

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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County of Rio Grande)

The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, January 7, 2009. 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 December 29, 2008 minutes as amended. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:15 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. The Homebuilders Association requested the Annex fees be waived for their annual meeting. The Del Norte Recreation group also requested the Annex fee be waived each month for their meetings. Commissioner Hagedorn noted that there would be a stipulation that any County functions, such as the election, would take precedence. Chairman Davie suggested a six month waiver. There was discussion of other conference rooms since the Del Norte Recreation is a small group. The Board agreed to waive the fee for the Homebuilders meeting. Ms. Benton will follow up on the Del Norte Recreation group.

Commissioner Murphy moved to cancel the following warrant. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

Warrant #	Date	Payee	Amount	Line Item
127632	12/4/08	Valley Publishing	\$125.00	001-0451-4471
			\$189.00	001-0454-4410

The Child Welfare Attorney's contract was presented for 2009. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the contract. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

The Veteran's Officer's Report was presented for signature.

Ms. Benton noted the bids for Sheriff's vehicles. The Board asked if the vehicle inventory had been submitted. Ms. Benton said she has requested that information several times and has not received it. Chairman Davie said the Board would not review the bids until the vehicle inventory including mileage and drivers has been submitted.

The revolving loan contract with DRG was presented for signature with Rio Grande County being the financial lead agency. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the contract. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

Ms. Benton discussed correspondence with BMI, a broadcasting licensing agency. The Board will discuss this with the County Attorney. The County re-broadcasts television stations.

At 9:40 a.m. Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Supervisor, joined the session. The 2009 fuel contract with Alta Fuels was presented. There was a diesel price chart included to figure the averages and levels of fuel costs. This needs to be turned in to Alta Fuels as soon as possible with a check. Mr. Sullivan asked that a manual check be cut out of the 2009 budget. Mr. Sullivan had to calculate the amount of fuel that

the Department will use for the year. The Board approved the request.

Mr. Sullivan noted the wind and snow drift problems. He found a snow blower that is attached to the front of a truck. He would like to look at the truck and test drive it; it is on a lot in Brighton, CO. The existing snow blower may be considered for a trade in. This is the only snow blower that he can find within Colorado. Mr. Sullivan estimates the final price will be about \$20,000.

The John Deere Road Grader is being sent for repairs because of metal shavings in the oil. Mr. Sullivan will wait to hear back on the report on this machine. He noted that some of the equipment is at the point of replacement.

The Board approved the snow blower purchase pending Mr. Sullivan's inspection of the machine.

At 10:15 a.m. Adam and Sid Klecker joined the session for an exempt division of land. The property is located in the SE ¼, Section 1, T 39 N, R 7 E, containing 2 acres, more or less. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Planner, joined the session. She noted one phone call from a neighbor who would prefer that a stick built home be constructed and not a single wide trailer or modular home. Adam Klecker said he intends to build a frame home on the property. Ms. Benton reminded the Kleckers of the 100 foot sprinkler buffer and set backs from the canal. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the division of land. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

The Board appointed Chairman Davie to the Advisory Committee for Rules and Regulations Governing the Diversion and Use of Underground Waters in Water Division III.

At 10:50 a.m. the Board approved the following claims.

County General Fund

Valdez Roofing	half bid	\$	20,750.00
Xcel Energy	exp	\$	3,328.03
ACS Services Inc	exp	\$	7,812.82
Anne Henningsen	December	\$	275.00
Aspen Office Products	exp	\$	2,200.69
Brown Industries Inc	exp	\$	98.80
Christina Wilson	mileage	\$	76.00
Colorado Assessor's Assn	exp	\$	592.00
Colorado County Clerk's	conference	\$	600.00
Conour SLV Animal Shelter	exp	\$	670.85
D&T Ventures LLC	exp	\$	275.00
Danah Gonzales	mileage	\$	51.50
Department of State	training	\$	180.00
Doug Davie	mileage	\$	966.00
Fleming Chemical Co	exp	\$	638.33
Gobins	exp	\$	343.95
Hart Intercivic	exp	\$	19,410.56
ICP, Inc	exp	\$	90.00
Jack's Market	exp	\$	168.01
Jan Doctor	exp	\$	160.45
NADA Appraisal Guides	exp	\$	154.00
Pam Bricker	mileage	\$	178.85
Qwest	exp	\$	2,366.58
Rose Vanderpool	mileage	\$	163.35
SLV GIS/GPS Authority	exp	\$	900.00

Staples Business	exp	\$	795.34
State of Colorado/DOI	exp	\$	395.35
Strohmayer's Funeral Home	exp	\$	5,850.00
Town of Del Norte	1 year bill	\$	1,300.00
Valley Publishing	legal	\$	22.50
Vendola Plumbing	exp	\$	433.83
Verizon Wireless	exp	\$	1,055.94
Waste Management	exp	\$	98.64
WSB Computer Services	exp	\$	1,580.00
Xcel Energy	exp	\$	4,918.15
TOTAL		\$	78,900.52

