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The Rio Grande County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, May 4, 2011. Members present included: Chairman of the Board Mr. Dennis Murphy, Jr., Commissioner Doug Davie, and Commissioner Karla Shriver, County Administrator Suzanne Benton, and Intern Mary Beth Miles.

At 9:02 a.m. Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order. Chairman Murphy offered the morning prayer; Mrs. Benton led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. The agenda for the meeting was set and business proceeded as set forth by the agenda. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the agenda as presented, Commission Murphy Seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Davie made the motion to table approving the Commissioner Meeting minutes from the April 27, 2011 until the Clerk of the Board, Lyla Davis, returns next week.

The Commissioners signed the resolution approving Mr. Thad Elliott's exempt division of land, per their motion and approval in the April 27th meeting.

Mrs. Benton brought to the Commissioners' attention that County Road 15 was closed overnight on May 3rd as repairs were not completed before sundown. She also notified the Commissioners of vandalism and theft incident that involved County property at the County Pit located on the 10 south. The perpetrator paid restitution in the amount of \$500.00 which includes damages to County equipment and stolen fuel.

Mrs. Benton presented the commissioners with an issue regarding the WBS salesman who neglected to get approval from the County Commissioners prior to offering life insurance policies to the County employees. As a result, one County employee enrolled in the life insurance program offered through WBS. Per County Policy, an insurance policy must have more than five employees enrolled to warrant adding an additional payroll deduction. Moreover, life insurance policies are offered to employees through the current vendor. The Commissioners directed Mrs. Benton to continue to enforce the above stated County Policy.

Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the monthly Veterans' Report; Commissioner Davie seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Billie Jones has submitted her name for consideration to serve on the Rio Grande County Museum Board. Prior to making such an appointment, the Commissioners will discuss the issue with the Museum Board President.

The Public Health Agency's HCP Program funding, from the State of Colorado, is being reduced in the coming State fiscal year. With the cut, the County will be responsible for providing 50% of the funding for the program; which includes: \$5,874 allocated to each individual county for administrative services, and approximately \$9,000 to provide services to individuals currently enrolled in the program. At the direction of the board, Mrs. Benton will clarify with Ms. Julie Geiser at Alamosa County what services are provided through the HCP program.

Mrs. Benton informed the Commissioners that there are two water leaks in the Rio Grande County Buildings—in the Jail and above the Judge's Chambers in the Courthouse. Mrs. Benton has contacted Sammy Valdez—the Contractor who was previously hired to fix/repair the roof at both facilities. He patches the current leak but never solves the drainage problem. The custodial staff has to remove the snow or water after each storm. The roof needs to be redesigned to provide drainage.

At 9:37 a.m. The Commissioners reconsidered the roof bids that were submitted on April 27th for replacing the roof at the Department of Social Service building. The Commissioners weighed the pros and cons of each of the bids. Mrs. Benton and the Building Inspector Randy Kern answered questions from the Commissioners. Of the six options presented in the bids, five of the bids are for a tapered roof system and one bid is for a trussed roof. Mr. Kern stated that the truss roof would, by default, drain better than the other, lower-roof options. However, issues like gutters, safety platforms, and equipment must be accounted for, none of which were addressed by the contractor in the original bid. Mrs. Benton added that, under the truss option, the "new portion" of the Social Service building would be problematic, in terms of drainage and snow fall disposal. In addition, Mr. Kern is concerned that the cold roof system, as presented in the truss option, will increase the potential for ice and snow run-off, and possibly pose a safety hazard. As noted by Mr. Kern, with the proposed truss system, valleys and gutter maintenance are inevitable; roof access would be limited to either a ladder attached to the outer portion of the building or a two hatched-system that would allow access to each section of the roof. In their bid, Evergreen Builders specified a 12 inch overhang that would also have to be ventilated.

In distinguishing between the types of building material offered in the bids, Mr. Kern stated that EPDM system and material are not conducive to a large amount of foot traffic; however, EPDM is water tight with fewer membranes when compared to EPS. In contrast, the EPS system is able to accommodate a greater amount of foot traffic, which may be beneficial when it comes to servicing HVAC units and other maintenance repairs. Likewise, in distinguishing between the actual bids, it was noted that US Roofing's bid was not specific; it opened the door to change orders and the potential for additional costs. Additionally, because the company is not a local company, it would not qualify for the local preference granted to local contractors. The bid offered by Van Iwaarden Builders was a complete bid; however, the total cost, including the additional options, was greater than the budgeted allocation. After eliminating these two bids, the three remaining bids were from Evergreen Builders LLC., Greer Roofing Co., and High Land Construction.

Mr. Kern suggested if the Commissioners were considering a truss option to put the job out to bid again and specify the scope of work. Commissioner Shriver suggested that if they choose to explore this option they would need to consult an architect or engineer regarding how the trusses will affect the structural integrity of the building. Mr. Kern clarified that the warranty, as presented on the comparison sheet, is for the roof material, unless otherwise specified, and not for workmanship. He also stated that the insulation option will likely pay back over time. Commissioner Shriver suggested that the Commissioners take a visual tour of the building prior to awarding the bid.

After returning from the brief building tour, the consensus of opinion among the Commissioners, Mrs. Benton, and Mr. Kern, based on

the options presented by the contractors as well as the cost of the project as outlined in the bids, was to award the bid to High Land Construction. It should be noted that Commissioner Davie abstained from the vote to award the bid. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to award the bid to High Land Construction and to include both the option for insulation and the option for replacing and/or enlarging the existing drains. With these inclusions the total award is \$58,970. Mr. Murphy seconded the motion. The motion carried with two votes, as Commissioner Davie recused himself from the vote. Prior to the commencement of work, Mrs. Benton will obtain a written warranty and a copy of the contractor's liability insurance. Mrs. Benton will notify the contractor, High Land Construction, of the award as well as the other four contractors who submitted bids.

