

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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County of Rio Grande)

The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, February 7, 2007. Members present were Chairman Doug Davie, Commissioners Dennis Murphy and Robert Hagedorn, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, Jarrod Biggs, Intern, and Lyla Davis, Clerk of the Board.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Davie called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and the agenda was set. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the January 31 minutes as amended. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:10 a.m. the Board performed the monthly jail inspection. There were twenty-eight inmates in the County facility, one of which was a woman. Two are being housed at other facilities; one at the State mental hospital and one in Saguache County.

At 9:20 a.m. Bruce Nickerson joined the session. The Board gave final approval in December for River Dance Ranch development, contingent upon electricity installation. Mr. Nickerson said SLV Rural Electric Cooperative has installed the electricity; Mr. Biggs confirmed he has inspected the site. Chairman Davie signed the final plat.

At 9:30 a.m. Ms. Benton reviewed pending matters and other meetings.

At 9:45 a.m. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the Bio Diesel grant. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

Commissioner Hagedorn moved to purchase a computer from WSB Computer Services for Single Entry Point for \$1,147.00. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

Commissioner Hagedorn moved to accept the twenty-five year hangar lease and payment for Raymond Culp, Culp Family Trust, at the Del Norte Airport. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 10:30 a.m. the following claims were approved.

County General Fund

Rio Grande County Sheriff	task force	\$	500.00
ACS Services Inc	exp	\$	2,291.21
Action 22	exp	\$	1,241.30
American Bank Note Co.	exp	\$	239.50
Anne Henningsen	6-Dec	\$	250.00
Aspen Office Products	exp	\$	1,709.68
Brown Industries	exp	\$	46.75
CBI Printers	exp	\$	50.00
CLE International	registration	\$	495.00
Co Dept of Human Services	citations pd	\$	12.00
Co Dept of Labor & Employment	exp	\$	105.00
Colorado Assessors Assn	registration	\$	300.00

Colorado Counties	CAPP 07	\$	29,646.00
Colorado Counties	07 dues	\$	14,163.00
Colorado State Forest	07 EFF	\$	3,182.79
Conour SLV Animal Shelter	svcs	\$	675.85
County Worker's	CWCP 07	\$	32,905.00
Del Norte Auto Supply	exp	\$	69.37
District Attorney Office	7-Jan	\$	13,495.00
Doubletree Hotel	lodging	\$	714.00
El Paso County Coroner	exp	\$	1,150.00
Hampton Inn	exp	\$	207.00
Henry Naranjo	supplies	\$	3.20
Jack's Market	exp	\$	529.84
Jennifer Mondragon	mileage	\$	58.40
John Baker	Prj "B"	\$	1,286.40
Konica Business	exp	\$	573.15
Law Enforcement	exp	\$	123.69
Monte Vista Cooperative	exp	\$	43.19
OnCall Paging Service	exp	\$	205.70
Pacific Communications	exp	\$	300.00
Postmaster	exp	\$	408.00
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	1,692.32
Rio Grande County Public	PPD's	\$	176.00
Rio Grande Hospital	exp	\$	134.00
Rusty Strohmayer	exp	\$	451.60
Sams Club	membership	\$	169.01
SLV GIS/GPS Authority	1st qtr	\$	900.00
SLV Hazardous Substance	07 awards	\$	2,371.00
Southern Colorado Const.	exp	\$	119,230.20
Town of Del Norte	DN Jail	\$	183.73
United Reprographic	exp	\$	583.06
V&V Hardware	exp	\$	4.79
Valley Gun Service	exp	\$	110.00
Valley Lock and Security	exp	\$	245.95
Valley Publishing	exp	\$	157.50
Verizon Wireless	exp	\$	1,222.97
Victim Assistance Fund	citations pd	\$	20.00
Waste Management	exp	\$	274.00
Wright Valley Oil	exp	\$	2,371.24
WSB Computer Services	exp	\$	1,063.00
TOTAL		\$	238,340.39
Alamosa Credit Union	exp	\$	750.00
Colorado Dept of Revenue	exp	\$	25.00
Community Bank of the Rockies	exp	\$	55,209.99
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	353.00
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	168.59
Farrell & Seldin	exp	\$	332.21
Pre Paid Legal Services	exp	\$	85.70
Rio Grande County Treasurer	exp	\$	41,108.67
Security Benefit	exp	\$	4,144.50
Sooper Credit Union	exp	\$	435.00
TOTAL		\$	102,612.66
First National Bank of Omaha	card pmt	\$	4,386.62