Alamosa Credit Union	exp	\$	200.00
Colorado State Treasurer	exp	\$	1,073.41
Community Bank of the Rockies	exp	\$	60,392.86
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	106.00
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	168.00
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	350.00
Pre-Paid Legal Services	exp	\$	29.90
Rio Grande County Treasurer	exp	\$	48,279.97
Security Benefit	exp	\$	4,791.66
Sooper Credit Union	exp	\$	400.00
TOTAL		\$	115,791.80

CAN Surety	bonds	\$	680.00
First Bankcard	card pmt	\$	9,701.56
Frank Clark	exp	\$	500.00
Absolute Shine	exp	\$	730.22
ACS Services Inc	exp	\$	5,826.37
Adams Drug Store	exp	\$	1,348.41
Adock's Automotive	RGSO	\$	234.98
Air Filter Sales & Svc	exp	\$	636.18
Andrews Produce Inc	exp	\$	941.12
Aspen Office Products	exp	\$	7.20
Banner Day Studio	exp	\$	65.00
Boys & Girls Club	exp	\$	450.00
Business Solutions Lsng	exp	\$	410.33
CBI Printers	exp	\$	380.00
Chaffee Cnty Public Health	mileage	\$	1,295.00
Cherri Lyons	mileage	\$	16.00
Civil Air Patrol Magazine	exp	\$	295.00
Co Dept of Human Service	citations	\$	24.00
Co Dept of Public Safety	exp	\$	367.50
Colo County Treasurer's Assn	dues	\$	400.00
Colo Public Trustee Assn	Kern	\$	175.00
Colorado NAFTA	RGSO	\$	780.00
Conour SLV Animal Shelter	exp	\$	670.85
Costilla County Nursing	December	\$	1,778.00
Custom Badge	RGSO	\$	172.00
Dale Trujillo	mileage	\$	79.00
Danah Gonzales	mileage	\$	115.00
Dave's Elec & Hobbies	exp	\$	10.00
Del Norte Auto Supply	exp	\$	79.80
Don's Lock & Key Service	exp	\$	130.00

Duckwall-Alco Discount	exp	\$	489.83
Dunn Law FLP	legal	\$	387.50
First Ford	exp	\$	414.00
Glock Inc	exp	\$	136.00
Gobins	exp	\$	2,317.64
Hands Across Cultures	exp	\$	757.90
High Valley Community	exp	\$	425.00
Impact Promotional Products	exp	\$	884.05
Jack's Market	exp	\$	821.99
Jack's Market	exp	\$	311.11
Jade Communications LLC	exp	\$	49.95
Jeff Babcock	salary	\$	8,960.57
Ken's Service Center	RGSO	\$	2,481.84
Lake County Health Dept	Nov/Dec	\$	800.00
Lisa Bodey	salary	\$	290.00
Meadow Gold Dairies Inc	exp	\$	923.49
Merck & Co Inc	exp	\$	3,333.56
Michael Valdez	mileage	\$	76.00
Michelle Medina	mileage	\$	47.00
Miller's Precision	exp	\$	173.52
Mineral County Public	exp	\$	743.00
Monte Vista Amoco	exp	\$	265.71
Monte Vista Cooperative	exp	\$	63.32
Motorola Inc	exp	\$	78,758.65
Movie Manor Motel	RGSO	\$	61.20
Notes & Numbers, LLC	exp	\$	265.00
Office Depot	exp	\$	87.47
PCI Products Co	exp	\$	323.76
Peggy Kern	mileage	\$	20.00
Physician Sales & Services	exp	\$	226.76
Print Rite	exp	\$	255.41
Pro Com	exp	\$	70.00
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	39.57
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	64.27
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	79.71
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	51.93
Randall Kern	per diem	\$	49.34
Rio Grande Hospital	exp	\$	2,111.13
Robert Hagedorn	mileage	\$	189.00
Safeway Inc	exp	\$	283.42
Sean Canada	per diem	\$	42.70
SLV Glass	exp	\$	541.37
SLV Regional Medical	RGSO	\$	592.11
Sparkle Cleaners	RGSO	\$	91.00
Staples Business	exp	\$	439.04
Sue Davis	salary	\$	2,407.57
Suzanne Benton	mileage	\$	329.50
Telefsoro J Dominguez	mileage	\$	51.50
True Value Hardware	exp	\$	12.98
US Postal Service	postage	\$	30,000.00
United Reprographic	exp	\$	65.00
Univ of Co Health Science	exp	\$	3,000.00
Valley Courier	exp	\$	115.90
Valley Electric	exp	\$	300.00
Valley Gun Service	exp	\$	87.80