In wrapping up old business, Mr. Kern spoke with a local architect who is working with Ms. Rios in making improvements on her property, as discussed at prior meetings. Mr. Kern will continue to update the Commissioners on the issue.

11:00 a.m. Mr. Karl Jolliff from the ASC Community Partnership, representing the Southern Colorado Film Commission, joined with Commissioners to discuss the economic windfall that is a result of the film commission promoting the San Luis Valley. This organization represents the San Luis Valley at numerous different production venues to promote the area for production potential. This includes at the annual Los Angeles Film Production Event and to various producers as they offer fee free production sites. Due in part to their previous work, the State of Colorado is encouraging the Southern Colorado Film Commission to pursue becoming a certified film commission; however, they need endorsements from local governmental entities to aid them in obtaining this certification. The Commission's board is comprised of six members, but they encourage participation on the part of others. The film commission has promoted the San Luis Valley to internet advertising, TV shows, and one major film production; although, if the commission is certified it will be easier to recruit larger productions. Commissioner Davie made the motion to sign an endorsement to support the film commission; Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Davie made the motion to pay the April, end-of-month claims as presented; Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

At 11:25 a.m. Mr. William Dunn, County Attorney, joined the County Commissioners to discuss outstanding and current legal matters. Mr. Dunn has reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding housing the City of Monte Vista's inmates in the Rio Grande County Jail that he received from Mrs. Benton last week. After conversing with the City's Attorney, Gene Farish, Mr. Dunn has included four subsequent changes/suggestions to the MOU. Commissioner Shriver asked Mr. Dunn what is meant by the statement "liability of the prisoner will be transferred to the RGC Sheriff". Mr. Dunn stated that this would include "inmate retention" issues. Mr. Dunn will contact Mr. Farish and inform him of the changes to the MOU that the Commissioners adopted.

Mr. Dunn has been unable to contact Ms. Ellen Dunn regarding her blighted property within the County. She is currently not responding to his phone calls; and the present condition of the building remains unchanged. According to Mr. Kern, she has an open building permit but has not completed the scope of work as outlined in the document.

The Commissioners instructed Mr. Dunn to notify Ms. Ellen Dunn that they would like to meet with her on May 18th around 11:30 a.m. If she neglects to attend this meeting, the Commissioners would like Mr. Dunn to pursue further legal proceedings.

Mrs. Benton presented Mr. Dunn with the warranty provided by a Sammy Valdez for the work done on the Rio Grande County Jail roof. At the time of submitting the bid, Mr. Valdez provided a seven-year "craftsmanship" warranty. In addition, the County has given Mr. Valdez a time-frame in excess of a year to correct the mistakes and repair the leaking areas. Mr. Dunn will contact Mr. Valdez regarding this issue, and pursue further legal proceedings if he is unable to resolve the issue in a timely manner.

The Commissioners requested that Mr. Dunn review the Colorado Revised Statutes that outline the Coroner duties and fees.

Mrs. Benton requested clarification from the Commissioners on the bid specification that was put out for the open-sided shed at the McMillen Building. She has received numerous questions regarding the plumbing requirements for the wash-rack per the bid. At the instruction of the board, Mrs. Benton will continue to instruct contractors to exclude the plumbing accommodations from their bids. The bid closes on May 25' 2011.

In October of 2009 the Rio Grande County Commissioners sent a letter of support for the proposed land exchange at the Village at Wolf Creek. As stated in the original letter, the County Commissioners agree that the legislative land exchange with the NEPA requirement will benefit and serve the public interest by allowing a project with county-wide economic benefits to move forward in a timely fashion. The Commissioners instructed Mrs. Benton to send a similar letter of support to Senators Bennet and Udall, Representative Tipton, and Dan Dallas the Rio Grande National Forest Supervisor.

The Commissioners have reviewed the process for local redistricting requirements and have come to the conclusion that redistricting does not need to be conducted at this time.

At 12:15 p.m. Commissioner Davie made the motion to approve the following claims. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed.

County General Fund

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| Aspen Office Products | supplies | \$ | 78.14 |
| CED/American Electrical | repairs | \$ | 30.88 |
| Co Dept of Human Services | March | \$ | 20.00 |
| Del Norte Auto Supply | supplies | \$ | 30.77 |
| District Attorney Office | 4th pmt | \$ | 13,389.75 |
| Fleet Services | fuel | \$ | 4,882.90 |
| Gobins | supplies | \$ | 67.99 |
| Jack's Market | supplies | \$ | 34.54 |
| Mary Beth Miles | mileage | \$ | 79.20 |
| Pueblo Co Information System | computer svc | \$ | 5,200.00 |
| Qwest Communications | telephone | \$ | 1,780.80 |
| SLV GIS/GPS Authority | exp | \$ | 200.00 |
| State of Colorado/DOI | T1 line | \$ | 333.84 |
| The Master's Touch, LLC | painting | \$ | 4,550.00 |
| Thyssenkrupp Elevator | repairs | \$ | 678.00 |
| Valley Lock and Security | repairs | \$ | 174.50 |
| Valley Meat | jail food | \$ | 731.12 |