Xcel Energy	exp	\$	3,570.27
Xcel Energy	exp	\$	7,118.97
ACS Services Inc	exp	\$	6,441.43
Adams Drug Store	exp	\$	27.11
Alco	exp	\$	3.50
Andrews Produce	jail food	\$	2,489.58
Anne Henningsen	Jan '07	\$	250.00
Aspen Office Products	exp	\$	386.44
Bob Barker Company	exp	\$	219.52
Bresnan Communications	exp	\$	119.90
Brown Industries Inc	exp	\$	88.00
Brown's Septic Svc	exp	\$	45.00
Canon Potatoes	exp	\$	34.00
Chaffee Cnty Public Health	Jan '07	\$	1,214.00
Cheryl Scherzer	mileage	\$	37.20
Co. Dept of Public Safety	exp	\$	899.50
Colorado State Assn.	dues	\$	500.00
Conour SLV Animal Shelter	exp	\$	673.85
Costilla County Nursing	Jan '07	\$	3,136.00
Dave's Elec & Hobbies	exp	\$	189.95
Del Norte Auto Supply	repairs	\$	427.47
District Attorney Office	2nd pmt	\$	13,495.00
Don's Lock & Key Service	exp	\$	80.00
Farifield Inn	exp	\$	69.00
Galls Inc	exp	\$	87.92
Glaxosmithkline	exp	\$	392.00
Gobins	exp	\$	1,010.31
Grady's Restaurant	exp	\$	52.65
Integrating GIS	membership	\$	525.00
Intermountain First Aid	exp	\$	107.64
Jack's Market	exp	\$	128.91
Jack's Market	exp	\$	28.36
Jade Communications	exp	\$	149.85
Jarrold Biggs	mileage	\$	369.20
Jeff Babcock	salary	\$	7,132.12
Ken's Service Center	exp	\$	155.08
LEDS	exp	\$	5,825.00
Lyla Davis	clerk	\$	236.25
MB Police Equipment	exp	\$	44.13
Meadow Gold Dairies	jail food	\$	446.09
Michael Valdez	mileage	\$	64.40
Mineral County Public	exp	\$	834.19
Monte Vista Amoco	exp	\$	37.45
Monte Vista Cooperative	exp	\$	179.98
Monte Vista Machine Tool	exp	\$	42.00
Mountain Engineering	exp	\$	433.00
Natchez Shooter Supply	exp	\$	310.09
O&V Printing	exp	\$	374.73
OMB Police Supply	exp	\$	95.97
OnCall Paging	exp	\$	193.72
Pacifica	exp	\$	196.12
Peggy J Kern	mileage	\$	120.88
PHNAC	membership	\$	300.00
Print Rite	exp	\$	128.05

Public Safety Warehouse	exp	\$	759.25
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	791.12
Quill Corporation	exp	\$	105.06
Reilly Johnson	exp	\$	17,460.00
Rio Grande Hospital	exp	\$	318.00
Robert Hagedorn	mileage	\$	352.00
Safeway	exp	\$	157.05
Sams Club	exp	\$	313.68
San Luis Valley	07 award	\$	5,000.00
Sandy Jackson	supplies	\$	11.74
SLV Glass	exp	\$	325.00
Southwest Colorado	exp	\$	75.00
Spectracom	exp	\$	375.00
Suzanne Benton	mileage	\$	245.28
T&M Valley Wholesale	exp	\$	449.08
Telesforo J Dominguez	mileage	\$	297.52
Thyssenkrupp Elevator	exp	\$	452.84
Town of Del Norte	water	\$	2,169.01
United Reprographic	exp	\$	186.24
V&V Hardware	exp	\$	126.04
Valley Courier	exp	\$	73.85
Valley Electric	exp	\$	160.00
Valley Gun Service	exp	\$	32.95
Valley Meat	jail food	\$	1,616.84
Valley Performances	exp	\$	2,979.41
Valley Publishing	legal	\$	367.50
Vendola Plumbing	exp	\$	102.00
Verizon Wireless	exp	\$	1,391.65
Waste Management	exp	\$	274.00
William F Dunn	Dec. Jan.	\$	815.00
Wright Valley Oil	exp	\$	1,829.02
WSB Computer Services	exp	\$	234.00
TOTAL		\$	105,748.53

Road & Bridge Fund

Colorado Counties Inc	CAPP '07	\$	22,700.00
County Worker's	CWCP '07	\$	60,426.00
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	52.80
Verizon Wireless	exp	\$	182.51
Xcel Energy	exp	\$	2,167.71
TOTAL		\$	85,529.02

Community Bank of the Rockies	exp	\$	23,038.86
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	171.00
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	815.00
Rio Grande County Treasurer	exp	\$	16,622.46
Roger Moore Trust Acct	exp	\$	361.52
Security Benefit	exp	\$	50.00
TOTAL		\$	41,058.84

First National Bank of Omaha	stmt pmt	\$	67.05
Airgas Intermountain	exp	\$	79.22
Alcon Construction	exp	\$	859.47

Aspen Office Products	exp	\$	10.95
AT&T	phone	\$	23.13
Big "D" Saws	exp	\$	41.90
Colorado Machinery	exp	\$	148.85
Cummins RKY Mountain	exp	\$	32.44
D&M Wire Rope	exp	\$	380.00
Del Norte Auto Supply	exp	\$	548.02
Final Touch Auto	exp	\$	80.00
Gunbarrel Service Station	exp	\$	60.00
Haynie's Inc	exp	\$	1,518.50
Industrial & Farm Supply	exp	\$	155.37
Intermountain First Aid	exp	\$	8.95
Ken's Service Center	exp	\$	18.00
Layton Truck Equipment	exp	\$	698.73
Leroy A Romero	exp	\$	125.00
Matco Tools	exp	\$	3.69
Monte Vista/BP Amoco	exp	\$	211.50
Monte Vista Cooperative	exp	\$	181.29
Monte Vista Tractor	exp	\$	13.89
Montrose Implement	exp	\$	663.20
Myers Brothers Truck	exp	\$	109.19
Petty Cash R&B Dept	exp	\$	94.24
Pull Tarps	exp	\$	500.00
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	389.18
Quality S Manufacturing	exp	\$	127.35
Rio Grande Hospital	exp	\$	303.00
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	135.00
Sanner Brothers Salvage	exp	\$	27.30
Schall Iron Work	exp	\$	148.33
SLV Glass	exp	\$	265.00
Snap on Tools	exp	\$	6.50
South Fork Propane	exp	\$	777.40
South Fork Water	exp	\$	198.00
Southwest Diesel	exp	\$	203.08
Southwestern Auto Supply	exp	\$	101.44
Transwest Truck	exp	\$	55.95
United Building Center	exp	\$	10.85
United Rentals Northwest	exp	\$	114.74
V&V Hardware	exp	\$	21.43
Valley Communications	exp	\$	1,455.00
Verizon Wireless	exp	\$	120.52
Wagner Equipment	exp	\$	308.60
Waste Management	exp	\$	759.00
Westfall GMC Truck	exp	\$	64.30
Whitealls' Alpine	exp	\$	63.70
Wright Valley Oil	exp	\$	9,093.14
Xcel Energy	exp	\$	4,049.58
ZEP Manufacturing	exp	\$	315.28
TOTAL		\$	25,746.25

