

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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The Rio Grande County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, August 6, 2008. Members present were Chairman Doug Davie, Commissioners Dennis Murphy and Robert Hagedorn, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, 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 July 30, 2008 minutes as amended. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:05 a.m. Mike and Roni Wisdom, Development Resource Group, joined the session. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to sign the resolution forming the six-county Council of Governments (COG). Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:30 a.m. the Board performed the monthly jail inspection. Captain Kelly Black reported thirty-five inmates in the County facility and three housed at other facilities. He noted that a replacement camera should be installed soon and Pod B will require repairs due an aggressive inmate.

At 9:50 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the following abatement. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

Schedule #	Actual	Assessed	Tax
5910100011	\$26,047	\$2,070	\$109.14

Commissioner Murphy moved to accept the bid from Cloud Crest Landscaping for \$3,829.18 for the Social Services building shrubs and water system. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

The Department of Social Services presented a policy for other County departments to use their vehicles at a rate of 24 cents per mile.

At 10:00 a.m. Herb Myers, Maintenance Supervisor, joined the session to update the Board on projects. He is pleased with the new employee. Mr. Myers presented a list of projects to complete this summer. Commissioner Murphy asked about the water pipe in the Nurse's Office; this is a high priority repair with the heaters running this fall. Mr. Myers asked about purchasing a leaf blower for the department. The Board suggested a leaf blower/vacuum to get more use out of the equipment. Mr. Myers is working on repairing the soffit at the Annex. Chairman Davie asked about the Bronco with the snow plow. Mr. Myers said it has some engine trouble. The Board suggested having the Road and Bridge mechanics overhaul the engine. Mr. Myers will contact Mr. Sullivan. Commissioner Hagedorn asked about washing windows; Mr. Myers said this project will be done in the fall with the full maintenance crew. The nurse's exam room and the assessor's office are on the paint schedule. Chairman Davie said all of the department heads

meet with the Board monthly except for the Maintenance Department. It would be helpful to both the Board and Mr. Myers to meet monthly for department updates. Ms. Benton was asked to set September 3rd as the first monthly meeting for the Maintenance Department head to meet with the Board.

At 10:45 a.m. the Board approved the following claims.

County General Fund

ACS Services	exp	\$	7,525.40
Alcon Construction	exp	\$	119.50
Amanda Chick	per diem	\$	9.28
CATA	registration	\$	500.00
Christina Wilson	mileage	\$	91.75
Copper Mountain Resort	M Medina	\$	269.90
Copper Mountain Resort	conf	\$	1,210.60
Costilla County Nursing	exp	\$	344.98
Danah Gonzales	mileage	\$	141.50
Darrel D. & Claudia Nimmo	parcel	\$	10.00
Del Norte Auto Supply	exp	\$	20.56
El Paso County Coroner	exp	\$	1,250.00
First Ford	expedition	\$	25,250.00
Gobins	exp	\$	165.98
Hart Intercivic	exp	\$	210.38
Jan Doctor	exp	\$	12.00
Joseph L Malouff	buss dpt	\$	1,500.00
Kent Holcamp	exp	\$	302.78
Konica Minolta Business	exp	\$	573.15
Mark Braly	mileage	\$	65.48
Notes & Numbers LLC	exp	\$	235.00
O&V Printing	exp	\$	289.00
Office Depot	exp	\$	113.20
Pacific Communications	exp	\$	300.00
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	738.25
Reps Design	exp	\$	905.00
Rio Grande County	van use	\$	79.44
Rose Vanderpool	mileage	\$	9.75
San Luis Valley	exp	\$	13,400.00
State of Colorado/DOI	exp	\$	397.44
Strohmayr's Funeral Home	coroner call	\$	1,450.00
Todd Wright	calls	\$	440.00
Trinidad State Junior	EMS 115	\$	900.00
United Reprographic	exp	\$	92.63
Valley Lock & Security	exp	\$	132.00
Valley Publishing	exp	\$	52.00
Verizon Wireless	exp	\$	905.83
Xcel Energy	exp	\$	4,783.63
TOTAL		\$	64,796.41
Adventure Capital	Bailey	\$	329.71
Alamosa Credit Union	May	\$	450.00
BC Services Inc	Garcia	\$	360.82
Community Bank of the Rockies	exp	\$	55,723.85
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	328.00
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	168.00
P Scott Lowery PC	exp	\$	261.58

Pre-Paid Legal Services	exp	\$	29.90
Rio Grande County Treasurer	exp	\$	44,537.55
Security Benefit	exp	\$	5,229.16
Sooper Credit Union	exp	\$	435.00
TOTAL		\$	107,853.57

