

asked if there is a more efficient way to heat the Museum. Chairman Glover said he would ask Mr. Brumley.

Ms. Wisdom reported that the water bill at the Museum has been reduced from \$216.00 per month to \$75.00 per month because a leak has been repaired.

At 9:21 a.m., Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Department was present to update the Board.

Mr. Sullivan reported that one mile is complete on the County Road 13 project. He also reported that there was some wind and snow in February that required the Department's attention.

Mr. Sullivan reported that a temporary office employee helped with posting in the office. He also reported that the shop has completed several repair projects.

Mr. Sullivan reported on proposed work. He stated that work will continue on County Road 13; culvert work has been completed. Other spring culvert work includes installing two new culverts. Mr. Sullivan noted that there is no date at this time for when water will be coming on. Mr. Sullivan reported that after the culvert work is complete, the Department will install a cattle guard on County Road 14C.

Mr. Sullivan reported that several years ago, home owners requested a trash enclosure on Frisco Pass Road off San Francisco Creek Road, and raised the funds privately (not through a home owners association). Now that work is being done on County Road 13, the trash enclosure was affected and was deemed unsafe for a garbage truck. Mr. Sullivan said the Road and Bridge Department constructed a pad for the trash enclosure and also adjusted the mail boxes so they are now level with the road. Mr. Sullivan said that some Road and Bridge funding was needed to complete this work. Chairman Glover asked how much was spent, and Mr. Sullivan estimated that \$3,000.00 was spent. Mr. Sullivan reported that corner posts were installed and concrete was poured; this part of the project will be complete March 15, 2018.

Commissioner Shriver reported speaking to Jane Walters, a resident of the San Francisco Creek area, who was very complimentary of Mr. Sullivan's communicating with her about the County Road 13 project; she, in turn, communicated with other residents. Mr. Sullivan stated that traffic has slowed in the area and a deputy has been present. He said the project is going well. There is approximately 1,000 feet to the end of the project and then crews will complete 2,900 feet at the beginning of the project. Commissioner Bothell asked if speeding delivery trucks should be reported. Mr. Sullivan said it is a problem that cannot be cured. He also said there have been minimal complaints.

Mr. Sullivan reported that due to farming activity there is pavement damage on some roads.

Commissioner Shriver reported speaking to Mark and Lola Brimhall, who are concerned about the traffic on Lariat Road. She said they asked if road improvements could be done. Commissioner Shriver suggested to them that they organize a group of citizens to make the request, noting that a good first step would be to conduct a traffic study. Mr. Sullivan stated that there is a great deal of speeding on Lariat Road. He said he would look at the road, and noted that it is a mile-and-a-half in length. He reported that there is a traffic study from the bridge, which he will forward to the Board.

Mr. Sullivan reported that the transmission on dozer 7 is being repaired in-house. The dozer will be kept for a year, and the costs of the repair will be recovered when it is traded in. Mr. Sullivan said that the dozer is needed in anticipation of fire season and for any river issues that might occur. The parts for the repair will be delivered in two weeks, then the dozer will be put back in service. Commissioner Shriver explained that dozers are used to make fire breaks. Chairman Glover said it was a good idea to replace the transmission, noting that the vehicle is worth more when it is moving.

Mr. Sullivan and the Board discussed bleacher rentals.

Mr. Sullivan then spoke as the Monte Vista Fire Chief. He reported that because of the Gallagher Amendment and TABOR the Colorado legislature is considering amending the 2019 residential assessment rate to 6.11 percent. Mr. Sullivan said this will negatively impact the volunteer fire departments and special districts. He said this plan will work for the Front Range, but it will not work here. Mr. Sullivan said this will affect the Monte Vista Fire Department's ability to protect its citizens. He asked the Board to contact legislators and ask them to take action on this issue. Commissioner Shriver stated that these are State constitutional amendments; changing them has been discussed but has proved difficult to accomplish. Mr. Sullivan said that action needs to be taken now and noted that small communities have not

been considered. Commissioner Shriver said she would bring up the issue at the upcoming CCI meeting. Ms. Wisdom reported that the County would not receive approximately \$108,000.00 in 2018, due to the reduction of the residential assessment rate. She asked if the State Fire Chiefs Association is applying pressure, and Mr. Sullivan said it is. He said that any help the Board could give would be appreciated.

Commissioner Bothell asked who is responsible for painting the parking lot across the street from the Courthouse. Mr. Sullivan said this is a County parking lot and the County Maintenance Department usually does the painting.

At 9:47 a.m., the Department of Social Services vouchers were presented. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the vouchers. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. The vouchers were signed.

Ms. Wisdom reported that the fixed asset software has been delivered and she has received training on it. Commissioner Shriver asked if a date has been set for the annual audit. Ms. Wisdom said it has not been set yet, but may be scheduled for April 2018.

Ms. Wisdom presented the Peopeware Agreement between Computer Information Concepts, Inc. and Rio Grande County. The contract includes a three-year term to purchase the software; the cost this year is \$15,890.00. Ms. Wisdom requested approval of the contract. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the contract. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. The contract was signed.

Commissioner Shriver asked for information regarding a recent hack of the County's website. Ms. Wisdom explained that the County website had been hacked and had to be reloaded. She said better controls have been put in place. Commissioner Shriver noted that some financial information needs to be reloaded.

Ms. Wisdom presented a memorandum of understanding between the City of Monte Vista, the Town of Center, the Town of Saguache, the Town of Del Norte, Rio Grande County, Saguache County, and the Saguache Chamber of Commerce to be collectively known as the Western SLV Transit Committee. The purpose of the MOU is to work with Bustang to develop a bus route that will service the western half of the San Luis Valley, including a route specifically on Highway 160 and Highway 285. A grant in the amount of \$40,000.00 will be sought, with a 20 percent local match. Each city, town, and county will contribute to this match in the amount of \$1,300.00; the Saguache Chamber of Commerce will contribute \$200.00.

Chairman Glover stated that Rio Grande County's costs will be no more than \$1,300.00. He explained that there will be bus service in Monte Vista and shuttles will run from Del Norte and Center to Monte Vista. Ms. Wisdom explained that the 20 percent match grant will be divided between the counties and towns. Commissioner Bothell asked if the grant was to get the bus service or to study the issue. Chairman Glover explained that \$15,000.00 will be used to conduct a study and that a request for qualifications will reflect all parties' concerns. He stated that the Colorado Department of Transportation is driving the process. Commissioner Shriver stated that there have been many statewide studies, which have shown that citizens of rural Colorado need transit services. She said bus service has been tried but did not work because of mismanagement, in her opinion. She recommended that the study move forward because bus service would be good for many citizens, including the elderly, veterans, people with medical appointments outside the Valley, and people who want to grocery shop. Commissioner Shriver said it might be possible for the bus service to be a public and private partnership. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the MOU. Commissioner Bothell asked from what fund the \$1,300.00 would come. Ms. Wisdom explained that it would come from the County general fund. Chairman Glover stated again that the maximum cost to the County would be \$1,300.00, noting that the cost could be considerably less. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. The MOU was signed.

At 10:00 Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, and Randy Kern, Building Department, were present to update the Board.

Ms. Diltz reported attending International Code Council training on Friday, March 9, 2018. She has taken two online classes and has 10 more online classes remaining.

Ms. Diltz reported that the Land Use Office has been busy. She has received calls regarding several large, hemp producing greenhouses. Ms. Diltz reported that a conditional use permit application for a solar project will be presented next year. Commissioner Bothell asked why hemp would be grown in a greenhouse. Ms. Diltz explained that hemp could be grown year round, would be easier to manage, and cloning could be done in a greenhouse.

Ms. Diltz reported that the letter to potential candidates for the Planning and Zoning Board has been sent out. One letter of interest has been received and two more are expected. An article about the Land Use Department has been published in the Del Norte Prospector newspaper.

Ms. Diltz reported that the annual environmental covenants have been received for the Monte Vista and Del Norte dumps. She reported speaking to Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Department, who said the dumps were in compliance with the covenants. Ms. Diltz will sign the agreement. Commissioner Shriver asked how often the dumps are inspected. Ms. Diltz explained that she and Mr. Sullivan inspected the dumps in 2017, and said that because there has been so little moisture this year, they agreed that an inspection was not necessary. Mr. Sullivan has checked the fences. Commissioner Bothell asked if the State inspects the dumps. Commissioner Shriver said that the State has the right to inspect the dumps. Chairman Glover added that if the covenants are signed, the State has other issues with which to deal. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve submitting the environmental covenants. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ms. Diltz asked when the grant application for revising the County code book has to be submitted. Ms. Wisdom said the deadline is April 1, 2018.

Ms. Diltz reported receiving an anonymous letter regarding a conditional use permit. The letter was not signed, but the envelope showed a return address. Commissioner Shriver recommended taking the letter under advisement for now. Ms. Wisdom said the letter would not be made public, but the Board would read it.

Mr. Kern reported that he attended continuing education classes in Denver last week. Topics included International Residential Code update, plumbing, building codes, trends, methods and materials, tiny homes, decks and porches, and small jurisdictions.

Mr. Kern noted that he was not present for the adoption of the new on-site wastewater treatment system regulations last week at the Board of Health meeting. Commissioner Bothell reported that the meeting went well and the regulations were adopted.

Mr. Kern reported that the Building Department has been busy. There are four residential additions planned, two manufactured homes being built, and four sets of new house plans have been submitted with three more to come. The building is occurring all over the County. Chairman Glover asked if any of the buildings were in subdivisions. Mr. Kern said there are no subdivision plans; most of the building is occurring in rural areas. Ms. Diltz reported that received a question about a subdivision in Lariat, but has not heard anything more. Mr. Kern reported that some jurisdictions are creating subdivisions for tiny homes.

Commissioner Bothell asked if there has been any interest in tiny homes recently. Mr. Kern said there has not. He stated that park models are recreational vehicles and not HUD certified mobile homes. They are designed with different utilities. Mr. Kern said he toured the shell of a tiny home built by Big John. This home was not insulated. Commissioner Bothell noted that the definition of tiny home is different. Mr. Kern said if the home is on a trailer it does not have to comply with building codes. If the home is on a foundation, it does need to comply with building codes. He noted that the 2018 appendix to the IRC update addresses tiny homes. Tiny homes are 400 to 500 square feet. Mr. Kern said that the codes being used today require that at least one room in a house be 120 square feet in size. Commissioner Bothell said that a change in the codes will cause many other changes, such as the requirements for sprinkler systems. Mr. Kern said the building codes can be amended by the BOCC, and noted that there might be issues of life safety. Mr. Kern said that tiny homes are being used as registration offices for RV parks or as accessory buildings.