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| Verizon Wireless | cell phones | \$ | 844.14 |
| Victim Assistance Fund | March | \$ | 20.00 |
| Xcel Energy | utility | \$ | 2,002.66 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 35,129.23 |
| American Public Life | March | \$ | 432.12 |
| BC Services Inc | March | \$ | 169.77 |
| Community Bank of the Rockies | March | \$ | 52,319.98 |
| Family Support Registry | exp | \$ | 300.00 |
| Pre-paid Legal Services | exp | \$ | 139.45 |
| Rio Grande County | exp | \$ | 50.00 |
| Rio Grande County Treasurer | March | \$ | 42,976.07 |
| Security Benefit | exp | \$ | 2,550.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 98,937.39 |
| Sammy A Construction | stucco | \$ | 6,100.00 |
| Xcel Energy | utility | \$ | 3,616.31 |
| ACS Services Inc | computer svc | \$ | 3,604.49 |
| Alamosa School District | | \$ | 400.00 |
| Automotive Experts | | \$ | 85.90 |
| Business Solutions Lsng | copier | \$ | 410.33 |
| Chaffee County Sheriff | dues | \$ | 50.00 |
| Co Dept of Public Safety | traffic fines | \$ | 892.50 |
| Colorado Counties Inc | registration | \$ | 335.00 |
| Dave Pote | Homeland Sec | \$ | 1,553.15 |
| Del Norte Auto Supply | supplies | \$ | 67.92 |
| Duckwall-Alco Discount | supplies | \$ | 28.23 |
| Dunn Law, LLP | legal | \$ | 337.50 |
| El Paso County Coroner | autopsy | \$ | 3,750.00 |
| First Bankcard | card pmt | \$ | 3,888.12 |
| Gobins | supplies | \$ | 661.35 |
| Hi-Land Potato Company | jail food | \$ | 44.00 |
| Jack's Market | jail food | \$ | 98.09 |
| Jack's Market Pharmacy | jail meds | \$ | 293.58 |
| Jeff Babcock | Homeland Sec | \$ | 7,280.03 |
| John Michalke | Homeland Sec | \$ | 5,922.60 |
| Ken's Service Center | repairs | \$ | 992.56 |
| Meadow Gold Dairies | jail food | \$ | 266.72 |
| Mid-American Speciality | | \$ | 625.64 |
| Monte Vista Journal | renewal | \$ | 34.75 |
| Mount'n Valley Sports | repairs | \$ | 658.83 |
| Multicard | | \$ | 200.17 |
| Notes & Numbers LLC | board clerk | \$ | 255.00 |
| O&V Printing | supplies | \$ | 546.62 |
| Oncall Paging Service | April | \$ | 119.85 |
| Peggy J Kern | mileage | \$ | 18.90 |
| Pitney Bowes Inc | postage meter | \$ | 143.62 |
| Qwest Communications | telephone | \$ | 43.22 |
| Rio Grande Hospital | tests | \$ | 39.31 |
| Rio Grande Pharmacy | jail meds | \$ | 137.00 |
| Rio Grande Sportsman Club | RGSO | \$ | 225.00 |
| Rocky Mountain Plumbing | repairs | \$ | 128.83 |
| Safeway Inc | jail food | \$ | 128.34 |

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| San Luis Valley Federal | jail payment | \$ 124,968.00 |
| Shamrock Foods Company | jail food | \$ 1,865.79 |
| South Central Colorado | dues | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Sue Davis | Homeland Sec | \$ 3,759.52 |
| Suzanne Benton | mileage | \$ 93.73 |
| Town and Country | parts/repair | \$ 107.24 |
| Tri County Senior Citizens | disbursement | \$ 1,000.00 |
| True Value Hardware | supplies | \$ 23.78 |
| United Reprographic | supplies | \$ 65.00 |
| Vail Cascade Resort | conference | \$ 288.00 |
| Valley Courier | ads | \$ 70.20 |
| Valley Fire Protection | fees | \$ 207.00 |
| Valley Meat | jail food | \$ 216.61 |
| Valley Publishing | subscription | \$ 50.85 |
| Vendola Plumbing | repairs | \$ 71.98 |
| WSB Computer Services | computer svc | \$ 5,545.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ 187,316.16 |

Road & Bridge Fund

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| SLV Conservation District | water | \$ 4,100.00 |
| Business Solutions Leasing | copier | \$ 110.08 |
| Colorado Dept of Revenue | | \$ 48.40 |
| Qwest Communications | telephone | \$ 53.30 |
| Verizon Wireless | cell phone | \$ 302.43 |
| TOTAL | | \$ 4,614.21 |

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| American Public Life | exp | \$ 226.82 |
| Community Banks of Colorado | exp | \$ 21,859.09 |
| Rio Grande County Treasurer | exp | \$ 18,347.54 |
| Security Benefit | exp | \$ 50.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ 40,483.45 |

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| Airgas Intermountain | supplies | \$ 642.24 |
| Alta Fuels | fuel | \$ 21,689.27 |
| Center Parts Store | parts | \$ 83.40 |
| D-A Lubricant Company | supplies | \$ 723.43 |
| Del Norte Auto Supply | supplies | \$ 147.82 |
| Duckwall-Alco Discount | supplies | \$ 26.04 |
| Faris Machinery Company | parts | \$ 105.48 |
| First Bankcard | card pmt | \$ 666.51 |
| Fleet Services | fuel | \$ 1,820.83 |
| Four Corners Cooling | supplies | \$ 380.00 |
| Gobins | supplies | \$ 29.30 |
| Haynie's Inc | supplies | \$ 1,478.48 |
| Lenco West | parts | \$ 144.72 |
| Leroy A Romero | maintenance | \$ 125.00 |
| Mackey Construction Co | supplies | \$ 44.94 |
| Michael Todd & Company | repairs | \$ 1,218.02 |
| Monte Vista Cooperative | supplies | \$ 515.12 |
| Monte vista Machine Tool | supplies | \$ 220.00 |
| Monte Vista Tractor | supplies | \$ 21.41 |
| Qwest Communications | telephone | \$ 473.23 |

