

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

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County of Rio Grande)

The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, September 6, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Glover at 10:00 AM. A prayer was led by Commissioner Deacon and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present were Commissioner Gene Glover, Commissioner Scott Deacon, Commissioner Tyler Ratzlaff, County Administrator William (Skip) Schoen, County Attorney Nancy Lake, and Clerk of the Board DeAnn Jacobs.

Adoption of the Agenda

Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Public Comment

At 10:00 AM, Commissioner Glover asked if there were any public comments.

Several residents from the Alpine Village area voiced concerns about ATV use on County Road 15, speeding on County Road 15, permits for RVs on private land, survey lines in Alpine Village #4, and road plowing in Alpine Village. Mr. Schoen said he will speak to Sheriff Anne Robinson about enforcement issues on County Roads, and let the citizens know what the laws are. Commissioner Glover said he will speak to CDOT about the road enforcement issues. Mr. Schoen suggested the residents talk with Dixie Diltz, Land Use, about RV permit questions, and to Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge, about road maintenance.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of Accounts Payable
- Ratify First Bank card payment

Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Vender	Amount
AMERICAN FIDELITY	3,105.82
AMERICAN PUBLIC LIFE	32.70
BC SERVICES, INC.	461.62
COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	718.38
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY	532.00
MASA MEDICALTRANSPORT SERVICES	560.00
NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	762.09
SECURITY BENEFIT	4,295.00
A GREER ROOFING, LLC.	25,000.00
AIRGAS USA, LLC	136.14
ARLAN'S PRO SERVICES	40.00
CARICIA JOHNSTON	25.00

CARLA CHRISTENSEN	350.00
CIELLO POWERED BY SLVREC	25.05
CIELLO POWERED BY SLVREC	63.95
CIELLO POWERED BY SLVREC	100.89
CIELLO POWERED BY SLVREC	140.53
CIELLO POWERED BY SLVREC	150.30
CSU PRODUCER RESOURCES, INC	25.00
DALE TRUJILLO	230.56
DIGITCOM ELECTRONICS, INC	320.53
DISTRICT ATTORNEY OFFICE	27,777.75
DWANA K PHILLIPS HAUGEN	220.00
GENE GLOVER	235.80
GOBINS, INC	199.70
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL	571.88
J.J. KELLER & ASSOCIATES, INC	132.55
JENNIFER MONDRAGON	353.36
JOHN FREDRICK McCLURE	3,241.49
LEDS, LLC	3,024.00
LIGHTING, ACCESSORY & WARNING SYSTEMS (L.A.W.S)	51.79
MCQUITTY PLUMBING AND HEATING	1,917.14
MONTE VISTA COOPERATIVE	12.64
RHONDA RICHARDSON	78.60
ROADSAFE TRAFFIC SYSTEMS, INC	19,655.00
S & S DISTRIBUTION, INC	64.00
SALIDA FIRE EXTINGUISHER	948.00
SCOTT LECKLER	4,369.49
STATE OF COLORADO	2,144.10
TERMINIX PROCESSING CTR	74.00
UNITED RENTALS, INC.	359.76
VALERO CAPITAL CORPORATION	80,769.81
VALLEY LUMBER AND SUPPLY, INC	58.00
VALUEWEST, INC	3,180.00
VAN IWAARDEN BUILDERS INC	112,959.00
WSB COMPUTER SERVICES	186.00
	299,659.42

General Business and Administrative Items

At 10:23 AM, the BOCC considered the purchase of property for the Weed and Pest Control District. The buildings and land are currently owned by the Rio Grande Conservation District. The offer price is \$230,000. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to table the decision until a later date. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Mr. Schoen said he plans to have it on next week's agenda.

At 10:25 AM, the Board considered adopting procedures for Local Small Business Support using Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Funds (LATCF). The proposed plan would

allocate approximately \$200,000 in LATCF funds for grants of up to \$15,000 for capital investments for “brick and mortar” businesses on a “first-come-first-served” basis.

Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to adopt the proposed procedures for approving and distributing LATCF funds to support Rio Grande County small businesses, with the addition of advertising in the local newspapers. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:33 AM, the BOCC considered a request from Polished Edge for LATCF funding. James and Rhonda Pacheco, and Eddy Maestas, owners, said the funds would be used for parking lot paving. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve \$15,000 in LATCF to partially fund parking lot paving for the Polished Edge. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Commissioners, Administrator, and Attorney Updates

At 10:40 AM, Commissioner Ratzlaff said he attended the SLV Housing Coalition meeting, the Colorado Counties Inc. (CCI) land use meeting, and Urban Renewal Authority (URA) meeting for Monte Vista. He said the URA asked that the County appoint someone to its board, and the Commissioners appointed Commissioner Ratzlaff to be the County representative to the URA.

At 10:46 AM, Commissioner Deacon said Valley Electric was done with the fans and lights installation inside the McMullen Building. He said the estimate for bringing the Building up to code is about \$4,800. Commissioner Deacon attended the Monte Vista Chamber of Commerce meeting, got phone calls about ATVs, and helped with the Early Iron Club. Commissioner Deacon and Mr. Schoen discussed electrical reels for the McMullen Building.

At 10:54 AM, Commissioner Glover said he attended the fall watershed meeting, and worked with South Central Seniors and Tri-County Seniors on bank signature cards.

At 10:56 AM, Ms. Lake said her work has included completing filings concerning Road and Bridge Department wells with the water court, almost completing the boundary deed for the Brimhall property, handling complaints about County services, reviewing a CORA request, working with the Public Health Department on a statement of work, working with the Sheriff on a request for a School Resource Officer, and reviewing insurance for airport loaner vehicles. She said the airport’s settlement conference was put on hold.

At 11:00 AM, Commissioner Glover said the Colorado Counties Inc. (CCI) Southern District meeting will be this Friday, and the San Luis Valley BOCC meeting will be on Friday, September 25th.

At 11:02 AM, Mr. Schoen said his takeaway tasks include following up with the Sheriff about the public comments concerning ATVs and speed limits, and putting that information on the County website, asking the Sheriff about CDOT and State Patrol enforcement, earmarking \$15,000 in LATCF for the Polished Edge, advertising the LATCF small business funding in newspapers, the County website, and Chambers of Commerce, contacting Valley Electric about electric reels, and contacting Mattea Freel about the Weed and Pest Control District property. He said the Commissioners and Administrative staff will have a calendar review next Wednesday.

At 11:07 AM, Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover
Chairman of the Board

DeAnn Jacobs
Clerk of the Board

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The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, September 13, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Glover at 10:00 AM. A prayer was led by Commissioner Ratzlaff and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present were Commissioner Gene Glover, Commissioner Scott Deacon, Commissioner Tyler Ratzlaff, and County Administrator William (Skip) Schoen.

Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Schoen said the July 23, 2023 BOCC minutes needed to be removed from the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Ratzlaff said under General Business, the amount of the basketball court request needed to be changed to \$15,000. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Public Comment

At 10:01 AM, Commissioner Glover asked if there were any public comments.

Charles Tarnutzer, Monte Vista resident, presented Commissioner Deacon with a Monte Vista street sign from the 1930's or 1940's in appreciation of all he does for residents.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of Accounts Payable
- DSS Accounts Payable

Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Vender	Amount
FIRST BANKCARD	20,338.38
ALAMOSA CTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT	3,625.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1,710.07
AVFUEL CORPORATION	32,434.53
BRANDI HAZARD	79.78
BROWN'S SEPTIC SVC INC	240.00