Valley Meat	exp	\$	2,974.55
Valley Publishing	exp	\$	342.50
Valley-Wide Health Systems	exp	\$	41.25
Vendola Plumbing	exp	\$	528.46
Verizon Wireless	exp	\$	1,758.72
Victim Assistance Fund	citations	\$	24.00
Waste Management	exp	\$	286.33
Wright Valley Oil	exp	\$	2,655.16
WSB Computer Services	exp	\$	1,000.00
TOTAL		\$	184,075.56

Road & Bridge Fund

Qwest Communications	exp	\$	53.73
Verizon Wireless	exp	\$	114.73
TOTAL		\$	168.46

Colorado State Treasurer	exp	\$	413.36
Community Banks of the Rockies	exp	\$	23,746.09
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	790.00
Rio Grande County Treasurer	exp	\$	17,483.48
Security Benefit	exp	\$	50.00
TOTAL		\$	42,482.93

First Bankcard	card pmt	\$	178.00
Airgas Intermountain	exp	\$	901.40
All Truck and Trailer	exp	\$	524.54
Alta Fuels	exp	\$	8,522.26
AT&T	exp	\$	62.60
Big R of Alamosa	exp	\$	1,122.78
CNH Capital	exp	\$	34.16
Colorado Machinery	exp	\$	1,816.17
Del Norte Auto Supply	exp	\$	724.89
Drive Train Industries	exp	\$	617.06
Duckwall-Alco Discount	exp	\$	56.12
Fastenall	exp	\$	17.07
Fleming Chemical Co	exp	\$	179.80
Gunbarrel Service Station	exp	\$	98.20
Haynie's Inc	exp	\$	1,467.19
Intermountain First Aid	exp	\$	482.16
Jack's Market	exp	\$	76.49
Layton Truck Equipment	exp	\$	150.92
Leroy A Romero	exp	\$	125.00
Lyle Signs	exp	\$	6,625.60
Monte Glass Shop	exp	\$	14.00
Monte Vista BP/Amoco	exp	\$	211.95
Monte Vista Cooperative	exp	\$	110.01
Monte Vista Machine Tool	exp	\$	608.51
Monte Vista Tractor	exp	\$	173.51
Myers Brothers Truck	exp	\$	15.00
Petty Cash	misc exp	\$	13.81
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	391.94
Ridge View Tel	exp	\$	29.95
Rocky Mtn Memorabilia	exp	\$	55.00
Rylind Industries	exp	\$	222.00

Safety-Kleen	exp	\$	211.87
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	170.00
Skyline Steel	exp	\$	42,430.00
Southwestern Auto Supply	exp	\$	527.69
Staples Business	exp	\$	99.86
Transwest Truck Inc	exp	\$	1,056.05
Trinidad State	exp	\$	525.00
United Rentals Inc	exp	\$	12.00
Valley Lumber and Supply	exp	\$	3.87
Verizon Wireless	exp	\$	135.12
Wagner Equipment	exp	\$	2,757.33
Waste Management	exp	\$	26.84
Wright Valley Oil	exp	\$	11,975.76
Xcel Energy	exp	\$	1,770.10
TOTAL		\$	87,329.58
Pest Control			
Alltel	exp	\$	32.54
Monte Vista Cooperative	exp	\$	464.12
Mount'n Valley Sports	Honda	\$	5,000.00
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	63.00
TOTAL		\$	5,559.66
Colorado State Treasurer	exp	\$	23.68
Community Bank of the Rockies	exp	\$	1,445.28
Rio Grande County Treas.	exp	\$	965.48
TOTAL		\$	2,434.44
First BankCard	card pmt	\$	48.49
Alltel	exp	\$	26.55
Co County Weed	exp	\$	50.00
Colo Weed Management Assn	membership	\$	65.00
Qwest Communication	exp	\$	81.33
TOTAL		\$	271.37
Airport Fund			
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	573.48
TOTAL		\$	573.48
Capital Expenditure Fund			
		\$	-
TOTAL		\$	-
Conservation Trust			
San Luis Valley TV Inc	exp	\$	1,250.00
TOTAL		\$	1,250.00
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	94.14
TOTAL		\$	94.14
Tourism Trust			
Applelodge Enterprises	website	\$	500.00

Pueblo Chieftain	exp	\$	305.00
Riverbend Resort	exp	\$	10.00
Weaver Multimedia	exp	\$	4,000.00
Wolf Creek Lodge	exp	\$	10.00
TOTAL		\$	4,825.00

At 11:15 a.m. Commissioner Murphy moved to change the County mileage rate to 45 cents per mile effective January 1, 2009. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

At 11:30 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, joined the session to discuss pending legal matters. He talked with Gene Farish, South Fork attorney, regarding plumbing inspections for the towns of Monte Vista and South Fork. Mr. Farish asked when the inspections would be implemented, the qualifications of the inspectors and the cost of inspections. Ms. Benton said both Building Department staff members are certified by the State and they would like to implement the inspections April 1, 2009.