First BankCard	card pmt	\$	7,789.39
ACS Services Inc	exp	\$	6,189.68
Adams Drug Store Inc	exp	\$	1,227.86
Adock's Automotive	exp	\$	847.14
Adrienne Atencio	mtg exp	\$	14.27
Andrews Produce Inc	exp	\$	1,455.81
Anne Henningsen	July	\$	275.00
Aspen Office Products	RGSO	\$	1,051.25
Chaffee Cnty Public Health	July	\$	1,340.00
Co Dept of Human Service	July	\$	30.00
Co Dept of Public Safety	exp	\$	210.00
Colo Dept of Health & Env	exp	\$	440.00
Colo Secretary of State	Gabbel	\$	20.00
Colorado Assessors Assn	Trujillo	\$	82.00
Conour SLV Animal Shelter	exp	\$	670.85
Costilla County Nursing	July	\$	1,778.00
Dale Trujillo	mileage	\$	173.00
Danah Gonzales	cash exp	\$	50.00
Dave's Elec & Hobbies	exp	\$	254.93
Del Norte Augo Supply	exp	\$	422.57
Devin Curly	RGSO	\$	360.00
Dish Network	travel	\$	298.68
District Attorney Office	July	\$	13,495.00
Donna Murphy	mileage	\$	167.32
Duckwall-Alco Discount	exp	\$	274.20
Dunn Law LLP	exp	\$	1,419.00
Eva Salazar	mileage	\$	15.00
First Ford	exp	\$	1,196.98
Galls Inc	exp	\$	2,678.75
Gobins	exp	\$	1,147.67
Grady's Restaurant	exp	\$	116.69
Great Northern American	exp	\$	394.43
Hart Intercivic	exp	\$	10,095.23
Haynie's Inc	exp	\$	16.18
Idaho Plate Method	exp	\$	267.50
Impact Promotional Prod	exp	\$	168.31
Jack's Market	exp	\$	390.67
Jack's Market	exp	\$	64.17
Jade Communications	exp	\$	49.95
Jeff Babcock	salary	\$	7,190.78
Joyce Housden	exp	\$	1,150.00
Ken's Service Center	RGSO	\$	825.04
Kristi Mountain Sports	exp	\$	80.00
LC Marketing & Design	exp	\$	447.28
LEDS	exp	\$	11.99
Liquid Graphics Inc	exp	\$	82.99
MB Police Equipment	exp	\$	413.60
Main Copy Source	exp	\$	510.90

Meadow Gold Dairies	exp	\$	923.32
Michael Valdez	mileage	\$	227.50
Michelle Medina	mileage	\$	76.50
Monte Vista BP/Amoco	exp	\$	456.42
Monte Vista Tractor	exp	\$	166.32
New Horizons Packaging	exp	\$	620.21
O&V Printing	exp	\$	396.11
Office Depot	exp	\$	155.76
OMNI Institute	exp	\$	1,250.00
Peggy Kern	mileage	\$	101.00
Physician Sales & Service	exp	\$	1,566.85
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	53.51
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	2,005.32
Rio Grande County	exp	\$	40.70
Rio Grande County Clerk	exp	\$	10.46
Rio Grande Hospital	exp	\$	3,878.84
Safeway Inc	exp	\$	124.46
Saguache County Jail	June	\$	1,050.00
Sams Club	exp	\$	1,000.22
Sandy Jackson	mileage	\$	114.23
Sherryl Steving	mileage	\$	57.04
Southern Colorado Computer	exp	\$	229.95
Southern Colorado Imaging	exp	\$	86.32
Sparkle Cleaners	exp	\$	21.50
Sue Davis	exp	\$	2,807.07
Suzanne Benton	mileage	\$	355.40
Telefsoro J Dominguez	mileage	\$	25.50
CIMA Companies	exp	\$	992.50
Thyssenkrupp Elevator	exp	\$	477.75
UCDHSC/Univ of Co	exp	\$	3,000.00
V&V Hardware	exp	\$	3.98
Valley Courier	exp	\$	39.76
Valley Electric	exp	\$	150.00
Valley Fire Protection	exp	\$	270.80
Valley Meat	exp	\$	3,467.24
Valley Publishing	exp	\$	1,512.75
Valley Wide Health Syst	exp	\$	138.00
Vendola Plumbing	exp	\$	614.58
Victim Assistance Fund	exp	\$	30.00
Wall, Smith, Bateman	exp	\$	20,230.00
Wright Valley Oil Inc	exp	\$	4,931.33
WSB Computer Services	exp	\$	1,274.01
TOTAL		\$	122,583.27

Road & Bridge Fund

National Assoc of Counties	exp	\$	130.00
Verizon Wireless	exp	\$	120.00
Xcel Energy	exp	\$	3,830.44
TOTAL		\$	4,080.44

Community Banks of the Rockies	June	\$	21,112.86
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	790.00
Linebarger, Googan	Plane	\$	433.77
Rio Grande County Treasurer	exp	\$	16,927.66

Security Benefit	exp	\$	50.00
TOTAL		\$	39,314.29
First Bankcard	pmt	\$	198.58
Airgas Intermountain	exp	\$	150.55
All Truck and Trailer	exp	\$	558.96
Andrews Transport	exp	\$	10,168.22
AT&T	exp	\$	62.30
Brown's Septic Svc Inc	exp	\$	43.00
CNH Capital	exp	\$	83.69
Colorado State Fair	exp	\$	30.00
Complete Wireless	exp	\$	1,150.00
CSW Safety Services	exp	\$	19,004.50
Del Norte Auto Supply	exp	\$	60.30
Denver Industrial Sales	exp	\$	23,726.88
Discount Auto Parts	exp	\$	60.00
Drive Train Industries	exp	\$	182.04
EZ Liner Industries	exp	\$	651.98
Haynie's Inc	exp	\$	514.83
Industrial & Farm Supply	exp	\$	61.95
Intermountain First Aid	exp	\$	362.88
Kimrad Transport LP	exp	\$	5,176.88
Leroy A Romero	exp	\$	125.00
Lester, Sigmond, Rooney	exp	\$	106.00
Lyle Signs	exp	\$	375.00
Monte Vista BP/Amoco	exp	\$	69.00
Monte Vista Cooperative	exp	\$	1,409.79
New Pig Corp	exp	\$	54.86
Petty Cash	postage	\$	44.11
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	389.86
Quill Corporation	exp	\$	482.55
Reliance Steel Co	exp	\$	1,432.04
Ridgeviewtel LLC	exp	\$	29.95
Rio Grande Hospital	exp	\$	75.00
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	286.67
SLV Glass	exp	\$	235.00
Southwestern Auto Supply	exp	\$	186.42
Valero Marketing	exp	\$	132,259.13
Valley Fire Protection	exp	\$	486.60
Valley Lumber and Supply	exp	\$	16.99
Wagner Equipment	exp	\$	3,866.67
Wright Valley Oil Inc	exp	\$	27,323.44
Xcel Energy	exp	\$	17,114.55
ZEP Manufacturing Co	exp	\$	95.79
TOTAL		\$	248,711.96
Pest Control			
Alltel	exp	\$	56.95
Monte Vista Cooperative	exp	\$	672.56
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	63.00
Valley Publishing	exp	\$	168.00
Van Diest Supply	exp	\$	1,113.40
TOTAL		\$	2,073.91