CDHS CENTRAL ACCOUNTING	38.00
CIELLO POWERED BY SLVREC	328.03
CIELLO POWERED BY SLVREC	67.59
CIELLO POWERED BY SLVREC	641.19
COLORADO DEPT. OF REVENUE	1,251.00
DIANNE KOSHAK	74.67
DIGITCOM ELECTRONICS, INC	37,480.00
DOLORES ATENCIO	97.86
GALLS PARENT HOLDINGS, LLC.	88.37
GOBINS, INC	99.90
GOOGLE, LLC	6.00
HELEN LESTER	941.59
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY (ISU)	1,008.33
JULIE RAMSTETTER	666.66
KOLAWOLE BANKOLE	45.00
LOWE'S PAY AND SAVE, INC	81.00
MADDOX COLLECTIONS	30.00
MARY JANE VALDEZ	950.00
McKESSON MEDICAL-	21.87
MDS WASTE & RECYCLE, INC	120.00
MILESTONE PSYCHIATRY	1,600.00
ROBERTA MARQUEZ	118.75
S & S DISTRIBUTION, INC	33.00
SHAMROCK FOODS COMPANY	3,676.98
SPARKLE CLEANERS	85.00
STAPLES BUSINESS CREDIT	305.38
THE SPUD SELLER, INC	150.00
VALLEY COURIER	270.00
VALLEY PUBLISHING	75.00
VAXCARE, INC	24.11
VERIZON WIRELESS	529.31
VERIZON WIRELESS	391.75
VERIZON WIRELESS	180.20
VICTIM ASSISTANCE FUND	38.00
WARRIOR KIT	205.00
WEAVERS LEVEL BEST SEPTIC	2,780.73
WEX BANK	960.53
WEX BANK	125.35
WSB COMPUTER SERVICES	26,030.74
	140,044.65

County Official and Department Head Reports

At 10:02 AM, Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge, gave the August report. Work done included continuing skin patching projects, providing bleachers and a loading dock for the SLV Fair,

repairing an emergency road closure due to a culvert collapse on the County Line Road, completing the first round of mowing, clearing runoff debris from Burnt Creek off the road near Jasper, completing one full round of grading, and marking skin patching projects in preparation for striping. Mr. Sullivan said proposed work includes completing the remaining skin patching projects, assisting the City of Monte Vista with a bridge rail project, replacing a culvert near Summitville, beginning a multiplate project on County Road 3 West, and staking a half-mile section of County Road 15 for road construction. He said the crew attended an American Public Works Association (APWA) Snow and Ice conference in Gunnison.

At 10:10 AM, Randy Kern, Building Department, gave the August report. He said ninety-one inspections were done. The department is reviewing building permits under the new building code. Mr. Kern said he and Richard Hubler, Building and Land Use Director of Alamosa County, are discussing creating an IGA between the two County offices. The Board gave permission to pursue it further.

At 10:16 AM, Dixie Diltz, Land Use, gave the August report. She said a new Conditional Use application, a new Home Occupation application, and several short-term rental applications were received. She said several blight and code violation inspections have been done. Ms. Diltz presented the new Development Code Book amendments to the Board.

At 10:18 AM, Sheriff Anne Robinson gave her report to the Board. She said the sewer line has been repaired, jail building maintenance is being done, and the mold mitigators have arrived. Sheriff Robinson said the canine unit had a successful drug hit. She discussed open positions in the department. She said the biometric scanner installer will visit the department Friday.

General Business and Administrative Items

At 10:21 AM, the BOCC considered at request from the Friends of South Fork Foundation for \$15,000 from the Conservation Trust Fund (CTF) to be used for improvement to the basketball court/skating rink in South Fork. Kris Steffens, Friends of South Fork Foundation, and Hank Weber, Town of South Fork, presented the request. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve the Friends of South Fork request for \$15,000 in CTF funding for the basketball court and skating rink. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Ms. Steffens said the funds need to go to the Town of South Fork, not the Friends of South Fork. Commissioner Ratzlaff amended his motion to reflect the change. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:26 AM, the Board considered renewing the contract between the Sargent School District and the Rio Grande County Sheriff's Department for the School Resource Officer. Sheriff Robinson presented the contract. She said the contract will be prorated because the Officer is currently unavailable for duty. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve the contract of the Sargent School District with the Rio Grande County Sheriff's Office for the School Resource Officer at a prorated amount. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:28 AM, the BOCC considered a request from Charizma Salon and Spa, located in Monte Vista, for assistance using Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Funds (LATCF). Donna Davis, owner, presented the request. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve \$9,014.80 in LATCF funding to support Charizma Salon and Spa's request for funding to purchase and install new pedicure chairs and salon chair mats, and to recoup recent costs for