Pest Control

Alltel	exp	\$	26.92
CBI Printers	exp	\$	215.00
Colo. Weed Management	membership	\$	65.00

Colorado Counties	CAPP '07	\$	1,430.00
Colorado County Weed	exp	\$	50.00
Colorado State University	registration	\$	40.00
County Workers	CWCP '07	\$	2,467.00
Rio Grande Soil	stmt	\$	2,000.00
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	52.00
Southern Colo Computer	exp	\$	15.00
TOTAL		\$	6,360.92
Community Bank of the Rockies	exp	\$	1,101.59
Rio Grande County Treas.	exp	\$	1,045.33
Security Benefit	Oct	\$	150.00
TOTAL		\$	2,296.92
First National Bank of Omaha	card pmt	\$	125.21
Alltel	exp	\$	60.75
Colo Dept of Agriculture	license	\$	100.00
Hotsy Sales & Service	exp	\$	35.00
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	81.55
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	52.00
TOTAL		\$	454.51
Airport Fund			
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	228.49
TOTAL		\$	228.49
Locton Companies	exp	\$	1,386.00
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	253.40
TOTAL		\$	1,639.40
Social Services Construction			
TOTAL		\$	
Conservation Trust			
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	145.01
Xcel Energy	exp	\$	13.21
TOTAL		\$	158.22
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	175.92
Sports World	exp	\$	1,925.00
TOTAL		\$	2,100.92
Tourism Trust			
Applelodge Enterprises	exp	\$	1,250.00
Colorado Directory	exp	\$	449.10
Colorado Publishing	exp	\$	406.00
Harris Publishing	exp	\$	1,400.00
Weaver Multimedia	exp	\$	2,700.00
TOTAL		\$	6,205.10

At 11:00 a.m. Doug Kelley joined the session to discuss Prepaid Legal. He discussed identity theft and gave a

presentation on the topic. Chairman Davie said the Board would take the program under consideration.

At 11:30 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, joined the session to discuss pending legal matters. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Planner and Bill Uzzell were present to discuss the metes and bounds property conveyance for the Village at Alder Creek. Mr. Dunn said the situation is unconventional in that Mr. Uzzell is conveying property in metes and bounds; the Assessor's Office does not recognize that a structure has been built. Mr. Biggs said the buildings or homes need to be reflected in the records. Mr. Uzzell said the master developer would not let him plat lots, so they developed "footprints" under town homes. He explained how the footprint is derived. The units are digitally placed on the plat. Once the home is built and conveyed, Mr. Uzzell gives an updated map to the County. There was discussion of the plat. Mr. Uzzell said he prefers to take as much risk away from the client as possible. It is acceptable to the Board to have the units surveyed and the units digitally placed for a correction deed to satisfy the property assessing methods. He noted that final approval was to be given upon completion of all sixty-five units. After the final plat is submitted, a correction deed will be issued to describe the parcels of the existing homes.

Mr. Dunn reported on the Board's previous requests. The parcel pertaining to possessory interest has been reviewed and the previous owner is willing to work with the Assessor's Office on reducing the interest and paying the past due amount.

Regarding Patricia Martinez, Mr. Dunn has been in contact with a relative of Ms. Martinez who said she moved sometime during the year. Mr. Dunn is still trying to locate Ms. Martinez to resolve the set back concerns with a shed on her property.

At 12:15 p.m. the Board adjourned for work sessions.

Attest:

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board

Doug Davie
Chairman of the Board

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The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, February 14, 2007. Members present were Chairman Doug Davie, Commissioners Dennis Murphy and Robert Hagedorn, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, Jarrod Biggs, Intern, and Lyla Davis, Clerk of the Board.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Davie called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and the agenda was set. The minutes of the February 7 meeting were approved as corrected.

At 9:10 a.m. the Board signed the impact assistance grants for the Division of Wildlife. The change orders for the Social Services remodel were signed. One change order pertains to piping and the other pertains to trenching.

At 9:15 a.m. Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Supervisor, joined the session. He discussed the road conditions following the snow storms. Mr. Sullivan reviewed the financial report for the month. Total snow removal cost for January was \$132,650.00. The monthly road report was given as follows:

One mile of grade has been pushed on the 8 North Road. Snow was plowed at the Ski Hi parking lot for the Ag Conference.

Ten employees attended a Signing & Pavement Marking Seminar in Alamosa.

The MSHA refresher training was completed.

