

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

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The Board of Rio Grande County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, August 15, 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 9:30 a.m., Chairman Glover called the Board meeting to order and gave the opening prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the agenda with changes in times for updates from the Road and Bridge Department and the Rio Grande County Museum, and the addition of reviewing bids for the Summitville vault bathroom. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

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

Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the July 25, 2018, minutes with changes. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. Commissioner Shriver commented about the presentation by Charlie Spielman at the July 25, 2018 meeting about the possible purchase of the Summitville Superfund site. She said that the process for the future vision of Summitville is to include Kristy Borchers and obtain public input. She stated that while the purchase of the site is an option to consider, if Mr. Spielman's ideas are pursued, it will be very expensive in terms of attorneys' fees. Commissioner Shriver suggested that the County begin budgeting for high-level attorneys, should the Commissioners decide to consider that option in future years.

The consent agenda, which included the August 2018 mid-month vouchers, the Veteran's Service report, the Rio Grande Weed District forced entry list, and petitions for tax abatements, was presented. Commissioner Bothell questioned a check issued to Del Norte Auto. She said this company is now San Luis Valley Parts. Ms. Wisdom said she would determine if the check could be issued with the wrong company name. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. The vouchers were signed. The tax abatements included:

- Charles and Kristine Brown and Joe Jorosinski in the amount of \$481.20
- Charles and Kristine Brown and Joe Jorosinski in the amount of \$622.33

The Weed District forced entry list included:

Land Owner/Lessee	Weed Species	Parcel No.	Mode of Contact	Notice	Certified Letter
Claunch AR Ranches/Partners	Canadian Thistle, Russian Knapweed	6313100282 6313400318	Phone message and written notice	7/30/18	7/18/18
Tri-County Properties	Canadian Thistle, Russian Knapweed	6314200364 631100356 6113100055	Called	7/30/18	7/18/18
Pescatore/Old Wester Heritage LLC	Canadian Thistle, Russian Knapweed	4126300081	Mailed	7/19/18	
David Schneider	Spotted Knapweed	2133409004	Mailed	7/19/18	
Paula Diepolder	Spotted Knapweed	2133409016	Mailed	7/19/18	
Rebecca Helmstetler	Spotted Knapweed	2133409008	Mailed	7/19/18	
Rio Grande Club and Resort	Canadian Thistle, Spotted	2127300245	Mailed	7/19/18	

	Knapweed, Field Bind Weed, Musk Thistle				
Craig Mintzlaff	Canadian Thistle	2126301006	Mailed	7/23/18	
Robert Flynn	Canadian Thistle	2126301009	Mailed	7/23/18	
Bear Creek Subdivision	Canadian Thistle	2126201030	Mailed	7/23/18	
Louis and Jerry Schmidt	Canadian Thistle, Hoary Cress, Perennial Pepper Weed, Russian Knapweed	63113300442	Call	8/6/18	
Meeper	Canadian Thistle	1928200241	Written notice	8/7/18	

At 9:39 a.m., Ms. Wisdom requested approval of a resolution for a tax sale of property to Teresa and Kevin Petty, Lots 14-15, Block 17, Alpine Village No. 1, from Edward Tietig, in the amount of \$238.43. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the tax sale. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ms. Wisdom requested approval to void a warrant to Shamrock Foods in the amount of \$3,483.27. The original check was lost and had to be reissued. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the voided warrant. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ms. Wisdom reported that Veterans Affairs will receive an increase in funding in the amount of \$300.00 per month (total per month: \$1,225.00). Ms. Wisdom said that Jack Rudder is considering what to do with the additional funding.

Ms. Wisdom reported that the Colorado Health Pool renewal meeting will be held on September 13, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. She asked who should attend with Commissioner Shriver. Commissioner Shriver said that Kristy Dennis and Ms. Wisdom should attend. Commissioner Bothell asked if it would be possible for employees to choose the amount of their deductibles. Commissioner Shriver said this should be discussed with CTSI. Commissioner Bothell said that this would be a benefit to employees. Commissioner Shriver said that the cost of administering this would have to be considered. Ms. Wisdom said she would find out what the County's options might be.

Ms. Wisdom reported receiving notification from the Sheriff's Office that effective August 13, 2018, it can perform vehicle identification number inspections.

Ms. Wisdom reported that she attended a meeting of town and other community managers about the San Luis Valley Branding Initiative. A new logo has been created to be used to brand the Valley as one area.

At 9:47 a.m., Louise Colville, Rio Grande County Museum, was present to update the Board. Ms. Colville reported that training to learn how to store archived photos on the iCloud will cost up to \$1,574.00 (10 hours). Scans can be downloaded from the iCloud, cleaned up if necessary, and sold. It will cost a total of \$440.00 per year to put the photos online on the Museum's server. Ms. Colville said she feels comfortable with this process and the costs. She reported that if equipment is purchased by August 28, 2018, it will cost \$199.00.

Ms. Colville explained that by handling the photos this way, they will look professional and be easier to sell. She recommended that she send a letter to John Paulson requesting that he release the photos in his possession. Chairman Glover suggested that both he and Ms. Colville sign the letter. He said the letter should be sent to Mr. Paulson as soon as possible.

Ms. Wisdom asked if the Museum is creating a separate website from the County's. Ms. Colville said the Museum needs its own site because it is so large.

Ms. Colville said that the Creede Historical Society sells its photos for \$15.00 each. She said its system is more complicated than the Museum's will be.

Commissioner Shriver noted that the Monte Vista Historical Society is facing financial challenges and may request some support. New members and people to run the Historical Society are needed. Commissioner Shriver said that the Historical Society also sells photos. She suggested that a merger of the Historical Society and the Museum or a cooperative agreement between the two might be needed in the future. Ms. Wisdom suggested that each website provide a link to the other. Ms. Colville said that whichever agency sells a photo should receive the proceeds from that sale.

Commissioner Bothell reviewed the Museum's budget and noted that there are funds to complete this project and get the photos back this year. Chairman Glover asked if the photos can be sold in the Museum's gift shop. Ms. Colville said they could. She added that photos are being chosen for a farm art show and these can be sold. Ms. Colville stated that the Clerk's Office is now printing all color photos. Commissioner Bothell said that the photos should be printed on photographic paper by a professional printer.

Ms. Wisdom suggested that Museum photos could be displayed in the Courthouse. She also suggested that the Rio Grande Prevention Partners photo exhibit be displayed at the Courthouse. Commissioner Bothell asked if the halls were wide enough to accommodate photos displayed on easels.

Ms. Colville said that there are several ways to expand the Museum's gift shop. Photos, hand crafts, and books can be sold. Chairman Glover said he would help with the gift shop over the winter.

Ms. Colville said she would start the photo project after Labor Day. She said it will take several days to mount the World War I exhibit and program. Ms. Wisdom asked if there will be photos of the veterans' plaques. Ms. Colville said that people would probably buy photos of these plaques.

At 10:11 a.m., Ms. Wisdom reported that there will be meeting of the Colorado Children's Campaign at the Early Childhood Council on September 11, 2018, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., in Alamosa. She said that there is always good information to be gleaned from this meeting.

Commissioner Shriver reported that she, Emily Brown, Department of Public Health, and Jody Kern, Department of Social Services, participated in a conference call to discuss public health, social services, and boards of county commissioners. Rio Grande County was the only county in Colorado chosen for this interview completed by a school in Washington, D.D. She said that a report would be available soon. She also reported that the Monte Vista Kids' Connection received a Walton Foundation grant for lunches. Commissioner Shriver noted that it is interesting that federal agencies are noticing the County. Ms. Wisdom said that the Valley is considered because of the number of children living in poverty.

Commissioner Shriver said that the demographics distributed at the economic summit were interesting. She said that there are a number of grandparents and great grandparents raising children. Chairman Glover said that there are a number of children raised by grandparents on the Navajo Reservation.

Ms. Wisdom distributed budgets for the BOCC, the Extension Service, the McMullen Building (including the pavilion), the District Attorney, community assistance funds (which includes veterans, seniors, Tu Casa, etc.), and indirect services. The community assistance funds budget will demonstrate how the County supports other agencies. Ms. Wisdom reported that the County supports the Extension Service in the amount of \$48,000.00. Commissioner Shriver added that Rio Grande and Alamosa Counties provide the majority of support, while other counties do not provide much support. The San Luis Valley Board of County Commissioners will discuss budget requests at the August 27, 2018, meeting.

Ms. Wisdom presented the County's workers' compensation report, as of June 2018. The County's loss ratio is down five percent from 27 percent in 2017. Two claims came from the Sheriff's Office and one came from the Road and Bridge Department. The County property pool is at a rate of 140 percent; it was one percent in 2017. The flood and related damage at the Museum is the reason for this increase.

At 10:30 a.m., Emily Brown, Department of Public Health, was present to update the Board.

Ms. Brown reported that there will be a health assessment planning and staff retreat on August 24, 2018. The office will be closed that day, and the closure will be announced in the newspaper. Ms. Brown also stated that the Rio Grande Hospital Community Health Needs

Assessment will be conducted on September 27, 2018. Ms. Brown said that the hospital has included Behavioral Health in this assessment. She explained that Arlene Harms, Rio Grande Hospital Chief Executive Officer, has a goal for the next three years and wants to create a standing assessment group. A coordinator may be hired for this process. Commissioner Shriver said that coordinating the various assessments is good. Ms. Brown said there will be monthly meetings through November.

Ms. Brown reported that the contract with Stericycle is set up and there are sharps boxes in the Public Health office. Ms. Brown said she has talked with the jail and the courthouse staffs. The courthouse staff informed her that it is against State regulations to have needles on courthouse property. Ms. Brown suggested that there might be an outdoor option that can be controlled by Public Health. She said a container like a night deposit box could be used to accept needles in containers (not individual needles). She stated that the service could be free to County residents; out-of-County residents would be charged for the service. Sharps containers could be sold, as well. Commissioner Bothell asked if drug users who want to dispose of needles will talk to Department staff. Ms. Brown said that drug users are not part of the needle disposal plan and noted that the SLV Health Access Risk Reduction Project is for drug users.