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| Rocky Mountain Upholstery | repairs | \$ | 175.00 |
| Rylind Industries Inc | supplies | \$ | 137.26 |
| SLV Auto Repair | repairs | \$ | 39.64 |
| South Fork Propane | fuel | \$ | 687.00 |
| Spectracom | radios | \$ | 665.00 |
| Wagner Equipment | repairs | \$ | 1,958.53 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 34,217.67 |
| Pest Control | | | |
| Alltel | cell phone | \$ | 36.29 |
| SLV REC | utility | \$ | 69.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 105.29 |
| Community Banks of Colorado | March | \$ | 1,503.45 |
| Rio Grande County Treas. | exp | \$ | 1,078.48 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 2,581.93 |
| First Bankcard | card pmt | \$ | 548.10 |
| Mount'n Valley Sports | ATV | \$ | 7,390.00 |
| Qwest Communications | phone | \$ | 83.23 |
| Valley Courier | ads | \$ | 119.70 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 8,141.03 |
| Airport Fund | | | |
| TOTAL | | \$ | - |
| San Luis Valley Rural | utility | \$ | 286.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 286.00 |
| Capital Expenditure Fund | | | |
| TOTAL | | \$ | - |
| Conservation Trust | | | |
| San Luis Valley TV Inc | annual | \$ | 1,500.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 1,500.00 |
| First Bankcard | card pmt | \$ | 167.06 |
| Sargent School District | | \$ | 72,451.33 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 72,618.39 |
| Tourism Trust | | | |
| Boondocker Publishing | ads | \$ | 90.00 |
| Denver & Rio Grande | advertising | \$ | 900.00 |
| Rio Grande County | | \$ | 850.00 |
| South Fork Music Assn | contribution | \$ | 600.00 |
| South Fork Visitors | outfitter | \$ | 2,500.12 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 4,940.12 |

Ms. Benton presented pending matters. She updated the Board on Title III funds for the Fire Wise Program which assists homeowners near State and National forests with fire mitigation. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to pursue the Colorado State University and Colorado State Forest Service fire mitigation program for Alpine Village, Willow Park and Jasper. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:25 a.m. Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Supervisor, joined the session for the monthly report. The written report was submitted as follows:

- Installed numerous culverts and made repairs during the month of April.
- Completed guardrail projects on County Road 29 and County Road 6 West.
- The taxiways at the Del Norte airport were crack sealed. Material will be reimbursed up to 75% from the Colorado Department of Transportation Aviation grant.
- Crews helped set up for the 9Health Fair.
- Stockpiled material in various pits for future use.
- Completed the dike construction work at the Maxeyville gravel pit. Reseeding will be done in May to complete the reclamation work.
- Started grading Schedule A roads.
- Provided assistance to the Monte Vista & Del Norte fire departments with large fires in April.
- Mr. Sullivan met with Stantec to review the bridge inspection report.
- Took delivery of the new 966H Loader and put it into service.

Mr. Sullivan noted that the Maxeyville gravel pit project cost totaled \$87,993. Jamie Hart will reimburse the County \$2,106 in fuel.

Proposed work for the month of May includes completing the Maxeyville reclamation project; water, shape and compact the 2 East Road; prepare the hot plant for the upcoming paving season; start patching several bridges throughout the County; continue bridge rail maintenance; continue to grade roads and patch potholes; and Mr. Sullivan will meet with the CCOERA representative.

Mr. Sullivan noted that the new loader has made a big difference in the work being done. He is working with Xcel Energy on extending the natural gas pipeline near Home Lake.

Fiber cable will be laid through four miles of the County and the installer has worked with Mr. Sullivan for the proper permits to lay this utility line in the road right-of-way.

The County Road 15 water line break is still being resolved after several breaks over the past few weeks.

The Town of South Fork has asked for a bid for paving at Beaver Mountain Subdivision to the highway along with other small paving projects at the library and some curb and gutter work. He also met with Bill Mathews, South Fork Town Manager, regarding their bridge report and maintenance. The Town needs some bridge repair but Mr. Sullivan wanted direction from the Board per the Town's request for help from the County for maintenance. The Board agreed to assist the Town with proper agreements to reimburse the Road and Bridge Department for the cost. There was discussion of having the Town

prepay for the projects with some of the work being completed next year.

Mr. Sullivan noted that thirty-nine gallons of fuel were stolen from the grader in the 10 South gravel pit. The perpetrator was caught immediately and paid cash restitution.

The cemetery expansion project at the Veteran's Center was discussed. Mr. Sullivan offered the County to do the entire project and split the cost between the six counties giving credit equally to each county. This would prevent any miscommunications and ease of logistics between agencies. He talked with Lewis Entz who was agreeable to this idea but thought it should be discussed at the Valley Commissioners meeting.

Mike Sanner, Sanner Brothers Salvage, was contacted about debris in the road right-of-way.

Mr. Sullivan noted the resignation of an employee. He asked that Charlie Harris be hired for the summer, as in the past, for roadside weed mowing. The Board agreed to the request.

Ms. Benton asked to have the McMullen Building chiseled and watered for a horse riding workshop.

The road inspection will be May 16, 2011 at 7:00 a.m.