installation of pedicure chairs and plumbing repairs. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:30 AM, the BOCC considered approval of the Human Resources Specialist selection. Mr. Schoen recommended approval of Debra Hite as the new County HR Resources Specialist. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve Debra Hite as Rio Grande County Human Resources Specialist, starting at Grade 16, Step 3. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:32 AM, the BOCC considered approval of a Website Transition Technical Support Contract. Mr. Schoen said the contract would be with current County employees for up to ninety days. He said two employees have expressed interest and been cleared by their department heads to work on the transition. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve the use of ninety-day contracts with existing Rio Grande County employees to provide technical support for the County website transition. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:39 AM, Commissioner Glover called for an executive session to discuss the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of real, personal, or other property interest under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(a).

At 11:15 AM, the Board exited executive session.

At 11:15 AM, the Board resumed the regular session. Commissioner Glover said no actions were taken.

Commissioner Ratzlaff directed Mr. Schoen to put the purchase of the Weed and Pest Control District's building on next week's agenda at the asking price. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Commissioners, Administrator, and Attorney Updates

At 11:16 AM, Commissioner Ratzlaff said he attended the Colorado Counties Inc. (CCI) Southern District Conference, and the Upper Rio Grande Economic Development (URGED) meeting.

At 11:24 AM, Commissioner Deacon said there needs to be a way to encourage more business growth in Rio Grande County.

At 11:29 AM, Commissioner Glover said he attended an Ag Conference pre-planning meeting, a County Health Pool (CHP) meeting, a County Technical Services, Inc. (CTSI) meeting, the CCI Southern District meeting, the Upper Rio Grande Economic Development (URGED) meeting, and the Del Norte Chamber of Commerce meeting.

At 11:33 AM, Commissioner Ratzlaff asked Commissioner Deacon what kind of help for businesses he suggested. Commissioner Deacon suggested low interest loans available through the USDA and finding local financial help for new businesses start-ups. Commissioner Glover suggested discussing this with the Council of Governments (COG) and Development Resources Group (DRG).

At 11:39 AM, Mr. Schoen said the State of Colorado Human Services had a data breach; he said the data breach was not with the County's Department of Human Services. Mr. Schoen

said two quotes for elevator repair have been received, a quarterly employee recognition will be put on the September 27th BOCC agenda, and the tax incentive package discussion between the County and the City of Monte Vista is moving forward. Mr. Schoen gave an update on next week's BOCC agenda. There was a discussion on carpeting the Administration Office and the boardroom.

At 12:01 PM, Commissioner Deacon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover
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Clerk of the Board

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The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, September 20, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Glover at 10:00 AM. A prayer was led by Commissioner Deacon and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present were Commissioner Gene Glover, Commissioner Scott Deacon, Commissioner Tyler Ratzlaff, County Administrator William (Skip) Schoen, County Attorney Nancy Lake, and Clerk of the Board DeAnn Jacobs.

Adoption of the Agenda

Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Public Comment

At 10:01 AM, Commissioner Glover asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of BOCC Minutes: August 2nd, August 9th, August 16th, 2023
- Approval of Accounts Payable
- Approval of July Financials

Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Vender	Amount
AIRGAS USA, LLC	296.81