Community Bank of the Rockies	exp	\$	2,531.31
Rio Grande County Treas.	exp	\$	897.48
TOTAL		\$	3,428.79

First BankCard	card pmt	\$	61.95
DP Ag Services	exp	\$	2,112.00
Industrial & Farm Supply	exp	\$	25.38
Mount'n Valley Sports	exp	\$	50.00
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	83.68
TOTAL		\$	2,333.01

Airport Fund

TOTAL		\$	-
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Capital Expenditure Fund

TOTAL		\$	-
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Conservation Trust

Xcel Energy	exp	\$	15.08
TOTAL		\$	15.08

City of Monte Vista	exp	\$	23,222.25
TOTAL		\$	23,222.25

Tourism Trust

Encompass	exp	\$	770.00
New Mexico Journey	exp	\$	460.00
Rio Grande County	exp	\$	7,258.00
Texas Journey	exp	\$	1,310.00
TOTAL		\$	9,798.00

At 11:00 a.m. Chairman Davie swore in County Assessor, Joe Dominguez, and Lawrence Fleming Sr. for a property assessment discrepancy. Mr. Fleming said his family is trying to make a living in South Fork; he is protesting his property assessment. Mr. Dominguez said the protest was received during the appropriate time; however the employee who was handling the file left the office and the reply was not mailed timely. Mr. Fleming said the parcel is small and the assessment is too high. Mr. Dominguez said he took the vacant land sales in the area and commercial sales for the property comparison. The vacant land sales were included to let them know what current values are in South Fork. Mr. Dominguez discussed parcels in the area. Mr. Fleming said a ½ acre requires fill in order to be at the same grade as the highway so only one acre is usable. He feels the Assessor is making land value too high to operate a business. Mr. Dominguez continued with property comparisons; he noted that the outbuildings were not included in the valuation. His property is being valued at \$2.09 per square foot which is under value with the rest of the South Fork area. Mr. Dominguez said sales are still

occurring and prices keep increasing. He noted the access and location of Mr. Fleming's property. Mr. Fleming said the buildings are over fifty years old and the replacement cost would be high; he is not paying for replacements he is paying taxes on the existing buildings. He said the cost of fill would be several thousand dollars to make the lot usable. Mr. Fleming said the property across the road was priced so high the new owners could not afford the taxes. He said the economy has had an effect on the businesses in the area. Chairman Davie said he would like to see the property before making a decision. Mr. Fleming added that people are moving in from out of town and have not made their living in South Fork; they are bringing money in from other states to run their businesses. Mr. Fleming said he is not referring to selling the property; he is concerned about paying the taxes.

At 11:30 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, joined the session to discuss pending legal matters. He has received several letters from residents regarding Streamside Villas in South Fork.

Ms. Benton asked Mr. Dunn to review the new draft of the 25-year airport lease.

Mr. Dunn said the only concern about lots at the east end of the airport is a need to separate aircraft and cars so there is not a mixing of aircraft and vehicles. Ms. Benton has talked with Tom Haefeli, Airport Board President, about the hangars. Mr. Dunn said another road elsewhere for traffic would be an option.

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

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, August 13, 2008. Members present were Chairman Doug Davie, Commissioners Dennis Murphy and Robert Hagedorn, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, 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 Hagedorn moved to approve the August 6, 2008 minutes as amended. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:10 a.m. Ms. Benton discussed pending matters. The monthly Veteran's Officer's report was signed. She noted a pending legal case with a former inmate.

At 9:15 a.m. Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Supervisor, joined the session for the monthly report. The written report was submitted as follows:

- All skin patching projects were completed. The average cost per mile was about \$26,000
- Striping was started, including the Del Norte Airport and some for the City of Monte Vista
- A water truck and compactor were provided for the Heritage Fair
- A water truck was provided for Ski Hi Stampede
- Flood sand in South Fork was removed
- The Monte Vista Marsh school playground project was started including installation of a French drain and material for leveling the playground
- Two days were spent cleaning up debris on Pinos Creek from a cloud burst
- All Schedule A roads were completed
- The shop has been busy repairing heavy equipment

Proposed work for the month of August includes completing striping, roadside mowing, haul and bury rock on the 9 South Road west of Highway 15 (1/2 mile), begin construction on County Road 15, culverts will be cleaned in the South Fork area, complete the Monte Vista School playground project, assist the City of Monte Vista and Saguache County with hauling asphalt material, Carl Hill will complete all repairs on the snow equipment and gravel roads will continue to be graded in preparation for harvest.