Chairman Glover suggested that the drop box could be placed next to the ballot drop box near the Annex. Commissioner Shriver said there might be confusion and needles could be dropped in the wrong box. Ms. Brown said that the person dropping off a needles container could call the Public Health Department and a staff member could meet him or her and unlock the drop box. Ms. Brown said that she will talk to Chaffee County about its needle disposal program.

Commissioner Bothell asked how people will find out about the needle disposal program. Ms. Brown said the program will be advertised.

Commissioner Shriver asked if the needle drop boxes could be located at local hospital clinics. Ms. Brown said Ms. Harms is concerned about the cost and administration of the program at their locations, but is in support of the idea for the County. Commissioner Bothell expressed concern that people might drop trash in the drop box. Ms. Wisdom suggested installing an intercom system near the box to be used to call Public Health staff. Commissioner Bothell suggested that a doorbell could work, as well. Chairman Glover said it is important to have someone from Public Health monitor the drop off. Ms. Brown said that needles will be picked up quarterly.

Ms. Brown said that there is funding in the Public Health budget to purchase a drop box. She suggested that it could be installed either near the Public Health generator or behind the Annex. Ms. Wisdom noted that there is a parking space there, which is designated has a handicap space. She said this designation could be changed. Ms. Brown said she will email more information to the Board.

Ms. Brown presented several contracts for approval and signature:

- Toni Steffens-Steward in the amount of \$35,400.00, for Communities that Care; this is extra funding for regional support for five Valley counties (the contract does not include Mineral County); Ms. Steffens-Steward is the point of contact for the region.
- Kimberly Bryant in the amount of \$26,676.00, for State Innovation Model; Ms. Bryant coordinates with Behavioral Health; this is the third year of a three-year grant and there are some federal restrictions; travel expenses are not included.
- Kristi Hillis in the amount of \$15,900.00 for Tobacco.
- Cynthia Ford in the amount of \$39,000.00 for the Healthcare Coalition; Ms. Ford is Alamosa County's part-time Emergency Manager and also works part time for Rio Grande County; this two-year grant (with five-year continuation) will end in July 2019; another grant will be sought, perhaps with a different fiscal agent.
- Tobacco memoranda of understanding:
 - Alamosa (includes Environmental Health) in the amount of \$45,000.00
 - Conejos in the amount of \$27,000.00
 - Costilla in the amount of \$27,000.00
 - Saguache in the amount of \$27,000.00
- Healthy Communities memoranda of understanding:
 - Costilla in the amount of \$25,680.00
 - Saguache in the amount of \$9,300.00
- Costilla County in the amount of \$15,350.00 for the Office of Behavioral Health; this is money from Costilla County.

Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the contracts. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. The contracts were signed.

Ms. Brown noted that the contracts are formatted differently, and asked the Board if it has a preference for formatting. She explained that the State has asked that all contracts be very clear with regard to contractors and sub-recipients. She also said that Chaffee County has an issue with the indemnification clause included in contracts. Ms. Brown will speak to County Attorney Bill Dunn regarding the indemnification issue. Commissioner Shriver suggested that the subcontracts be formatted using one template and noted that these contracts have been in use for years. Ms. Brown expressed concern that the OMB Super Circular regulations will change what is to be included in contracts.

Ms. Brown reported these individual contracts require a great deal of management responsibility and this tends to burn her out. But she said that more regional contracts are needed to provide services and programs.

Ms. Brown reported discussing establishing an emergency operations center on the west side of the Valley with Emergency Manager Chris Ortiz. Locations such as schools and the Del Norte fire house are being considered. Commissioner Bothell said she does not understand how the Del Norte Fire Department will use the school's field house because there are several classrooms in the building. Ms. Brown said that Mr. Ortiz will begin discussions. Commissioner Bothell asked if electronic equipment will be needed. Ms. Brown said it will be needed. She noted that the Annex now has Wi-Fi, but more equipment will be needed. Commissioner Shriver stated that the South Fork Fire Department was used as headquarters during the West Fork fire and that the fire was managed from the Del Norte school.

Ms. Brown reported that some recent Environmental Health inspections have not gone well. Some inspectors are frightened and have asked for additional support on subsequent inspections. Ms. Brown said they should not have to worry about doing their jobs. She stated that the problem may come up again, and requested support from the Board. Chairman Glover asked if the problem stems from the fact that health inspections have not been conducted as much as they are now. Ms. Brown said that this may have been the case for a couple of the specific situations where there was a newer process in place. Commissioner Bothell asked what sort of support Ms. Brown wants from the Board. Ms. Brown said the Board should be aware that there is a problem and if it receives complaints that the Commissioners either explain the process or refer the complainant to the Department of Public Health. She said that if the problem escalates to a level of harassment, more discussion will be needed.

Ms. Brown said that the Department has received one good application for the nurse position. An interview will be scheduled.

Ms. Brown reported that the jail nurse is good to work with. She is researching if the Alamosa jail provides vaccinations and tuberculosis testing. The Rio Grande County jail nurse recently needed to provide a tetanus shot for an inmate and used one from Public Health. How to bill for this service needs to be determined.

At 11:12 a.m., Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Department, was present to update the Board.

Mr. Sullivan reported that the gate on County Road 14C has been removed. Chairman Glover added that the sign is down, as well. He suggested that Mr. Sullivan find out if a directional sign to Bureau of Land Management land is permitted. Mr. Sullivan said he would talk with property owner John Wilder.

Mr. Sullivan reported that "No ATVs" signs might be possible that would include arrows on designated routes. He said it is important to not install too many signs. He also said an educational effort is needed in order to teach riders where it is permissible to ride. Commissioner Bothell asked if survey stakes could be used. Chairman Glover stated that because the Town of South Fork designated specific ATV routes, it is the town's responsibility to train riders and to patrol the roads. He said that South Fork needs to be educated. Commissioner Bothell asked if the County holds any liability for riders riding where they should not. Mr. Sullivan said that maps showing designated roads prevent liability. He said that there have been accidents on Forest Service roads but there have been no accidents on County roads. He also said that more discussion about ATVs is needed. Chairman Glover said that there is an agreement with the Colorado Department of Transportation for ATV riders to move from point to point to get to the mountains.

Mr. Sullivan reported receiving a call from the Colorado State Patrol and an email from South Fork Police Chief Don McDonald regarding the Rhythms on the Rio event. The event planners did not obtain a permit for the event. Mr. Sullivan said that he was unsure if the burro run was held this year, and noted that there were drops in communication about the event. Commissioner Bothell asked if the Tourism Board should be involved in order to make sure event planners know what permits are needed. Chairman Glover stated that Rhythms on the Rio is given carte blanche. Mr. Sullivan reported that Chief McDonald has requested an after-action discussion regarding the flaggers used for the event. Commissioner Shriver stated that the event planners get permission for the event from the Forest Service.

Mr. Sullivan reported that an estimated total of \$150,000.00 will be spent on liquid oil on County Road 13. Chairman Glover recommended that this road be paved this year so that the gravel will not shift. Commissioner Shriver agreed, stating that the recent rains are affecting the road. Mr. Sullivan said it will take some work in spots where the binder used on the road failed. He said the Department will schedule the work for mid-September. A full crew and flaggers will be used.

Chairman Glover asked how long the paving project will take. Mr. Sullivan said it will take six to eight days to lay the asphalt. He said that a mile per day could be completed. Commissioner Bothell asked if the base is compromised because of the failed binder. Mr. Sullivan said the base is not affected; a different topsoil was brought in. He said once the binder is tight, the road can be paved. Commissioner Shriver said the community on County Road 13 should be notified, if pavement is pursued this year.

Mr. Sullivan invited the Board to inspect County Road 8 North; he said it turned out well.

Commissioner Bothell asked if paving County Road 13 is a higher priority than surfacing other roads. Mr. Sullivan said that maintaining an unpaved County Road 13 would be expensive, noting that every time snow is plowed, gravel will be moved. He recommended focusing on southern County road next year. Chairman Glover said it is important to protect the gravel on County Road 13 and beat the original paving schedule. Mr. Sullivan agreed that this is the best option. He said he is working on scheduling several projects and will include this one. The consensus of the Board was to agree to pave County Road 13.

Mr. Sullivan reported that CDOT is applying overlay on Highway 17 to Highway 285 and replacing the crossing in Center. He said the Road and Bridge Department may help with this if it is needed. The project begins in April 2019. Chairman Glover added that CDOT has restructured its budget so some projects have changed.

At 11:40 a.m., Ms. Wisdom presented a resolution regarding introducing non-native species of wolves into Colorado. She said this was discussed at the recent San Luis Valley County Commissioners meeting. The resolution states that Rio Grande County does not approve the introduction of the wolves. Chairman Glover said this would be dangerous. Commissioner Bothell noted that the San Luis Valley County Commissioners recommended that a resolution be drafted from each county. Ms. Wisdom said that the resolution would be recorded in the County and then sent to the San Luis Valley County Commissioners. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the resolution against introducing non-native species of wolves into Colorado. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. The resolution was signed. Book 592 Page 460

Commissioner Bothell presented the Regional Emergency Medical and Trauma Advisory Council Commissioner Appointments. She explained that the State asked the Council to revise its bylaws and its board. The Valley county commissioners are responsible for the bylaws, and the San Luis Valley County Commissioners have signed them. The San Luis Valley County Commissioners also requested input on who would serve on the RETAC board; the following nominations were made:

EMS Sub-Committee:	Stefan Ortega, Monte Vista Ambulance Ryan Daugherty, Alamosa Ambulance
Hospital Sub-Committee:	Arlene Harms, Rio Grande Hospital Julie Ramstetter, SLV Health Kelly Gallegos, Conejos Hospital
Medical Director Sub-Committee:	Dr. Grant Hurley
SLV Commissioners Association:	Suzanne Bothell, Rio Grande County
Trauma Surgeon	Dr. David Geiger

Resource Facilities Sub-Committee:

Chris Rodriguez, Costilla County
Emergency Manager

Commissioner Bothell explained that the Resource Facilities Sub-Committee includes people who were involved with RETAC as a sub-group, previous to this reorganization. She noted that there is good participation from this board. Commissioner Bothell said that when the nominations have been approved by the counties, there will be a meeting. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the RETAC commissioner appointments. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. The nominations were signed.