Ms. Benton noted the invoice and correspondence from BMI for re-broadcasting on each TV station. The Board asked Mr. Dunn to look over the notice. Mr. Dunn clarified that the County is relaying the signal from San Antonio Mountain. The County is in the process of possibly selling the towers to Ken Swinehart.

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 on Tuesday, January 13, 2009. Members present were Commissioners Robert Hagedorn, Doug Davie, and Dennis Murphy, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, and Lyla Davis, Clerk of the Board.

At 9:00 a.m. Commissioners Davie and Murphy were sworn in by District Court Judge Martin Gonzales. Rusty Strohmayer, County Coroner, was also sworn in.

At 9:15 a.m. Commissioner Davie called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and the agenda was set. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the January 7, 2009 minutes as amended. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:20 a.m. Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Supervisor, joined the session for the monthly report. The written report was submitted as follows.

- Preliminary work was done on the 11 North Road
- Carl Hill conducted bridge inspections on several bridges to determine which bridge decks are in need of replacement
- The gravel pit on the 11 North Road was opened
- The employees attended CPR training
- Several days and nights were spent on snow removal
- Mr. Sullivan attended the CCI conference
- The Department assisted the Monte Vista Fire Department with a hay stack fire; a loader and operator were provided
- The fuel contract was signed with Alta Fuels for a ten month contract
- Abelardo Heredia retired on December 23, 2008

Work to be done in January includes attending the MSHA training course, continue widening and cleaning roads that were impacted with snow and wind, the crew will begin pushing grade on the 11 North Road, the crew could possibly start re-decking the steel bridges, and Mr. Sullivan will take two employees with him to inspect a snow blower.

Mr. Sullivan received a call from the John Deere mechanic in Pueblo who has worked on the grader. Mr. Sullivan is not pleased with the service and diagnosis; a remanufactured transmission will be \$22,000. Plow blades had to be purchased for \$4,400 this year; this item will have to be increased at the next budget session. Mr. Sullivan said there is a need for a fuel tank at the Del Norte facility. The fuel stations in Del Norte are slow and it can take fifteen minutes to fill a machine. Mr. Sullivan would like to explore some options for installing a fuel tank at the Del Norte shop. There was discussion of the fuel provider installing and owning the tank versus the County installing and owning the tank. Commissioner Hagedorn said he feels the County would be better off installing a tank and bidding for fuel each year. Mr. Sullivan would like to post the Operator I position. He had a request to remove snow at the Ninos Day Care Center at the old Del Norte hospital. Commissioner Murphy moved to purchase the snow blower upon Mr. Sullivan's inspection. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

At 10:15 a.m. the Board reorganized and set the meeting schedules and holidays for the County. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the resolution setting meeting dates of the Commissioners. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed. (BOOK 542 PAGE 307)

Commissioner Hagedorn moved to keep the current Board seats (Chairman Doug Davie and Vice Chairman Dennis Murphy). Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to re-appoint the existing department heads. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed. Appointments to Boards and Commissions were set. The Monte Vista Journal was set as the official County newspaper. The County Holiday Schedule was approved.

At 10:40 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. The Revolving Loan Fund contracts were signed.

At 10:45 a.m. James Berg, Director of Social Services, joined the session for the monthly report.

At 11:30 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, joined the session for pending legal matters. Regarding the Parker Hill TV tower, re-broadcasting requires a license and is subject to royalties. BMI has set fees for this service and royalty payments; the County falls within the \$137,000 - \$0 net revenue or income on towers. The Federal Communication Commission has issued a license for the specific frequency. If the County cannot convert the digital television signal the towers will be shut down anyway. The Board asked Ms. Benton to contact Ken Swinehart regarding these towers.

The expired building permit issue has been resolved; the owner paid the outstanding fees following a discussion with Mr. Dunn.

The Building Department sent letters to the owners of two dangerous buildings in the County.

At 11:45 a.m. Ms. Benton continued with pending matters. Cindy Hill is a certified election official with the Clerk and Recorder's Office. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the step increase for this employee. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

The District Attorney's January invoice was presented for payment. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the invoice. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

There was a request for BBQ grills at the Annex for a graduation party. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to allow gas grills only. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

The Airport Liability Policy renewal was presented. The coverage was increased to \$1 million with a \$1,400 increase in premium. The Board approved the increase.