Mr. Sullivan noted the work done to clean up County Road 15 where water washed out the road. He talked with a Jasper resident about the road wash-out; the Forest Service is going to look at the creek and possibly clean the channel. The tractor was repaired for \$700; roadside mowing will begin next week. Mr. Sullivan will look at the 7 North and Highway 112 intersection where the stop sign is posted in the road. He noted there could be an increase in tire costs. The Department is enrolled in a program that could assist with signage. Mr. Sullivan said most signs have been replaced with high intensity signs; the next project will be route markers. The shop crew will look at repairing the Maintenance Department Bronco. Mr. Sullivan said the Town of Center has not paid the invoice for work done within the Town. Ms. Benton said a second notice has been sent. The Monte Vista Fire Department has received a DOLA grant to increase the size of the station. Mr. Sullivan said there is a strip of asphalt that has to be removed; he would like the County to remove the material and bring it back for crushing to benefit both parties. The Town of Del Norte will work with the County on the parking area north of the Social Services Department.

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

At 11:00 a.m. members of the Rio Grande Club and South Fork residents joined the session to discuss Streamside Villas. Chairman Davie said the meeting was scheduled to determine if a resolution was found between the two groups. Bob Young began by asking how many of the audience attended the first meeting at the Club. In June the Board approved the

preliminary plat for Streamside Villas, 43 units, located west of Alder Creek, adjacent to the practice facility. This was a concern for many present. The Board examined the following questions at the previous session: 1. Is the area planned for open space (dedicated)? The master developer said it was never planned for open space under oath at the hearing. The land use planner also found it was not open space per the maps on file. 2. Public notice was an issue at the hearing. The application was reviewed for completeness; land use determined it was not a substantial change to the PUD. The land area is less than 4% of the PUD. In the approval the motion was made to notify the affected property owners. An e-mail was sent, some received it and some did not. Members asked for a meeting on this matter. Mr. Young said notices were mailed to 800 people consisting of the membership rolls of the Club and property owners adjacent. 3. Addressing open space was an issue. The meeting with the residents and members was held July 24; this meeting was included in the notice. There were about 50 in attendance. The majority was opposed because they thought they were under represented and others were opposed because they are in favor of keeping the open space. Mr. Young said he feels they want all development removed from the practice facility and not to develop west of Alder creek. The units were not removed; only reduced. Mr. Young is aware of an e-mail asking for letters to be sent to the Board in opposition. Five or six letters were sent in favor. He thought most people would be in favor of open space. Mr. Young said the developers still have rights to develop their property. Notice has never been given on a PUD change. Mr. Young said they did not try to "slip" the application through the people. Mr. Young noted they have a right to develop their property.

Chairman Davie asked how many in attendance were totally against the development. The PUD started before any of the Board was seated and before Ms. Vanderpool was in the Land Use Office. The non-recording of the plat is out of the County's hands. There were not many letters in favor, mostly against the development. He feels the Board needs more in depth study; the Board should have taken more time on the matter. Chairman Davie feels the preliminary plans should be turned back to the Planning Commission for detailed review. Commissioner Murphy said it still bothers him that this many people believe this was to be undeveloped land. He said those people selling the property look bad because they also believed this to be open space. Commissioner Murphy moved to suspend the prior approval pending further review by the Planning Commission and recommendations to the Board. He is not against development but it needs to be compatible with the existing development. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed. He apologized for missing the meeting in June. He added that the map the land use office uses is not current and his concern is that an updated map is not on file. Chairman Davie said another hearing will be held on the matter and the people should be notified of the hearing; the motion passed. The Board thanked everyone for attending.

At 11:50 a.m. Commissioner Murphy moved to retain the valuation of land (\$265,930) for Lawrence Fleming.

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

At 1:30 p.m. residents of the Jasper area joined the session to discuss roads. Bill Creek and Thomas Ruybal began by stating that Road 250 has 88 cabins. Mr. Creek said he realizes that an agreement exists with Conejos County; he feels this indicates there is a need for road maintenance. The impact fee goes to the Rio Grande County Road Department. Mr. Creek said he has made several phone calls regarding the road during the winter; he realized last year had heavy snow. No one wants to leave a vehicle at Terrace Reservoir for a week at a time. Chairman Davie said this is a Forest Service Road; the Forest Service pays the County to maintain the road once each year. One resident said they get nothing for their tax money. There are not many kids for a school bus and it takes too long for law enforcement to respond due to location. Chairman Davie said Rio Grande County snow plows have to go through 11 miles of Conejos County to get to Jasper. Mr. Creek asked about the actual cost to run a maintainer on this section of road; he added fuel and labor costs and thought the County could maintain the road in the winter. Chairman Davie said the County has to figure depreciation and expenses. Peggy Wilcox asked if the County kept records for cost of maintenance. Chairman Davie said the cost is for a flat road in the Valley; they do not keep track by road. Mr. Creek said the people who plow the roads for hire can do it for \$200/hour and make a profit. Ms. Benton said the labor, with benefits, is \$25/hour, and graders are about \$1,400/day. Larry Wilcox asked if the counties and the Forest Service actually had an agreement not to maintain the road in the winter. Chairman Davie said the Forest Service offered the suggestion for the current agreement. Mr. Creek said 12 new homes have paid the \$1,400 impact fees. Chairman Davie said Rio Grande County plows to the fork in the road; 1.5 miles are actually in Rio Grande County. Conejos County has the majority of this road. Mr. Ruybal asked if the Board could put pressure on Conejos County to hold up their part of the contract. Mr. Creek asked if the County could petition the Forest Service for this portion of road. Ms. Wilcox asked what roads are not being plowed. Chairman Davie said the Schedule A roads are maintained in the summer. The 2003 agreement with Conejos County has not been dissolved; it will be plowed as needed. Ms. Wilcox asked why Conejos County would enter into an agreement they could not fulfill. Conejos County is still bound; Commissioner Hagedorn said the Board will meet with Conejos County and Forest Service in the near future. Chairman Davie said he realizes this is a problem. There are three to five year round residents; however about 25 people come and go throughout the year. Mr. Wilcox asked if anyone else could maintain the road. Chairman Davie said the residents would have to take it to the Forest Service. The new district ranger could be contacted. The people of Jasper would like something for their tax money. Ms. Wilcox said there needs to be a meeting with the Forest Service, Conejos and Rio Grande Counties and the residents; she thought this meeting was previously suggested. Mr. Wilcox said last winter was the first year for any problems. One resident said he removes wood and does fire mitigation and