At 11:49 a.m., Ms. Wisdom asked the Board if it wants to schedule a work session regarding the 2019 budget before the next San Luis Valley County Commissioners budget meeting. She said the BOCC needs to consider the minimum wage increase and how to manage step-and-range salaries. The work session was scheduled for August 21, 2018, at 1:00 p.m.

Ms. Wisdom reported that she will attend a venture capital meeting on August 16, 2018. She said there is a venture capital group that focuses on the rural component. She stated that venture capital can be used as an economic development tool.

Ms. Wisdom reported that no bids have been received on the Summitville vault bathroom request for proposal. Commissioner Shriver reported that she spoke to one company that did not bid because it has no inventory left. She also reported that the other company that makes these bathrooms is bidding on a larger project and has not sent a bid for the Summitville project. She stated that the grant funding for this project has been arranged. Commissioner Bothell asked if funding was coming from El Pomar. Commissioner Shriver said that El Pomar meets in September but back-up funding has been located. The County will pay \$8,700.00, as planned.

At 11:55 a.m., Chairman Glover asked for Commissioners' updates.

Commissioner Shriver reported that the recent economic development summit was good and well attended. The summit stressed heritage tourism. The Colorado economic development group focusing on recreation attended the summit. Commissioner Shriver reported that the VF Corporation is moving its headquarters to Denver and making a huge investment in the State. She said that the Valley is seen as a diamond in the rough concerning outdoor recreation opportunities.

Commissioner Shriver reported that Tri County Senior Citizens continues to move forward. She said that there are funding issues and that it is a challenge to get people involved.

Commissioner Shriver reported that according to the County Health Pool, the County will stay at the same level in 2019.

Commissioner Shriver reported that the Rio Grande Watershed Emergency Action Coordination Team is acknowledging the fifth anniversary of the West Fork Complex Fire. She said that the future of the organization is questionable. Funding and the people involved are changing. Commissioner Shriver said that no more funding is available and any available RWEACT funds will be used for the radar project. Ms. Wisdom suggested that a video could be made about the Spring Fire showing the area before the fire and the area after the fire. Commissioner Shriver said that RWEACT's water testing equipment will go to the 416 Fire and other equipment will go to the Spring Fire.

Commissioner Bothell reported that Hazmat will be sending reminders about its function and dues amounts.

Commissioner Bothell reported participating in a webinar regarding energy corridors. She noted that all of the Valley's electricity comes into the Valley over Poncha Pass. She said she talked to a representative from Tri State Generating, who explained that other entry points have been explored and have not worked out. Currently, there is a 100-foot wide easement under the powerline, which is clear-cut. However, if a fire were to jump the highway, as it did in the Spring Fire, this would not work. Tri State is working with the Forest Service in Salida to create an additional 1,200 feet of timber reduction beyond the clear cut area to protect the powerline. Commissioner Shriver noted that during the West Fork Complex Fire, there was also a fire in Saguache, which caused concern about power lines. She said crews were sent to that fire to protect the corridor. Commissioner Bothell said that Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment, an all-hazards capability-based assessment tool, has identified loss of power as the highest risk in the Valley.

Commissioner Bothell reported that there is a new 911 director. Pam Stewart has retired.

Chairman Glover reported that at a meeting of the Transportation Planning Regions group, the project on Highway 17 to Highway 285 was discussed and delayed. He said there are 12 projects scheduled for the Valley, including road widenings. Chairman Glover said that Region 5 has been restructured and covers the area from Leadville to Wolf Creek Pass.

Chairman Glover reported attending the recent Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee meeting.

Chairman Glover reported that the SLV Regional Solid Waste Authority is accepting Spring Fire materials, but not much has been delivered at this time. He also reported that the landfill is exploring a mulching system for tires and green trash. Commissioner Bothell asked if tires would be used as alternate cover. Chairman Glover said that regulations are changing and tires may not be used much.

Chairman Glover reported that there will be a Weed District meeting on August 23, 2018. Commissioner Shriver asked about the status of weed districts in Alamosa and Conejos Counties. Chairman Glover said that steps are being made and the counties are communicating with one another. Chairman Glover also noted that there is a weed in Creede that may threaten the river.

Commissioner Bothell asked if San Luis Valley Weed District is still in existence. Chairman Glover said it does not meet anymore. Commissioner Shriver added that weed districts are counties' responsibilities and that the San Luis Valley Weed District provided communications between districts. Chairman Glover stated that meetings may start again. Commissioner Shriver noted that grant funding was supposed to go through the San Luis Valley Weed District.

Commissioner Bothell asked how the handyman is working out. Ms. Wisdom said that he is not being used. Ms. Wisdom said that a procedure is needed in order to work with him. She said that windows have been repaired at the Sheriff's Office. She also said that she does not have time to keep track of all the needed repairs. Chairman Glover suggested that ideally, the Maintenance Department should manage the handyman. Ms. Wisdom agreed. The issue has not been decided.

At 12:20 p.m., the meeting recessed.

At 1:30 p.m., a public hearing was opened. Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, and Mike Anderson, Randy Barrientez, and Luke Falcon, LNFrontier, were present to discuss a conditional use permit to allow a cultural resort facility on the property.

Ms. Diltz explained that the 9.6-acre property (formerly the Frontier Drive-In) on Highway 285 is currently zoned commercial. Notice of the public hearing was published in the Monte Vista Journal on June 20, 2018. Notice was sent to neighbors on June 15, 2018. No comments have been received. The Division of Water Resources and the Water Conservation District have stated that the commercial well on the property will be metered. There is some augmentation water available. Ms. Diltz reported that Jo Heinlein, CDOT, had some concerns. The Planning and Zoning Board heard the application on July 17, 2018, and recommended approval with the condition that the property owners comply with CDOT and Division of Water Resources requirements.

Commissioner Bothell asked if the RV park is the only conditional use. Mr. Anderson said it is. He also noted that an eave of a roof on the property on the north side of LNFrontier's property encroaches, but will not conflict with the use of the property.

Mr. Anderson explained that the property owners are working with CDOT traffic engineers. He stated that this project is in phase one of its development and will not affect traffic. He said that phase two of the project might affect traffic. He stated that CDOT may request an access permit from County Road 11. CDOT will also want to review a traffic study. He assured the Board that the property owners will stay in compliance with CDOT's requirements.

Commissioner Shriver asked if the property owners understand they will be responsible for the costs of improvements. Mr. Anderson said they would. He reported that CDOT stated that the County will have to apply for access from County Road 11. Commissioner Shriver asked if LNFrontier will cover the costs for the County to apply for this access. Mr. Anderson indicated that LNFrontier will probably cover the costs. Ms. Diltz clarified that the County would be the permittee and LNFrontier would be the applicant.

Ms. Diltz reported that Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Department, has no concerns about access from County Road 11. It was noted that Highway 285 will only be used as an emergency access.

Ms. Diltz reported that current zoning allows LNFrontier to operate as planned, except for the RV park. She said she thought it was best to present everything at the same time.

Commissioner Shriver asked the property owners if they understand that the County is a right-to-farm area. Mr. Anderson stated that LNFrontier will not take priority over the historical use of the land. Mr. Falcon stated that farming is an asset and will provide good educational opportunities for its clients. Mr. Anderson said that they will communicate with neighbors.

Ms. Diltz asked if the property would be exempt from needing to obtain special events permits. Mr. Anderson asked what would trigger the need for a special event permit. Ms. Diltz said that a special event would be an event that is beyond the normal use of the property.

Commissioner Shriver asked if a septic system has been installed. Mr. Anderson said the onsite wastewater treatment system is being engineered and will be approved with the Building Department. Commissioner Bothell asked if LNFrontier will be selling food. Mr. Anderson said that there will not be a chef or servers. He said that alcohol may be allowed at times, which may require a special events permit. Commissioner Bothell asked if a health inspection will be needed if food is served. Mr. Anderson said that caterers are already licensed. Ms. Diltz said she will refer the applicant to Lynnea Rappold, Alamosa County Environmental Health, to get more information. Mr. Anderson said that during phase one of the project, guests will have access to the kitchen to prepare their own food. In phase two a commercial grade kitchen will be added.

Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the conditional use permit with the condition that the requirements of CDOT, Division of Water Resources, sewer, and State and local requirements are met. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. Book 592 Page 973

The public hearing was closed.

At 1:53 p.m., Ms. Diltz reported hearing that a Commissioner was publically advocating for the LNFrontier project. She expressed concern that this eliminates the unbiased nature of the public hearing. Commissioner Bothell explained that she gave neighboring property owners contact information for LNFrontier. She asked if this was inappropriate. Commissioner Shriver said that the Board should be careful. Ms. Diltz said that there will be a hearing in the future where there is opposition and said that the Board should be unbiased in all cases.

Ms. Diltz said that another hemp plant is pending. She said that a property owner is growing hemp in plastic cups behind a building that is zoned commercial. Commissioner Bothell asked if the Board had declared a moratorium on hemp production. Chairman Glover and Commissioner Shriver said there is no moratorium.