The crew attended two hours of sexual harassment training.

A new snowplow hitch was mounted on the A-60.

Carl Hill has worked on the pass-through door for the Sheriff's office at the jail.

Mark Archuletta has started changing out stop signs to high intensity signs.

Kelly Maestas hauled the A-28 to Durango for transmission work covered under warranty. Wagner has supplied a grader on loan until the A-28 is done.

Repairs to the Massey Ferguson were completed.

CDL physical certificate renewals have started for 2007.

The inventory was completed and submitted to Ms. Benton.

The State Report was submitted February 1.

In February the crew will continue to work on the 8 North Road, monitor road damage due to run off, plow snow as needed, patch pot holes, install the flow meter at the Hot Plant, the A-27 hitch will be repaired, the snow blower will be used to widen roads that are prone to drifting and Southway Construction may start crushing gravel at the end of the month.

There was discussion of the wells owned by the County. Chairman Davie and Mr. Sullivan will meet with the appropriate water offices to comply with the new well and meter regulations.

Mr. Sullivan discussed the conditions on the 9 North Road. Chairman Davie said this can be reviewed during the road tour.

Mr. Sullivan discussed the County's involvement with the tennis court work at the Del Norte schools. He said the posts can be removed as well as the asphalt; however the County equipment is too large to work in such a small space. Mr. Sullivan will figure the cost of this in kind work and submit a letter to Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) to complete the grant for the High Valley Community Center.

Commissioner Hagedorn discussed a culvert near Sanner Brothers east of Monte Vista, on the Lariat Ditch. There was also discussion of the railroad intersection on the 1 East Road near the Haefeli's Honey Farm building. The same ditch carries water through both crossings. The ditch company would like to resolve the culvert issues before the water is turned on this spring.

The proposed road and bridge construction projects for 2007 were discussed. It was noted that the existing paved roads need to be maintained. Mr. Sullivan said there are roads in South Fork that the County cannot pave due to the grade of the road. The proposed construction projects were discussed as follows.

1. Improve base on the 8 North Road from Road 3 East to the County Line (3 miles).
2. Improve base on the 2 East Road from Highway 160 to the 1 South Road (.5 mile).
3. Improve base on the 1 South Road from the 1 West Road to the 2 West Road (1 mile).
4. Pave approximately .6 miles on Escondida Drive. (This will complete the Beaver Mountain Project).
5. Complete overlay project on the 2 East Road from the 7 North Road to the 10.5 North Road.
6. Skin patch and chip seal will be done as funds allow.
7. Field rock will be placed on the 11 South Road from the 4 East to 5 East Roads.
8. There will be a joint effort with Xcel Energy to bury high pressure gas lines on the 1 South Road.
9. Clean and repair culverts on Cat Creek and Rock Creek Roads.
10. Replace the bridge on the 2 East and 4.5 North Roads.

It was noted that this is a tentative schedule only and projects are listed in random order. As always, the funding and the weather play a significant role in the scheduling, execution and completion of projects.

At 10:20 a.m. James Berg, Director of Social Services, joined the session for the monthly report.

At 11:50 a.m. A.J. Taylor, Museum Director, joined the session to update the Board on the museum board retreat. She said there was discussion of the two different boards of directors and their duties. Some of the goals will be revising the mission statement and reviewing the bylaws. The museum boards would like to combine into one board serving both purposes since the incorporated board and museum boards are the same people. Ms. Taylor said they would like the Commissioners approval for this. The Commissioners said this might simplify some of the museum business; they agreed to have one museum board. The museum board discussed the idea of a museum in each community with different focuses. South Fork has more of a natural history and mining background, Del Norte has the cultural history and Monte Vista has the agriculture and transportation history for the County. This can be discussed in the future.

At 11:10 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. The water and tap fee was received for Raymond Culp's hangar site. Employee confidentiality contracts have been signed. The meeting schedules were reviewed. There was discussion

of the difference between mineral severance and mineral leasing in the County. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to accept the resolution as revised in support of the Rio Grande Corridor Initiative. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed. BOOK 531 PAGE 1642

At 11:30 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, joined the session to discuss pending legal matters. He is still trying to contact Patricia Martinez regarding the sheds that do not meet setbacks. He also noted that a meeting has been set up with the County Assessor and the Weeds to discuss possessory interest and unpaid taxes.

At 12:00 p.m. the Board adjourned for lunch and work sessions.

Attest

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board

Doug Davie
Chairman of the Board

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The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, February 21, 2007. Members present were Chairman Doug Davie, Commissioners Dennis Murphy and Robert Hagedorn, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, Jarrod Biggs, Intern, and Lyla Davis, Clerk of the Board.

At 10:00 a.m. Chairman Davie called the meeting to order following the monthly managers meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and the agenda was set. The minutes of the February 14, 2007, minutes were approved as corrected.

At 10:15 a.m. Pat Perry, Public Health Nurse, joined the session for the monthly report. She noted that 2,763 immunizations were given to 1,982 people in 2006. Ms. Perry presented the master contract with the Colorado Department of Health. She said there may be an amendment to the contract pertaining to Amendment 41. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to accept the contract. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

Senate Bill 97 was discussed which pertains to tobacco funds and the public health department. She said there could be a 42% funding increase to the nursing contract from last year.