At 10:15 a.m. Alvin and Miriam Mullett joined the session to resubmit their application for a retail store in a rural zone. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Administrator, noted that the list of options for a conditional use permit has been amended by the Planning and Zoning Commission to allow for more types of businesses in rural zones. It is within the Planning and Zoning Board's authority to make amendments to the conditions so long as they not substantial changes. Mr. Mullett submitted a letter asking that his existing window business building be used to house the retail variety store. He will find out what regulations must be met to refill small propane tanks as noted in the application. The Mulletts anticipate employing family members at this point but potentially adding a couple more employees as the business grows. The building cannot exceed 3,200 square feet for the business and the signage must be on the premises. Additional sign permits can be obtained from the County or State Highway Department. Any changes to the contingencies set in the approval must come before the Board. Mr. Mullett invited the Board to visit the site any time. Commissioner Davie made the motion to approve the conditional use permit contingent upon the building size not exceeding 3,200 square feet for the retail store, all State and County regulations be followed and the application will be subject to review in one year. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed.
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At 10:30 a.m. Ms. Benton continued with pending matters. There was discussion of installing shades at the Museum to help reduce the heat in the summer months and insulate in the winter. Shades would also be helpful during slide presentations. Home Reflections and Shades, Quilts, & Etc., will be asked to submit bids for this project. Commissioner Shriver suggested talking with the Museum board about sharing the expense.

A road/alley vacation request in Jasper was presented by Ms. Benton. After reviewing the maps, the Board directed Ms. Benton to contact the neighboring landowners on this request and review the land records.

The Memorandum of Understanding, as revised by County Attorney Bill Dunn per the Board's request, was presented for signature regarding the holding of Monte Vista municipal inmates at the County Jail. Commissioner Davie made the motion to approve the agreement. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed.

Ms. Benton presented various updates. She noted the Public Health Agency and the work done with the program for children with special needs (HCP). The County's clients were shared with Saguache County last year who had staff to administer the program. Saguache County turned the program over to Alamosa County when they could not staff the program. The funding has been significantly reduced and Alamosa County may not be able to continue administering the program.

Ms. Benton noted a property tax protest going before the State Board of Appeals.

The calendar of meetings and events was reviewed.

The 11:00 a.m. appointment with Ann Kopfman to discuss property tax abatement was tabled as Ms. Kopfman was not present.

At 11:15 a.m. the Board adjourned for lunch and a work session.

Attest:

Dennis Murphy, Jr.
Chairman of the Board

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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At 10:00 a.m. Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order following the monthly managers meeting. Ms. Benton gave the opening prayer and Ms. Miles led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the May 11, 2011 minutes as amended. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

At 10:15 a.m. Jody Kern, Director of Social Services, joined the session for the monthly report.

At 11:00 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. She noted an error in the 2010 budget statement and explained the calculation error in the airport fund that the auditors found. Commissioner Davie made the motion to sign the resolution for the supplementary budget

to correct the airport fund budget. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed. BOOK 554 PAGE 453

Glynnis Williams has expressed interest in serving on the Library Board to replace Christine Wright who submitted a letter of resignation. The Rio Grande County Library District Board sent a letter of support for Ms. Williams. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to appoint Glynnis Williams to the Rio Grande County Library Board. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

At 11:30 a.m. County Attorney Bill Dunn joined the session for legal updates. He presented the draft complaint to be filed against Sammy Valdez, Valdez Roofing, because of insufficient craftsmanship and failure to meet the bid specifications which has resulted in further damage to the jail roof. Randy Kern, Building Inspector, reviewed the bids and invoices related to the complaint. The maintenance department informed Ms. Benton that Mr. Valdez has not inspected any roofs this year and he has been called after every storm. Mr. Kern explained 'positive drainage' and the problems with the jail roof.

Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Administrator, joined the session to discuss the Braun-Fry blight property. She drove past the property and found that the burn area has been covered but there has not been significant clean up progress.

Ms. Vanderpool has not seen any progress on the Ellen Dunn blight property.

Ms. Braun-Fry placed a call to the Board stating that she had a personal matter and could not be present at her appointment today and will not be available for another appointment until late June. The Board agreed to proceed with court proceedings on the Braun-Fry property and reschedule an appointment with her.

The Board agreed to proceed with the Dunn blight case in court.

Commissioner Davie asked about progress on the property owned by Art Kraft east of Del Norte. Mr. Kern said a building permit was obtained but the work was not completed.

The Sterling Wright property was reviewed. This property is on County Road 14-A. Mr. Kern presented pictures of the fifth-wheel trailer that has been added onto. The gray water is being pumped into a pit and a septic company was pumping the tanks at one time. An appointment will be scheduled in June with the property owners.

Mr. Kern discussed two septic permit violations that he is reviewing.

At 12:15 p.m. the Board adjourned for lunch.

At 1:30 p.m. Ms. Benton continued with pending matters. She discussed a road vacation in Jasper which was done last year and a request to vacate an alleyway on the same lot in Jasper (lots 10, 11, 12, Block 27, Cornwall). The property owners requested vacation of the alleyway to the north which is overgrown. The Board agreed that since the owners do not own the entire block the vacation cannot be granted.

The Social Media Policy was presented. Ms. Miles reviewed the work she has done on this policy and the feedback from the department managers. The requirements of having a County-related social media site were noted. The department managers are responsible for the appropriate use of the sites. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to

approve the Social Media Policy. Chairman Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

Tom Haefeli has requested that his electrical installation fee be reduced since he had purchased the meter several years ago when other meters were purchased and installed. The lease amount will be reduced by half since half of the lease amount covered the electrical meter. Mr. Haefeli's hangar will have electricity connected.

Ms. Benton presented information on a grant research program. She also presented various meeting notices and correspondence.