Mr. Kern asked the Board if he should attend the upcoming airport advisory board meeting. The consensus of the Board was that he should attend the meeting.

Commissioner Shriver asked if Mr. Kern took a test on his certification training. Mr. Kern said there was no test on the continuing education classes.

At 10:31 a.m., Marty Asplin, Upper Rio Grande Economic Development Council, was present to update the Board on the Del Norte river project. Mr. Asplin reported that a 139 page Army Corps of Engineers application was submitted in order to obtain a 404 permit. He also reported that the public comment period for the river project ended on February 9, 2018. He said that questions were addressed and there were no outstanding concerns. Mr. Asplin reported that the project has been reduced to the property on the north side of the river close to the fishing dock. Land issues have been resolved. Mr. Asplin said that the project will create more fish habitat and the

river banks will be restored and re-vegetated. Mr. Asplin explained that the project is being completed in conjunction with the Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project, the Town of Del Norte, Trout Unlimited, the Del Norte Trails Project, and Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

Mr. Asplin reported that the biological studies are complete for all the species in the area. He said land owners have been involved and have approved the project. When the 404 permit is delivered, work on the project can begin. Mr. Asplin stated that the number of willows in the area will be reduced and the Town of Del Norte will build the road to the area. Commissioner Bothell suggested that Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Department, be informed about the road. Commissioner Shriver suggested that Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, be notified about the project for reporting purposes of the San Luis Valley Habitat Conservation Plan.

Mr. Asplin reported that the project needs to be recorded, and noted that this is the first public access to the north side of the river. He said there will be access for kayaks, paddle boards, etc. He also noted that the project will help control the river channel. Commissioner Shriver stated that the SLVGO master plan calls for more access to the river and this project provides that access. She said that the County has a long history in this area of the river, noting that two or three years ago the County obtained a grant and used Conservation Trust funds to purchase rock for the river project. Mr. Asplin said the boulders have been purchased and are being held at the quarry. Also, quite a few years ago, the County, the Town of Del Norte, and Colorado Parks and Wildlife collaborated on the fishing pier project that is in place there now.

Chairman Glover asked when the 404 permit would be delivered. Mr. Asplin said there is no date, and noted that there are no issues with the application. Commissioner Bothell asked if this would make the start date later. Mr. Asplin said there is some work that can be done before the water comes up

Commissioner Shriver noted that this project might be an opportunity for Kristi Mountain Sports. Mr. Asplin said that this is the first structured recreational project on the Rio Grande River and could ease the way for other projects.

At 10:50 a.m., Christian Grill, Ute Bluff Lodge and candidate for a seat on the Tourism Board, was present. Chairman Glover asked Mr. Grill why he wants to serve on the Tourism Board. Mr. Grill said he wants to bring tourists to the area and noted that the area is dependent on tourism. He stated that Colorado has lost a billion dollars in winter sports this year. He also said he wants to explain to visitors that this area is untouched and that there are plenty of recreational opportunities.

Mr. Grill said that the population in Denver is growing and people are being pushed out. Tourists and businesses are needed in this area. Mr. Grill said he has been involved with the South Fork Chamber of Commerce. Commissioner Bothell asked about Mr. Grill's business experience. Mr. Grill explained that he has managed companies for the last 20 years. He left Sweden in 1991 and has become an American citizen. He served in the military in Sweden and in the United States. His international career took him from the United States to Argentina and back to the United States. He moved to Colorado in August 1999. When he was in Latin American, Mr. Grill was involved in many marketing projects.

Commissioner Shriver said she was impressed with Mr. Grill's credentials and broad experience. Chairman Glover said it would be good to expand the Tourism Board's focus. Commissioner Bothell said that marketing could be done to attract international tourists. Mr. Grill said he has brought visitors to the area from Europe and has encouraged them to promote the area through word of mouth.

Mr. Grill said that he wants to encourage communications between the County municipalities. Commissioner Shriver said that the Tourism Board has a set of bylaws and that there is always room for improvement. She noted that the Board represents the County, and stated that it is appreciated when people step up to help. Commissioner Bothell noted that Mr. Grill would bring new viewpoints to the Board, as well as an international travel perspective.

Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the appointment of Christian Grill and Kim Krahn to the County Tourism Board, where there are two open seats to represent South Fork. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

At 11:05 a.m., Jody Kern, Department of Social Services, was present. She requested approval of the PSF contract with the State. She explained that La Llave is closing and the Early Childhood Council is interested in conducting La Llave's programs. Ms. Kern said that the programs are being moved, but there are only so many entities that can conduct them. She said that once the programs are placed, the contract will be resubmitted to the State. Under the

previous contract, DSS has \$120,000.00, which has to be spent by September. Ms. Kern recommended not keeping this entire amount; she said that \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00 should be kept. More funding can be requested later. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the contract and keep a minimum of \$10,000.00. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Commissioner Shriver asked Ms. Kern to provide a position for CCI on a stance taken by Commissioner Kirkmeyer on social services issues. Ms. Kern said that she would not support it and recommended that the County not become involved with a memorandum of understanding regarding Temporary Assistance for Needy Families. Ms. Kern said that most counties are not supporting this agreement. Commissioner Bothell moved for the County not to take a position at this time. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried.

At 11:16 a.m., Commissioner Bothell asked about a letter from Karen Deacon requesting appointment to the Tourism Board. Commissioner Shriver recommended that the Tourism Board's bylaws be reviewed to be sure that Ms. Deacon meets the requirements to be a Board member. She asked if Ms. Deacon is part of the tourism industry, and recommended tabling the request at this time. Ms. Wisdom will send a letter to Ms. Deacon.

Commissioner Shriver presented a letter of support for High Valley Community Center's application for a 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant. Commissioner Shriver noted that HVCC provides youth development opportunities and helps keep children off the streets when they are not in school. Chairman Glover and Commissioner Bothell said they agreed with the letter of support. Commissioner Bothell asked what partnership and collaboration would be needed from the County. Commissioner Shriver said this statement can be eliminated from the letter.

At 11:25 a.m., Barry Van Sant, Saguache Chamber of Commerce, was present. Chairman Glover reported that the MOU regarding Bustang bus service had been signed.

At 11:28 a.m., pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a), County Attorney Bill Dunn, County Assessor J.J. Mondragon, and the Board went into executive session for real estate issues.

At 12:14 p.m., the Board meeting was reconvened.

Mr. Dunn reported that one more deed is needed for the Summitville land exchange.

Commissioner Shriver reported that research is being done regarding the old Wharton bridge in South Fork. She stated that Cy Rickles deeded some land to the County and she is conducting research on property ownership in the area.

Ms. Wisdom presented an application for the County Assessor's Office to change its computer system and lease it from Municipal Leasing Consultants for a period of two years. The Assessor's Office currently pays \$55,000.00 for its present system. Ms. Wisdom noted that the BOCC had previously approved this change, and then an application was received. She said that the application needs to be implemented by April 13, 2018. Three payment options are available.

- Option 1: \$50,763.93 annually for two years
- Option 2: \$38,948.44 annually for two years
- Option 3: \$31,898.53 annually for two years

Ms. Wisdom explained that there is an additional cost of \$6,000.00 on all options for Sidwell GIS systems. She also explained that option two could be paid one year earlier.

Commissioner Bothell asked if there would be a cost associated with learning the new software. Ms. Wisdom said there should not be a cost because the Assessor's staff is salaried. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the application and option two, with the contingency that County Assessor Mondragon is satisfied with the option. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. The application was signed.

Ms. Wisdom reported discussing the Underfunded Courthouse Grant with the grantor to obtain an additional \$5,000.00. Commissioner Bothell asked if the costs could be paid retroactively; Ms. Wisdom was unsure. Ms. Wisdom said the contractor will not change its bid price. She asked if funds could be taken from the County's miscellaneous fund to cover the additional costs, if the grantor is unable to provide the extra funding. Commissioner Shriver stated that the County will probably have to cover the costs. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the

County providing the additional funding. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ms. Wisdom reported that updates from RL Banks have been presented to the railroad project consortium, noting that RL Banks needs to be paid for its work for providing due diligence services. Commissioner Bothell stated that RL Banks did not provide an adequate assessment of the bridges along the railroad. Ms. Wisdom said that an engineering analysis of the bridges is needed; RL Banks could do this work, but it is very expensive and was not included in the original contract. Commissioner Shriver stated that the "in-depthness" of the assessment is up to interpretation. She reported that the work group has met, and Mineral County will take the lead on this project because it has the most land and easements that will be affected. She explained that Mineral County cannot commit other entities to additional funding. Commissioner Shriver stated that the town and county governments will form an advisory council that can be more open to participation from others. She expressed concern about violating Sunshine Laws. She also said that a meeting to update all the stakeholders is being scheduled.

Ms. Wisdom reported that new dates have been established on the Summitville requests for proposals for the project manager and the archeological study. The consensus of the Board was to approve the new schedule.

With regard to the project manager RFP, Commissioner Bothell asked if the Board should discuss the overall vision for the site before applying for any grants. Commissioner Shriver explained that the project manager will help guide the overall vision. She stated that the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is funding this position and no County funds will be used to pay for either proposal. Commissioner Shriver said that no proposal has to be accepted. Commissioner Bothell expressed concern that the Board does not have a vision for the project to find grants and funding sources. Commissioner Shriver said the project manager will help the Board outline a vision and provide ideas. Commissioner Bothell asked if there is a vision. Commissioner Shriver said the project manager will help provide ideas. She stated that there is no risk and no County funds will be spent. She expressed concern that Commissioner Bothell is stalling the project. Commissioner Bothell asked if the RFP requires a vision or if that can be stated later. Commissioner Shriver said the vision can be stated later. Commissioner Bothell said the RFP is overly broad with no discussion. Commissioner Shriver said that the County can choose not to participate, which is stated in the RFP.

Commissioner Bothell asked how much CDPHE is paying for the project manager. Commissioner Shriver said it would pay up to \$15,000.00. Chairman Glover stated that the County can choose the amount it wants to spend and not contribute any additional funding. Commissioner Shriver said that the RFP moves the project forward, especially since the County does not have the capacity or staff to manage the project.

Ms. Wisdom asked when the first report is due, and Commissioner Shriver said she was not sure. She noted that the Forest Service was guiding the project. Ms. Wisdom said the dates have been moved up a month. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the schedule changes on the two Summitville RFPs. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. Commissioner Shriver will confirm the dates before the RFPs are posted on the County website.