Ms. Perry discussed holding the blood pressure clinic every other month in Monte Vista at the Tri County Senior Citizens Center. Commissioner Murphy commented that the services need to be available but did not know how the Tri County board would feel. Commissioner Hagedorn asked if these clients were solely relying on the nursing staff to monitor their blood pressure monthly. Ms. Perry commented on the various types of clients who visit the clinic; this is the only Monte Vista clinic offered by the department.

Chairman Davie said this is a way for the County Nursing Department to be visible in the County. Ms. Perry will present more information or options next month. She also noted that a C-Web employee has started which helps alleviate some of the pressures of the current work load.

At 11:00 a.m. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Planner, joined the session for an exempt division of land application for Phyllis Shown. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting were read. The property is located in the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 34, T. 39 N., R. 7 E. and in the S 1/2 of the S 1/4 of Section 34, T. 39 N., R. 7 E. containing five acres more or less. The Planning Commission questioned the number of divisions of land on this parcel. It was confirmed that since 1974, there has only been one division of land. The parcel in question being a second division was over 35 acres. The Planning Commission asked the buyer, Mike Trujillo, what he intended to do with the land. Mr. Trujillo stated that he may subdivide the property at some point in the future. Chairman Davie referred to the Land Use Book; the County does not like to divide corners off of agriculture land for development. There was discussion of the parcel. The land owner, Phyllis Shown, was under the impression that this land had already been subdivided. Ms. Vanderpool stated that there was some confusion several years ago with the lending institution and the surveyor. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the exempt division of land. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed. BOOK 531 PAGE 1895

At 11:15 a.m. Ms. Benton reviewed pending matters and upcoming meetings. The Board agreed to allow employees to move their CCOREA 457 monies to another deferred retirement plan. Ms. Benton noted correspondence. A correction will be made to the easement deed for James and Maria Hart regarding access off of Maxeyville Road rather than Highway 285.

At 11:30 a.m. Grace Young and members of the High Valley Community Center joined the session. Brian Caselles said the group is trying to resurface the tennis courts at the Del Norte Schools. He said the school is now unable to supply the matching GOCO grant funding (\$3,000) that they had committed to previously. The group requested additional funding, beyond the \$6,000 previously allocated, from the County; they requested an additional \$3,000 in order to prove enough matching funding for the grant application. Ms. Young said the school has the tennis racquets and equipment and will incorporate the activity into their physical education programs. Ms. Young noted the monetary donations as well as the in kind donations from other entities. The Road and Bridge Department will be removing the old asphalt as an in kind donation (approximately \$2,600); Ms. Benton explained that this is still paid out of other County funds back to the Road Department. The total cost of the project is over \$61,000 and a 30% match is required for the grant. This will be a community court as well as a school court. Chairman Davie said the school districts receive 70% of the property taxes in the County and should be able to contribute. According to Ms. Young, the school received an unexpected bill due to a past audit. The Board said they did not want to see the project die; however there needs to be more involvement

from the school. Commissioner Hagedorn said he would like to look into the funding options. The Board will notify Ms. Young of their decision.

At 12:00 p.m. the Board adjourned for lunch.

At 1:30 p.m. Kevin Ames, Land Properties, joined the session for the decision on preliminary approval of River Island Ranch subdivision. Patricia Lundin, Meadow Glen Ditch representative, said they do not have a signed agreement yet; however after talking with Mr. Ames they feel they are close to an agreement. Ms. Lundin said they also discussed the livestock within the development and trees within the ditch easement. Evelyn Underwood said the attorneys had different interpretations of the agreement. Chairman Davie said he feels Mr. Ames has worked hard to get the open space as requested by the Planning Commission. The Board would encourage the Meadow Glenn Ditch and Land Properties to work together to resolve any conflicts. Commissioner Murphy said the Planning and Zoning regulations have all been met. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Planner, gave the Board a copy of the Planning Commission minutes of September 2006. She commented on the impact fees; Land Properties would prefer to pay the impact fees as lots are sold. Ms. Vanderpool is confident that the fees will be paid based on the history the County has with other developments by Land Properties. Mr. Ames said the demand is high for the lots and they expect the lots to sell quickly. Chairman Davie asked if the impact fees could be paid in full within a year. Ms. Vanderpool explained that Land Properties is matching the impact fees for this subdivision. Mr. Ames asked that matching impact fees for Phases 2, 4, 6 and 7 be relieved. He noted that the County has received the matching impact fees for Phase 1 and the County will receive the matching fees on Phases 3 and 5. The County will still receive the fees when the building permits are pulled on Phases 2, 4, 6 and 7. Mr. Ames said Land Properties would like to recover some of the costs associated with the legal fees for the Meadow Glen ditch. It was River Island Ranch's offer to match the impact fee for the above mentioned phases; this was not a condition from the Planning Commission or Board of Commissioners. It was clarified that preliminary approval today is for Phases 2, 4, 6 and 7. Mr. Ames said there may be minimal impact to the Ditch due to the way the phases are being developed. Ms. Underwood said if an agreement is never reached, the ranch acres downstream would be dried up. Chairman Davie said he feels if the two parties cannot reach an agreement, it becomes a civil matter. Ms. Underwood said the County needs to balance the importance of the land uses. The ranch land use is just as important to the County as the development use. Mr. Ames said there are protections for both parties in the Ditch agreement. Ms. Vanderpool said the County has looked at both sides and future applicants will be aware that the ditches and developers will have to come to an agreement. Ms. Lundin asked if preliminary approval could be given and final approval be contingent upon the agreement. Mr. Ames said he asked for that a month ago and the Board did not agree to give approval. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to give preliminary approval to Phases 2, 4, 6 and 7 with the conditions given by the Planning Commission less the agreement with the Meadow Glenn Ditch. All parties are

aware of the concern, but with the progress this far, he does not feel it is fair to hold up the development on an agreement that may never be reached. Commissioner Murphy said given the fact that the agreement is very close and the good relationship Land Properties has with the County, he feels that Land Properties will, in good faith, complete the ditch agreement process; he seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chairman Davie said the Board will take the impact fee request under consideration.