At 2:00 p.m. Ann Kopfman and Roxie Finley joined the session to discuss property tax abatement. Chairman Murphy said the Board signed the denial based on the County Assessor's recommendation. Joe Dominguez, County Assessor, said there has never been any lease agreement submitted indicating that the property was being farmed. Ms. Kopfman said she had Vernon Mann and Jason Trujillo bale and haul the hay in 2009 but because of the lack of water last year no hay was harvested and the South Fork music festival was held on the property. She said the festival trampled the land and hay could not be bailed. Mr. Dominguez said a notice was mailed changing the land from agriculture to residential status and Ms. Kopfman did not respond. Ms. Kopfman said she never received the first notice but she did receive the second notice. Ms. Finley said this land is not intended for development and should remain as agriculture land. They plan to graze cattle this year on the property. Mr. Dominguez explained the valuations between residential and agriculture land statuses. The Board asked Mr. Dominguez what the tax difference would be between the two statuses. Ms. Kopfman said values in South Fork are decreasing and this property would not sell for the value Mr. Dominguez has placed on it. Mr. Dominguez did not think that a proper lease was filed. The fences have not been maintained and the property has not been treated as agriculture land. Mr. Dominguez said he did not think there could be more than a dozen bales from the ground. Mr. Mann said he had 434 bales from the meadow. Ms. Kopfman said they were trying to help the community by allowing the music festival but they will not be allowed back on the property. Michelle Medina, Deputy Assessor, said the taxes went from \$733 (agriculture status) to \$9,236 (residential status). Only two acres is considered residential on this property where there is a small home. There was discussion of the amount of agriculture land that does not have lease agreements filed with the Assessor. Ms. Medina said she would share a template lease agreement to be returned to the Assessor's office for their records. Chairman Murphy said the Board would take this request under consideration.

There was discussion of the acreage of the Kopfman property. Ms. Benton will clarify this question for the next board meeting.

At 2:30 p.m. Ed Rapps, Undersheriff, joined the session to discuss the memorandum of understanding with the City of Monte Vista regarding the holding of municipal inmates. Ms. Benton presented a change requested by the City regarding liability. The Board will discuss this at the quarterly meeting with the Town on Monday but felt that agreement should not change.

Mr. Raps presented a grant for upgrading bullet proof vests. The Bureau of Justice and Assistance is sponsoring this grant to cover half of the cost of the vests. He felt that eight vests would be necessary for the department which is \$700 - \$800 apiece. The Board agreed to apply for the grant. Ms. Benton said that would reduce the

uniform expense line item. Commissioner Shriver suggested purchasing two every two years to defray the cost.

At 3:00 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Dennis Murphy, Jr.
Chairman of the Board

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

State of Colorado)
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County of Rio Grande)

The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, May 25, 2011. Members present were Chairman Dennis Murphy, Jr., Commissioner Doug Davie, Suzanne Benton County Administrator and Lyla Davis, Clerk of the Board. Commissioner Karla Shriver and Intern Mary Beth Miles were absent.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order. Ms. Benton gave the opening prayer and Ms. Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Davie made the motion to approve the May 18, 2011 minutes as amended. Chairman Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:15 a.m. Commissioner Davie made the motion to approve the following payroll. Chairman Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

County General

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| Davie, Douglas | sal. | \$ | 4,141.67 |
| Murphy, Dennis | sal. | \$ | 4,141.67 |
| Shriver, Karla | sal. | \$ | 4,141.67 |
| Benton, Suzanne | sal. | \$ | 6,963.03 |
| Dennis, Krystal | sal. | \$ | 2,267.42 |
| Bricker, Pamela | sal. | \$ | 50.00 |
| Brown, Leonard | sal. | \$ | 50.00 |
| Freeman, Dwight | sal. | \$ | 50.00 |
| Hathorn, Grover | sal. | \$ | 50.00 |
| Seger, Gary | sal. | \$ | 50.00 |
| Vanderpool, Rose | sal. | \$ | 3,215.33 |
| Canada, Sean | sal. | \$ | 3,279.47 |
| Kern, Randall | sal. | \$ | 4,296.93 |
| Gabbel, Jaclyn | sal. | \$ | 1,698.67 |
| Gonzales, Catherine | sal. | \$ | 2,112.93 |
| Hill, Cindy | sal. | \$ | 4,141.67 |
| Montoya, Michelle | sal. | \$ | 2,591.33 |
| Parks, Torie Lynn | sal. | \$ | 1,632.80 |
| Quintana, Mary | sal. | \$ | 2,574.00 |
| Steving, Sherryl | sal. | \$ | 2,022.80 |
| Wilson, Christina | sal. | \$ | 1,698.67 |
| Dominguez, Telesforo | sal. | \$ | 4,141.67 |
| Leist, Chris | sal. | \$ | 3,208.40 |