Commissioner Shriver reported that she is researching the possibility of installing a vault bathroom at Summitville and also at the airport. She is reviewing the costs, the structure of the project, etc. Commissioner Bothell asked if the vault bathrooms would be different from the Forest Service privies. Commissioner Shriver said the vaults would not be pits and could be pumped out. Commissioner Glover suggested that CDPHE might help with the costs. Ms. Wisdom indicated that Mark Rudolph has said that CDPHE could pump out the vaults while maintaining its system. Ms. Wisdom commented that the Summitville area is becoming a great site and people are stopping there. Commissioner Shriver suggested that a GOCO grant might be available.

Ms. Wisdom presented a notice from the Town of South Fork regarding a public hearing regarding a variance application to increase the height of a cell phone tower to 65 feet. The meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., and will be held at the South Fork Community Building.

Ms. Wisdom reported that May is Safe Routes to School month, and Bike to School Day is May 9, 2018.

Commissioner Shriver reported that the United States Department of Transportation has extended the March 18, 2018 electronic logging device mandate to June 2018.

Commissioner Shriver asked the Board about its goal of a revenue plan for 2019. She asked if a tax question should be considered. Commissioner Bothell said that a contract from the George Baum Company to develop a plan had been submitted to the Board and asked about the status of hiring Alan Matlosz. Commissioner Shriver stated that it will take a year to develop a marketing plan to sell a tax increase and a grant to fund the process and a contractor will be needed. She asked if the Board wants to move forward to develop a plan.

Ms. Wisdom reported that the County lost \$108,000.00 in revenue in 2018 and the Assessor is projecting an additional loss of \$114,000.00 in 2019. Commissioner Bothell said that something has to be done because of the minimum wage increase and the loss of revenue. Chairman Glover asked which way the Board is leaning. Commissioner Bothell said that it is more likely for a sales increase to pass. Commissioner Shriver said a study should be done to see how much revenue a sales tax increase or a property tax increase would generate. Chairman Glover said that there is no option and hiring Mr. Matlosz at a maximum cost of \$20,000.00 is key. Commissioner Bothell moved to go forward in conversations with the George Baum Company. She stated that more discussion is needed with the company and noted that a description was requested by the company. She suggested that more discussion be held at the March 28, 2018, meeting. Commissioner Shriver suggested that research into available grants be done, also. She said the project will be less expensive if more research is completed in house. Commissioner Bothell asked how much had been budgeted for this project. Ms. Wisdom will confirm, but estimated that \$40,000.00 had been budgeted.

At 1:00 p.m., the meeting was recessed.

At 1:30 p.m., the meeting was reconvened. A public hearing was opened regarding a conditional use application. William Miller and Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department were present. Ms. Diltz explained that Mr. Miller is applying for a conditional use permit to operate a workshop that will build and repair pallets. The 5.93 acre property is located at 3358 East County Road 11 South in Monte Vista, and is zoned agricultural estate. Water to be used will come from a garden hose. Property owners were notified of the application on January 13, 2018. Notice of the public hearing was published on January 31, 2018. No comments have been received. The application was presented to the Planning and Zoning Board on February 20, 2018. The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approving the application with the condition that a legal survey of the property be received and that the Road and Bridge Department and the ditch company approve the new access to the property. Ms. Diltz reported that the survey has been received. A letter from the Bowen Drainage District stated it had no objections. Mr. Miller will be responsible for any repairs to the ditch. The Road and Bridge Department had no objections to the new access. Commissioner Shriver recommended adding a condition that the State requirements be met regarding water conditions and that an on-site wastewater treatment system be installed if employees are hired. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the conditional use application. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. Book 590 Page 843

Mr. Miller asked what is needed if the business is sold with the property. Ms. Diltz explained that the new owner would have to apply for another conditional use permit. Chairman Glover said that the new owner will have to go through the process again.

At 1:40 p.m., the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Shriver reported that the Gallagher Amendment is on the agenda for the upcoming CCI meeting.

The Board reviewed the revised letter of support for HVCC's grant application. The letter was approved and signed.

Commissioner Shriver recommended that the County letterhead be redesigned so that it does not have to be reprinted every time there is a leadership change. The consensus of the Board was to agree that this be done.

Ms. Diltz distributed an article regarding blight from the County Land Use Code Book. Chairman Glover asked if the Board could enforce the blight codes. Ms. Diltz reported that Levi Shaw applied for a conditional use permit to place a single-wide trailer on the property on February 23, 2018. She reported that Mr. Shaw has indicated that there is a well on the property, as well as a septic system and electrical. Chairman Glover stated that the existence of the septic system should be confirmed and that the property should be cleaned up, even if the conditional use application is approved.

At 2:00 p.m., a public hearing was opened. Steven (Levi) Shaw, Brenda Rippe, and Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, were present to discuss blight issues on Mr. Shaw's and Ms. Rippe's property on Highway 160.

Ms. Diltz reported that several letters have been sent to Mr. Shaw, asking him to clean up the property. Two letters were sent in 2015 (January and June); a letter was sent on November 9, 2017; a follow-up letter was sent on February 2, 2018. The complaint includes vehicles and miscellaneous items on the property. There is a camper on the property that appears to be lived in; no permanent residence has been built. There are porta-potties on the property. Mr. Shaw was given 30 days to clean up the property and move the recreational vehicles.

Mr. Shaw stated that the property has been cleaned up a great deal, and said it will take a year-and-a-half to completely clean it. Mr. Shaw stated that a map and his plans for a home were not included in the packet presented to the Board. He said that he is moving a 16-foot by 80-foot trailer, which has not yet been purchased, onto the property and has applied for a conditional use permit to do so. Mr. Shaw said the trailer will be placed behind the trees, when the trees grow. He stated that he has to live there until he gets the trailer in June or July.

Chairman Glover asked if Mr. Shaw is living in the fifth-wheel camper. He also asked about the other vehicles on the property. Mr. Shaw reported that there is another camper, and there are trailers, a semi, and storage containers on the property. Commissioner Shriver asked how large the property is. Mr. Shaw said it is 22.5 acres and that it has a septic system, electricity, and a well, which have been on the property since the 1960s. Mr. Shaw said that he and Ms. Rippe moved from three places to this property and because of health problems are unable to clean up the property in 30 days. Ms. Diltz suggested that the issue be revisited at the Planning and Zoning Board meeting on April 17, 2018, and again at the April 25, 2018, BOCC meeting. Chairman Glover asked that it be determined that the septic system and the well are workable, and more time be allowed because of the health issues. Mr. Shaw said that they do not like living like this. Chairman Glover recommended that the decision of the Planning and Zoning Board be reviewed and the clean-up progress be reviewed in June or July.

Chairman Glover stated that the County needs to be protected with a vote to extend the time allowed to clean up the property. Commissioner Shriver agreed and asked what the purpose is of chemical containers on the property. Mr. Shaw said the chemical containers are being repurposed and used as greenhouses to grow tomatoes. He noted that this area of the property will be fenced. Commissioner Shriver said that the clean-up progress should be evaluated in April. Ms. Diltz said that the conditional use application is pending and recommended that the clean-up continue to move forward, and that the septic system be inspected.

Mr. Shaw stated that it is a conflict of interest when a member of the Planning and Zoning Board has a septic company. Chairman Glover explained who the members of the Planning and Zoning Board are.

Commissioner Bothell said that the BOCC wants to know that the clean-up is moving forward. Mr. Shaw asked for a list of complaints and Ms. Diltz stated that she will be recording any complaints received on the conditional use permit. Commissioner Bothell explained the rules regarding living in the camper, and said that she understood the need for the trailers and the hay on the property. Mr. Shaw asked if the rules were voted on, and Commissioner Shriver explained that the rules were voted on by the BOCC long ago. The public hearing was closed.

At 2:25 p.m., a public hearing was opened. Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, and Steve Graham were present to discuss a conditional use application for a hut-to-hut lodging system on various mining claims in the Summitville area. The property consists of four parcels that are 10.33 acres each. One parcel is zoned agricultural forestry; three parcels are zoned agricultural estate. Ms. Diltz reported that surrounding property owners were notified on January 22, 2018. Notice of the public hearing was published on January 31, 2018. No comments have been received. The Planning and Zoning Board reviewed the application February 20, 2018. The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval of the application with the condition that only two yurts or cabins plus two accessory buildings be built per parcel. Ms. Diltz explained that this would allow eight rental structures and eight accessory structures.

The Board and Mr. Graham discussed the need for a septic system based on the minimum requirements of the Board of Health. Mr. Graham said the rules allow for an approved vault or septic system. He stated that he might apply for a variance for a pit privy, because he is not expecting that the lodging system will be used much over the next two years. He said that there is very little chance of ground water contamination, and that either system would be workable. He said he would install a vault, if a pit privy is not approved.

Commissioner Shriver said that there are groups of people who use the Tenth Mountain Division lodging system, and noted that there are four yurts on Cumbres Pass. She said that Forest Service cabins are used, as well. She said that Mr. Graham's lodging system is a viable activity. Commissioner Bothell asked how the system would be advertised. Mr. Graham said that it would be advertised on social media, through word of mouth, and on the company's website. Commissioner Bothell asked what the cost will be to use the lodging system. Mr. Graham said the charge would be from \$169.00 to \$269.00 per night. The larger huts will be more expensive. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the conditional use application with the conditions recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board and the addition of an on-site wastewater treatment system that complies with County rules. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. Book 590 Page 838

The public hearing was closed.

At 2:27 p.m., the BOCC meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover, Chairman
Chairman of the Board

Mona Syring
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

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County of Rio Grande)

The Board of Rio Grande County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, March 28, 2018. Members present were Chairman Gene Glover, Commissioner Suzanne Bothell, Commissioner Karla Shriver, County Administrator Roni Wisdom, and Clerk of the Board Mona Syring.

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Glover called the Board meeting to order and gave the opening prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the agenda with the additions of a letter of support and updates from Commissioners Bothell and Shriver. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Chairman Glover asked if there were any public comments and there were none.

Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the March 14, 2018, minutes with changes. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The consent agenda, which included the March 2018 end-of-the-month vouchers and March 2018 payroll, was presented. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. Vouchers to be voided were presented. Commissioner Bothell moved to void the vouchers. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. The voided vouchers, in the amount of \$845.60, include:

Jacky Acosta	\$100.00	Check never cashed
Del Norte Auto	\$ 24.88	Check never cashed
CO Dept. of Revenue	\$560.72	Payroll check; did not have to be issued
CO Children's Immun.	\$160.00	Participant was sponsored

MARCH 2018 MID-MONTH VOUCHERS

VENDOR	SERVICE	AMOUNT
4 Rivers Equipment, LLC.	Acct# 8248	\$288.15
Alta Fuels, LLC	Inv Cont - 175037, 175699/Acct# 1935	\$16,014.98
Alta Fuels, LLC	Acct# 1935	\$254.60
Angie Medina, Rn, Msn	Qmap Class/Acct RGSO	\$240.00
Antonio Martinez	Pay for February 2018	\$525.75
Arlan's Pro Service	Customer Id 18	\$688.50

Brown's Septic Svc Inc.	Septic Services for Rented Portable Restrooms	\$82.00
	Check for no heat. Found bad fuse and bad wiring. 1 bad relay. 1 unit needs blow wheel. Also needs an ignition module. Did get one furnace running	\$544.29
Brumley Plumbing Heating		
CDHS Central Accounting	MTC Breakdown	\$3.00
CenturyLink	7198524781	\$428.22
CenturyLink	7196579017478	\$148.34
CenturyLink	719-657-3325-233	\$58.85
Chaffee Cnty Public Hlth	EPSDT Contract Billing for February 2018	\$1,445.00
Chavez Plumbing & Heating, LLC	Removed smashed vent pipe and installed new pipe for fresh air in the Annex	\$237.06
Colo Secretary of State	Training - Election Certification/Cindy Hill - Megan Wilson Gallegos	\$40.00
Colorado Depart. of Revenue	Acct# 01277561-0001	\$114.00
Conduent Business Solutions, LLC	Land Records Management System	\$1,479.60
Conduent Business Solutions, LLC	Computer Services	\$2,624.96
Corvinue Group, LLC	Acct RGSO/Control Panel Repair	\$414.68
Costilla County Public	Tob Sub Contract Payment January 2018/Stepp	\$1,844.12
Costilla County Public	EPSDT Contract Billing February 2018	\$2,140.00
Cynthia Ford	Salary	\$1,485.00
Cynthia Ford	Miles and Internet Phone	\$564.95
Dana Delaine	Acct RGSO/VA Mileage 198	\$89.10
Dixie Diltz	Miles for Blight and Training	\$225.45
El Paso County Coroner	Acct# 451135	\$1,400.00
Gunbarrel Station, Inc.	Inv Cont – 557487	\$523.50
Haynie's Inc.	Acct # 7068	\$15.57
	Inv Cont - 21113, 294008, 294399, 294731, 213136, 213139, 297389, 297740, 298797, 299569, 299915/Acct# 4000	\$138.77
Jack's Market		
Jade Communications, LLC	Acct# 2938	\$96.92
Ken's Service Center	Inv Cont - 49970, 49950/Acct# RGSO	\$834.49
Kimberly Bryant	Monthly Pay for February 2018/Sim	\$2,541.00
Kimberly Vialpando	February 2018 Pay	\$584.25
Kristi Hillis	Monthly Pay for February 2018	\$1,540.21
Lake County Health Dept.	February 2018	\$725.00
Lenco West, Inc.	Nuts and Bolts	\$150.10
	Fold Over Suicide Card Design/Speak Now Brochure/Printing Of Brochure	\$502.77
Master Print & Web Design, Inc.		
MDS Waste & Recycle, Inc.	Acct# 636860020167/Trash Pickup	\$99.00
MDS Waste & Recycle, Inc.	Acct# 2649	\$143.00
Meadow Gold Dairies, Inc.	Inv Cont – 81000504	\$339.30
MHC Kenworth	Bootshift Round/Customer #18057	\$82.27
Mobile Record Shredders, LLC	Shredding	\$65.00
Monte Vista Cooperative	Acct# 4530243/Propane	\$255.11
	Acct# 4530243/Husqvarna Z246 20 Hp End 46In - Z Turn Mower	\$2,249.95
Monte Vista Cooperative		
Myers Brothers Truck and Tractor, Inc.	Unit 136/Unit 93/Unit 89/Unit 76	\$1,115.93
Parts Plus of New Mexico, Inc.	Acct# 13016	\$110.39
Pro Com	Pre-Employment	\$41.00
Pro Com	Pre-Employment	\$37.00
Renshaw Locksmith Service	Replaced Codelock 5210Ss - Office Door lock	\$499.50
Rio Grande County Clerk	Vehicle Reg/2018 Dodge Grand Caravan	\$7.20
Rio Grande Hospital	Lab Collection Fee	\$34.00
Rios Associates	Registration for Dianne/Champs & Dms	\$799.00
S & S Distribution, Inc.	Water	\$27.00
S & S Distribution, Inc.	Water	\$33.40
S & S Distribution, Inc.	March Water	\$45.00
Saguache Co Public Health	EPSDT Services for February 2018	\$775.00

Saguache Co Public Health	Tob Sub Contract Payment/January 2018	\$1,794.38
Salida Fire Extinguisher	Service Call/Fire Extinguisher Inspection	\$52.00
Sam's Club	Acct# *****10182546	\$419.53
San Luis Valley Council	2018 Funding/Cog Dues	\$14,010.00
Sanofi Pasteur, Inc.	Ixiaro Jap B Encp	\$556.82
Shamrock Foods Company	Acct# 86268	\$1,800.53
SLV Parts, Inc.	Inv Cont - 62154/Acct#7046	\$32.68
SLV Parts, Inc.	Acct# 7048	\$21.36
South Fork Lumber	Hex Bolts and Nuts	\$7.99
Southern Colorado Cnty Clerks	Meals Spring Conference 7 @ \$12 Each	\$84.00
State of Colorado	March 2018 Renewals	\$449.27
	Inv Cont - 2066481119, 2068380814, 4060990812, 2089141257, 4064690820/ Acct#	
Summit Market	4000 RG Sheriff	\$299.55
Suntrust Equipment, Corp	Customer# 405344/Contract# 443-4008845-001	\$10,547.00
	Razor Package - Razor 8' Sweeper Pkg	
The Fod Control Corporation	W/Pintle Hook	\$3,995.00
Top Value	Rio Grande County Road and Bridge	\$22.01
Torres Plumbing & Heating, LLC	Acct# 5660/Repair Lavs @ Jail	\$6,843.95
Total Office Solutions	Office Supplies	\$167.95
Total Office Solutions	Office Supplies	\$57.45
Total Office Solutions	Moistener/Stamps	\$96.73
Town of Del Norte	1512.01- 1892.01 - 1822.01 - 1538.01	\$324.09
United Reprographic	Maintenance Agreement	\$220.37
Valley Publishing	CU - Mullett - Public Notice	\$24.00
Vaxcare, Inc.	Dec 2017/Vaccine Fee/Jan 2018	\$541.14
	2-Cft8- 60 Complete Filter Units for Courthouse	
Vendola Plumbing, Inc.	Boiler	\$411.81
Verizon Wireless	Acct# 765509857-00004	\$1,260.98
Verizon Wireless	Acct# 765509857-00005	\$171.01
Verizon Wireless	Acct# 765509857-00006	\$271.64
Verizon Wireless	Acct# 842020320-00001	\$62.64
Verizon Wireless	Acct# 765509857-00002	\$290.73
Victim Assistance Fund	MTC Breakdown	\$3.00
Wagner Equipment	Inv Cont - Pooc2041012	\$410.52
Waste Management-	Acct# 05925-74006	\$220.82
	Entrustedmail Zixgateway E-Mail 12-Month	
WSB Computer Services	Encryption License	\$540.00
WSB Computer Services	Recycling Fees	\$50.60
WSB Computer Services	Rack and Switch	\$567.60
	48 Port Poe Managed Switch, Patch Cables,	
WSB Computer Services	Rack and Cabling Material	\$2,922.80
Xcel Energy	Acct# 53-1083310-0	\$2,211.21
TOTAL		\$99,554.39

MARCH 2018 END-OF-THE-MONTH VOUCHERS

VENDOR	SERVICE	AMOUNT
Agency Tourism Marketing	Leads Processing	\$50.00
Airgas USA, LLC	Inv Cont - 9073312297, 9073803090	\$644.96
	Tob Sub Contract Payment for February 2018	
Alamosa Co Nursing Svc	Ph	\$2,174.92
Alamosa County	March Rent	\$300.00
	Inv Cont - 177199, 177206, 177391,	
Alta Fuels, LLC	177858/Acct# 1935	\$5,931.45
	Inv Cont - 177199, 177206, 177391,	
Alta Fuels, LLC	177858/Acct# 1935	\$10,698.81
Alta Fuels, LLC	Acct# 1935	\$2,446.46
Avionics Specialists, LLC	AWOS Maintenance	\$1,350.00
Business Solutions Leasing, Inc.	Copier Lease	\$60.10
CenturyLink	7196579167029	\$66.19
CenturyLink	7196570646508	\$166.94
CenturyLink	7196573454758	\$59.56
CenturyLink	7198735588534	\$52.55
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000708800	\$59.95

Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000758500 Admin Building	\$13.99
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000758500 Admin Building	\$13.96
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000758500 Admin Building	\$13.96
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000758500 Admin Building	\$13.96
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000758500 Admin Building	\$13.96
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000758500 Admin Building	\$13.96
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000758500 Admin Building	\$13.96
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000703800 Museum	\$97.28
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$69.68
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$23.28
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$23.28
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$151.32
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$11.64
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$116.40
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$69.84
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$11.64
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$81.48
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$11.64
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#7000751300 Annex	\$11.64
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000751200 Sheriff	\$526.70
CLIA Laboratory Program	Certificate Fee for Lab Users 2018	\$150.00
Colorado Outfitters Association	1/4 Page Ad/Rio Grande County Outfitters	\$700.00
Computer Information Concepts, Inc.	New Capital Asset Software and End of Year Forms	\$263.94
Computer Information Concepts, Inc.	New Capital Asset Software and End of Year Forms	\$3,590.00
Computer Information Concepts, Inc.	Annual Peopleware Agreement	\$15,890.00
Conduent Business Solutions, LLC	Track Search	\$25.00
Conejos County Nursing	Tob Grant February 2018	\$1,520.15
Costilla County Public	Tob Sub Contract Pymt February 2018 Stepp	\$3,140.70
Creede Arts Council	2018 Sponsorship	\$650.00
Cynthia Ford	Healthcare Coalition Coord – Miles	\$185.85
Cynthia Ford	Healthcare Coalition Coord - Contract Salary	\$1,830.00
Cynthia Ford	Healthcare Coalition Coord - Contract Salary	(\$280.00)
Dianne Koshak	Miles for Meetings	\$26.10
Dianne Koshak	Miles for Meetings	\$27.00
Dianne Koshak	Miles for Meetings	\$6.30
Digitcom Electronics, Inc.	Install Dash mount Radio	\$813.88
Direct TV	Acct# 045235405	\$178.98
Early Childhood Council	Healthy Community Services February 2018	\$1,666.67
Edifice Creative, LLC	Monthly Tourism Engine Usage	\$54.63
Emily Brown	Miles to Meetings	\$30.60
Emily Brown	Miles to Meetings	\$61.20
Emily Brown	Miles to Meetings	\$41.20
Emily Brown	Miles to Meetings	\$61.20
Emily Brown	Miles to Meetings	\$13.50
Emily Brown	Miles to Meetings	\$30.60
First Bankcard	Facebook Boost	\$28.96
First Bankcard	Subscription to Arnav	\$36.00
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$234.91
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$65.94
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$497.00
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$20.00
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$52.44
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$176.00
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$262.70
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$14.99
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$6.70