At 2:15 p.m. Commissioner Murphy moved to allow High Valley Community Center the additional \$3,000 for the tennis court project with the understanding that this would exhaust any additional funding to this organization for the year. The County previously allotted \$6,000 for the project. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

At 2:25 p.m. the Board adjourned to executive session for an employee evaluation.

At 3:00 p.m. Art Hutchinson, Great Sand Dunes Superintendent, joined the session. He introduced himself to the Board and updated them on the Dunes. Mr. Hutchinson discussed federal funding for the Park.

At 3:20 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board

Doug Davie
Chairman of the Board

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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County of Rio Grande)

The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, February 28, 2007. Members present were Chairman Doug Davie, Commissioners Dennis Murphy and Robert Hagedorn, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, Jarrod Biggs, Intern, and Lyla Davis, Clerk of the Board.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Davie called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and the agenda was set. The minutes of the February 21, 2007 meeting were approved as corrected.

At 9:15 a.m. the following payroll was approved.

County General

Davie, Douglas	sal.	\$	2,949.50
Hagedorn, Robert	sal.	\$	4,141.67
Murphy, Dennis	sal.	\$	2,949.50
Benton, Suzanne	sal.	\$	6,142.40

Kessler, Glenda	sal.	\$ 2,291.47
Biggs, Jarrod	sal.	\$ 2,304.17
Franke, Craig	sal.	\$ 100.00
Freeman, Dwight	sal.	\$ 50.00
McCallister, Vern	sal.	\$ 100.00
Seeger, Gary	sal.	\$ 100.00
Slade, Janice	sal.	\$ 100.00
Vanderpool, Rose	sal.	\$ 2,775.07
Canada, Sean	sal.	\$ 2,667.60
Kern, Randall	sal.	\$ 3,496.13
Gonzales, Catherine	sal.	\$ 1,859.87
Hill, Cindy	sal.	\$ 1,754.93
Jackson, Sandra	sal.	\$ 4,141.67
Montoya, Michelle	sal.	\$ 1,859.87
Murphy, Donna	sal.	\$ 2,627.73
Quintana, Mary	sal.	\$ 2,223.87
Steving, Sherryl	sal.	\$ 1,525.33
Carver, Terri	sal.	\$ 1,780.13
Kroschel, Ruth	sal.	\$ 1,618.93
Velasquez, Ashley	sal.	\$ 253.45
Dominguez, Telesforo	sal.	\$ 4,141.67
Martinez, Laura Irene	sal.	\$ 1,556.53
Medina, Michelle	sal.	\$ 2,197.87
Mondragon, Jennifer	sal.	\$ 2,379.87
Salazar, Eva	sal.	\$ 1,587.73
Scherzer, Cheryl	sal.	\$ 2,034.93
Spicer, William	sal.	\$ 2,769.87
Valdez, Michael	sal.	\$ 2,034.93
Goad, Lorraine	sal.	\$ 1,627.38
Kern, Peggy	sal.	\$ 4,141.67
Rue, Cherilyn	sal.	\$ 2,438.80
Voris, Carol	sal.	\$ 1,870.05
Garcia, Carol	sal.	\$ 1,337.70
Garcia, Shirley	sal.	\$ 1,765.40
Marquez, Ronald	sal.	\$ 1,722.93
Myers, Herbert	sal.	\$ 2,737.76
Chick, Charles	sal.	\$ 2,421.47
Coffman, Samuel	sal.	\$ 2,286.27
Doctor, Janette	sal.	\$ 2,587.87
Gonzales, Jonathan	sal.	\$ 3,366.02
Heacock, Marilyn	sal.	\$ 2,301.87
Lopez, Emily	sal.	\$ 2,197.87
Norton, Brian	sal.	\$ 5,550.00
Renner, Jose Jacob	sal.	\$ 2,421.47
Wheelwright, Boyd	sal.	\$ 2,286.27
Archuleta, Anthony	sal.	\$ 2,183.66
Arellano, Timothy	sal.	\$ 1,899.79
Atencio, Joseph	sal.	\$ 2,461.59
Bailey, Ronald	sal.	\$ 1,745.47
Black, Kelly	sal.	\$ 3,254.55
Bruder, Gary	sal.	\$ 1,952.78
Duran, Jeremiah	sal.	\$ 1,871.29
Ford, Donna	sal.	\$ 1,884.13
Fuentes, Jose	sal.	\$ 1,790.78