Ms. Diltz requested guidance. She said that hemp is an agricultural product, and asked if it can be grown on commercial property. She said that ownership of the property in question has not changed. Commissioner Shriver said that more information is needed. Commissioner Bothell asked if growing hemp on commercial property would be like a greenhouse. Ms. Diltz said that a greenhouse larger than 500 square feet would require a conditional use permit. Ms. Diltz said she is reluctant to allow agriculture on a commercial property. Chairman Glover said if it is allowed for one property owner, it will have to be allowed for others. He asked how "agriculture" is defined. Commissioner Shriver said it is based on income. Ms. Diltz read from the land use code book to define incidental growing. Commissioner Shriver said that more research is needed. Ms. Diltz said that she will tour the Maxeyville hemp plant in the near future. Chairman Glover said he will review the property where hemp is being grown in plastic cups. Commissioner Shriver noted that hydroponics are being used frequently. Ms. Diltz said that her concern is making sure that hemp processing is done safely.

Ms. Diltz asked the Board about next steps for Levi Shaw, who applied for a conditional use permit to move a trailer onto his property. Ms. Diltz said there has been no forward movement in Mr. Shaw's meeting the conditions of the conditional use permit. Chairman Glover noted that moving forward on the request for proposal to revise the land use code book is good, because it will provide a foundation for taking a legal stance on issues like this one. He suggested talking with County Attorney Bill Dunn, and noted that Mr. Shaw is likely waiting for winter in order to delay meeting the conditions of the permit. Commissioner Bothell said that it is time for Mr. Dunn to send a letter to Mr. Shaw outlining the terms of the conditional use permit. The

consensus of the Board was to approve Mr. Dunn writing a letter to Mr. Shaw. Chairman Glover said this would be a good precedent for future issues, and said that Mr. Shaw needs to follow the rules. Ms. Diltz said that if this issue is ignored, the County policy might as well be eliminated.

At 2:15 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover, Chairman
Chairman of the Board

Mona Syring
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

State of Colorado)
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County of Rio Grande)

The Board of Rio Grande County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, August 29, 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. Commissioner Bothell gave the opening prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the agenda with the additions of an approval of the intergovernmental agreement with Sargent School and a discussion of bids for the Summitville vault bathroom. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried.

At 9:04 a.m., Chairman Glover asked if there were any public comments. Senator Larry Crowder was present. He reported that he is working on establishing parity with salaries for District Courts. His goal is to reclassify rural counties so that salary parity can be established between district attorneys and public defenders. He stated that staff is often trained in rural areas and then move to metropolitan areas for higher salaries. Commissioner Shriver stated that the costs for the District Attorney offices are an issue for all rural counties. Senator Crowder said there are 22 rural districts in the State and the question is how to reclassify them. He said there is a statewide study that shows parity, but this study is not accurate when the rural areas are reviewed.

Commissioner Shriver stated that the Gallagher Committee is proposing eight bills, which will have a huge impact in Rio Grande County. Senator Crowder agreed, but noted that because the Gallagher Amendment is a constitutional amendment it will be difficult to change. He said that special districts are the problem. Commissioner Shriver explained that there could be up to a \$150,000.00 impact to the County if Gallagher is applied. Commissioner Bothell stated that this affects school districts in major ways. Senator Crowder stated that it is difficult to convince people to increase taxes. He said it might be possible to get a "bye" for the next two or three years.

Commissioner Bothell stated that internet taxes are an issue, and said that they should include local taxes, rather than State taxes only. Senator Crowder said he agreed, but said that the logistics would be difficult to achieve. He recommended waiting to see how the issue plays out, noting that the Supreme Court did not provide guidance on how to implement tax collection.

Senator Crowder said that he is monitoring the Village at Wolf Creek. He said that this sort of development is inevitable and that the County will benefit from the project. He said it is difficult to pick and choose economic development projects. He stated that when there was a question about publishing public notices on the internet, he opposed that, because it would affect economic development. He said that some counties do not have newspapers, and this is a problem. Ms. Wisdom pointed out that Rio Grande County has three newspapers and the County can only choose one paper in which to publish its public notices. She further noted that County residents do not read all three newspapers.

Senator Crowder offered help to the Board, if it needs it. Chairman Glover offered help to Senator Crowder regarding District Attorney issues if he needs it. Senator Crowder said that a smart approach needs to be developed and he is gathering information. Ms. Wisdom explained that the San Luis Valley Board of County Commissioners discussed the cost of the District

Attorney's IT. She asked if the State could help pay for that, noting that this might help with salaries. Senator Crowder said that technology may make the DA costs cheaper and this needs to be worked on for the long term. He suggested that other grants might be able to help.

At 9:22 a.m., Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the August 15, 2018, minutes with changes. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The consent agenda, which included the August 2018 end-of-the-month vouchers, August 2018 payroll, petitions for abatement, and a tax certification resolution, was presented. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. The vouchers were signed. The tax abatements included:

Snowy Pine Cabins and RV LLC	\$1,945.22
Ellis Merle Hutchens	\$3,764.81
Jeffrey Allen Juba and Peter Cline:	\$ 189.92

The tax abatement were signed.

The tax sale resolutions included:

Keith F. Tyree	\$835.51	FR NE4 Sec 11-40-60
Randy & Jeannette Vrska	\$183.20	Lot 15, Block 21 Alpine Village No. 1

The tax sale resolutions were signed.

August 2018 Mid-Month Vouchers

VENDOR	SERVICE	AMOUNT
Adamson Police Products	Acct Co521	\$941.75
Airgas USA, LLC	Cust#Qq875	\$322.27
Alamosa Co Nursing Svc	June 2018	\$2,063.34
Alamosa Co Nursing Svc	Travel Stipend Sim-Lpha Fy 2018	\$700.00
Alamosa Wrestling Foundation	July 2018-June 2019	\$415.00
Alta Fuels, LLC	196087,196090	\$3,536.85
American Planning Assoc	Annual Dues	\$320.00
Antonio Martinez	Pay and Mileage	\$89.18
Asphalt Drum Mixers, Inc.	Eye, Mini Peeper	\$324.78
AT&T	719-873-5588	\$18.98
BG Chemical, LP	Black Magic Release Agent	\$2,030.00
Briana Villagomez	Immunizations	\$72.00
Brown's Septic Svc Inc.	July 2018	\$23.00
Brown's Septic Svc Inc.	Rental Portable	\$76.00
Caterpillar Fin. Services, Corporation	001-0763419-000,001-0763422-000,001-0763440-000	\$81,316.95
CDHS Central Accounting	July 2018	\$6.00
CenturyLink	719-852-4781	\$422.43
CenturyLink	719-657-0646F 5082	\$47.98
CenturyLink	719-657-3325 233B	\$63.07
Chavez Plumbing & Heating, LLC	Fix Air Louvers	\$306.00
Chavez Plumbing & Heating, LLC	3 Hrs Labor to Fix Blower Motor	\$589.00
Chematox Laboratory, Inc.	Blood Alcohol Test	\$31.00
Claude A. Perea	2017 Tax Notice	\$243.31
Co. Bureau of Investigation	Acct Co0530Ccw	\$315.00
Colorado Dept. of Health	Annual Permit Cor900254	\$298.00
Conduent Business Solutions, LLC	Monthly Hosting	\$2,624.96
Conduent Business Solutions, LLC	Monthly Hosting Add Work Station	\$656.25
Conejos County Nursing	Travel Stipend for Sim-Lpha Fy2018	\$700.00
Conejos County Nursing	June 2018	\$2,610.91
Costilla County Public	Travel Stipend Sim-Lpha Fy2018	\$700.00
Del Norte Auto Supply	051142	\$37.32
Del Norte School District	2017 SRS Distribution	\$26,724.98
District Attorney Office	8th Portion/2018	\$19,666.67
Dixie Diltz	7-31-18 Mileage	\$53.10
Eaton Sales & Services, LLC	Cust #925	\$1,855.40