First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$848.20
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$34.98
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$60.62
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$14.00
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$342.51
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$1,441.30
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$83.51
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$220.96
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$110.25
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$410.50
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$779.44
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$357.84
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$65.87
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$212.19
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$331.03
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$100.00
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$243.41
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$547.12
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$137.94
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$1,907.22
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$12.40
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$50.75
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$1,902.30
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$183.75
First Bankcard	Acct#4804079969931595/2016 Shsg P1 L2- P1 L3- M&A	\$105.73
Galls, LLC	Acct# 3737546	\$26.36
Galls, LLC	Acct# 3737546	\$1,196.71
Gobins, Inc.	Acct# 21609	\$32.82
Gobins, Inc.	Acct# 13756 Fru87431/Fuu80195	\$140.89
Gobins, Inc.	Acct# 13756 Fru87431/Fuu80195	\$42.04
Gobins, Inc.	Acct# 13756/#2011109690	\$87.00
Gobins, Inc.	Acct# 21611	\$34.73
Great America Financial	Agreement# 025-1070947-0000	\$349.13
Great America Financial	Agreement# 015-0875950-000	\$331.32
Great America Financial	Agreement# 015-0875950-000	\$120.68
Great America Financial	Agreement# 016-0939369-000	\$136.17
Grover Hathorn	Board Meeting, Miles, Site Visit	\$50.00
Grover Hathorn	Board Meeting, Miles, Site Visit	\$40.50
Haynie's Inc.	Acct# 7066	\$8.77
Haynie's Inc.	Acct# 7066	\$646.18
Ida Salazar	Miles to Meetings	\$230.40
Ivan Curley Signs & Designs	Vinyl Lettering Detail and Logo for 3 Sides of Van	\$390.00
Jaime Hurtado	Basketball Sponsorship	\$300.00
Jean Borrego	Coord Salary Project 1 Planning	\$5,000.00
Jean Borrego	Shsg 2016 Proj 1 Planning Supp/Mat/Verizon	\$130.43
Jean Borrego	Shsg2016 Miles/Proj 1 Planning	\$305.55

KD Klene	Acct# S10627172P	\$87.20
Kleen Machine Hood Cleaning	Acct RGSO Full Exhaust and Backsplash Cleaning	\$400.00
La Puente Home, Inc.	For the Del Norte Food Bank	\$500.00
Lawson Product Inc.	Contract# R142103	\$15.96
Lenco West, Inc.	Nuts and Bolts	\$8.64
Lenco West, Inc.	Nuts and Bolts	\$2.74
Leonard Brown	Board Meeting and Site Visit	\$50.00
Leonard Brown	Board Meeting and Site Visit	\$27.00
Leroy A Romero	Monthly Office Cleaning March	\$150.00
Lyle Signs, Inc.	Inv Cont - 000747045/Cust# R10011	\$633.27
Lyle Signs, Inc.	Inv Cont - 000747045/Cust# R10011	\$1,352.00
Mackey Construction Co. Master Print & Web Design, Inc.	1 - 21" Band	\$29.95
Michael Mitchell	Search Engine Optimization	\$100.00
Michael Mitchell	Board Meeting and Miles and Site Visit	\$50.00
Michael Mitchell	Board Meeting and Miles and Site Visit	\$30.15
Michael Sisneros	Annual Test and Inspection/Backflow Preventer	\$75.00
Monte Vista Chamber	2018 Sponsorship	\$1,250.00
Monte Vista Cooperative	Inv Cont - 113944, 78134, 303, 728/Acct# 4531231	\$58.33
Monte Vista Cooperative	Inv Cont - 113944, 78134, 303, 728/Acct# 4531231	\$11.50
Monte Vista Cooperative	Inv Cont - 113944, 78134, 303, 728/Acct# 4531231	\$23.47
Monte Vista Cooperative	Inv Cont - 113944, 78134, 303, 728/Acct# 4531231	\$150.30
Monte Vista Cooperative	Inv Cont - 113944, 78134, 303, 728/Acct# 4531231	\$26.14
Monte Vista Machine Tool Myers Brothers Truck And Tractor, Inc.	Bend Material for Tool Box	\$20.00
Nancy Molina	Unit 76 - A32 - Unit 93	\$281.51
Nancy Molina	Miles to Meetings	\$77.40
Nancy Molina	Miles to Meetings	\$39.00
Nancy Molina	Miles to Meetings	\$45.43
O & V Printing, Inc.	Letterhead	\$339.45
Paul Wertz	Miles to Meetings	\$12.60
Paxvax, Inc.	Vivotif Cap X4	\$188.00
Peggy J Kern	Miles to Post Office	\$9.00
Pen Craft Design Company	Monthly Tourism Asst Feb 2018	\$800.00
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	Acct# 0016457644	\$295.00
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	Acct# 0016457644	\$105.00
Pro Com	Pre-Employment	\$74.00
Psychological Resources	Psych Test for New Hire	\$135.00
Rio Grande Conservation	Building Rent for 2018 Year	\$12,000.00
Rio Grande County Treas.	Homestead Reimbursement/2 Applications	\$614.86
S & S Distribution, Inc.	Water Delivery	\$49.00
Safety - Kleen	Pressure Washer Solvent	\$210.94
San Luis Valley EOC	2018 EOC Budget Request	\$335.00
San Luis Valley Tourism	Various Visitor Guides	\$6,000.00
Scott Leckler	Maintenance Courthouse Door On West Side/Lcn Model 1460 Door Closer	\$625.00
Shamrock Foods Company	Inv Cont - 10838332	\$160.04
Shamrock Foods Company	Inv Cont - 10838332	\$2,817.50
Skyline Steel	Galvanized Annular Band	\$6,826.30
SLV Behavioral Health Group, Inc.	Behavioral Health Group - Sim February 2018	\$6,018.54
SLV Parts, Inc.	Hose Fittings	\$26.12
SLV REC	Sf-4699010705/Dn-759843705	\$76.00
SLV REC	Acct#'s 1337000605, 7000235200, 7000524700, 7000541400	\$620.00
South Fork Music	South Fork Music Sponsorship	\$7,500.00
South Fork Propane, Ltd. Co.	Acct# 10274	\$461.25
South Fork Visitor's	Initial Payment 2018 Advertising (25%)	\$5,000.00
South Fork Visitor's	Utility Reimbursement - SLVREC, MVCOOP, SF Propane	\$1,700.00
Staples Business	Office Supplies- Boxes, Pencils, Notebooks, Folders	\$157.13
Staples Business	Office Supplies	\$1,731.37

Staples Business	Cust #1047088	\$85.52
Staples Business	Cust #1047088	\$239.99
The Master's Touch, LLC	Nov Postage	\$74.59
Torres Plumbing & Heating, LLC	Plumbing Unplug Stools at RG Jail	\$190.00
Total Office Solutions	Labels, Pens	\$37.60
Total Office Solutions	Markers/Folders	\$38.88
Total Office Solutions	Office Supplies - Ink Cartridge	\$128.97
Upper Rio Grande EDC	2018 Membership Dues	\$7,500.00
Valley Lock And Security, Inc.	Repair Work/Reset Security Panel and Tested to Make Sure It Is Communicating	\$120.00
Valley Lumber And Supply, Inc.	Concrete Mix	\$76.20
Valley Publishing	Ad for Accountant	\$58.50
Valley Publishing	Detention Ad	\$72.10
Valley Publishing	Wastewater Pub Notary	\$46.00
Valuwest, Inc.	Commercial Reappraisal	\$3,000.00
	Equipment Service at the Jail: Checked the Kitchen Exhaust Hood, the Fan Belt Was Loose. Greased the Bearings, Run Capacitor for Blower	
Vendola Plumbing, Inc.	Motor Is Failing, Order and Installed New Inv Cont - Poooc2045776, Poooc2045777, Poooc2045778, Poooc2045779/Cust# 74470	\$220.50
Wagner Equipment		\$1,133.51
Wesley O'Rourke	Board Meeting and Miles and Site Visit	\$50.00
Wesley O'Rourke	Board Meeting and Miles and Site Visit	\$16.35
Wex Bank	Acct# 040600819100-9	\$51.03
Wex Bank	Acct# 040600819100-9	\$100.54
Wex Bank	Acct# 040600819100-9	\$94.47
Wex Bank	Acct# 040600819100-9	\$58.40
Wex Bank	Acct# 0406-00-819102-5	\$423.60
Wex Bank	Acct# 040600821424-9	\$2,544.92
Wex Bank	Acct# 040600821424-9	\$1,004.43
William F. Dunn	Legal Fees	\$487.50
WSB Computer Services	High Point 4 Port USB	\$124.00
WSB Computer Services	Recycling Fees	\$31.80
	Dpcalendar, Responsive Joomla Calendar and Event Calendar	\$336.00
WSB Computer Services	Maintenance Agreement	\$2,500.00
WSB Computer Services	DVD Drive – Eva	\$20.00
	Cabling Material/Install New Cabling from Assessor Direct to Wiring Closet (To Fix Issues With Cabling Going to Treasurer Office First)	\$126.00
WSB Computer Services	Cabling Material/Install New Cabling from Assessor Direct to Wiring Closet (To Fix Issues With Cabling Going to Treasurer Office First)	\$125.00
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WSB Computer Services	Cabling Material/Install New Cabling from Assessor Direct to Wiring Closet (To Fix Issues With Cabling Going to Treasurer Office First)	\$125.00
	Cabling Material/Install New Cabling from Assessor Direct to Wiring Closet (To Fix Issues With Cabling Going to Treasurer Office First)	\$125.00
WSB Computer Services	Toner for Veteran Office	\$162.00
Xcel Energy	Acct# 53-1143312-0	\$69.47
Xcel Energy	Acct# 53-1143312-0	\$542.14
Xcel Energy	Acct# 53-1143312-0	\$1,194.75
Xcel Energy	Acct#53-1084871-0	\$1,474.81
Xcel Energy	Acct#53-1084871-0	\$2,130.12
Xcel Energy	Acct#53-1084871-0	\$219.74
Xcel Energy	Acct#53-1084871-0	\$202.96
Xcel Energy	Acct#53-1084871-0	\$268.11
TOTAL		\$165,679.69

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County General:	\$ 207436.81
Road and Bridge:	\$ 73,766.70
DSS:	\$ 19,428.40

Weed District:	\$ 3,667.38
Airport:	\$ 751.75
Public Health	\$ 19,806.77
TOTAL:	\$ 424,725.05

At 9:10 a.m., Commissioner Shriver reported that the due diligence project on the railroad is complete. She reported that Mineral County Administrator Janelle Kukuk is writing a summary of the due diligence report and that Mineral County is taking the lead on the project. The summary report will be available to the four coalition governments to post on their websites. The other involved entities are taking an advisory role. A meeting with private land owners is being scheduled.