The Assessor's Office has been scheduled for painting with the Maintenance Department.

The Museum roof replacement has been started.

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 Tuesday, January 20, 2009. Members present were Vice Chairman Dennis Murphy and Commissioner Robert Hagedorn, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, and Lyla Davis, Clerk of the Board.

At 10:00 a.m. Vice Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order following the monthly managers meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and the agenda was set. Chairman Doug Davie joined the session after attending a committee meeting.

At 10:15 a.m. Pat Perry, Public Health Nurse, joined the session for the monthly report. Ms. Perry reviewed the monthly written report and the communicable disease cases. She is still working with Medicare on 2007 flu shot payments. The Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) clinic will start this month at the old Del Norte Hospital building. State Health Department staff will conduct the testing and interviews. By using State staff more privacy will be ensured. This has been advertised throughout the County; the State staff is fluent in Spanish. Ms. Perry has been asked if she would do a regional clinic but said it would not be feasible because of funding.

Ms. Perry commented on the home visits for mothers and babies. There is a nutritional aspect of the visits for the mothers. She noted the Medicare billing for this service and the importance of this service to residents.

A CPR class was offered to another County office and County day care providers.

A new computer was purchased for the front desk. Ms. Perry said they may use QuickBooks for their bookkeeping.

At 10:40 a.m. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the January 13, 2009 minutes as amended. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

Ms. Benton presented pending matters. Chairman Davie noted a call from a resident regarding the TV stations. Ms. Benton said her calls to Ken Swinehart have not been returned.

Ms. Benton said the Sargent School District has asked the Road and Bridge Department to remove the asphalt and playground equipment as in kind work towards their grant application. Mr. Sullivan will be asked to look at the site. Randy Kern, Building Inspector, has been in contact with the State Plumbing Office regarding the State Statute and regulations. Chairman Davie signed a letter to be sent to the State office stating that the 2006 International Residential Code, Chapters 13 - 32 will be used; the County officials will be ICC certified residential and commercial plumbing inspectors with implementation to be April 1, 2009.

Ms. Benton reviewed the meeting schedule.

A.J. Taylor, Museum, submitted a request to allow wine to be served at an art exhibit opening. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to deny the request. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

The Board agreed to allow the donation of 40 hours to the critical care bank. This department supervisor will be encouraged to take the vacation time in the future.

Commissioner Hagedorn will be the elected official representative to the local Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) board.

Commissioner Hagedorn moved to purchase the Chrysler transport van for \$20,841.99 from Town and Country Auto which was the low bid. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 11:30 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, joined the session for pending legal matters. Ken Swinehart called Mr. Dunn regarding transferring the TV towers to Swinehart Broadcasting, LLC. Swinehart Broadcasting would assume the liabilities with the towers; there will be a clause to revert the towers back to the County if Swinehart Broadcasting ceases. There was discussion of the Drake tower property and the lease with Ann Burkhart. Ms. Benton will contact Ms.

Burkhart regarding subleasing or transferring the lease to Mr. Swinehart. Ms. Benton said there are seven FCC licenses to transfer. Mr. Dunn said he talked with Mr. Swinehart regarding the BMI royalty fees. Mr. Swinehart will look into the matter.

Mr. Dunn presented a copy of a letter from Eric Schwiesow regarding the Sanderson Gravel Pit. Ms. Benton said the State has closed the pit and the County has conveyed the land to Thad Elliott. There was discussion of the monitoring well as noted in the letter. A call was placed to Mr. Schwiesow. The Board will hold another conference call next week to see what progress has been made in the matter.

Randy Kern, Building Inspector, said the two notices of dangerous buildings have been mailed and the return receipts received. The property owners have sixty days to take action on the notices. Mr. Kern asked what legal action the County can take after sixty days. Mr. Dunn will research the matter.

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, January 28, 2009. 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 January 20, 2009 minutes as amended. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

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

County General

Davie, Douglas	sal.	\$	3,765.14
Hagedorn, Robert	sal.	\$	4,141.67
Murphy, Dennis	sal.	\$	3,765.14
Benton, Suzanne	sal.	\$	6,963.03
Kessler, Glenda	sal.	\$	2,695.33
Vanderpool, Rose	sal.	\$	3,152.93
Canada, Sean	sal.	\$	3,215.33
Kern, Randall	sal.	\$	4,213.73