Hart, Jonathan	sal.	\$ 1,974.63
Kerr, Troy	sal.	\$ 1,768.88
Manzanares, Peggy	sal.	\$ 1,341.87
Naranjo, Henry	sal.	\$ 1,313.58
Ortega, Arthur	sal.	\$ 2,186.03
Parks, Joseph	sal.	\$ 2,047.67
Trujillo, Ramon	sal.	\$ 2,027.29
Trujillo, Stephen	sal.	\$ 2,896.38
Messoline, Larry	sal.	\$ 1,960.40
Haug, Norman	sal.	\$ 1,841.67
Spencer, Teresa	sal.	\$ 2,305.06
Brown, Linda	sal.	\$ 3,260.83
Koshak, Dianne	sal.	\$ 2,622.32
Masters, Judy	sal.	\$ 2,182.79
Perry, Patricia	sal.	\$ 4,095.49
Steelman, Nadine	sal.	\$ 2,045.98
Cryer, Kelli Robinson	sal.	\$ 1,587.95
Montoya-Salazar, Lanell	sal.	\$ 1,751.75
Hand, Rebecca	sal.	\$ 862.50
Housden, Joyce	sal.	\$ 3,293.33
Hawkins, Berry Joyce	sal.	\$ 2,080.00
Hendricks, Paula	sal.	\$ 3,036.37
Hancock, J. R.	sal.	\$ 1,057.03
Oglesby, Freddy	sal.	\$ 2,159.73
Riley, Tina	sal.	\$ 591.36
Taylor, Anna	sal.	\$ 3,033.33
Lujan, Maxine	sal.	\$ 2,286.87
		<u>\$188,232.62</u>

(Taxes Withheld, \$30,810.80; Deductions Withheld,
\$22,261.18)

ROAD & BRIDGE

Atencio, Kevin	sal.	\$ 2,000.27
Black, Timothy	sal.	\$ 3,024.67
Chapman, Destry	sal.	\$ 2,654.42
Hansen, Arnold	sal.	\$ 2,385.48
Hill, Carl	sal.	\$ 3,024.67
Maestas, William	sal.	\$ 2,965.73
McKinley, Robert	sal.	\$ 2,632.93
Miles, Darryl	sal.	\$ 3,003.87
Pacheco, Carl	sal.	\$ 2,965.73
Plane, Kenneth	sal.	\$ 1,924.90
Riggenbach, Lucas	sal.	\$ 1,960.40
Archuletta, Mark	sal.	\$ 2,792.43
Atencio, Manuel	sal.	\$ 3,046.88
Benavides, Eodofredo	sal.	\$ 3,060.49
Claunch, Billy	sal.	\$ 2,684.93
Davie, Andrew	sal.	\$ 2,036.74
Heredia, Abelardo	sal.	\$ 2,820.84
Paulson, Roy	sal.	\$ 3,111.92
Rowe, Danny	sal.	\$ 1,884.13
Steffens, John	sal.	\$ 3,251.73
Sullivan, Patrick	sal.	\$ 4,812.50
Trujillo, Adelmo	sal.	\$ 2,266.71

Romero, Olivia	sal.	\$ 2,034.93
		<u>\$ 62,347.30</u>

(Taxes Withheld, \$10,520.87; Deductions Withheld, \$8,189.09)

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Ackerman, Dorothy	sal.	\$ 3,417.38
Anderson, Elisha	sal.	\$ 2,602.13
Arvizo, Rita	sal.	\$ 2,562.63
Atencio, Valerie	sal.	\$ 2,148.25
Berg, James	sal.	\$ 5,272.09
Bruder, Linda	sal.	\$ 1,837.88
Chavez, Melody	sal.	\$ 1,779.38
Cummings, Doris	sal.	\$ 2,325.38
Dupont, Ilene	sal.	\$ 1,328.60
Duran, Jaxine	sal.	\$ 1,985.75
Ford, Georgia	sal.	\$ 2,780.38
Gallegos, Brandi	sal.	\$ 2,148.25
Gonzales, Carolyn	sal.	\$ 2,065.38
Gunther, Darlene	sal.	\$ 1,985.75
Hernandez, Marlene	sal.	\$ 2,107.63
Horn, Ruth	sal.	\$ 3,518.13
Jaramillo, Richelle	sal.	\$ 2,816.13
Maestas, Valarie	sal.	\$ 2,102.75
Martinez, Helen	sal.	\$ 3,501.88
Martinez, Janelle	sal.	\$ 1,946.75
Meder, Jeremy	sal.	\$ 2,553.38
Naranjo, Andritta	sal.	\$ 1,842.75
Pacheco, Jessica	sal.	\$ 1,985.75
Pacheco, Rosanne	sal.	\$ 3,235.38
Padilla, Christopher	sal.	\$ 1,907.75
Parra, Gregorio	sal.	\$ 3,277.63
Pena, Mike	sal.	\$ 4,158.33
Ruybal, Evelyn	sal.	\$ 1,946.75
Salvio, Rosemay	sal.	\$ 1,298.38
Sanchez, Kiley	sal.	\$ 2,751.63
Sanchez, Ramona	sal.	\$ 2,107.63
Segura, Donna	sal.	\$ 2,966.13
Shaver, Betty	sal.	\$ 2,419.63
Slane, Sherryl	sal.	\$ 2,403.38
Stephens, Jackie	sal.	\$ 3,300.38
Tafoya, Liz	sal.	\$ 1,782.63
Trujillo, Joann	sal.	\$ 2,065.38
Venegas, Brenda	sal.	\$ 1,350.38
Villagomez, Rashel	sal.	\$ 2,065.38
Webb, Jeannie	sal.	\$ 1,516.06
White, Victoria	sal.	\$ 1,946.75
		<u>\$ 99,113.96</u>

(Taxes Withheld, \$15,451.71; Deductions Withheld, \$14,696.97)