Commissioner Shriver reported that she has heard incorrect information regarding the railroad project. She said she has heard that the BOCC instructed Ms. Wisdom to contact the owner of the railroad and offer him \$100,000.00 to hold the railroad property for the consortium. Commissioner Shriver asked each member of the Board if this is true. She also asked if the Board had discussed offering a purchase contract in any amount to the seller. All three Commissioners agreed that this is not true.

Commissioner Shriver reported hearing that Rio Grande County has plans to use a large portion of County general funds to purchase the railroad. She asked the Board if this is true. All three Commissioner agreed that this is not true.

Commissioner Shriver reported that Commissioner Bothell attended a meeting in South Fork late last year where it was discussed that plans were to have the conservation community be involved in financing this project and should move forward. Commissioner Shriver noted that several conservation groups are interested in preserving the river corridor.

Commissioner Shriver expressed concern that misinformation is being circulated. She reiterated that there is no offer to purchase the railroad and that Rio Grande County is serving in an advisory capacity. Chairman Glover stated that there has never been a discussion about a purchase price for the railroad. Commissioner Bothell stated that when people do not have information to talk about, they create their own. She encouraged the consortium to get the story out with the correct information. Commissioner Shriver said that some of the information circulating has come directly from the due diligence report, when all parties to the report were advised not to release any information from that report at this time.

At 9:16 a.m., the Board adjourned to the Board of the Department of Social Services.

At 9: 45 a.m., the Board meeting reconvened.

At 9:48 a.m., Emily Brown, Department of Public Health, was present to update the Board.

Ms. Brown reported that meetings are scheduled with the Monte Vista and Sargent school districts regarding the final AIM processes. The Community Health Assessment feedback is also upcoming, and Ms. Brown anticipates getting good feedback.

Ms. Brown presented a contract with Stericycle to provide needle pick up in the County. A signature on this contract will be requested in the future. Ms. Brown reported that Rio Grande County will be the only county in the Valley to provide a public needle disposal drop-off site. She said that other options are also being explored. The Stericycle contract provides monthly pickups at a cost of \$100.00 per month. Other service options might provide pickups on a quarterly basis. Ms. Brown reported talking with jail staff; needles from the jail are taken to Rio Grande Hospital at a cost of \$25.00 per delivery after the first four deliveries. Ms. Brown also talked with courthouse staff and Arlene Harms; Ms. Harms expressed concern about storing medical waste. Ms. Brown stated that there are regulations regarding medical waste and said a secure area and regular pickups are needed.

Ms. Brown said that she would prefer to have people dispose of the needles themselves, rather than giving them to staff to dispose of. Commissioner Shriver asked if a counter-size or a tall safe could be used. Ms. Brown said she would check into that. Chairman Glover said he is in favor of people disposing of the needles themselves. He also stated that Rio Grande Hospital pays for disposal by the pound. Ms. Brown stated that there are different kinds of sharps containers. Ms. Brown said that the Stericycle charges a monthly service fee, and said she would clarify if the service fee is in addition to the pickup charge of \$100.00.

Ms. Brown said that a tracking system will be developed. Because this will be the only needle pickup service in the Valley, she wants to observe the process for approximately a year, before

deciding whether to promote the service more widely and determine sustainability, such as fees for out-of-County drop-offs. Ms. Brown said that the Department of Public Health budgeted for quarterly pickups, so the process will start there.

Ms. Wisdom asked if the needles dropped off would be legal needles only, or if illegal drug needles would be accepted as well. Ms. Brown said the needles would likely be only legal needles. She stated that the Monte Vista Police Department gives needles they receive to the ambulance. She stated that if the Harm Reduction Program (SHARRP) expands to the County, it may be able to take illegal needles. She said she would track the process. Ms. Brown will finalize a contract and present it to the Board in the future.

Ms. Brown reported that the Del Norte Health Fair will be held on Saturday, March 31, 2018, from 7:00 to 10:30 a.m. The Monte Vista Health Fair will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018, from 7:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Ms. Brown requested a signature on the San Luis Valley Healthcare Coalition application for membership. She stated that the Coalition is working to include broad partners, including Emergency Medical Services, Options for Long-Term Care, and oxygen and medical suppliers. Ms. Brown will be the point of contact for Rio Grande County Public Health at the SLV Healthcare Coalition and will represent the County at meetings. Ms. Brown noted that the BOCC may have to participate at times, as well. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the San Luis Valley Healthcare Coalition membership application. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. The application was signed. Ms. Brown also discussed Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster, which can include organizations such as schools and churches, and coordinates efforts to assist the community. There is one VOAD group in the Valley at this time. Ms. Brown will make sure that Chris Ortiz, Emergency Manager, knows about the VOAD.

The Healthcare Coalition will conduct a surge test that will involve Rio Grande Hospital and long-term care facilities. The test will include an evacuation process that will provide room for an emergency surge and move non-emergent patients out. This will be tested in the next two weeks and will be done on a low- or no-notice basis.

Ms. Brown reported that AWR 209: Working with the Media training will be held at the Windsor Hotel on April 30, 2018, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. An Emergency Preparedness Response Roadshow will be held on May 15, 2018. Ms. Brown explained that there is a State new director and ways to fund EPR will be discussed.

Ms. Brown reported that there will be an on-site wastewater treatment system State visit on April 26, 2018, in Creede, at 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. This meeting will be for Public Health, Land Use, and Building Department personnel. Local controls and how the new regulations affect the County will be discussed. Ms. Wisdom stated that the costs of an OWTS system are too high for some County residents. Commissioner Shriver suggested letting local septic companies know about the meeting, if non-governmental personnel are welcome to attend. Ms. Wisdom stated that the new regulations will be difficult for places like Masonic Park, which has very old septic systems, to comply with when the systems have to be replaced. Ms. Brown said she would bring this up at the meeting. Ms. Brown reported that Hinsdale County is considering a regulation where septic systems are inspected at the time houses are sold, called a Transfer of Title program. Commissioner Shriver noted that the seller is supposed to disclose any problems to the buyer, and the buyer can request an inspection at his or her own cost.

Ms. Brown requested a credit card limit increase to \$2,000.00 for Nancy Molina, Communities that Care. Ms. Brown explained that Ms. Molina manages the approximately \$160,000.00 per year state grant, and they are finding that credit card costs in the amount of \$14,000.00 per year were anticipated. The credit card is used to purchase gift cards for coalition meeting and activity participation stipends, food for meetings and trainings, etc. She said that Ms. Molina presents receipts for purchases. It was recommended that gift cards be approved and kept in a secure location. Ms. Wisdom stated that a \$2,000.00 credit card limit is usual. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the credit card limit increase to \$2,000.00. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ms. Brown reported receiving an anonymous letter that contained a complaint. Commissioner Shriver noted that the County has an anonymous letter policy and recommended that a copy of the letter be sent to the Town of Del Norte. Ms. Brown requested a copy of the policy.

At 10:20 a.m., Ms. Brown and Commissioner Bothell reported on the healthcare program at the jail. Commissioner Bothell reported that a sample contract with the doctor has been received from Alamosa County and has been distributed to all stakeholders. A job description for the

nursing position has also been distributed. Ms. Brown asked if Alamosa has two nurses, and Commissioner Bothell said it does. Commissioner Bothell stated that the Alamosa County Human Resources person said that having the nurses saves money because it reduces the costs associated with trips to the emergency room and clinic. She said it also saves the liability of taking an inmate out of jail for medical services.

Commissioner Shriver asked if the doctor will be contracted as a part-time employee. Ms. Wisdom said the contract would be structured so that the doctor will not be an employee of the County, but rather an independent contractor. The doctor will be sent a 1099 form at the end of the year. Commissioner Bothell said that the Alamosa doctor requested that taxes be taken out of his pay check, but that he would not receive any benefits. She said the Alamosa doctor is the same person that will be hired for Rio Grande County, and he will likely request the same terms.

Ms. Brown asked how Alamosa County is handling the doctor's medical liability insurance. Commissioner Bothell explained that the doctor carries malpractice insurance and the nurse will work under his medical license and his insurance. She stated that the County's largest expense will be the cost of the malpractice insurance. Ms. Wisdom stated that the contract says the doctor will be paid \$1,668.00 per month (\$20,000.00 per year), plus the cost of insurance. Commissioner Bothell stated that discussion did not include this. Chairman Glover stated that the Alamosa contract states that the County will pay any increase in insurance costs.

Commissioner Shriver noted that the doctor will approve the written policies and procedures related to medical service at the jail, and asked who will write the policies. Commissioner Bothell said that the doctor will write the policies, and noted that he has written protocols for inmate intake and is working on other policies. She stated that other jails are using the protocols.

Commissioner Shriver said that good communication will be needed. She asked how Saguache County will be included. Commissioner Bothell said that discussions are being held with Saguache County. In a discussion with Alamosa County Attorney Jason Kelly, it would be appropriate to have a memorandum of understanding with Saguache and that Rio Grande County should bill Saguache County regularly. Ms. Wisdom stated that this makes sense.

Ms. Brown asked if the nurse will be a full-time employee. Commissioner Bothell said the nurse will be full time and will spend some hours in Saguache. The nurse's hours will be flexible and said the nurse will spend one-fifth of his or her time in Saguache. Commissioner Shriver suggested adding this to the nurse's job description. Commissioner Bothell asked if the nurse would be paid for miles to Saguache or if Rio Grande County would provide a vehicle. This needs to be determined.

Commissioner Shriver asked if the Sheriff has made comments on this contract. Commissioner Bothell said that he has not reviewed the contract yet.