cannot work when the road is closed. One resident says this road has been kept open since the 1950s. Ms. Wilcox said everyone who lives there is aware of the elements; they should not be denied access. Charlie Rhyne feels precedent has been set for numerous years to keep the road open. Chairman Davie said the County has to go through 11 miles of Conejos County before they get to the ½ mile of Rio Grande County roads. Since this is a Forest Service road, permission has to be given from the Forest Service. Mr. Creek said part of the Division of Wildlife staff needs to access the mountains for their studies. Chairman Davie said the County lost a court case over an RS2477 road that they could not prove historic use on. Mr. Wilcox said Conejos County does not have the equipment to get through in some situations. Mr. Rhyne asked if there were other trades of roads with other counties. Chairman Davie said the county line is one example with Alamosa County. The Board will meet with the Valley Commissioners next month and will discuss this matter with Conejos County. He said in an emergency Rio Grande County will help as much as possible. Chairman Davie said they will work on this matter. The residents would like the agreement with Conejos County upheld.

At 2:20 p.m. the meeting was adjourned for work session.

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, August 20, 2008. Members present were Chairman Doug Davie, Commissioners Dennis Murphy and Robert Hagedorn, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, and Lyla Davis, Clerk of the Board.

At 10:00 a.m. Chairman Davie called the meeting to order following the monthly manager's meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and the agenda was set.

At 10:05 a.m. Chairman Davie presented the following years of service awards:

- Lanell Montoya-Salazar (5 years)
- J.J. Mondragon (10 years)
- Suzanne Benton (30 years)
- Roy Paulson (35 years)

At 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the August 13, 2008 minutes as amended. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

At 10:30 a.m. Pat Perry, Public Health Nurse, joined the session for the monthly report. The Health Care Program for children with special needs (HCP) contract was presented for signature. Ms. Perry said next year this program may be changed to a regional program rather than by county. A regional program could improve the quality of services according to the State; a twelve county region is being discussed. Chairman Davie said twelve counties could be too many. Ms. Perry said the current director feels the program would be better as a region. Ms. Perry will be talking with other county nurses on this matter. She feels there is a benefit to having a representative in the area so visits can be made in a timely manner; for example it would not be feasible for Rio Grande County to serve Huerfano County. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the contract. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

Ms. Perry gave a presentation at the Veteran's Center in July on West Nile Virus per their request.

The supply trailer has been inventoried. Ms. Benton said there needs to be a better location for the trailer. It needs to be accessible to Mineral County after business hours.

There was discussion of the department using their personal vehicles for County business. There have been minor accidents involving employees and personal vehicles on County time. CTSI has recommended that personal vehicles should not be allowed for County business if a County vehicle was provided; this could be a problem for meetings that span several days. There was discussion of combining personal errands after meetings. Ms. Benton said this is a budget issue.

Ms. Perry said the nurse's office is limited with space. There are some items that can be removed or rearranged but the office is still crowded. Ms. Perry has called the senior citizens volunteer group and requested people who can sort files and shred unneeded documents. Ms. Perry will let the Maintenance Supervisor know of the paint color for the exam room. She would like it painted before October 1, 2008. The moisture in the closet has not been addressed. Chairman Davie said this needs to be fixed before the heating season.

There have been cases of tuberculosis in Saguache County and possibly one in Rio Grande County. The Rio Grande County test could have been done incorrectly; the nurse's office is providing support. It is part of the strategic plan to educate providers (nursing homes, doctors, etc) on testing.

At 11:15 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. The Housing Assessment Need Study was presented for signature; all six Valley counties will be signing the agreement. Ms. Benton noted the change in representative for the cable TV account.

The water and sewer feasibility study for Alpine Village, South Fork, was presented for signature. A letter was signed for Wharton Bridge in South Fork for Senator Ken Salazar's support.

Ms. Benton noted the pending legal case with a former inmate.

Ms. Benton has been trying to contact Tom Haefeli, Airport Board President, regarding new lots. A full survey does not need to be done since the airport board will be platting lots of specific size at the existing airport.

Chairman Davie signed the property assessment roll.

Ms. Benton noted a call from a resident who called Bill Dunn for personal legal advice. The resident thought the County Attorney was available to all county residents for services free of charge. Mr. Dunn said the matter did not involve any County business.

At 11:30 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, joined the session to discuss pending legal matters. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Planner, was also present. There was discussion of the meeting with representatives of Streamside Villas. A plat of the PUD has to be recorded as originally platted. The Board has not approved any changes to the PUD based on the fact that the original plat was never recorded. The only map on file is the map presented with the original application. It was the developer's responsibility to record the plat in 1998 when it was submitted for approval. Ms. Vanderpool stated that because the recording was not done in 1998 it does not mean these problems will continue to be accepted by the County. She read from the Land Use Code Book that was in use at the time of application; the current regulations still require the recording of the PUD plat. There has to be a map recorded for a starting point in order to move forward with subsequent changes to maps. All subsequent maps and resolutions need to be recorded for public record. The Board will meet in a work session to discuss this matter with South Fork Ranches representatives.