PEST CONTROL

Christensen, Bryan	sal.	\$ 150.00
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Mayfield, Larry	sal.	\$	100.00
Miner, Craig	sal.	\$	50.00
Mueller, Mark	sal.	\$	150.00
Peterson, Greg	sal.	\$	50.00
Plane, Darrel	sal.	\$	3,452.19
Schaefer, Michael	sal.	\$	150.00
			<u>4,102.19</u>
		\$	4,102.19

(Taxes Withheld, \$639.95; Deductions Withheld, \$665.56)

At 9:30 a.m. A.J. Taylor and Fred Oglesby joined the session for the quarterly museum report. The Board did not have any questions regarding the reports. Ms. Taylor commented on the museum board retreat and merging of the non profit (incorporated) board and the museum advisory board. They will be meeting monthly and will be working on many topics. Ms. Taylor discussed the fee associated with use of museum property and a letter of complaint from a County resident. They have researched the County fees and feel they are in line with the Colorado Historical Society and other such entities. Mr. Oglesby does not like to release curated items into another archive. Mr. Oglesby discussed the storage system he would like to purchase; this consists of a system of shelves on rails that slide for more compact storage areas. The project would take over three years to complete; if grant funding is available, Ms. Taylor would like to hire a specialist for two years to archive the collections. There would not be construction of any new areas; the current storage area should be large enough.

Mr. Oglesby discussed rock art areas that they are working on in collaboration with the Forest Service. With the experience of the staff members and Mr. Oglesby's archeology experience, there are few museums that can compete with a similar program. Ms. Taylor would like to incorporate field trips into the program. There was discussion of Valley tourism meetings.

At 10:15 a.m. Ms. Benton reviewed pending matters.

At 10:30 a.m. Doug Shriver and Ray Wright joined the session to discuss the Habitat Conservation Plan. Mineral County is not involved in the Plan because of the elevation, but all other Valley counties are in the Plan. Mr. Shriver said the US Fish & Wildlife Service will be handing out rules for protecting some endangered species. Critical habitat is not listed in some areas of the County. Mr. Wright clarified that this is in reference to private lands working with federal agencies. He discussed road maintenance, bridge work, and river restoration which are all part of the habitat. The covered activities will be specified in the Plan, such as regular ditch and road maintenance. Chairman Davie asked about areas that have not been cleared for several years, such as an over grown pasture or an over grown ditch bank. Mr. Wright said with the Plan in place, it would cover normal activities, such as regular ditch maintenance; clearing 50 acres of pasture with willows is not regular practice. Mr. Shriver feels if the County does not participate, they could open themselves up for problems. Developers need to be aware of wildlife habitat before developments are submitted to the Land Use

Office; Mr. Shriver would like to have the developer go before the US Fish & Wildlife Office for approval so as not to violate the Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). Chairman Davie said this would bring it to the developer's attention; if the Fish & Wildlife officials do not respond, the developer cannot claim they were not notified. Mr. Wright does not want to see the HCP thrown out because developers are using their property rights. He would like to see Rio Grande County take an active stand in this matter. Mr. Shriver presented a book which marks the areas for willow fly catcher habitat. He feels this is also protection for the County if a development were to be platted in a habitat area. Cottonwood trees and mature willows are part of the habitat; other species use this habitat. Mr. Shriver said normal activity in the Valley is not harming the habitat, but development in the habitat is not normal activity, which is why the developments are not covered in the HCP. Ms. Benton asked about the restrictions on mosquito spraying in these areas; Mr. Shriver said there is concern for West Nile Virus, but this matter is being worked out among local mosquito districts. Mr. Shriver presented a list of suggestions for the County. Developers do not want to take out willows for the aesthetic value; however, there are developers who do not care and are only interested in building. Ms. Benton asked how to handle the time frame set by the County zoning regulations; it can take over six months to get approval from CDOT on some developments and the Fish & Wildlife Service may pose the same problem. Mr. Wright said a division of land is different from a development where homes would be built on this habitat. The Land Use Office could look at the maps and refer the developer to the Fish & Wildlife office for approval based on the plat. Mr. Shriver said before a building permit is issued, the property needs to be inspected for willows; this would help protect the County from homes taking the place of these habitats. Mr. Wright said they are more concerned with large developers not replacing willows or considering the destruction of habitat. Development on the River is a somewhat recent activity; this is why action is being taken to protect the environment. With the HCP in place, there would be some protection. Mr. Wright said they are in constant communication with other Valley counties. He said the County must acknowledge that there is an issue to be dealt with. There are qualified activities that allow for removal of willows, such as road maintenance and farming practices; development is not included in the Plan as an allowed practice.

At 11:00 a.m. Eleanor West, CSU Extension Service, joined the session for the quarterly report. She noted that Marvin Reynolds is now working in Pueblo so she would be the contact person. Ms. West discussed septic problems with the office in Monte Vista.

At 11:20 a.m. Ms. Benton continued with pending matters. At 11:30 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, joined the session to discuss pending legal matters. Mr. Dunn will follow up on the single wide trailer cases pending. There was discussion of a representative to the Rio Grande Water Conservancy District who may not qualify to sit on that board. Mr. Dunn will research the issue.

The Board discussed the habitat conservation plan discussed earlier; Mr. Biggs asked about placing the notice on the land application whereby notifying the applicant of other entities' rules.

At 12:00 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board

Doug Davie
Chairman of the Board