El Paso County Coroner	Autopsies	\$2,800.00
Element Engineering, LLC	REDI Grant	\$260.00
Fastenal	Ranger Hat	\$83.18
Force America Dist.	Balance	\$10.00
Galls, LLC	17Shsg Difference In Approved Grant Amt	\$8,150.00
GCR Tire Center/Tds	Versabuilt	\$1,354.08
Glenn's Auto Repair, Inc.	2007 Ford Expedition	\$346.00
Gobins, Inc.	Acct#13756	\$97.54
Gobins, Inc.	21611Can	\$34.73
Great America Financial	#016-0939369-000	\$136.17
Gunbarrel Station, Inc.	562352,561985	\$270.00
Haynie's Inc.	480287,480776,781648	\$84.21
ID Edge	Laminate	\$155.00
J & D Ultimate Embroidering	Gildan T-Shirts and Bags	\$346.00
Jack's Market	349625,351150,355164,148859	\$71.01
Janessa Henninger	Interviews for Public Health 009-4953-4050	\$248.94
Ken's Service Center	51563,51833,51789,51701,51949,52004	\$1,570.17
Ken's Service Center	2009 Ford Edge	\$60.90
Kimberly Bryant	Sims	\$4,257.00
Kimberly Vialpando	July 2018 Pay and Mileage	\$155.10
Kristi Hillis	Monthly Pay	\$1,000.00
Leslie Lopez	Stipend for Farmers Market	\$20.00
Maddox Collections	RGSO Drug Screen	\$30.00
Master Print & Web Design, Inc.	Printing and Laminating	\$46.56
Mayah Dominguez	Mileage, Parade Supplies Farmers Mkt	\$87.38
McKesson Medical Surgical	EPR Supplies Respirator Filters	\$167.75
Meadow Gold Dairies, Inc.	81001930,81001827,81002046	\$717.00
Mike Medina	11 Shirts, 5 Shirts	\$207.00
Mobile Record Shredders, LLC	Recycling Fee 08092018	\$28.00
Monte Vista Cooperative	Mulching Kit	\$53.59
Monte Vista Cooperative	Tire Report Sheriff's Dept.	\$20.00
Monte Vista School Dist.	2017 SRS Distribution	\$72,437.04
Pro Com, LLC	Drug Test	\$37.00
Reynolds Ash + Associates	Contract Payment	\$10,383.40
Roadsafe Traffic Systems, Inc.	Foil Tape	\$223.62
S & S Distribution, Inc.	Water	\$27.00
S & S Distribution, Inc.	Water Delivery	\$49.00
Saguache Co Public Health	Travel Stipend Sim-Lpha Fy2018	\$700.00
Sam's Club	5560531010182546	\$1,571.99
Sargent School District	2017 SRS Distribution	\$24,058.98
Shamrock Foods Company	10952503,10958407,10964122, Cm6.08	\$3,955.98
Sherwin-Williams Inc.	Hwy Yellow, Economy Brush	\$66.01
Sherwin-Williams Inc.	Pro Park Yellow	\$256.53
Silver Thread Public Health District	Sim-Lpha Fy18	\$700.00
Staples Business	Office Supplies	\$2,645.75
Stericycle Inc.	Regulatory Updates 1 Qt Sharps	\$342.69
Summit Market	3035290805,3050710818,4098040800,3055950800,4002440804,2064060823	\$36.22
Top Value	Filter, Trash Bags	\$12.97
Torres Plumbing & Heating, LLC	Acct 5660 Repair Leaks /Bullpen	\$190.00
Total Office Solutions	Calculator	\$202.29
Town of Del Norte	1922.01	\$470.43
Valley Courier	48 Week Renewal Cty Assessor	\$115.00
Valley Equipment Leasing, Inc.	99060,99059,98897,98898,98649,98650,99061,99705,99706,99704	\$16,228.95
Valley Imaging Products, LLC	Maintenance Fee	\$104.93
Valley Publishing	Public Health Nurse Ad	\$74.55
Valley Publishing	Semi-Annual	\$224.00
Valley Publishing	Martinez/Comm Energy Solar	\$24.00
Valley Tractor Repair	AC Compressor	\$362.50
Valuwest, Inc	Commercial Reappraisal	\$3,000.00
Verizon Wireless	07252018	\$2,518.19
Verizon Wireless	765509857-00005	\$170.40
Victim Assistance Fund	July 2018	\$6.00
Volvo of Denver	Acct 478100	\$342.20

Wagner Equipment	Po3C0467851,So3W0840891	\$744.48
Waste Management- Western Slope Fire & Safety, Inc.	Id#05925-74006	\$234.06
Wex Bank	Sprinkler Repair	\$550.00
WSB Computer Services	0406-00-819100-9	\$483.77
WSB Computer Services	Shipping & Handling	\$39.00
Xcel Energy	Ups Battery	\$84.60
Xcel Energy	Acct 53-1083310-0	\$2,237.70
Xcel Energy	53-1143312-0	\$12,204.48
TOTAL		\$331,184.50

August 2018 End-of-the-Month Vouchers

VENDOR	SERVICE	AMOUNT
Agency Tourism Marketing	Leads Processing July August	\$250.00
Alamosa County	Shsg 2016 M&A - Rent	\$315.00
Alta Fuels, LLC	Inv Cont - 197732, 198780, 198830/Acct# 1935	\$6,456.17
Alycia DuPont	PYC Meetings/Photo Gallery/Summer 2018	\$150.00
BCI Media Services	Commercial Video Shoot/Travel Expenses	\$2,602.84
Bundlebags/Clipper Tags	8' Red/10' Jumbo Blue	\$26.84
Business Solutions Leasing, Inc.	Copy Lease Agreement# 101-1260978-000	\$60.10
Cary Aloia	Board Meeting and Miles	\$73.40
CenturyLink	7198524781	\$425.48
CenturyLink	7196573454	\$62.79
CenturyLink	7198735588	\$55.74
Charles Stillings	Meeting and Miles	\$65.75
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000703800	\$98.20
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct#'s 7000860100, 7000860000	\$101.60
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000751300	\$560.60
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000758500	\$97.75
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000751200	\$525.64
Ciello Powered by SLVREC	Acct# 7000708800	\$59.95
Colorado Dept. of Revenue	Annual Drivers Cert. 2018/20 X \$9.00	\$180.00
Colorado Seed LLC	Seed for Hydro Seeder	\$30.00
Conduent Business Solutions, LLC	Land Records Management System June 2018	\$1,441.80
Conduent Business Solutions, LLC	Acct# 287830/Support for Software Maintenance	\$25.00
Costilla County Public	Tob Sub Contract Payment July 2018 Stepp	\$1,452.66
Cynthia Ford	19-31 July 2018 Miles and Other Costs	\$407.70
Cynthia Ford	19-31 July 2018 Times	\$1,545.00
Cynthia Ford	1-24 August Times	\$3,120.00
Cynthia Ford	1-24 August Travel Stipend Supplies	\$1,044.59
Daisah Atencio	PYC Meetings/Photo Gallery/Summer 2018	\$100.00
Del Norte Bank	Acct RGSO/Evidence Storage	\$15.00
Dianne Koshak	Miles	\$126.90
Digitcom Electronics, Inc.	2015 Shsg/Equipment/Batteries for All Hazard Region	\$1,117.35
Direct TV	Acct# 045235405	\$178.98
Dixie Diltz	Miles Lu and Blight	\$40.05
DP Ag Services	Cust# RGCO/Rangestar/Vaporgard/Locktite/Hidep/ Plateau	\$2,552.63
DP Ag Services	Cust# RGCO/Rangestar Herbicide/Locktite/Plateau; Herbicide	\$1,443.19
Dwight Freeman	Meeting and Miles	\$63.50
Edifice Creative, LLC	Tourism Engine July and August	\$96.84
Elevation Outdoors, LLC	Online Newsletter	\$100.00
Elevation Outdoors, LLC	Online Ads (Elevation Outdoors)/Online Newsletter/Online Content	\$925.00
Emily Brown	Miles	\$177.87
Everett Myers	Meeting and Miles	\$65.30
EZ Liner Industries	Acct 101402	\$324.82
Fastenal	Cust # Coala0222	\$69.30
Fed Ex Shipping	Renier Fiber/Shipping for Hydroseeder	\$132.00
First Bankcard	Facebook and International Sportsman's Expo	\$488.94
First Bankcard	Shsg2016 Prj1 L123 & M&A/Shsg 2015 M&A	\$11,468.64

Gene Glover	Miles and Per Diem to Broomfield State Weed Board	\$257.49
Gobins, Inc.	Cust# 13756	\$128.08
Gobins, Inc.	Acct# 21609/Cont2725-01	\$44.22
Gobins, Inc.	Acct# 13756	\$102.12
Great America Financial	Agreement# 025-1070947-0000	\$349.13
Great America Financial	Agreement# 016-0939369-000	\$136.17
Grover Hathorn	Miles and Meeting	\$63.50
Haynie's Inc.	Acct# 7066 Aug Statement	\$813.00
Haynie's Inc.	Toggle Switch for Kubota CChem Motor	\$5.79
Ida Salazar	Miles	\$330.30
Isabela Arellano	PYC Meetings/Photo Gallery/Summer 2018	\$200.00
J & S Appliance Service	Acct# RGSO	\$257.50
J.J. Keller & Associates	Acct# 06-005729	\$456.26
Jade Communications, LLC	Acct# 2938	\$86.91
James Jepsen	Accrued Interest for Cop 8155	\$70.57
Jean Borrego	Shsg 2016 Proj1 Line 1	\$5,000.00
Jean Borrego	Shsg 2016 Proj1 L2	\$175.50
Jean Borrego	Shsg Proj1 L3	\$100.69
Jesse McCarty	Overpayment on Motor Vehicle Plate # Ayq630	\$69.77
Kaleigh Benavides	Miles	\$103.50
KASY	Television Spots for June and July	\$624.74
Kimbra Transport LP	Inv Cont - 483306, 483307, 483856	\$15,348.27
Kimbra Transport LP	Acct Rigrdnco	\$5,045.02
KRQE.Com	Television Spots for June and July	\$982.82
KWBQ	Television Spots for June and July	\$1,182.98
Lake County Health Dept.	July 2018	\$725.00
Leonard Brown	Miles and Meeting	\$50.00
Leroy A Romero	Monthly Office Cleaning	\$150.00
Lyle Signs, Inc.	Cust# R10011	\$143.42
Maddox Collections	Drug Testing	\$85.00
Master Print & Web Design, Inc.	Webhosting/Domain Rental 3 Month/Search Engine Optimal July August	\$305.00
Max Garcia	PYC Meetings/Photo Gallery/Summer 2018	\$100.00
MDS Waste & Recycle, Inc.	Acct# 2016	\$86.07
MDS Waste & Recycle, Inc.	For Month of August 2018	\$143.00
Meadow Gold Dairies, Inc.	Acct# 1052229	\$251.90
Megan Wilson	Mileage - Health Care Facilities/2018 Primary	\$12.60
Michael Mitchell	Miles and Meeting	\$65.30
Mobile Record Shredders, LLC	Shredding	\$65.00
Mona Syring	7/4-7/28/2018/Clerk to the Board	\$411.40
Monte Vista Cooperative	Acct# 4545094/Commercial Spray Repair/Safety Program	\$2,293.47
Monte Vista Cooperative	Inv Cont - 21440, 22178, 4216, 4099, 19401/Acct# 4531231	\$313.47
Myers Brothers Truck And Tractor, Inc.	A12/Unit 135/A22	\$426.60
Nancy Molina	Miles	\$154.50
O & V Printing, Inc.	Letterhead	\$244.13
O & V Printing, Inc.	Ivory Envelopes	\$161.24
O & V Printing, Inc.	Information Sheets	\$51.50
O & V Printing, Inc.	Checks	\$92.17
Paxvax, Inc.	Vivotif Cap X2	\$428.00
Peggy J Kern	Mileage - PO/Mileage	\$23.85
Pen Craft Design Company	Tourism Assistant for July and August	\$1,600.00
Pro Com, LLC	Saliva Swab	\$21.50
Publishing House	Thirst Colorado	\$1,090.00
Rio Grande County Museum	Yearly Sponsorship	\$4,000.00
Rio Grande Hospital	Physical	\$112.37
S & S Distribution, Inc.	Water	\$72.00
S & S Distribution, Inc.	Water	\$51.40
Saguache Co Public Health	Tob Sub Contract Payment/July 2018	\$2,523.98
Salida Fire Extinguisher	8.14.18	\$465.00
Shamrock Foods Company	Inv Cont - 10976207, 10982736/Acct# 86268	\$3,044.18
Simple Distributors LLC	Pages for Minute's Book	\$91.00
SLV Behavioral Health Group, Inc.	Behavioral Health Group Sim- July 2018	\$10,263.99