ALL CLEAR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC	10,000.00
ALL SECURE	10,170.05
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	769.94
AMERICAN ELECTRIC COMPANY	318.40
BROWN'S SEPTIC SVC INC	30.00
CARLA CHRISTENSEN	375.00
CENTURYLINK	221.01
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY	4,246.73
DEL NORTE MARKETING	14,877.69
DREW SMITH	100.00
FASTENAL	473.15
GAYLORD BROS. INC.	1,878.91
GENOA HEALTHCARE	4,482.65
GISELLE ALMEIDA	500.00
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL	334.13
GUNBARREL STATION, INC	315.00
GWORKS	546.00
HIGH VELOCITY GRAPHICS, LLC	429.00
INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	1,026.96
JACK'S MARKET PHARMACY	175.00
JANET SANCHEZ	850.00
JERRY DURAN	431.17
KALEIGH WHITE	123.80
LENCO WEST, INC	66.76
LEROY A ROMERO	150.00
LOWE'S PAY AND SAVE, INC	79.18
MASTER PRINT & WEB DESIGN, INC	2,283.70
MATRIX CONSULTING GROUP	3,430.00
MEADOW GOLD DAIRY - ENGLEWOOD - DFA DAIRY BRANDS	635.50
MOBILE RECORD SHREDDERS, LLC	28.00
MONTE VISTA CHAMBER	29,633.07
MONTE VISTA COOPERATIVE	35.83
MYERS BROTHERS TRUCK AND TRACTOR, INC	14,467.56
PRO COM, LLC	86.00
ROCKY MOUNTAIN PLUMBING	23.97
SHAMROCK FOODS COMPANY	1,694.18
SLV PARTS, INC	20.95
SOUTH FORK MARKETING	104,143.81
THE PRETTY PARLOR BOUTIQUE	450.00
TOP VALUE	16.04
TOWN OF DEL NORTE	1,332.48
VALLEY ELECTRIC, INC	44,425.66
VALLEY LOCK AND SECURITY, INC	1,972.31
VERIZON WIRELESS	51.37

VERIZON WIRELESS	260.87
VERIZON WIRELESS	1,919.92
WAGNER EQUIPMENT	16,120.21
WASTE MANAGEMENT-	288.80
WATER WORKS CAR WASH LLC	39.50
WEX BANK	1,332.84
WEX BANK	4,330.34
WORLD FUEL SERVICES, INC	5,094.37
WSB COMPUTER SERVICES	212.00
XCEL ENERGY	7,291.99
XCEL ENERGY	3,598.50
XCEL ENERGY	2,379.77
	300,866.88

General Business and Administrative Items

The BOCC considered requests for small business assistance.

At 10:02 AM, the Board considered approval of Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Funds (LATCF) for Carthers Roadhouse to purchase a refrigerator, freezer, and ice machine. David Garrison was present to represent the business. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve \$14,532 in LATCF to reimburse Carthers Roadhouse for the purchase of a new refrigerator, new freezer, and the purchase of an ice machine. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Mr. Schoen said if there are minor changes to the small business requests that do not affect the dollar amount, the approvals can be modified, but major changes will require a new request.

At 10:07 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Eduardo Mexican Grill for appliances and equipment. Gloria Arroyos was present to represent the business. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve \$12,639 in LATCF for Eduardo Mexican Grill to purchase new appliances and equipment. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:09 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Lancaster Printworks for new print shop equipment. Hannah Lancaster was present to represent the business. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve \$13,994 in LATCF to Lancaster Printworks for new print shop equipment. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:11 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Three Barrel Brewing for new flooring in the restaurant. William Kreutzer was present to represent the business. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve \$12,629 in LATCF for Three Barrel Brewing to install new flooring in the restaurant. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:15 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Enduring Wellness Health Clinic to purchase office equipment, furniture, and medical equipment. Emily Boyd was present to represent the business which will open soon. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve \$14,862 in LATCF for Enduring Wellness Health Clinic to purchase equipment, furniture, and medical equipment. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:17 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Alpine Desert LLC to purchase office equipment and furnishings. Angela Lee was present to represent the new business. She said she is requesting \$15,000, but if the total cost is less, she will submit invoices for only the amount spent. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve \$15,000 in LATCF for Alpine Desert LLC to purchase furniture and renovations. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:20 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for SKM Construction to purchase a pallet fork. Henry Martinez was present to represent the business. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve \$1,333 in LATCF for SKM Construction to purchase a pallet fork. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:22 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Stretch's Barbershop for barbershop equipment. Edgar Borunda was present to represent the business. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve \$14,993 in LATCF for Stretch's Barbershop to purchase barbershop equipment. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:26 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Raisin' Rye Bakery to purchase a new bread oven and an espresso machine. Robert Toews was present to represent the business. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve \$15,000 in LATCF for Raisin' Rye Bakery to purchase a bread oven and an espresso machine. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:29 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Almost Home Ice Cream & More to purchase tables and outdoor furniture, shades, and décor. Deb Durre was present to represent the business. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve \$15,000 in LATCF for Almost Home Ice Cream & More to purchase tables and outdoor furniture, shades, and décor. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Commissioner Glover said, even though requests for the total LATCF have been received by the County, he encouraged small business owners to continue submitting requests in case more funding becomes available.

