Grande)

The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on June 30, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Glover at 9:00 AM. A prayer was led by Commissioner John Noffske and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present were Commissioner Gene Glover, Commissioner John Noffske, Commissioner Scott Deacon, County Attorney Nancy Lake, Rio Grande County Administrator Craig Barraclough, and Clerk of the Board Aubrey Pargin.

Agenda Approval

At 9 :00 AM Commissioner Deacon moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Noffske seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Public Comment

At 9:01 AM Chairman Glover asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of minutes of past meetings: May 21, 2021 Special Meeting, May 26, 2021 BOCC, BOH and DSS, June 16, 2021 BOCC and BOH
- Approval of Accounts Payable
- Approval of payroll report
- Approval of Financials
- Approval of Airport Lease Tract #44 – Gary Moreau
- Ambulance Certificate Signatures

Vender	Amount
AIRGAS USA, LLC	267.54
ALAMOSA CO NURSING SVC	8,902.39
ALAMOSA COUNTY	315.00
ALL CLEAR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC	13,333.33
ALTA FUELS, LLC	175.50
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	4,458.72
AMERICAN ELEVATOR PROFESSIONALS, LLC	200.00
AMY RENTERIA	116.10
ASU C.A.S.A. CENTER	187.00
AUBREY PARGIN	500.00
AVENU HOLDINGS, LLC	1,952.80
BROWN'S SEPTIC SVC INC	60.00
BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LEASING, INC	120.20
CARLA CHRISTENSEN	130.00
CENTURYLINK	501.72
CIELLO POWERED BY SLVREC	1,967.90
CLEANING SOLUTIONS	5,265.28
CO DIVISION OF OIL AND PUBLIC SAFETY	30.00
CO.BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIO	472.50
COLUMBINE AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS (SLV)	181.59
CONEJOS COUNTY NURSING	4,532.77
CONTROL SOLUTIONS INC	121.00
COSTILLA COUNTY AMBULANCE	1,692.87
COSTILLA COUNTY PUBLIC	734.59
COUNTY SHERIFFS OF COLO	375.00
CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE	575.09
CRIBS FOR KIDS	992.74
DEE KESSLER	6,300.00
DEISTER MACHINE COMPANY	501.54
DELIA PABLO	187.00
DIANNE KOSHAK	44.10
DIGITCOM ELECTRONICS, INC	435.65
DIRECT TV	195.99
EARL ROBINSON	107.52
ESMERALDA AGUILERA	9.90
FIRST BANKCARD	13,293.98
GARRISON FENCE, INC	2,935.00
GOBINS, INC	71.68
GUNBARREL STATION, INC	210.16
HAYNIE'S INC.	1,231.65
INTERSTATE ENGERY, INC	864.79
JEAN BORREGO	5,262.99

KATHRYN TRUJILLO	5,500.00
KRISTI HILLIS	1,216.00
MASTER PRINT & WEB DESIGN, INC	2,547.24
MAX GARCIA	26.10
McKESSON MEDICAL-	46.42
MIDWEST SCIENTIFIC	1,615.00
MIKE REAVES ELECTRIC, LLC	611.99
MOBILE RECORD SHREDDERS, LLC	28.00
MONTE VISTA COOPERATIVE	1,206.08
MOTOROLA INC	4,382.08
MYERS BROTHERS TRUCK AND TRACTOR, INC	4,627.52
NATIONAL BUSINESS FURNITURE, LLC	794.00
PAULINE MADDOX	90.00
PITNEY BOWES, INC.	105.00
PRO COM, LLC	37.00
QUILL.COM	53.16
RIO GRANDE HOSPITAL	1,010.00
ROCKY MOUNTAIN PLUMBING	15.78
S & S DISTRIBUTION, INC	48.00
SAGUACHE CO PUBLIC HEALTH	6,581.35
SAN LUIS VALLEY HEALTH	62,697.76
SANOFI PASTEUR, INC.	80.62
SARAH HERRERA	138.48
SIMPLE DISTRIBUTORS LLC	399.39
SLV DEVELOPMENT RESOURCE GROUP	92,800.00
SLV HOME HEALTH	797.74
SLV PARTS, INC	73.64
SLV REC	541.00
STAPLES BUSINESS CREDIT	927.49
STATE OF COLORADO	597.23
SYN-TECH SYSTEMS, INC	370.00
TOWN OF DEL NORTE	230.49
U.S. TRACTOR, INC	987.86
VALLEY COURIER	330.75
VALLEY ELECTRIC, INC	2,686.25
VALLEY LUMBER AND SUPPLY, INC	48.95
VALLEY-WIDE HEALTH SYSTEM	1,786.70
VAXCARE, INC	14.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	840.47
WAGNER EQUIPMENT	4,846.28
WELCH EQUIPMENT COMPANY	1,157.62
WORLD FUEL SERVICES, INC	1,906.70
WSB COMPUTER SERVICES	5,688.70
	290,302.42

June 2021 Payroll

COUNTY GENERAL FUND	\$334,129.55
ROAD AND BRIDGE	\$106,487.20
SOCIAL SERVICES	\$162,124.36
WEED DISTRICT	\$12,033.21
AIRPORT FUND	\$2,182.02
PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY FUND	\$38,676.22
TOTAL:	\$655,632.56

At 9:01 AM Ms. Lake stated that there were no changes to the original lease so she did not need to review it. Commissioner Noffske moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

County Official and Department Head Reports

At 9:02 AM Armando Ross, Weed and Pest District, was present to give his monthly report. Mr. Ross stated that his department now has five employees including himself. He started a road crew and also has a crew doing private spraying. He talked to the Ordinance Officer and Chief of Police in Monte Vista and he said they are not enforcing noxious weed control this year. He also stated that they are not working in the city limits in South Fork. Mr. Ross said his department has one part time employee, and his department is using all the chemical companies equally. He ordered two windows for his shop and they should be here by October. Mr. Ross said the Organic Notice is not out yet. Commissioner Glover said that he has contacted South Fork to see if they want spraying done, but he has not heard back from them. Ms. Lake stated that if people have issues with the Weed and Pest District, they are ordered to call her office. Mr. Ross reported that they are buying yellow shirts so people can easily recognize his department when they are out working. He also said that the lights on vehicles are always on for safety.