Ms. Brown asked if there is a way to provide back up, if the nurse is unavailable. She asked if the nurses from other counties could support one another. Commissioner Bothell suggested that this could be similar to the MOUs between county coroners. Ms. Brown said the Alamosa-contracted doctor had previously suggested exploring a Valley-wide support network for jail nurses.

Commissioner Shriver asked if Rio Grande County is following the same prescription medication program that Alamosa County uses. Commissioner Bothell said the program is being used, and noted that it is a cost savings for the County.

Ms. Brown asked if there was funding available from Rio Grande Hospital. Commissioner Bothell explained that Arlene Harms, Rio Grande Hospital, believes the doctor and nurses should be employees of the hospital. However, the other stakeholders have objected to this because it would cause too many personnel issues. Commissioner Bothell suggested that another discussion be held with Ms. Harms after the hospital expansion is complete. Ms. Brown stated that Ms. Harms probably has tracking information for costs. Commissioner Bothell stated that costs of write offs at the hospital are in the amount of \$300,000.00, but said she is not certain how much of this is due to the inmate population or if this amount is for emergency room visits or for the jail population that does not pay for hospital visits.

Ms. Wisdom asked what space and equipment will be needed for this program. Commissioner Bothell said there has been no decision yet; ideas are being discussed. She said that space will be needed for over-the-counter medications, and a locked cabinet will be needed for prescription medications and medical supplies. Ms. Wisdom suggested that Rio Grande Hospital might be able to donate beds and supplies should they get new ones because of its

current remodeling. She also said that the United States Department of Agriculture Community Facilities Grant might be available to assist with the purchase of equipment.

Ms. Brown said she will distribute the nurse's job description when it is complete.

At 10:43 a.m., Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, was present to update the Board.

Ms. Wisdom reported that the Department of Local Affairs grant to update the Land Use code book will likely be awarded in the amount of \$50,000.00. This is a one-to-one grant. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the DOLA grant request to update the Land Use code book. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ms. Diltz reported receiving six applications for the open seat on the Planning and Zoning Board. She recommended appointing two alternates to fill vacancies, as well. She asked the Board to make the appointments for the April 2018 Planning and Zoning Board meeting. Commissioner Shriver asked if the Planning and Zoning Board members had reviewed the applications. Ms. Diltz said the members have not seen the applications but are aware of who application letters were sent to. Commissioner Bothell stated that the Planning and Zoning Board should have input on the applications. Chairman Glover suggested that the Planning and Zoning Board recommend three names. Ms. Diltz stated that the Planning and Zoning Board should not choose its members in order to avoid the perception of cronyism. She said the BOCC appoints members to the Board. Commissioner Shriver recommended that each Commissioner send three to four recommendations to Ms. Diltz before the next BOCC meeting. Ms. Diltz said the next Planning and Zoning Board meeting is April 17, 2018. She suggested that candidates who are not appointed to the Planning and Zoning Board might be appointed to the Board of Adjustments. The Board of Adjustments has five open seats and only two can be filled by members of the Planning and Zoning Board. Chairman Glover recommended that these appointments be placed on the BOCC agenda for the April 11, 2018 meeting. He said this will provide time to invite the candidates.

At 10:50 a.m., Lori Laske, Director of Alumni Relations, Adams State University, and Toni DeAngelis, Executive Director, Trinidad State Educational Foundation, were present to discuss the Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative County-Based Proposal. Ms. Laske explained that she met with the San Luis Valley County Commissioners last year about the COSI Grant. Funding from the State was appropriated in 2014, for Colorado residents, but the county commissioners felt the matching funds were difficult to provide. Ms. Laske talked with the State in January 2018, and the State agreed to provide reduced matching options.

Adams State University and Trinidad State Junior College are working as partners on the COSI Grant. Ms. DeAngelis explained that the allocation to Rio Grande County students is now \$18,937.00, with a 25- to 50-percent match. A total of \$37,874.00 has been allocated for 37 scholarships for Rio Grande County students. Ms. Laske stated that ASU would serve as the fiscal agent for the grant. She explained that there are 208 students from Rio Grande County enrolled at ASU; there are 149 Rio Grande County students enrolled at TSJC. Qualified students need to be 250 percent of Pell; 65 percent of the Rio Grande County students meet the criteria for the scholarship. Ms. DeAngelis added that the scholarship may only be used for tuition costs. Additional needs of the students will be taken into consideration.

Ms. Wisdom asked if the scholarships were available only to freshmen. Ms. Laske explained that the scholarship is available to non-traditional students, as well. She said the goal is to attract students who are graduating from high school.

Ms. Laske stated that the COSI grant is an investment in the County. She said it will provide opportunities for students to make higher incomes and to participate in civic engagements. Ms. DeAngelis said that students want to stay in the Valley, and with education, can give back to their communities.

Ms. DeAngelis asked the Board for a verbal or provisional commitment to participate in the COSI grant by April 10, 2018. This commitment is needed for the grant application. A letter of support will be needed by April 18, 2018. Ms. Laske said that funding is needed for the fall 2018 semester. Commissioner Shriver clarified that the County matching funds in the amount of \$4,700.00 to \$9,000.00 would not be needed until the fall of 2018. Chairman Glover asked when the exact amount of funding would be determined. Ms. DeAngelis said the amount would be determined in June. She also said that 37 counties in the State qualify for this grant, so a strong proposal is needed.

Ms. Laske stated that there is a strong commitment to the counties: all Valley counties and Las Animas and Huerfano Counties qualify for the grant. Conejos and Costilla Counties have

committed to it; Alamosa County will make a decision about the grant at its next meeting. Ms. Laske explained that millions of dollars have been set aside to fund this grant, so it should continue for several years, and be a permanent line item in the County's budget.

Ms. DeAngelis explained that the grant application will be needed annually. She offered to supply a template for the letter of support. Ms. Laske said it might be possible for other foundations to provide some of the matching funds in the future.

Chairman Glover stated that this is a good opportunity to help students remain in the Valley. Ms. Laske said that students who have benefitted from the grant will be asked to speak to the Board about their experience in the future.

At 11:17 a.m., Cindy Hill, County Clerk and Recorder, was present. Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f), Commissioner Shriver moved to go into executive session for personnel matters. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

At 11:55 a.m., Commissioner Shriver moved to come out of executive session. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The meeting reconvened. Commissioner Shriver moved to recess the meeting. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting was recessed.

At 1:02 p.m., the Board meeting resumed.

Ms. Wisdom reported that the County has received an additional \$5,000.00 for the Underfunded Courthouse Grant. The total amount of the grant is now \$45,000.00. Commissioner Bothell moved to accept the additional amount. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. The grant was signed.

Ms. Wisdom presented a letter from the Rio Grande County Library District appointment Tim Armstrong to its board. The term will expire in 2023. Commissioner Bothell moved to ratify the appointment of Mr. Armstrong. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Chairman Glover reported receiving an email stating that a member of the Tourism Board (Del Norte seat) is ill and might have to be replaced on the Board. Commissioner Shriver suggested requesting a formal letter of resignation and sending a letter to the Board member acknowledging his many years of service. Chairman Glover suggested that Josephine Pierce handle the issue. Ms. Wisdom suggested asking the Del Norte Town Board for names of possible candidates to serve on the Tourism Board. The consensus of the Board was to agree with this suggestion. Chairman Glover will speak to Ms. Pierce and let Ms. Wisdom know when to contact the Del Norte Town Board.

Ms. Wisdom presented a petition for an abatement of taxes from Haliburton Energy Services, Inc. in the amount of \$6.51. The Haliburton property should have been assessed by the State rather than by the County. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the abatement of taxes. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ms. Wisdom reported receiving \$28,746.76 in Secure Rural Schools funding. She explained that if there is more than \$6 million in State funding, the funds to the County can be divided as follows: 25 percent to schools; 25 percent to the Road and Bridge Department; 50 percent to the County. She suggested meeting with representatives from the schools to discuss how the funds can be divided. She noted, however, that if funds are given to the schools, the County may keep its Payment in Lieu of Taxes funds. Chairman Glover stated that he is in favor of giving the funding to the schools and suggested having representatives from the schools meet with the Board. Commissioner Shriver reiterated that when the funds are given to the school, the County will not be penalized in terms of the amount received from PILT funds.

Ms. Wisdom suggested that this funding might be used by the schools to contribute to the COSI grant. Commissioner Shriver said this can be discussed when the school representatives meet with the Board. She also wondered if these funds could be dedicated to the improvements on County Road 13 around the new school area. Ms. Wisdom will invite representatives from the schools to a BOCC meeting and will also notify the County Treasurer about how to divide the SRS funds.

Ms. Wisdom presented the current maintenance needs list. Some repairs will be completed by the County Maintenance Department; other repairs will be made by outside suppliers. The list of needed repairs will be sent to Hart of the Valley. Ms. Wisdom reported that bids to repair the Rio

Grande County Museum after the flooding have been received. She also reported that the sidewalk on the north side of the Annex will be repaired on April 9, 2018. Chairman Glover said that he asked Randy Kern, Building Department, to monitor the sidewalk repair.

At 1:20 p.m., Commissioner Shriver reported that she was notified on March 27, 2018, that the Valley's radar project is moving forward positively. The 2018-2019 State budget has been introduced and the radar project is on the list of Capital Construction Projects included in the Long Bill.

Commissioner Bothell requested approval for a letter of support for the South Fork Powder Busters, which is a group that conducts trail maintenance. The group has an opportunity to apply for an \$8,000.00 grant that will reimburse it for trail maintenance. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the letter of support. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Commissioner Bothell reported that after a State audit of the Regional Emergency and Medical Trauma Services and Advisory Council, issues regarding who is on the board have been discovered. She explained that there are too many emergency managers on the board, and the State would like to have more medical personnel on the board. She reported that each county has been asked to submit names of people who can represent the counties on the RETAC board. She also stated that county commissioners are allowed to serve on the RETAC board. Commissioner Bothell also reported that the State RETAC conference will be held in Alamosa on July 11 and 12, 2018; a meal will be served on July 11, 2018, and Commissioners are invited.

Commissioner Bothell reported that the Federal Emergency Management Agency has developed a warning system called Integrated Public Alert and Warning System that is similar to the Amber Alert system. For instance, if there is a fire, citizens will be notified with IPAWS through the cell phone system and will alert everyone in the range of specific towers whether they are registered for Everbridge or not.

Commissioner Bothell reported that the government has opted in to the First Net system. AT&T will be responsible for this system. She explained that counties can opt out of this system. She also said that the telephone system will give law enforcement priority in the case of an emergency.

Ms. Wisdom reported receiving a telephone call from a company that wants to film a documentary in Summitville in May 2018.