At 10:35 AM, the Board discussed the Rio Grande Native Fish Species County Coalition IGA. Mr. Schoen and Ms. Lake voiced concerns with the wording on page 3, paragraph 3(d), concerning procedures in the event of a cost overrun exceeding \$6,500. Commissioner Glover said the IGA renewal should be discussed at the Big Six BOCC meeting before Rio Grande County acts on approval. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to table the request for the Rio Grande Native Fish Species County Coalition IGA. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:47 AM, the Board reviewed the Colorado Counties Inc. (CCI) and Council of Governments (COG) annual dues for 2024. Mr. Schoen said no BOCC action was required.

At 10:51 AM, the Board considered purchasing Rio Grande Conservation District property located at 0164 West County Road 3 North for the Rio Grande County Weed and Pest Control District office and shop. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to purchase the Rio Grande Conservancy District building and property at 0164 West County Road 3 North for \$230,000 for the Rio Grande County Weed and Pest Control District. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the

motion, and the motion carried. Ms. Lake said the Conservation District should initiate the sales contract.

At 10:58 AM, Jessica Bogner, audit partner at Wall Smith & Bateman, gave a presentation about the 2022 Rio Grande County Audit Results from December 31, 2022. She said the auditors gave an unmodified opinion in their findings. Ms. Bogner said the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87 changes the way long-term lease agreements are audited. She said the county as a whole had total revenues of \$27.3 million, total expenditures of \$27.6 million, sale of capital assets of \$8,000 to decrease fund balance by \$287,000. Ms. Bogner said there were fewer audit findings than in previous years, and there were no significant findings. She said Amanda Klapperich, Chief Financial Officer, has created a corrective action plan. Ms. Bogner said subscription-based information technology agreements will be audited in the future. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to accept the 2022 audit. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 11:31 AM, the Board considered approval of a request for a legislative proposal to move Rio Grande County Elected Official salary categorization from category IV-C to category III-C. Mr. Schoen said comparable counties have higher categories than Rio Grande County, and many have category III-C. Commissioner Deacon said the change will not take effect until the next election cycle in 2025. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve the request of the proposal to move Rio Grande County from category IV-C to III-C. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Commissioners, Administrator, and Attorney Updates

At 11:40 AM, Commissioner Ratzlaff said he attended the COG meeting, the CSU Extension Service open house, a legal advice meeting, a Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, and a Republican Party meeting. He said the COG attorneys hope to have the water export IGA in place by the end of 2023.

At 11:46 AM, Commissioner Deacon said he is very pleased that Rio Grande County has been able to use LATCF to support small businesses, and some sort of local support needs to continue. He said he plans to attend the Care and Share Distribution in Monte Vista, and the Big Six BOCC meeting.

At 10:50 AM, Commissioner Glover said he will also attend the Monte Vista Care and Share Distribution. He attended the COG meeting, helped with Tri-County and South Central Seniors, attended the Weed and Pest Control Board meeting, the CSU Extension Service open house, the legal advice meeting, a water meeting, an Opioid Board meeting, and got updates from County Health Pool (CHP) and County Technical Services, Inc. (CTSI).

At 11:53 AM, Ms. Lake said she prepared appropriate pleadings for the Road and Bridge Department wells case in water court, worked on an issue for the Sheriff's Office, reviewed four grant applications, and reviewed Public Health Department items. She said she is still working on the effort to get a new jail facility built.

At 11:59 AM, Mr. Schoen said a Summitville tour for the BOCC has been scheduled. He said the CSU Extension Office plans to request a pay increase for an employee in the near future. Mr. Schoen said next week's agenda will include five LATCF small business requests, and a request from D Mountain Parks and Recreation District. He said his action items from today's

meeting include coordinating with Rio Grande Conservation District concerning the property sale, and finalizing the request for Elected Officials pay increase.