SLV Parts, Inc.	Acct 7050Shop Work Brush Set/Paint Remover	\$14.30
SLV Parts, Inc.	Acct# 7048	\$297.38
	Acct#'s -	
SLV REC	1337000605/7000235200/7000524700/7000541400	\$497.00
SLV REC	Sf- 4699010705/DN - 759843705	\$175.00
South Central Colorado	County Allocation Request for 2018	\$20,000.00
South Fork Towing	Impounded	\$270.00
State of Colorado	August 2018 Renewals	\$570.97
Texas Monthly	Texas Monthly.Com/E- News	\$2,500.00
Total Office Solutions	Dryline/Toner	\$331.32
Town of Del Norte	Water and Sewer for Moreland Property	\$58.00
United Reprographic	Maintenance Agreement/Acct 6573334	\$114.43
	Inv Cont - 3627701908, 3627653418, 3627666318,	
Valero Marketing	3627666319/Acct# 124164	\$95,061.45
Valero Marketing	Inv Cont - 3627792747, 3627775948/Cust #124164	\$63,155.85
Valley Publishing	Notice of Election/2018 Primary Election	\$399.00
Valuwest, Inc.	Commercial Reappraisal Pymt	\$3,000.00
Verizon Wireless	Acct# 840202320-00001	\$356.12
	Inv Cont - Po3C0469207, Po3C0468852,	
	Po3C04688915, S03W0841388, PooC209813,	
Wagner Equipment	PooC2090814	\$4,025.72
Wex Bank	Acct# 0406-00819102-5	\$604.10
Wex Bank	Acct# 0406-00-821424-9	\$5,526.33
William F. Dunn	Legal Fees for July and August	\$1,700.00
WSB Computer Services	Acct RGSO	\$1,392.00
WSB Computer Services	Maintenance Agreement	\$2,500.00
WSB Computer Services	Toner	\$50.00
Xcel Energy	Acct# 53-1084871-0	\$2,857.23
TOTAL		\$308,229.48

August 2018 Payroll

County General:	\$213,063.66
Road and Bridge:	\$ 74,141.21
Social Services:	\$116,946.07
Weed District:	\$ 12,275.16
Airport:	\$ 1,567.14
Public Health:	\$ 20,755.17
TOTAL:	\$438,748.41

Pursuant to C.R.S. 30-25-111(1.5), salary information for all county employees and officials shall be published twice annually in the manner provided in subsection (1) of this section...The first publication shall be in August and shall include each employee's title and gross monthly salary through the prior June.

EMPLOYEE	GROSS SALARY
Accountant	\$44,123.16
Accountant	\$8,205.02
Admin Assistant	\$29,799.62
Analyst	\$32,183.92
Appraiser	\$33,253.14
Appraiser	\$36,693.39
Appraiser	\$45,073.86
Case Aid-Living Skills	\$25,309.44
Case Aid-Living Skills	\$27,488.14
Case Manager	\$6,299.88
Case Manager	\$20,214.54
Case Manager	\$28,862.34
Case Manager	\$29,965.80
Case Manager	\$34,420.26
Case Manager	\$23,628.29
Caseworker	\$36,612.09
Caseworker	\$35,521.80
Caseworker	\$35,913.84
Caseworker	\$38,161.50
Caseworker	\$37,659.24

Civil Process Server	\$45,278.05
Clerk	\$28,261.68
Clerk	\$2,541.53
Clerk	\$27,645.52
Clerk	\$26,770.36
Clerk	\$24,839.47
Clerk	\$31,494.14
Clerk	\$3,056.73
Clerk	\$41,945.91
Clerk	\$36,731.04
Clerk/Typist/Secretary	\$23,107.91
Clerk/Typist/Secretary	\$23,107.98
Clerk/Typist/Secretary	\$29,506.40
Custodian	\$25,632.68
Custodian	\$84.08
Custodian	\$588.81
Custodian	\$23,950.92
Custodian	\$15,556.06
Custodian	\$36,231.36
Department Head	\$91,299.90
Department Head	\$81,888.42
Department Head	\$43,707.72
Department Head	\$61,363.26
Department Head	\$39,965.52
Department Head	\$17,766.96
Department Head	\$58,786.68
Department Head	\$80,223.60
Department Head	\$14,710.55
Department Head	\$43,488.30
Deputy Officer	\$23,414.73
Deputy Officer	\$29,897.70
Deputy Officer	\$39,306.47
Deputy Officer	\$14,531.77
Deputy Officer	\$10,098.21
Deputy Officer	\$34,951.50
Deputy Officer	\$31,318.45
Deputy Officer	\$29,730.52
Deputy Officer	\$29,775.07
Deputy Officer	\$28,042.73
Deputy Officer	\$20,599.94
Deputy Officer	\$44,544.62
Deputy to Elected Official	\$2,300.00
Deputy to Elected Official	\$4,800.00
Deputy to Elected Official	\$40,288.89
Deputy to Elected Official	\$34,617.20
Deputy to Elected Official	\$43,575.54
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$34,210.61
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$35,180.79
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$37,625.07
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$60,437.93
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$34,563.89
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$16,850.32
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$15,872.91
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$26,698.53
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$27,462.56
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$27,956.83
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$30,944.82
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$28,115.19
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$27,424.29
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$27,665.63
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$10,397.85
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$14,681.40
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$4,513.12
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$6,321.89
Dispatch/Detention Officer	\$15,695.24
Elected Official	\$22,100.04
Elected Official	\$61,120.04

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Elected Official	\$49,700.04
Elected Official	\$66,600.00
EPSDT Case Manager	\$31,424.22
Equipment Operator	\$21,913.00
Equipment Operator	\$30,005.97
Equipment Operator	\$28,935.37
Equipment Operator	\$29,016.41
Equipment Operator	\$28,952.99
Equipment Operator	\$29,867.07
Equipment Operator	\$30,294.38
Equipment Operator	\$30,467.70
Equipment Operator	\$31,331.60
Equipment Operator	\$36,210.16
Equipment Operator	\$34,212.72
Equipment Operator	\$43,789.78
Equipment Operator	\$45,499.23
Equipment Operator	\$49,700.97
Equipment Operator	\$50,457.35
Equipment Operator	\$49,992.09
Foreman	\$53,270.16
Foreman	\$55,869.16
Income Maint. Technician	\$22,458.24
Income Maint. Technician	\$27,794.47
Income Maint. Technician	\$31,922.66
Income Maint. Technician	\$23,442.79
Income Maint. Technician	\$721.35
Income Maint. Technician	\$28,387.70
Income Maint. Technician	\$30,029.28
Income Maint. Technician	\$27,198.54
Income Maint. Technician	\$27,198.54
Income Maint. Technician	\$31,868.76
Income Maint. Technician	\$23,969.64
Income Maint. Technician	\$4,692.68
Income Maint. Technician	\$28,302.12
Intern - Clerk	\$844.90
Intern - Clerk	\$893.18
Jail	\$37,087.50
Jail Cook	\$10,794.55
Jail Cook	\$26,565.22
Jail Cook	\$4,889.65
Legal Technician	\$33,995.40
Legal Technician	\$34,731.96
Legal Technician	\$3,543.83
Legal Technician	\$27,336.54
Manager	\$6,792.15
Manager	\$5,275.60
Manager	\$13,682.86
Manager	\$50,632.02
Mechanic	\$49,719.84
Nurse	\$29,862.33
Nurse	\$43,802.88
Office Assistant	\$25,203.36
Office Assistant	\$26,860.44
Office Manager	\$31,228.04
Office Manager	\$35,082.84
Office Manager	\$25,385.28
Office Manager	\$35,284.32
Office Manager	\$45,592.53
Part-Time Case Aide	\$2,578.39
Part-Time Case Aide	\$1,265.64
Part-Time Deputy	\$2,857.92
Part-Time Deputy	\$1,472.64
Part-Time Deputy	\$18,420.45

Part-Time Deputy	\$23,154.06
Part-Time Equipment Operator	\$5,541.23
Part-Time Staff	\$15,258.76
Part-Time Building Inspector	\$2,936.25
PC Spray Operator	\$1,880.00
PC Spray Operator	\$1,838.05
PC Spray Operator	\$1,508.11
PC Spray Operator	\$1,609.52
PC Spray Operator	\$1,386.09
PC Spray Operator	\$1,142.50
PC Spray Operator	\$2,163.26
PC Spray Operator	\$1,686.35
PC Spray Operator	\$2,542.40
PC Spray Operator	\$1,632.50
PC Spray Operator	\$3,120.00
Unit Supervisor	\$31,727.94
Unit Supervisor	\$55,482.06
Unit Supervisor	\$32,890.69
Unit Supervisor	\$45,516.06
Unit Supervisor	\$54,034.38
Unit Supervisor	\$37,027.39
Unit Supervisor	\$43,458.80
Unit Supervisor	\$56,720.70
Weed Inspector	\$1,857.50
Weed Inspector	\$3,233.72
Welder	\$50,182.95
TOTAL	\$5,062,063.93

At 9:26 a.m., Jessica Bogner, Wall, Smith, Bateman, was in attendance to present the County's 2017 audit. Ms. Bogner explained that Wall, Smith, Bateman conducted a risk assessment of the County's financial statements. In Wall, Smith, Bateman's opinion, the financial statements are correct. Ms. Bogner stated that the County must operate with property and sales taxes.