Gabbel, Jaclyn	sal.	\$ 1,665.73
Gonzales, Catherine	sal.	\$ 2,112.93
Hill, Cindy	sal.	\$ 1,989.87
Jackson, Sandra	sal.	\$ 4,141.67
Montoya, Michelle	sal.	\$ 2,124.65
Murphy, Donna	sal.	\$ 3,045.56
Quintana, Mary	sal.	\$ 2,632.93
Steving, Sherryl	sal.	\$ 2,068.39
Wilson, Christina	sal.	\$ 1,742.38
Dominguez, Telesforo	sal.	\$ 4,141.67
Lyons, Cherri	sal.	\$ 2,222.13
Medina, Michelle	sal.	\$ 2,447.47
Mondragon, Jennifer	sal.	\$ 2,750.80
Salazar, Eva	sal.	\$ 2,267.20
Spicer, William	sal.	\$ 3,144.27
Trujillo, Dale	sal.	\$ 2,312.27
Valdez, Michael	sal.	\$ 2,447.47
Atencio, Valerie	sal.	\$ 2,912.63
Kern, Peggy	sal.	\$ 4,141.67
Rue, Cherilyn	sal.	\$ 2,819.48
Voris, Carol	sal.	\$ 2,161.25
Brown, Elaine	sal.	\$ 1,322.53
Garcia, Carol	sal.	\$ 1,842.53
Marquez, Ronald	sal.	\$ 1,955.20
Medina, Porfie	sal.	\$ 2,057.47
Arellano, Timothy	sal.	\$ 2,447.47
Chick, Charles	sal.	\$ 3,525.60
Clark, Frank	sal.	\$ 1,906.67
Doctor, Janette	sal.	\$ 2,938.00
Duran, Jeremiah	sal.	\$ 2,447.47
Espinoza, Isaiah	sal.	\$ 2,398.93
Gonzales, Jason	sal.	\$ 2,496.00
Lopez, Emily	sal.	\$ 2,591.33
Martinez, Robin	sal.	\$ 2,398.93
Norton, Brian	sal.	\$ 5,550.00
Steffens, Angela	sal.	\$ 2,398.93
Wheelwright, Boyd	sal.	\$ 2,695.33
Archuleta, Anthony	sal.	\$ 2,428.31
Atencio, Joseph	sal.	\$ 2,496.00
Bailey, Ronald	sal.	\$ 1,944.80
Black, Kelly	sal.	\$ 3,208.40
Bruder, Gary	sal.	\$ 2,469.31
Chacon, Michael	sal.	\$ 1,545.51
Chick, Amanda	sal.	\$ 1,991.12
Deherrera, Alicia	sal.	\$ 1,961.29
Duran, Dusty	sal.	\$ 1,996.89
Ford, Donna	sal.	\$ 2,140.67
Fuentes, Jose	sal.	\$ 1,995.30
Garcia, Cori	sal.	\$ 1,927.04
Hart, Jonathan	sal.	\$ 2,161.19
Kerr, Tory	sal.	\$ 2,169.71
Messoline, Larry	sal.	\$ 1,938.20
Naranjo, Henry	sal.	\$ 1,722.59
Ortega, Arthur	sal.	\$ 2,256.82
Parks, Joseph	sal.	\$ 2,364.68

Sierra, Shaun	sal.	\$ 1,966.73
Trujillo, Ramon	sal.	\$ 2,292.53
Webb, Victor	sal.	\$ 1,470.00
Strohmayer, Rusty	sal.	\$ 1,841.67
Gonzales, Danah	sal.	\$ 2,168.40
Brown, Linda	sal.	\$ 3,703.70
Koshak, Dianne	sal.	\$ 2,978.73
Kostuk, Diane	sal.	\$ 1,944.37
Masters, Judy	sal.	\$ 2,764.86
Perry, Patricia	sal.	\$ 4,642.65
Montoya-Salazar, Lanell	sal.	\$ 1,874.60
Robinson, Kelli	sal.	\$ 1,700.18
Hand, Rebecca	sal.	\$ 1,170.00
Housden, Joyce	sal.	\$ 3,466.67
Crowder, Larry	sal.	\$ 1,320.66
Hendricks, Paula	sal.	\$ 3,318.47
Colville, Louise	sal.	\$ 167.44
Oglesby, Freddy	sal.	\$ 2,546.27
Taylor, Anna	sal.	\$ 3,438.59
Lujan, Maxine	sal.	\$ 2,544.82

\$214,216.28

(Taxes Withheld, \$35,208.63; Deductions Withheld,
\$28,448.03)