Ms. Benton noted computer work done on a communication line between the County Clerk and Assessor's offices and an invoice from ACS Services. WSB Computer Services performed the computer work but ACS Services is issuing the invoice; ACS Services is not willing to remove the charge and now states it is for a new license. Mr. Dunn will review the matter.

At 12:30 p.m. the meeting adjourned for lunch.

At 1:30 p.m. Mike Wisdom, Development Resource Group (DRG), joined the session to present the San Luis Valley Targeted Industry Study report. Don Macke began by stating that some parts of the study will be of more interest to different counties. The study looks at current patterns of local development and industry as well as national and international developments. The five primary industry targets are people attraction, entrepreneurs, tourism, value-added agriculture and place-based development. The five secondary industry targets are renewable energy, selected manufacturing, higher education, regional trade center and extractive industries. Mr. Macke noted each item and how it has changed and possibilities for the Valley; for example there are over 2,000 tourism niches. More people are working as contractors for companies and can choose where they live. Regarding value-added agriculture, the food industry is always looking to improve the quality of vegetables and livestock feed. The secondary industry

targets do no adversely affect the Valley but they also do not strongly develop the area. There is a higher concentration of education in the Valley from the influence of the colleges. Mr. Macke commented on capturing the existing spending in the Valley both at the County and regional levels. All commodities have increased in value; mineral, timber, land and water are the main Valley commodities. Mr. Macke said some of the targets affect Rio Grande County more than others. He asked for questions or comments. Commissioner Murphy asked if consideration was made to export energy made in the Valley over La Veta pass via transmission lines. Mr. Macke said there is a private sector push for renewable energy. The companies looking to develop solar energy in the Valley will eventually find a way to export. Dusty Hicks said the Valley needs to be proactive in developing the manufacturing products, for example products for a solar plant. Don Van Wormer asked about contract workers who can choose where they live. Mr. Macke said there may be people who grew up in the Valley and want to be closer to family and they can bring a job with them or they have visited the Valley and want to live here. Jon Boyd asked how the proactive process begins. Does the County or DRG start the process? Mr. Wisdom said it is not an organization that leads but a group of citizens that work together. Mr. Macke said there needs to be records of who is moving to the Valley and identifying them and then address why people are leaving. Julie Nunley asked where these people are living in the Valley. Mr. Macke said people are moving here on their own merits and are locating in every county. Bob Hontz said the County has plans for an executive airport near Del Norte; how will this affect the Valley. Mr. Macke referred to an example where private investment golf courses have driven the need for an airport. Chairman Davie commented on tourism and the income from sales tax not offsetting the expense of the infrastructure; however it benefits the local businesses. Mike Hurst said he has always been aware of the costs of tourism but it could also bring a new industry if a tourist decides to come back. Charlotte Bobicki asked how to address the "turf" issues between the counties. Mr. Wisdom said some groups are looking at a Valley-wide sales tax and revenue sharing. He also commented on talking to youth and asking what will bring them back to the Valley after they have received their education.

At 2:35 p.m. the meeting adjourned for a work session.

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, August 27, 2008. Members present were Chairman Doug Davie, Commissioners Dennis Murphy and Robert Hagedorn, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, 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 minutes as amended. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:15 a.m. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the following payroll. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

County General

Davie, Douglas	sal.	\$ 2,949.50
Hagedorn, Robert	sal.	\$ 4,141.67
Murphy, Dennis	sal.	\$ 2,949.50
Benton, Suzanne	sal.	\$ 6,695.22
Kessler, Glenda	sal.	\$ 2,643.33
Hathorn, Grover	sal.	\$ 50.00
Peterson, Ronald	sal.	\$ 50.00
Van Iwaarden, Robert	sal.	\$ 50.00
Vanderpool, Rose	sal.	\$ 3,090.53
Canada, Sean	sal.	\$ 2,970.93
Kern, Randall	sal.	\$ 3,893.07
Gabbel, Jaclyn	sal.	\$ 1,804.88
Gonzales, Catherine	sal.	\$ 2,413.83
Hill, Cindy	sal.	\$ 2,197.88
Jackson, Sandra	sal.	\$ 4,141.67
Montoya, Michelle	sal.	\$ 2,422.62
Murphy, Donna	sal.	\$ 3,190.48
Pacheco, LeAnn	sal.	\$ 1,837.51
Quintana, Mary	sal.	\$ 2,769.67
Velasquez, Ashley	sal.	\$ 947.70
Carroll, Katherine	sal.	\$ 512.46
Steving, Sherryl	sal.	\$ 2,825.85
Wilson, Christina	sal.	\$ 2,235.70
Dominguez, Telesforo	sal.	\$ 4,141.67
Lyons, Cherri	sal.	\$ 2,178.80
Medina, Michelle	sal.	\$ 2,398.93
Mondragon, Jennifer	sal.	\$ 2,643.33
Salazar, Eva	sal.	\$ 2,222.13
Spicer, William	sal.	\$ 3,083.60
Trujillo, Dale	sal.	\$ 2,267.20
Valdez, Michael	sal.	\$ 2,352.13
Kern, Peggy	sal.	\$ 16,641.67
Kostuk, Diane	sal.	\$ 1,401.40
Rue, Cherilyn	sal.	\$ 2,710.28
Voris, Carol	sal.	\$ 2,077.83