A supplemental budget will be drafted for the Department of Public Health, due to a grant in the amount of \$29,000.00 that was not entered properly.

Ms. Bogner reported that a material weakness concerning internal controls was found, and there were no other deficiencies. This is the third year with such a finding, so 40 percent of the financial statements had to be audited. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Low Income Energy Assistance Program, and Medicaid statements were used; no material weaknesses were found.

Ms. Wisdom has evaluated the control structure, and Ms. Bogner recommended that this be continued. Ms. Wisdom stated that the finding of material weakness was not a surprise, and the internal controls will be in place by December 2018. She explained that changes in controls have been documented. She also stated that an employee has been hired who will manage grants. Ms. Wisdom explained that a fixed assets program has been installed.

Ms. Wisdom stated that the Administration Office is using a team approach to managing the County's accounting; employees are being cross trained. Commissioner Shriver said that there are too many duties for a limited staff. Ms. Bogner said that cross training is very important, and noted that Ms. Wisdom should be in a review position to add an extra level of control.

Commissioner Shriver asked Ms. Bogner about her opinion of the CIC accounting software. Ms. Bogner said it is not her favorite program, but it did provide remote access to the County's files. This allowed the auditors to remain in their offices and limited their time on site.

Ms. Bogner reported that the audit is due to the State auditor and to the federal government by September 30, 2018. Commissioner Shriver moved to accept the County's 2017 audit as presented. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. NOTE: The full 2017 audit will be posted on the County's website.

At 9:55 a.m., the Board adjourned to the Board of the Department of Social Services.

At 10:15 a.m., the meeting resumed. Doug Gordon, Dustrol Inc., was present to distribute promotional materials. Dustrol recycles asphalt, and Mr. Gordon asked the Board to consider the company for future work.

At 10:17 a.m., Kristy Dennis, Human Resources Department, and Lou Schultz and Emery Ball, Worksite Benefit Specialists, LLC, were present to discuss American Fidelity benefits. Ms. Dennis explained that American Fidelity offers support benefits such as disability, cancer, and accident insurance. Some County employees have enrolled in these benefits.

Ms. Ball explained that WBS has been in business for 25 years and represents A+ rated companies. He said that American Fidelity provides benefits to schools and provides many services.

Ms. Dennis said that when a Flexible Spending Plan was originally presented, she was not in favor of it because of the County fees and financial liability. Mr. Ball stated that other counties love the Flex plan, because American Fidelity assumes all the risk. He said that there are no set-up fees and that the document set-up fee will be waived. The update fee will also be waived, as will the uniform risk coverage fee. Mr. Ball explained that the amount of money in an employee's Flex plan has to be in the account on day one, so there is a risk of the employee leaving the County's employment.

Commissioner Bothell asked if all the money in the Flex plan account has to be spent in one year. Mr. Schultz explained that up to \$500.00 can be rolled over; the remaining funds have to be spent or they will be lost. He said this would be a powerful benefit for County employees. If an employee leaves the County, American Fidelity assumes the liability for any funds spent on the employee. In the past, the County would have been liable. Mr. Schultz explained that the Flex plan benefit provides a FICA benefit to the County.

Commissioner Bothell asked if there are costs for the employees. Mr. Schultz explained that the employees contribute to the Flex plan before taxes. Mr. Ball said that limits can be placed on the Flex plans. For example, the minimum plan could be in the amount of \$500.00; the maximum could be in the amount of \$2,500.00. Ms. Dennis added that an employee can adjust the amount each year. Mr. Ball said that WBS would meet with each employee every year.

Commissioner Shriver expressed concern about the amount of administrative work this plan would create. Mr. Schultz said that WBS will keep the County in compliance with IRS and Department of Labor regulations. Mr. Ball said that the administrative workload would not be increased. Commissioner Bothell asked Ms. Dennis about the amount of extra work a Flex plan would create. Ms. Dennis said that deduction codes would have to be entered into the payroll system. Ms. Wisdom stated that explaining the benefits to new employees, especially in years when there is high turnover, is more work. Mr. Schultz suggested that a single date be set for when employees can enroll. Ms. Wisdom agreed.

The Board, Mr. Schultz, and Mr. Ball discussed other details of the program and possible times to begin the plan year. Chairman Glover suggested that the Board discuss the Flexible Spending Plan in detail so that a good decision can be made.

At 11:22 a.m., Ms. Wisdom reported that she had not received a telephone call from the District Attorney, so there would be no presentation.

Chairman Glover asked for Commissioners' updates.

Commissioner Bothell reported taking a Local Emergency Planning Commission tour regarding co-op fuel. Emergency planning was discussed.

Commissioner Bothell reported that the Regional Emergency and Medical Trauma Services Advisory Council's board is organized and its budgets have been approved.

Commissioner Bothell reported that a new 911 service for Apple cell phones will communicate a user's location in several ways. She said the cost is reasonable and the service may be added to 911.

Commissioner Shriver reported that a Development Resources Group subcommittee has been formed to discuss business memberships. She explained that the subcommittee is re-evaluating business memberships because the dues structure is not feasible to attract business members. Some exceptions have already been made and Commissioner Shriver said that this is not good.

Chairman Glover reported that he attended the recent Town of South Fork Town Board meeting. He said that the board handles its business in a work session then votes on its decisions in the regular meeting. Chairman Glover said that South Fork is reporting good

tourism numbers this year. Chairman Glover reported that South Fork is working with the Colorado Department of Transportation to install an all-terrain vehicle bridge on Highway 149.

Chairman Glover reported attending the State Weed District meeting last week. He noted that the Valley is used for testing, but the State does not hold its Weed District meetings in the Valley. He said he was successful in getting the board to agree to a meeting in the Valley in October and to add puncture vine to the noxious weed list. Ms. Wisdom suggested that Chairman Glover talk with the Alamosa Convention Center and the Welcome Center so that goodie bags can be created for this meeting.

At 11:30 a.m., Ms. Wisdom presented the intergovernmental agreement between the County and Sargent schools to provide a school resource officer for the Sargent school. Commissioner Shriver asked for the amount of the contract. Ms. Wisdom said the contract will not exceed the amount of \$30,000.00 from Sargent, which will provide half of the officer's salary and benefits. The contract will be in force for 1 year and will be negotiated every year. Commissioner Bothell moved to approve the contract. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion and the motion carried. The contract was signed.

Ms. Wisdom reported receiving a bid for a vault bathroom at Summitville from CXT Concrete Buildings in the amount of \$21,170.00. Randy Kern, Building Department, joined the meeting. Ms. Wisdom explained that the bathroom is a pre-fabricated structure. Commissioner Shriver explained that it looks like it is made of wood and a rock fascia can be added. Mr. Kern added that the structure looks like other Forest Service bathrooms. Commissioner Shriver noted that the Forest Service recommended this product. She also stated that the retail price of the bathroom was used on the grant proposal but the price from CXT is a sole source price. Commissioner Shriver explained that the Loveland company did not bid on the bathroom, and said that if the CXT contract is signed today, the bathroom can be installed by the end of the year. The bid has been reviewed by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Mr. Kern said the bathroom is handicap accessible, and added that the vault will be pumped out regularly.

Commissioner Shriver reported that with the sole source price, the project is now under budget. Commissioner Bothell asked for clarification on the grants that will fund the project. Commissioner Shriver explained that DRG will provide \$8,700.00; the Forest Service will provide \$5,000.00; and the County will provide \$8,700.00. She said that El Pomar will meet in September and may contribute up to \$15,500.00 to the project. She also said that if El Pomar does not provide funding, there is a back-up. She stressed that no County general funds will be used for this project, and noted that Conservation Trust funds have been committed for the entire project. She also said that the bathroom should be installed in October. Mr. Kern said that an onsite water treatment system permit will be issued, and the fee to the County will be waived. Commissioner Shriver moved to sign the contract with CXT so that materials can be ordered and that the OWTS permit fee in the amount of \$273.00 will be waived. Commissioner Bothell reiterated the funding sources and asked where the back-up funds will come from. Commissioner Shriver said the back-up funds will come from the Outcalt Foundation. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion. Ms. Wisdom explained that the Conservation Trust funds need to be spent on recreational projects or they will no longer be available. Commissioner Shriver said that Commissioner Bothell is stalling the project. Commissioner Bothell said she wants to make sure she understands what is happening. Commissioner Shriver said that the public has been given misinformation about this project. She said the project is good for the community. A vote was taken and the motion carried. The contract was signed.

Ms. Wisdom requested approval to appoint Chairman Glover as the CCI legislative appointee. Commissioner Bothell asked if there is one meeting per year. Ms. Wisdom said there may be more meetings, depending on needed legislation. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve Chairman Glover as the CCI legislative appointee. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ms. Wisdom outlined the County's vehicle fleet: The Assessor's Office has one van; the Coroner has one van; and there are three other vehicles that can be used. Ms. Wisdom stated that a vehicle is needed for the Emergency Manager to use. She also explained that the County owns a 2005 Taurus that no one likes to drive. Ms. Wisdom said that the Assessor's Office's van is not suitable for driving in the Jasper area, and the Coroner's van needs a great deal of work. She suggested that four vehicles be taken to auction along with some other items, and the proceeds from the sales be used to purchase a four-wheel-drive vehicle that can be shared by the County's departments. She also suggested purchasing a separate vehicle for the Emergency Manager. Chairman Glover recommended that a used vehicle be purchased.