ROAD & BRIDGE

Atencio, Kevin	sal.	\$ 2,752.08
Black, Timothy	sal.	\$ 3,435.47
Chapman, Destry	sal.	\$ 3,134.23
Hansen, Arnold	sal.	\$ 3,411.34
Hill, Carl	sal.	\$ 3,828.37
Lyons, Dale	sal.	\$ 2,485.40
Maestas, William	sal.	\$ 3,718.12
McKinley, Robert	sal.	\$ 3,322.35
Miles, Darryl	sal.	\$ 4,565.57
Pacheco, Carl	sal.	\$ 3,367.87
Plane, Kenneth	sal.	\$ 2,361.32
Archuletta, Mark	sal.	\$ 3,837.47
Atencio, Manuel	sal.	\$ 4,026.20
Benavides, Eodofredo	sal.	\$ 3,152.54
Cervantez, Manuel	sal.	\$ 2,735.90
Claunch, Billy	sal.	\$ 3,589.67
Paulson, Roy	sal.	\$ 4,058.23
Rowe, Danny	sal.	\$ 3,165.74
Steffens, John	sal.	\$ 4,162.21
Sullivan, Patrick	sal.	\$ 5,455.45
Trujillo, Adelmo	sal.	\$ 2,934.32
Romero, Olivia	sal.	\$ 2,405.87

\$ 75,905.72

(Taxes Withheld, \$14,639.52; Deductions Withheld,
\$9,230.56)

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Arvizo, Rita	sal.	\$ 2,908.75
Atencio, Davine	sal.	\$ 1,503.13

Berg, James	sal.	\$ 5,976.44
Bruder, Linda	sal.	\$ 2,088.13
Casias, Brenda	sal.	\$ 2,083.25
Chavez, Melody	sal.	\$ 2,019.88
Dupont, Ilene	sal.	\$ 1,508.78
Duran, Jaxine	sal.	\$ 2,255.50
Gallegos, Brandi	sal.	\$ 2,393.63
Garcia, Shirley	sal.	\$ 1,595.75
Goad, Lorraine	sal.	\$ 2,083.25
Gonzales, Carolyn	sal.	\$ 2,346.50
Gunther, Darlene	sal.	\$ 2,255.50
Hernandez, Marlene	sal.	\$ 2,346.50
Horn, Ruth	sal.	\$ 4,047.88
Jaramillo, Richelle	sal.	\$ 3,136.25
Kern, Jody	sal.	\$ 3,807.38
Maestas, Valarie	sal.	\$ 2,387.13
Martinez, Helen	sal.	\$ 3,978.00
Martinez, Janelle	sal.	\$ 2,210.00
Meder, Jeremy	sal.	\$ 2,880.00
Naranjo, Andritta	sal.	\$ 2,094.63
Pacheco, Leann	sal.	\$ 1,727.38
Pacheco, Rosanne	sal.	\$ 3,674.13
Padilla, Christopher	sal.	\$ 2,125.50
Palacios, Irma	sal.	\$ 2,210.00
Parra, Gregorio	sal.	\$ 3,722.88
Pena, Mike	sal.	\$ 4,538.63
Roesch, Korissa	sal.	\$ 2,340.00
Ruybal, Evelyn	sal.	\$ 2,210.00
Sanchez, Kiley	sal.	\$ 3,105.88
Sanchez, Ramona	sal.	\$ 2,393.63
Segura, Donna	sal.	\$ 932.07
Shaver, Betty	sal.	\$ 2,749.50
Sierra, Jessica	sal.	\$ 2,255.50
Sims, Heather	sal.	\$ 3,140.50
Slane, Sherryl	sal.	\$ 2,730.00
Stephens, Jackie	sal.	\$ 3,748.88
Villagomez, Rashel	sal.	\$ 2,346.50
Webb, Jeannie	sal.	\$ 1,721.72
White, Victoria	sal.	\$ 2,210.00

\$107,788.96

(Taxes Withheld, \$17,616.31; Deductions Withheld, \$16,012.55)

PEST CONTROL

Christensen, Bryan	sal.	\$ 50.00
Clare, James	sal.	\$ 50.00
Mayfield, Larry	sal.	\$ 50.00
Miner, Craig	sal.	\$ 50.00
Mueller, Mark	sal.	\$ 50.00
Plane, Darrel	sal.	\$ 3,913.40
Schaefer, Michael	sal.	\$ 50.00

\$ 4,213.40

(Taxes Withheld, \$746.92; Deductions Withheld, \$633.09)

At 9:30 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. John Sandoval, Conejos County Commissioner, was designated to be the South Central Work Force Chief Local Elected Official for the Colorado Rural Workforce Consortium. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the following abatements. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

Schedule No.	Assessed	Actual	Tax
19293-03-014	\$930	\$11,683	\$42.26
10670000	\$1,476	\$5,089	\$66.36
33342-00-154	\$5,630	\$19,414	\$388.06
21352-00-206	\$1,330	\$16,713	\$60.86

At 9:35 a.m. Sheriff Brian Norton and Under Sheriff Chuck Chick joined the session. The pickup bids were presented for discussion. Chairman Davie asked why pickups were being requested rather than another type of vehicle. Mr. Chick said the trucks can be used for transport as well as search and rescue. Chairman Davie asked if the cars setting in the parking lot were going to be traded in. Sheriff Norton said the extra cars are used at times for local errands by jail staff and for reserve officers. The Board asked why the Courthouse Security Officer had a vehicle if he is assigned to the Courthouse building. Sheriff Norton said this officer is also a reserve deputy. Chairman Davie said the County is facing budget cuts. Sheriff Norton said he would like four wheel drive vehicles because of the access to many parts of the County. Chairman Davie also noted the fuel budget and the savings with a Ford Explorer rather than a pickup or Ford Expedition.