Garcia, Carol	sal.	\$ 1,519.70
Marquez, Ronald	sal.	\$ 1,917.07
Medina, Porfie	sal.	\$ 1,511.47
Myers, Herbert	sal.	\$ 2,984.16
Arellano, Timothy	sal.	\$ 2,398.93
Chick, Charles	sal.	\$ 3,456.27
Clark, Frank	sal.	\$ 1,868.53
Coffman, Samuel	sal.	\$ 2,447.47
Doctor, Janette	sal.	\$ 2,880.80
Duran, Jeremiah	sal.	\$ 2,398.93
Gonzales, Jason	sal.	\$ 2,447.47
Lopez, Emily	sal.	\$ 2,447.47
Norton, Brian	sal.	\$ 5,550.00
Steffens, Angela	sal.	\$ 2,352.13
Wheelwright, Boyd	sal.	\$ 2,591.33
Archuleta, Anthony	sal.	\$ 2,337.12
Atencio, Joseph	sal.	\$ 2,491.94
Bailey, Ronald	sal.	\$ 1,999.39
Black, Kelly	sal.	\$ 3,146.00
Bruder, Gary	sal.	\$ 2,425.88
Carlson, Jesse	sal.	\$ 1,416.09
Chick, Amanda	sal.	\$ 1,928.18
Deherrera, Alicia	sal.	\$ 1,904.93
Duran, Dusty	sal.	\$ 1,929.17
Ford, Donna	sal.	\$ 2,099.07
Fuentes, Jose	sal.	\$ 2,112.31
Garcia, Cori	sal.	\$ 1,868.53
Hart, Jonathan	sal.	\$ 2,240.75
Kerr, Tory	sal.	\$ 1,960.65
Messoline, Larry	sal.	\$ 1,868.53
Naranjo, Henry	sal.	\$ 1,271.58
Ortega, Arthur	sal.	\$ 2,249.77
Parks, Joseph	sal.	\$ 2,208.21
Sierra, Shaun	sal.	\$ 1,868.53
Trujillo, Ramon	sal.	\$ 2,295.25
Strohmayer, Rusty	sal.	\$ 1,841.67
Gonzales, Danah	sal.	\$ 2,168.50
Brown, Linda	sal.	\$ 3,559.62
Jolly, Judith	sal.	\$ 600.00
Koshak, Dianne	sal.	\$ 2,921.10
Masters, Judy	sal.	\$ 2,430.31
Perry, Patricia	sal.	\$ 4,464.08
Steelman, Nadine	sal.	\$ 2,234.05
Montoya-Salazar, Lanell	sal.	\$ 1,874.60
Robinson, Kelli	sal.	\$ 1,700.18
Hand, Rebecca	sal.	\$ 1,083.33
Housden, Joyce	sal.	\$ 3,293.33
Crowder, Larry	sal.	\$ 974.32
Hendricks, Paula	sal.	\$ 3,318.47
Colville, Louise	sal.	\$ 242.88
Oglesby, Freddy	sal.	\$ 2,447.47
Taylor, Anna	sal.	\$ 3,306.33
Lujan, Maxine	sal.	\$ 2,446.95
		\$222,203.77

(Taxes Withheld, \$40,092.35; Deductions Withheld,
\$26948.30)

ROAD & BRIDGE

Atencio, Kevin	sal.	\$ 2,222.13
Black, Timothy	sal.	\$ 3,302.00
Chapman, Destry	sal.	\$ 2,761.18
Hansen, Arnold	sal.	\$ 2,553.20
Hill, Carl	sal.	\$ 3,302.00
Lyons, Dale	sal.	\$ 2,099.07
Maestas, William	sal.	\$ 3,405.99
McKinley, Robert	sal.	\$ 2,990.00
Miles, Darryl	sal.	\$ 3,480.53
Pacheco, Carl	sal.	\$ 3,302.00
Plane, Kenneth	sal.	\$ 2,099.07
Archuletta, Mark	sal.	\$ 2,936.04
Atencio, Manuel	sal.	\$ 3,111.33
Benavides, Eodofredo	sal.	\$ 3,077.84
Cervantez, Manuel	sal.	\$ 2,099.07
Claunch, Billy	sal.	\$ 2,931.07
Heredia, Abelardo	sal.	\$ 3,057.60
Paulson, Roy	sal.	\$ 3,487.74
Rowe, Danny	sal.	\$ 2,222.13
Steffens, John	sal.	\$ 3,549.87
Sullivan, Patrick	sal.	\$ 5,245.63
Trujillo, Adelmo	sal.	\$ 2,312.27
Romero, Olivia	sal.	\$ 2,312.27
Valdez-Heredia, Monique	sal.	\$ 144.36
		<u>\$ 68,004.39</u>

(Taxes Withheld, \$12,346.19; Deductions Withheld,
\$8,822.86)

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Anderson, Elisha	sal.	\$ 2,826.38
Arvizo, Rita	sal.	\$ 2,853.50
Atencio, Davine	sal.	\$ 1,475.50
Berg, James	sal.	\$ 5,746.58
Bruder, Linda	sal.	\$ 2,006.88
Casias, Brenda	sal.	\$ 2,042.63
Chavez, Melody	sal.	\$ 1,980.88
Dupont, Ilene	sal.	\$ 1,450.54
Duran, Jaxine	sal.	\$ 2,167.75
Gallegos, Brandi	sal.	\$ 2,346.50
Garcia, Shirley	sal.	\$ 1,564.88
Goad, Lorraine	sal.	\$ 2,042.63
Gonzales, Carolyn	sal.	\$ 2,299.38
Gunther, Darlene	sal.	\$ 2,167.75
Hernandez, Marlene	sal.	\$ 2,299.38
Horn, Ruth	sal.	\$ 3,968.25
Jaramillo, Richelle	sal.	\$ 3,074.50
Kern, Jody	sal.	\$ 3,731.00
Maestas, Valarie	sal.	\$ 2,294.50
Martinez, Helen	sal.	\$ 3,900.00
Martinez, Janelle	sal.	\$ 2,167.75