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| Lyons, Cherri | sal. | \$ 2,267.20 |
| Medina, Michelle | sal. | \$ 2,496.00 |
| Mondragon, Jennifer | sal. | \$ 2,804.53 |
| Salazar, Eva | sal. | \$ 2,312.27 |
| Trujillo, Dale | sal. | \$ 2,447.47 |
| Valdez, Michael | sal. | \$ 2,447.47 |
| Kern, Peggy | sal. | \$ 4,141.67 |
| Rue, Cherilyn | sal. | \$ 2,933.23 |
| Voris, Carol | sal. | \$ 2,249.22 |
| Brown, Elaine | sal. | \$ 1,348.32 |
| Garcia, Carol | sal. | \$ 1,842.53 |
| Marquez, Ronald | sal. | \$ 1,995.07 |
| Medina, Porfie | sal. | \$ 2,508.13 |
| Arellano, Timothy | sal. | \$ 2,496.00 |
| Beecham, Alan | sal. | \$ 2,398.93 |
| Clark, Frank | sal. | \$ 1,944.80 |
| Doctor, Janette | sal. | \$ 2,996.93 |
| Duran, Jeremiah | sal. | \$ 2,496.00 |
| Fresquez, Adam Paul | sal. | \$ 2,398.93 |
| Lopez, Emily | sal. | \$ 2,643.33 |
| Messoline, Larry | sal. | \$ 2,398.93 |
| Norton, Brian | sal. | \$ 5,550.00 |
| Raps, Edward | sal. | \$ 3,596.67 |
| Schultz, Keith Charles | sal. | \$ 2,398.93 |
| Wheelwright, Boyd | sal. | \$ 2,750.80 |
| Archuleta, Anthony | sal. | \$ 2,501.41 |
| Atencio, Joseph | sal. | \$ 2,546.27 |
| Bailey, Ronald | sal. | \$ 1,998.03 |
| Black, Kelly | sal. | \$ 3,272.53 |
| Bollinger, Jason | sal. | \$ 1,911.95 |
| Bruder, Gary | sal. | \$ 2,522.71 |
| Chick, Amanda | sal. | \$ 2,025.83 |
| Duran, Dusty | sal. | \$ 2,009.19 |
| Ford, Donna | sal. | \$ 909.97 |
| Fuentes, Jose | sal. | \$ 2,043.51 |
| Hart, Jonathan | sal. | \$ 2,267.16 |
| Naranjo, Henry | sal. | \$ 1,257.56 |
| Ortega, Arthur | sal. | \$ 2,350.67 |
| Pacheco, Helen | sal. | \$ 1,572.13 |
| Parks, Joseph | sal. | \$ 2,463.99 |
| Salazar, Alicia | sal. | \$ 1,982.93 |
| Sierra, Shaun | sal. | \$ 2,009.53 |
| Stambaugh, Keith | sal. | \$ 1,932.57 |
| Trujillo, Ramon | sal. | \$ 2,232.20 |
| Vest, David | sal. | \$ 1,952.04 |
| Wright, Todd | sal. | \$ 1,197.45 |
| Strohmayer, Rusty | sal. | \$ 1,841.67 |
| Ferran, Camille | sal. | \$ 1,993.33 |
| Crowder, Larry | sal. | \$ 1,534.10 |
| Colville, Louise | sal. | \$ 400.00 |
| Lujan, Maxine | sal. | \$ 2,544.82 |
| Miles, Mary B | sal. | \$ 2,608.33 |
| | | <u>\$178,265.37</u> |

(Taxes Withheld, \$26,447.16; Deductions Withheld,
\$26,315.98)

ROAD & BRIDGE

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|----------------------|------|---------------------|
| Atencio, Kevin | sal. | \$ 2,357.33 |
| Black, Timothy | sal. | \$ 3,435.47 |
| Hansen, Arnold | sal. | \$ 2,709.20 |
| Hill, Carl | sal. | \$ 3,435.47 |
| Lyons, Dale | sal. | \$ 2,184.00 |
| Maestas, William | sal. | \$ 3,367.87 |
| McKinley, Robert | sal. | \$ 3,111.33 |
| Miles, Darryl | sal. | \$ 3,693.73 |
| Pacheco, Carl | sal. | \$ 3,435.47 |
| Plane, Kenneth | sal. | \$ 2,227.33 |
| Widger, Michael J | sal. | \$ 4,003.36 |
| Archuletta, Mark | sal. | \$ 3,121.07 |
| Atencio, Manuel | sal. | \$ 3,237.87 |
| Benavides, Eodofredo | sal. | \$ 3,057.60 |
| Davie, Andrew | sal. | \$ 2,099.07 |
| Gates, Marvin | sal. | \$ 2,140.67 |
| Gossard, Bruce | sal. | \$ 2,099.07 |
| Paulson, Roy | sal. | \$ 3,435.47 |
| Rowe, Danny | sal. | \$ 2,452.67 |
| Steffens, John | sal. | \$ 3,693.73 |
| Sullivan, Patrick | sal. | \$ 5,455.45 |
| Romero, Olivia | sal. | \$ 2,405.87 |
| | | <u>\$ 67,159.10</u> |

(Taxes Withheld, \$11,406.48; Deductions Withheld,
\$9,761.37)

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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|---------------------|------|-------------|
| Atencio, Davine | sal. | \$ 2,083.25 |
| Buxman, Bryan | sal. | \$ 2,826.38 |
| Chavez, Melody | sal. | \$ 2,063.75 |
| Collins, Kelsie | sal. | \$ 3,061.50 |
| Dupont, Ilene | sal. | \$ 1,539.72 |
| Duran, Jaxine | sal. | \$ 2,299.38 |
| Gallegos, Brandi | sal. | \$ 2,590.25 |
| Garcia, Shirley | sal. | \$ 1,628.25 |
| Gonzales, Carolyn | sal. | \$ 2,393.63 |
| Gunther, Darlene | sal. | \$ 2,299.38 |
| Harmon, Alicia | sal. | \$ 2,083.25 |
| Hernandez, Marlene | sal. | \$ 2,393.63 |
| Horn, Ruth | sal. | \$ 4,129.13 |
| Jaramillo, Richelle | sal. | \$ 3,199.63 |
| Jiron, John | sal. | \$ 2,340.00 |
| Kern, Jody | sal. | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Leblanc, Elizabteh | sal. | \$ 2,083.25 |
| Lester, Heather | sal. | \$ 3,047.38 |
| Maestas, Valarie | sal. | \$ 2,434.25 |
| Martinez, Helen | sal. | \$ 4,057.63 |
| Martinez, Janelle | sal. | \$ 2,255.50 |
| Meder, Jeremy | sal. | \$ 2,935.25 |