At 12:08 PM, Commissioner Deacon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

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Present were Commissioner Gene Glover, Commissioner Scott Deacon, Commissioner Tyler Ratzlaff, County Administrator William (Skip) Schoen, and County Attorney Nancy Lake.

Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Schoen said Armando Ross, Weed and Pest Control District, would not be present to give his oral report, so the written report has been placed on the Consent Agenda. Mr. Schoen said he did not know whether anyone would be present to give the Coroner's report, so it might need to be removed from the agenda. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Public Comment

At 10:02 AM, Commissioner Glover asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of Accounts Payable
- Approval of Payroll Report
- Approval of Veterans Report
- Approval of Weed and Pest Control District Monthly Report

Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Vender
AIRGAS USA, LLC

Amount
19.48

ALAMOSA COUNTY	315.00
ALAMOSA CTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT	12,743.74
ALEXANDRIA McDONALD	460.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1,045.02
ANTHONY J ARIAS	76.57
ARLAN'S PRO SERVICES	40.00
ARMANDO ROSS	61.81
BRANDI HAZARD	222.70
BRANDON ROGERS	83.97
CARY ALOIA	109.06
CENTURYLINK	292.60
CHARLES STILLINGS	97.93
CO.BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIO	735.00
DP AG SERVICES	366.10
FASTENAL	90.48
FIRST BANKCARD	27,095.56
FRONT RANGE TRANSCRIBING LLC	556.80
GALLS PARENT HOLDINGS, LLC.	52.20
GENOA HEALTHCARE	7,092.33
GOBINS, INC	60.14
GOOD SPEED AUTOMOTIVE	1,154.80
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL	60.10
HAYNIE'S INC.	388.61
HELEN LESTER	284.93
IDA WHITE	354.36
INDUSTRIAL & FARM SUPPLY	67.64
JAMES CLARE	78.12
JEAN BORREGO	5,978.62
JOHN ELWAY CHEVROLET	695.92
MARK MUELLER	84.17
MARTHA WILLIAMSON	75.00
McKESSON MEDICAL-	203.13
MICHAEL MITCHELL	97.27
MIKE SCHAEFER	83.75
MONTE VISTA COOPERATIVE	4,059.38
MONTE VISTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY	500.00
PICTOMETRY INTERNATIONAL CORP.	49,009.17
PITNEY BOWES, INC.	295.50
PSYCHOLOGICAL RESOURCES	450.00
RAISIN RYE LLC	15,000.00
REBECCA KOLB	79.75
ROSSCO'S SERVICES, LLC	975.00
RUSSELL PRATT	93.34
S & S DISTRIBUTION, INC	93.80
SANOFI PASTEUR, INC.	88.89

SCHRADER'S GLASS SHOP	350.00
SHAMROCK FOODS COMPANY	1,952.32
SLV PARTS, INC	425.48
SLV REC	766.00
SORUM TRACTOR COMPANY, INC	51.98
THE SIDWELL COMPANY	7,840.00
THREE BARREL BREWING COMPANY	12,628.86
TRAVIS CROSS	94.65
VALLEY LOCK AND SECURITY, INC	6,297.21
VALLEY LUMBER AND SUPPLY, INC	38.97
WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIP.CO	601.15
WORLD FUEL SERVICES, INC	654.78
WSB COMPUTER SERVICES	4,444.00
FIRST BANKCARD	1,465.00
	169,478.14

September 2023 Payroll

COUNTY GENERAL FUND	\$390,216.63
ROAD AND BRIDGE	\$117,342.84
SOCIAL SERVICES	\$166,437.66
WEED DISTRICT	\$20,052.28
AIRPORT FUND	\$5,299.10
PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY FUND	\$50,989.30
TOTAL:	\$750,337.81

County Official and Department Head Reports

At 10:03 AM, Brian Burrell, Emergency Management and Astronaut Rominger Airport, gave the monthly Emergency Management report. He said he has been working with county municipalities on the adoption of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. He worked with the County and the City of Monte Vista about a short-term sheltering situation. Mr. Burrell has been working on a Mass Casualty Incident Plan for a training event. He has accepted an invitation to be the Rio Grande County representative to the SLV Health Care Coalition.