Meder, Jeremy	sal.	\$ 2,826.38
Naranjo, Andritta	sal.	\$ 2,011.75
Pacheco, Rosanne	sal.	\$ 3,531.13
Padilla, Christopher	sal.	\$ 2,083.25
Parra, Gregorio	sal.	\$ 3,649.75
Pena, Mike	sal.	\$ 4,449.25
Ruybal, Evelyn	sal.	\$ 2,167.75
Sanchez, Kiley	sal.	\$ 2,990.50
Sanchez, Ramona	sal.	\$ 2,346.50
Segura, Donna	sal.	\$ 3,286.25
Shaver, Betty	sal.	\$ 2,694.25
Sierra, Jessica	sal.	\$ 2,167.75
Sims, Heather	sal.	\$ 2,935.25
Slane, Sherryl	sal.	\$ 2,676.38
Stephens, Jackie	sal.	\$ 3,602.63
Tafoya, Liz	sal.	\$ 1,946.75
Velasquez, Antonia	sal.	\$ 384.75
Villagomez, Rashel	sal.	\$ 2,255.50
Webb, Jeannie	sal.	\$ 1,655.29
White, Victoria	sal.	\$ 2,167.75
		<u>\$106,235.97</u>

(Taxes Withheld, \$17,790.45; Deductions Withheld, \$15,541.00)

PEST CONTROL

Archuleta, Juan	sal.	\$ 1,045.25
Christensen, Bryan	sal.	\$ 50.00
Clare, James	sal.	\$ 50.00
Miner, Craig	sal.	\$ 50.00
Monter, Bernard	sal.	\$ 1,277.50
Mueller, Mark	sal.	\$ 50.00
Plane, Darrel	sal.	\$ 3,762.89
Plane, Harold	sal.	\$ 1,564.50
Schaefer, Michael	sal.	\$ 50.00
Slagell, Stacia	sal.	\$ 177.50
		<u>\$ 8,077.64</u>

(Taxes Withheld, \$1,245.12; Deductions Withheld, \$593.07)

At 9:30 a.m. Ms. Benton discussed pending matters. The Board gave updates on various meetings. Ms. Benton noted certificates of perfect performance from the Office of Vital Statistics for four clerks in the County Clerk and Recorder's Office (Donna Murphy, Cindy Hill, Cathy Gonzales and Sandy Jackson). Ms. Benton presented a Core Services contract for signature.

At 10:00 a.m. Joni Kern joined the session for an exempt division of land for Kehler Ranches Inc. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Planner, noted the property is located in the NE ¼, SE ¼, Section 22, T 40 N, R 8 E, containing 2.5 acres more or less. The existing home is being separated from the farm ground. There is a 100 foot buffer from the sprinkler end gun. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the exempt division of land. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 10:15 a.m. the Board reviewed the work session held with Dave Martin and Kevin Ames, South Fork Ranches, Dwight Freeman and Craig Franke, Planning Commission, Bill Dunn, County Attorney, Ms. Vanderpool and the Board. It was noted that Mr. Ames informed the group that the final plat of the Planned Unit Development (PUD) is not recorded until the completion of the total PUD. Each phase is recorded upon final approval from the Board. The regulations refer to the conceptual plan, or map, that is submitted with the application and designates the density; it is not a requirement to record the PUD map with the County Clerk and Recorder for public record. Open space is designated within each approved phase.

At 10:30 a.m. T.J. Brown joined the session to discuss three lots in Alpine Village, South Fork. The lots are adjoining and all are for sale. Mr. Brown would like to buy the lots and then divide them into two larger lots rather than three small lots. The total acreage of each combined lot would be .99 acres. Randy Kern, Building Inspector, said a survey would have to be done to split the property into two equal portions. Mr. Brown asked if he still had to go through the variance for .01 acre in order to meet the septic regulations. Mr. Kern said this property is in the one hundred year flood plain; an engineered septic system would be required. Ms. Benton said the buyers would not be reimbursed for septic expenses if the central sewer system is installed in Alpine Village. There are roads, ditches and the River surrounding the properties so there is little room for other homes near by. The Board agreed that Mr. Brown would have to purchase and survey the property within twelve months from this day, August 27, 2008; this is non-transferable and will expire in twelve months. It is possible that the central septic system would be in place before any homes were built and a mound system would not be necessary. Without the central system, Mr. Brown would be required to install a mound septic system on both lots. Mr. Kern has the authority to issue the septic permits on the basis that Mr. Brown has purchased and surveyed the property within twelve months. If he divides the property then sells it, the new owner would have to meet with the Board and apply for a variance.

Mr. Brown suggested a Public Improvement District (PID) for Alpine Village to improve the roads and install central sewer.

At 11:15 a.m. Ms. Benton continued with pending matters and correspondence. A letter was sent to the Board requesting a permanent moratorium on oil and gas leases including private property. The Board will not issue any oil and gas moratoriums at this time. Ms. Benton noted that budget sessions will begin soon.

At 11:30 a.m. the meeting was adjourned for a work session.

Attest:

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board

Doug Davie
Chairman of the Board