Commissioner Shriver reported that Mark Rudolph, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, has scheduled public tours of Summitville on June 29 and 30, 2018.

Commissioner Shriver asked the Board for its approval to apply for a DOLA grant to hire a consultant on a revenue generating plan. The BOCC met with a representative from the George Baum Company during the annual CCI meeting last fall to learn about the process.

Chairman Glover reported that a meeting with the Colorado Department of Transportation will be scheduled to discuss bringing Bustang bus service to Monte Vista, Del Norte, and Center.

At 1:30 p.m., a public hearing was opened regarding camping on private property. Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, and Ramos Castro were present. Ms. Diltz reported that a letter was sent to Mr. Castro on February 23, 2018, notifying him that he cannot live in a camper where there is no residence or no residence is being constructed. Ms. Diltz has spoken with Mr. Castro several times. She explained that Mr. Castro maintains that he moves his camper from his property (5696 West Highway 160, Monte Vista) at night to his apartment building in Center. Mr. Castro is working on the Monte Vista property and the roads and will eventually apply for a building permit to construct a house. Mr. Castro does not have the funds to store the recreational vehicle; Mr. Castro is not living in the camper. Ms. Diltz asked if the Board could provide any options for Mr. Castro.

Commissioner Shriver asked for clarification that Mr. Castro moves the camper every day. Mr. Castro said he moves the camper every day via back roads. Commissioner Shriver asked Mr. Castro if he had purchased the property from Vicky McNeely. Mr. Castro said he purchased the property east of the McNeely property.

Mr. Castro thanked the Board for having him attend the meeting and said that he wants to play by the rules. He stated that he does not have the computer skills needed to access the County

website to learn the County building codes. He also explained that his landlady in Center will not allow him to keep his camper there during the day.

Mr. Castro stated that he works on the Monte Vista property to dig rocks and clean up trash. He has also widened roads on the property. He explained that this work is being done so that construction can begin. Mr. Castro said he has health problems and does not have much income. However, he owns the camper and the Monte Vista property free and clear. He asked if a variance could be granted to store the camper on the Monte Vista property.

Mr. Castro reported that he has spoken to Randy Kern, Building Department, about obtaining a building permit. Mr. Castro said he has more work to do on the application. He plans to build a 30-foot by 30-foot garage with a house on the upper floor. He asked the Board for advice. Mr. Castro said that he might obtain a loan to cover the costs of a septic system, a well, and the construction.

Chairman Glover asked Mr. Castro about his timeframe. Mr. Castro said the bank is performing a credit check, which should be clear. Mr. Castro said he has the money for the building permit. Chairman Glover asked if Mr. Castro can store his camper and drive to his property if the Board cannot make an exception in the rules. Mr. Castro said he would sell the camper if it comes to that.

Commissioner Shriver clarified that Mr. Castro rents an apartment in Center, moves the camper every day, and is requesting approval to leave the camper on the Monte Vista property. Mr. Castro said that is correct. He added that he can live in the camper once construction begins.

Chairman Glover said that the issue is one of perception. If other citizens assume Mr. Castro is living on the Monte Vista property in his camper, it appears unfair. Commissioner Shriver noted that this was an issue when Ms. McNeely lived on her property in a camper. Mr. Castro acknowledged that he has left the camper on the property at times. Chairman Glover asked if the camper lights are on when the camper is plugged into the truck. Mr. Castro said he has installed solar lights to shine on the camper. If anyone saw lights, it was the solar lights.

Commissioner Bothell asked if Mr. Castro has the camper on the property in the morning or at night. Mr. Castro said the camper is on the property in the morning.

Chairman Glover asked if Mr. Castro is waiting to apply for the building permit, pending the findings of the bank. Mr. Castro said he needs the building permit, and then needs the funds to build the house. Ms. Diltz reminded Mr. Castro that in order to live in the camper, active building must be underway on the property. She said that he can live in the camper for a limited time, after construction has started. Mr. Castro asked for approval to leave the camper on the property for two weeks. Commissioner Bothell noted that moving the camper on and off the property is not illegal. Ms. Diltz recommended that times be set for when the camper can be moved on to and off of the property.

Ms. Diltz asked Mr. Castro what he plans to accomplish in the two weeks. Mr. Castro said he will pick up trash and do dirt work. After he obtains the building permit, he plans to make the pad for the house.

Commissioner Shriver said that the Board cannot make an exception to the rules for one person and not for everyone else. She added that there is no County staff to monitor the property and that the property is very visible. She encouraged Mr. Castro to obtain the building permit as soon as possible. Commissioner Bothell recommended that he continue to move the camper for two weeks. Mr. Castro said this would not be a problem. Chairman Glover said that approving a variance would create problems, noting that when this issue was discussed with the Planning and Zoning Board a few years ago, it was agreed to not make exceptions to the rules.

Mr. Castro stated that he is still having difficulty understanding the Building Department's rules regarding insulation, sheet rock, and framing, noting that it is difficult for him to access the County website. Ms. Diltz offered to help Mr. Castro. Chairman Glover suggested that Mr. Castro ask questions directly rather than relying on the computer.

At 2:00 p.m., the public hearing was closed.

At 2:01 p.m., Ms. Diltz presented a conditional use amendment to change the name of the owner of a property. Ms. Diltz explained that Bright Water Farms, located at 1000 Maxeyville Road in Monte Vista, was sold to the Robert W. Mertz trust and Sterling Wayne, LLC. The new owner has agreed to the stipulations on the original conditional use permit obtained by Bright Water Farms, and has sent a letter to that affect. Ms. Diltz presented the resolution for approval.

Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the amended resolution. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. The resolution was signed. Book 590 Page 839

At 2:03 p.m., Emily Brown, Public Health Department, Randy Kern, Building Department, and County Attorney Bill Dunn were present.

Ms. Brown reported that the renter of a house on County Road 15 has called several County department with complaints about the house. The Sheriff has visited the renter and has spoken to Mr. Kern. The renter has been living in the house for approximately three months and now has health problems; she has cited concerns with mold, fire hazards, and building codes. Mr. Kern has visited the house. Ms. Brown explained that mold is a difficult issue for the Public Health Department to handle because even though it might be a health hazard, there are no specific standards for levels of mold. Ms. Brown said she talked to Colorado State University and was informed that if even if the mold is tested, there is no guarantee that the mold causes illness. The Public Health Department can provide the renter or landlord with resources to help clean up the mold. Ms. Brown said that it is difficult to deal with these types of situations because the issue is often civil between the renter and landlord, and Public Health provides resources for Legal Aid. She asked what the County policy is in a case such as this. She asked if it becomes a County issue if a property is rented multiple times.

Mr. Kern reported that he visited the property on March 21, 2018. He said that the renter's major complaint was mold, but in his opinion, there were more concerning issues. He said there is vinyl flooring on the bathroom, which gets wet and might be the source of the problem. Mr. Kern said the house was built in 2005 and was code compliant at its inspection. The house is a one bedroom apartment studio built above horse stalls. Mr. Kern said the bedroom is being used, but there are other people sleeping in the main area of the house, which also contains a gas water heater. Mr. Kern said the water heater's vent is jimmed and there is combustible material all around it. He said there is a wood stove, whose chimney is compromised. He added that smoke detectors have been ripped out. He said that there is a gas dryer. He wondered if carbon monoxide is the cause of the renter's health problems. Mr. Kern stated that the building codes are not property maintenance codes. He said the Land Use codes include unsafe buildings. He expressed concern about how quickly someone in the house could be injured or die in the conditions he found.

Ms. Brown recommended that the renter speak to the landlord. Mr. Kern stated that a local architect designed the building. Ms. Brown asked what responsibility the Public Health Department has in this situation. Commissioner Bothell asked if the renter is angling for a lawsuit.

Ms. Brown said that the renter has been provided with resources. Ms. Brown said she believes that the renter wants money back from the landlord so she can move. Mr. Dunn said the renter can sue for constructive eviction if the house becomes uninhabitable. He noted that this is a civil matter. Commissioner Shriver asked if the County bears any liability now that County representatives have seen the life safety issues. Mr. Dunn said that mold could be a cause for constructive eviction. If there are other hazards, time needs to be allowed to rectify them. He said that concerns noted by the County could be pointed out to the owner and that the owner could be enjoined from renting the house as a three bedroom house. Mr. Dunn stated that he does not think this is a County issue.

Mr. Dunn said that the Board of Health should give the landlord a hearing, unless the Department of Public Health says the house is unstable. Ms. Brown stated that there is no clear path for the Department of Public Health to deal with the mold. She asked if Public Health could address the other problems. Mr. Dunn said the other problems are safety issues.

Commissioner Bothell asked if it is a law that houses have to have smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Mr. Dunn will look this up. Commissioner Shriver said that this is an issue that is monitored by the real estate commission.

Mr. Kern reported that he has attempted to contact the owner of the property and has not been able to make contact. Ms. Brown reported her understanding is that there is a caretaker of the property. Ms. Brown also said that it is unclear if there is a rental contract between the owner and the renter.

Commissioner Shriver recommended that Mr. Dunn write a letter to the owner noting the house's safety issues and the renter's complaints. Mr. Dunn said such a letter would fall on deaf ears, and suggested scheduling a meeting with the caretaker. Commissioner Shriver said that the meeting should address health and safety issues.

Ms. Brown asked if the renter has now moved out of the house. Mr. Kern said she is living with a neighbor. He expressed concern regarding electrical problems and carbon monoxide. Commissioner Shriver recommended that the owner, caretaker, and renter be contacted and a meeting with them be scheduled.

Mr. Kern said that calls like these need to be taken seriously, but there is no protocol for handling them. He said that the County cannot be “rental police.” Ms. Brown said that Environmental Health has a form for complaints, and suggested that this form could be modified for this kind of situation with County departments. Ms. Brown will work on editing Public Health’s complaint form for the County. A meeting was scheduled for April 25, 2018, at 2:00 p.m.

The consensus of the Board was to agree that a method to address similar issues be developed. Mr. Kern said that a complaint can be received, reviewed, and determined if it is a civil or a County issue.

Ms. Brown asked if a septic system was visible from the surface of the property and Mr. Kern said it was not visible. Mr. Dunn said if a structure creates a safety hazard, the County has a right to explore the issue. Ms. Wisdom noted that the County does not have the authority to get money back from the landlord. Ms. Brown asked to be notified if the renter contacts the County again.

At 2:50 p.m., it was noted that a meeting will be scheduled with the Tourism Board after all the findings from the Colorado Open Records Act request are reviewed.

At 2:51 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover, Chairman
Chairman of the Board

Mona Syring
Clerk of the Board