Commissioner Bothell stated that Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Department, discussed purchasing a new pick up. Ms. Wisdom said that a new Road and Bridge Department pick up was purchased this year, so the old pick up is not available. Ms. Wisdom said that the County fleet currently consists of two Edges and a Taurus.

Ms. Wisdom explained that the Assessor's Office will give up its van, as long as there is a vehicle its staff can use. Chairman Glover said that the Taurus has 80,000 miles on it. Commissioner Bothell said that an auction would be a good way to sell the vehicles and other items. Chairman Glover recommended that low dollar amounts for the vehicles be determined. Commissioner Bothell suggested that the Sheriff's Department might have vehicles that could be auctioned as well. The consensus of the Board was to agree to sell the vehicles and other items at auction.

Ms. Wisdom reported that the 26th annual Make a Difference Day event at the landfill will be held on October 27, 2018. She received a letter requesting that the landfill be open on this day. Chairman Glover said he would speak to Jim Clare, and Commissioner Shriver said that the letter should be forwarded to the landfill board for approval. Ms. Wisdom will send the letter to the landfill board with a note of support from the BOCC.

Ms. Wisdom reported that Kids Count in Colorado Day is scheduled for September 11, 2018, from 11:30 a.m., to 1:00 p.m.

Ms. Wisdom reported receiving a letter of interest from Andrew Achley. He is interested in the open positions on the Board of Adjustment, the Planning and Zoning Board, and other positions.

Ms. Wisdom reported receiving a request from David Zimmer to close a road. She said she has received other similar requests from Jasper and Alpine Village, and noted that other counties have a process for closing roads. She asked the Board if it would prefer a more formal process. Commissioner Shriver explained that when road closure requests have been received in the past, the Board has discussed the request with Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Department. Commissioner Bothell asked if the County has a road closure policy. Ms. Wisdom said it does not. Commissioner Shriver said the requests are not made frequently, and usually come from Jasper or Alpine. She suggested that the current request be reviewed. Ms. Wisdom suggested that she create a more formal policy for this issue. The consensus of the Board was to agree.

Ms. Wisdom reported that Alamosa County offers its employees four health plans. She suggested that Rio Grande County could offer its employees a choice of a \$1,000.00 or a \$2,500.00 deductible. Ms. Wisdom pointed out, however, that Alamosa County's health plans do not include vision or dental insurance; Rio Grande County currently does provide these services. While the County's family health plans might need to be adjusted, she said that the County's health plan is in line with other counties' plans.

Commissioner Bothell said that the complaints she has heard are that the cost of insurance decreases the amount employees receive in wages. She said it would be good to give employees an option. Chairman Glover said this would depend on how much the County can afford. He also expressed concern that the Administrative workload would increase. Ms. Wisdom acknowledged that it will take time, if options are offered. Commissioner Bothell asked if a gap plan could be offered. Commissioner Shriver said that the options need to be analyzed. Ms. Wisdom added that the amount that the County will cover needs to be considered. Commissioner Bothell said that the cost of a gap plan needs to be determined. Ms. Wisdom will research the options and speak to CTSI, after which, a decision can be made.

Ms. Wisdom reported that a grant is available to reimburse law enforcement and District Attorneys for expenses related to investigation and prosecution of gray- and black-market marijuana. An application can be obtained from the Sheriff or the District Attorney.

Ms. Wisdom reported that the next CCI meeting will be on September 28, 2018. There will be a meeting of the Gallagher Interim Committee on October 3, 2018.

Ms. Wisdom distributed the County's revenue and expenses through July 2018. She said that the capital expenditures budget needs to be corrected. A supplemental budget will be drafted for the Tourism Board.

Ms. Wisdom asked if a letter regarding the new trucking rules is needed. Commissioner Shriver said a letter is not needed, but the Board should be aware of the new rules.

At 12:10 p.m., the meeting recessed.

At 1:34 p.m., a public hearing was called to order. Dixie Diltz, Land Use Department, County Attorney Bill Dunn, and Bobby Murphy, Patricia McCord, Tom Nutt, and Eric Schwiesow, Terlingua Management Trust, were present regarding the replat of a minor subdivision of land.

Ms. Diltz explained that the owner of the property, the Terlingua Management Trust, is requesting the division of tract 5 of the Joe Murphy Subdivision into two parcels. The property is zoned agricultural estate and has one residence. Neighbors were notified of the application on June 27, 2018; notice of the public hearing was published in the Monte Vista Journal on July 11, 2018. The application was heard by the Planning and Zoning Board on August 21, 2018; the Planning and Zoning Board recommended denial of the application.

Ms. Diltz explained that an application for a minor subdivision of land was approved in 1983, which created six lots. This complied with land use codes then, where the maximum number of lots was 10. Ms. Diltz said that the land use code changed in 2005; the current code now allows for a maximum of five lots in a minor subdivision. Ms. Diltz said that this application would be a "legal, nonconforming subdivision." Ms. Diltz also recommended denial of the application because seven lots would be created, which would be considered a major subdivision. Commissioner Bothell asked for clarification on what constitutes a major subdivision. Ms. Diltz said that a major subdivision would require utilities, roads, flood plain planning, and emergency vehicle access. Chairman Glover asked if all parties understood, in 1983, that ten lots was the maximum. Ms. Diltz said they did, adding that in the first application, five lots were created and called Boyd Valley. However, before that was recorded, a sixth lot was added and the subdivision was recorded as Joe Murphy Valley.

Attorney for the Terlingua Management Trust, Eric Schwiesow, said that the statement that the subdivision does not meet the land use code is incorrect. He said it is not a subdivision, but it is rather a replat of the property. He stated that this change would not alter the original subdivision process. He distributed copies of the 1983 Planning and Zoning Board's minutes where the original application was discussed. He said the sixth lot was reviewed and the changes were in compliance with land use code. He asked if the new application is consistent with the original order. He stated that the BOCC should abide with the original rules from 1983.

Mr. Schwiesow explained that the original intent was to divide the property for the owner's grandchildren. He said there are two steps to making today's decision. The first step is to determine if the original intent is altered. The second step is to consider the five steps required to replat the property. He said that (1) the replat does not affect the original purpose of the property; (2) it does not result in impaired access; (3) it does not result in impaired access for utilities; (4) it does not create lots that would not be allowed by the County; and (5) it will result in creating a benefit to the public or the owners. He said that all criteria for replatting the property are met.

County Attorney Bill Dunn responded, saying he does not interpret the land use code in the same way Mr. Schwiesow does. He said that the Planning and Zoning Board's concern is that the property might be further fragmented. He asked if the next generation might not also want further division of the land. Mr. Dunn also pointed out that this subdivision would create lots that would not be allowed if someone applied for a subdivision now. He said that the land use code language is not ambiguous.

Mr. Schwiesow stated that there is a signed agreement of all the other property owners that this subdivision is acceptable to them. Ms. McCord said that her family has always spent time on this property. She said that all she wants is a line to divide the inheritance.

Chairman Glover said that when he first reviewed the application, he thought it best to deny it because it would not be fair to allow a major subdivision. However, he said he could see both sides of the issue. He asked what precedent would be set for the future, if this application was approved. Mr. Schwiesow said to review the first step of the replat steps (the original purpose of the property). Chairman Glover said that the land use code book could be adjusted. He asked Mr. Dunn where the County stands legally. Mr. Dunn said that the decision of the BOCC can be appealed in District Court. For the appeal to be successful, it would have to be found that the decision was arbitrary or capricious. He said that the decision would not be either. He also stated that the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Board is merely a recommendation. The BOCC has the authority to confirm or deny the recommendation.

Chairman Glover said that this is a commonsense decision. Commissioner Shriver added that the original application was approved under one set of rules and now there is another set. She recommended that today's rules be followed. She asked if the property is owned in joint tenancy. Ms. Diltz said that Ms. McCord quickly claimed the property to her brother for financial reasons and is now wishing to reinstate her ownership.

Commissioner Bothell said that she could see a grandfathered portion of the land, and noted that things change in 35 years. Chairman Glover said that the land remains family land. He expressed concern that approving the application will create a situation for the County and set a precedent for the future.

Commissioner Shriver said that the lots are large. Chairman Glover asked how large the original property was. Ms. Diltz said that the original property was 44 acres and comprised six lots. She explained that one of the lots was sold and five were deeded to nine grandchildren. Mr. Murphy said that the original spirit was to give the land to the owner's grandchildren. This spirit has stayed consistent and approving the application will not set a precedent. Commissioner Bothell said that this not a move to circumvent the County.

Mr. Dunn said that the BOCC has 30 days to make a decision. Chairman Glover suggested tabling the application for further review. Commissioner Shriver moved to table the issue for further review. Ms. McCord said that the matter needs to be dealt with. Chairman Glover said that Ms. McCord can attend the decision meeting by telephone. Commissioner Bothell asked if there are other issues to consider. Ms. McCord said that there are no other issues, stating that this is just commonsense and she wants it dealt with. Commissioner Bothell asked if there are other lots in the same situation. Ms. McCord said there are not; there is one lot owned by three heirs, who would like to build a cabin. Commissioner Bothell seconded the motion and the motion carried. Chairman Glover said that the Board will reach a decision as soon as it can. Mr. Schwiesow entered the 1983 Planning and Zoning minutes as an exhibit.

At 2:10 p.m., the public hearing was closed and the meeting of the BOCC was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover, Chairman
Chairman of the Board

Mona Syring
Clerk of the Board