The Board asked about revenue from traffic violations. Mr. Chick noted that traffic stops have decreased; more warnings are given out when stops are made. Sheriff Norton said there are higher priority cases that need the deputies' attention, the traffic violations are secondary. He added that he has talked with both Del Norte and South Fork about dispatch as another source of revenue for the County. Mr. Chick said there has been talk of a DTR tower near Grayback Mountain; this would be a benefit to Conejos and Rio Grande Counties and areas where radio coverage is minimal.

Sheriff Norton said there are leaks in the old jail portion of the roof which need to be addressed. The Maintenance Supervisor will get a bid for repair; the warranty has expired.

Regarding the vehicles, Mr. Chick said the pickups are less expensive than an SUV such as an Explorer. The cages for the trucks and Expeditions are the same. Sheriff Norton said when there is less snow in the parking lot the excess vehicles can be sold at a Sheriff's sale or consignment sale. There are three vehicles that could be sold as well as some others that need some repair work. The Board suggested taking these vehicles to the Monte Vista Cooperative's consignment sale in March. Sheriff Norton said they would take the vehicles to this sale.

Ms. Benton clarified that two new pickups were being requested. She also presented the draft MOU and maps from the Forest Service for the Sheriff's review. Sheriff Norton informed the Board that he understood Forest Service roads are being reclassified as "administrative roads" not "public roads". He added that the State Statutes refer to law enforcement from a "public road" standpoint.

There was discussion of funding reductions at the State level. Ms. Benton said if funding continues to decrease each department will be asked to start making cuts. Sheriff Norton said if he is out of the office Chuck Chick will be authorized to sign vouchers in his absence.

At 10:40 a.m. Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Supervisor, joined the session. He said he would like to sell two pieces of equipment that are rarely used. It was the consensus of the Board to sell this equipment.

Commissioner Hagedorn moved to allocate 5% of the Forest Service revenues (PILT) to the schools within the County and 95% to the Road and Bridge department. The total Forest Service revenue is \$361,082. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 11:00 a.m. Nancy Butler and Aaron Derwingson, Rio Grande Headwaters Land Trust, joined the session. Mr. Derwingson is new to the agency. Ms. Butler noted that the office has moved to Del Norte. Information was given on the purpose and progress of the Rio Grande Initiative. To date 13,000 acres have been protected in the San Luis Valley which is half way to their goal of 25,000 acres. Ms. Butler updated the Board on current ranches and easements. She asked the Board to sign a letter of support for the River Valley Ranch III project. The Board agreed to sign such letter.

At 11:30 a.m. a conference call was placed to Eric Schwiesow regarding gravel pits and water augmentation plans. All parties involved will be giving information to Mr. Schwiesow this week. The Board will place another call next week for a progress update.

At 11:45 a.m. Ms. Benton continued with pending matters. Bids for the Sheriff's vehicle were submitted as follows:

Town & County Auto Mall	2009 Ford F150	\$25,577
First Ford	2009 Ford F150	\$25,314

Commissioner Hagedorn moved to purchase one pickup for the Sheriff's department from First Ford for \$25,314.

Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed. The Board asked that the unused vehicles be sold at the Monte Vista Consignment sale. The request for the second vehicle will be reviewed in six months.

The Board asked Ms. Benton to send a letter to the Secretary of State regarding election costs. Ms. Benton will also send a letter to Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior, regarding reconsideration of the sale of 640 acres of BLM land to the County.

There was discussion of the transportation contract; Bill Dunn, County Attorney, is reviewing the contract.

The first draft of the TV translator contract was presented for review. Ms. Benton noted some additions regarding maintaining the equipment.

Ms. Benton noted three certificates of perfect performance from the Office of Vital Statistics for Cindy Hill, Donna Murphy and Cathy Gonzales.

Single Entry Point funding has been reduced by \$25,000. Letters of support of the runway extension project were noted.

Pending meetings were noted.

The Maintenance Department will paint County offices but there will be a standardized color pallet.

The demographic report drafted by the State was noted; Ms. Benton said she has sent updates noting the higher population in the County.

At 12:15 p.m. the Board adjourned for lunch and a work session.

Attest:

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board

Doug Davie
Chairman of the Board