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| Mills-McKim, Natasha | sal. | \$ 2,624.38 |
| Pacheco, Leann | sal. | \$ 1,761.50 |
| Palacios, Irma | sal. | \$ 2,255.50 |
| Parra, Gregorio | sal. | \$ 3,796.00 |
| Resendiz, Michelle | sal. | \$ 2,624.38 |
| Roesch, Korissa | sal. | \$ 756.49 |
| Ruybal, Evelyn | sal. | \$ 2,255.50 |
| Sanchez, Ramona | sal. | \$ 2,440.75 |
| Shaver, Betty | sal. | \$ 2,803.13 |
| Sierra, Jessica | sal. | \$ 2,299.38 |
| Slane, Sherryl | sal. | \$ 2,785.25 |
| Stephens, Jackie | sal. | \$ 3,823.63 |
| Thompson, Chris | sal. | \$ 2,826.38 |
| Varner, Julia | sal. | \$ 2,083.25 |
| Velasquez, Amanda | sal. | \$ 1,928.88 |
| Webb, Jeannie | sal. | \$ 1,756.30 |
| White, Victoria | sal. | \$ 2,255.50 |
| | | <u>\$ 99,820.59</u> |

(Taxes Withheld, \$13,961.95; Deductions Withheld, \$16,985.56)

PEST CONTROL

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| Plane, Darrel | sal. | \$ 3,913.40 |
| | | <u>\$ 3,913.40</u> |

(Taxes Withheld, \$591.32; Deductions Withheld, \$896.09)

PUBLIC HEALTH

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| Hendricks, Paula | sal. | \$ 3,037.88 |
| Koshak, Dianne | sal. | \$ 3,037.88 |
| Kostuk, Diane | sal. | \$ 2,023.23 |
| Masters, Judy | sal. | \$ 2,528.59 |
| Perry, Patricia | sal. | \$ 4,642.65 |
| Montoya-Salazar, Lanell | sal. | \$ 2,026.27 |
| Robinson, Kelli | sal. | \$ 1,768.43 |
| | | <u>\$ 19,064.93</u> |

(Taxes Withheld, \$3,470.11; Deductions Withheld, \$2,754.48)

At 9:30 a.m. Chairman Murphy opened the sealed bids for the open sided shed for the McMullen Building at the Ski Hi grounds. The bids were read as follows:

- Highland Construction - \$107,150
- Alcon Construction - \$160,000
- Van Iwaarden Builders - \$129,925
- Evergreen Builders - \$109,350
 - Option 1 - \$850
 - Option 2 - \$6,300
- Teamwork Construction - \$89,800
 - Option 1 - \$6,500
 - Option 2 - \$1,950
 - Option 3 - \$1,000

The Board asked Randy Kern, Building Inspector, to review the bids and compile a spreadsheet to compare the options. A decision will be rendered at the next board meeting.

The Board discussed various pending blight matters with Mr. Kern and the progress on legal action.

At 9:50 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters.

Commissioner Davie made the motion to approve the following abatement. The abatement is due to a computer error. Chairman Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

| Schedule No. | Actual | Assessed | Tax |
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| 21262-01-019 | \$55,101 | \$15,980 | \$716.64 |

At 10:00 a.m. Pat Perry, Public Health Agency Director, joined the session for the monthly report. The written report was presented and briefly reviewed. Ms. Perry noted that the 'Home Visit' reports include phone calls and interaction with the patients, not strictly visits to the home. There are advantages and disadvantages to home visits depending on the patient's ailment.

Ms. Perry presented the signature page for the Emergency Operations Plan for the Project Public Health Ready (PPHR). The Plan was approved June 30, 2010. Commissioner Davie made the motion to sign the signature pages. Chairman Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

There was discussion of the program for Children with Special Needs (HCP). The County had to discontinue the program administration due to funding reductions. Alamosa County absorbed the clients and has taken responsibility for the program. This is not a mandated program but Ms. Perry feels it benefits the community. Alamosa County will absorb the decrease in funding for the Alamosa County clients, but they will not absorb the cost for other counties. Ms. Perry discussed options such as taking the contract back for Rio Grande County and using an existing employee who has experience in this area to work on the HCP program. The funding that is available would come back to the County to help offset some of the employee cost. Alamosa County will not continue to contract with Saguache and Rio Grande counties without the counties subsidizing the additional cost. Saguache County has agreed to the subsidy. Ms. Perry explained the requirements of this program, such as coordinating the doctor appointments and assisting families with children to get through a complicated health problem. Ms. Benton calculated the actual cost to the County to absorb this program. Commissioner Davie said this is a good program but the funds are limited. Ms. Perry said there are pieces of the HCP program that coincide with EPSDT. There was discussion of the State having a regional office as well as funding each county. The Board asked Ms. Perry for solid figures for taking on the program, they also asked her to talk with staff about the position.

Commissioner Davie discussed the interagency health care work with Mineral County and their concerns with overlapping efforts and additional workload on the Mineral County Public Health Agency. The other counties feel the community assessments are a waste of time and money. This information has been relayed to the Board by other counties. Ms. Perry said there is not a proposal in front of the counties to participate in the community health assessment. The counties are required every five years to conduct this research. It seems that this program is vague and needs direction. There was discussion of various programs and how other counties use funding.

At 11:00 a.m. Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Supervisor, joined the session to discuss pending matters. He discussed his meeting with the Dam Supervisor and Game and Fish (Division of Wildlife) Department regarding the dam at Homelake. The road needs to be raised in order to meet specifications. There could be some negotiations on