At 9:08 AM Jack Rudder, Veteran's Service Officer, was present to give his Veteran's report. He stated that he is still unable to use his office at Veteran's Center at Home Lake because of COVID-19 precautions. He said he gets tested once a week for COVID-19 and checks in to his office to check his mail and messages. Mr. Rudder said he mostly operates from home and out of the Alamosa office. He stated that he has been helping Myra Aranda. They have been helping Veterans from Conejos and Costilla County, and have also done some work for Saguache County. He stated that Mineral County has a new veteran officer and they have been operating out of the Western Slope. Mr. Rudder stated that there are two VSO's working in the San Luis Valley and that there is no Community Care Program anymore. He stated that there is a VA doctor in Alamosa that works one day a week and he can do Telehealth. Commissioner Glover reported that transportation for veterans came up at the SLV Commissioner's meeting. Mr. Rudder said that a bus is needed, but not every day. Ms. Aranda did 80 missions in the month of June. He also stated that there is a need for a wheelchair accessible bus. Mr. Rudder reported he is considering retirement but would like to work until the first of the year.

General Business

At 9:19 AM Kim Temple and Jessica Bogner, Wall, Smith, & Bateman Inc., were present to give their Audit Presentation. Ms. Temple and Ms. Bogner conducted an annual December 31, 2021 audit and risk assessment. Ms. Temple stated that everything was very comparable to last year except for the food stamp program increasing to almost 3 million dollars. In summary, Ms. Bogner stated that there were no material weaknesses found, which is an improvement from years past. There were two internal controls that did not detect correct financial misstatements in a timely manner. Ms. Kern reported that there were two significant deficiencies that were not detected in a timely manner which caused misstatements in the financial statements. Ms. Temple recommended that the County identify good detection controls. She stated that there is still work to do and management has made a plan. Ms. Bogner stated that the detection controls are working. Debbie Philips, Chief Financial Officer, has already implemented a process to properly process payroll errors. The two audit adjustments were posted and Ms. Temple and Ms. Bogner said that the departments were great about getting them all the information they needed. The auditors voiced concerns about payroll processes and offered some suggestions for improvement. Commissioner Noffske moved to accept the audit report as presented. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 9:43 AM Tom Haefeli, Astronaut Rominger Airport Advisory Board Member, and Cindy Hill, Rio Grande County Clerk, were present to discuss lease hangar issues. Ms. Hill stated that there are seven lots or tracts that she could not find written leases for. Some of these were new lots and some of them were older lots. There is also a transfer of a lot not recorded. Ms. Lake stated that new leases have new requirements, but she has not seen the old leases. This past March, the new lease agreement was complete and clauses were added that the lessee has to give the County 30 days' notice if they are selling. Ms. Lake said that the Board has not established or put a renewal policy in place. Ms. Hill explained that when a blank lease is handed out it is very difficult to read hand writing and some information is left blank. She recommended it being typed and filled out on a computer so it is complete and legible. Ms. Lake stated that she is looking at re-drafting the lease because there is some repetition in paragraphs "a" and "d". Ms. Hill handed out maps of the Airport and the tract numbers. She updated the map and put names on the tracts. Ms. Hill said that some tract numbers do not match up to the lease agreements. Mr. Haefeli stated that procedures for airport leases have changed because of turnover. Ms. Lake recommended they all spend an afternoon together to go through all the leases. Commissioner Glover and Ms. Lake agreed it would be beneficial to send a letter out to all lessees and have them get it back to them. Mr. Haefeli asked the Board

to consider reinstating Jay Sarason to the Airport Advisory Board. Commissioner Deacon moved to reinstate Mr. Sarason to the Airport Advisory Board. Commissioner Noffske seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:10 AM Sheriff Don McDonald presented a property loss list that included everything but the doors for the previous damage to the jail. Sheriff McDonald said that in May 2021 the jail kitchen had a Health Department Inspection that they did not pass. Part of the reason they did not pass was because they did not have a Certified Food Manager on site. Rhonda McKinney has recently passed her Certified Food Manager test. Ms. McKinney also took the results of that inspection and passed the reinspection on June 15, 2021. Sheriff McDonald asked the Board to approve a pay increase to grade 540 step 18, for Ms. McKinney. Commissioner Noffske moved to approve the pay increase for Rhonda McKinney to grade 540 step 18 (\$15.96 per hour). Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Sheriff McDonald gave a brief update on State Bills that could affect the Sheriff's Department. The deadline for body cameras is now October 1, 2021.

Commissioner and Administrator Updates

Commissioner Noffske stated that he will be giving an update on Summitville at the next meeting. He also said that he is waiting to hear from John Galuacha on an update with the bankruptcy status of the San Luis & Rio Grande Railroad.

Commissioner Deacon said that he would be visiting San Antonio Mountain the next day with SLV Television. He stated that he was looking forward to learning more about digital antennas and options for free TV.

Commissioner Glover said he was happy to introduce Mr. Barraclough as the new County Administrator.

Ms. Lake stated that she was made aware, the day before, that Rio Grande County and the Sawyers lawsuit was going into hearing next April.

At 10:24 AM Commissioner Deacon moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover
Chairman of the Board

Aubrey Pargin
Clerk of the Board