At 10:08 AM, Mr. Burrell gave the monthly Airport report. He said the request for payment to REC for phase four of electrical installation has been submitted. Dillon Palmgren, Assistant Airport Manager reported on airport maintenance, and gave a courtesy car update. Mr. Burrell reported on fuel sales. He also gave a hangar leasing update.

At 10:18 AM, Lyndsie Ferrell, Museum, gave her monthly report. Activities included the annual ice cream social, setting up a new exhibit, increased visitation, plans for moving the Barlow and Sanderson stage office, planning fall activities and a fundraiser, and staff training. She said the 501c3 Museum Board will be getting its own debit card.

At 10:31 AM, Stan Montoya, Maintenance, was recognized for services above and beyond duty performed by himself and his staff.

General Business and Administrative Items

At 10:32 AM, The BOCC considered requests for Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Funds (LATCF) for small businesses. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to increase the total funds for small business assistance from \$200,000 to \$205,000 in LATCF expenditures. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:33 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Haefeli Honey Farm for roof replacement at the packing plant. Tom Haefeli was present to represent the business. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve the obligation of \$15,000 in LATCF to reimburse Haefeli Honey for the roof replacement at the packing plant. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:35 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Rocky Mountain Timber Products Inc. to help purchase a firewood processor. Cassandra Doyon was present to represent the business. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve \$15,000 in LATCF to assist Rocky Mountain Timber Products Inc. in the purchase of a firewood processor. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:38 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Rio Grande Bicycle Service to help purchase rental bikes. Heinrich Flaig was present to represent the business. Commissioner Deacon made a motion to approve the obligation of \$15,000 in LATCF to assist Rio Grande Bicycle Service in the purchase of five rental bikes. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:41 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for Stars & Strikes Bowling Alley to construct a pergola. Starla Encinas was present to represent the business. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve \$15,000 in LATCF for Stars & Strikes Bowling Alley for the construction of a pergola. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

At 10:44 AM, the Board considered approval of LATCF for High Valley Community Center (HVCC) to purchase tables and a vending machine. Adrienne Atencio was present to represent the business. Commissioner Ratzlaff made a motion to approve \$14,058 in LATCF to assist High Valley Community Center in the purchase of twelve tables and a vending machine. Commissioner Deacon seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Mr. Schoen said the LATCF allocated for small business assistance totaled \$204,040, closing out the current amount available.

At 10:48 AM, D Mountain Park and Recreation District (DMPRD) survey results were discussed. Kari Lichtenfeld, Patti Kelley, Grace Young, and Heather Sawyers were present to represent the District. The process for DMPRD grants requested through the County was discussed.

Commissioners, Administrator, and Attorney Updates

At 11:02 AM, Commissioner Ratzlaff said he attended the Monte Vista Care and Share distribution, a Council of Governments (COG) meeting, the San Luis Valley Board of County Commissioners (SLVBOCC) meeting, the Development Resources Group (DRG) meeting, and the Summitville tour.

At 11:07 AM, Commissioner Deacon said he attended the Monte Vista Care and Share distribution, the SLVBOCC meeting, and a Homeland Security meeting.

At 11:13 AM, Commissioner Glover said he attended the Monte Vista Care and Share distribution, the Monte Vista Council meeting, the SLVBOCC meeting, the DRG meeting where the railroad was discussed, a San Luis Valley Regional Landfill Authority Board meeting, the Summitville tour, Colorado Counties Inc. (CCI) meetings, and County Technical Services Inc. (CTSI) meetings.

At 11:22 AM, Ms. Lake said her work has included completing water court orders on the water wells for the Road and Bridge Department, following up on airport negotiations, monitoring CTSI disputes for the Sheriff's Office, reviewing grant opportunities, reviewing performance reviews with department heads, meeting with the District Attorney about budgeting, and working on CORA requests.

At 11:29 AM, Mr. Schoen said a meeting with Excel has been scheduled for the Commissioners. He said there is a Manager's meeting tomorrow.

At 11:33 AM Commissioner Deacon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover
Chairman of the Board

DeAnn Jacobs