

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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The Rio Grande County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, November 4, 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 October 28, 2009 minutes as presented. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:10 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. Commissioner Murphy moved to waive the Annex fee for the Del Norte Head Start first aid training. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:15 a.m. Mike Blenden and Floyd Truetken, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, joined the session to update the Board on the local Wildlife Refuges. Mr. Truetken said the Refuge has increased their herbicide application for weed control and about 900 acres of hay has been harvested from the Refuge. Mr. Blenden discussed the American Recovery Act which has closed the auto tour loop but the project is complete and the route has re-opened. He noted that some wells are adjudicated for year round wildlife use and are flooding shallow meadows for crane roosts. Mr. Truetken said duck hunters were minimal this year; there was discussion of the decrease in hunting nationwide. Mr. Blenden updated the Board on the Refuge Revenue Sharing Program, or Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) and explained the calculations; Rio Grande County received \$24,431.

A full time law enforcement officer and a prescribed fire specialist have been added to the staff. Mr. Blenden said the Refuge has been involved in the well regulation process. He said the Weed District Board has been helpful to the Refuge. Mr. Truetken said fifteen high school students were hired over the summer to work on the Refuge which was very successful for everyone involved.

At 9:30 a.m. Ms. Benton continued with pending matters. A bid for roof repair of a 25' x 10' section on the Courthouse was submitted for \$2,400 by Valdez Roofing. A spot repair would be \$675. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to accept the \$2,400 bid to repair the larger section. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

Ms. Benton presented the Certification of Levy for Beaver Mountain Estates Phase I, II and III Public Improvement District. Commissioner Murphy moved to certify the levy for the fifth and final year. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

Chairman Davie made the motion to accept the computer service contract for 2010 from WSB Computer Services. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed. The Board approved the letter of support to Congressman John Salazar for the Federal Land Exchange.

At 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the following claims. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

County General Fund

ACS Services Inc	computer svc	\$	8,192.41
Anne Henningsen	October	\$	275.00
Aspen Office Products	supplies	\$	66.62
Co Dept of Human Service	Sept	\$	15.00
D&T Ventures LLC	assessor web	\$	275.00
District Attorney Office	October	\$	11,750.83
Gobins	supplies	\$	389.64
Hart Intercivic	election	\$	3,464.00
Jeanette Howey	election	\$	115.96
Pueblo Co Information Svc	software	\$	5,237.33
Qwest Communications	telephone	\$	2,067.21
Robert Hagedorn	Sept	\$	183.60
Rose Vanderpool	mileage	\$	378.70
Spectracom	radios	\$	2,640.93
Staples Business	supplies	\$	158.87
State of Colo/DOI	T1 line	\$	333.84
United Reprographic	supplies	\$	75.88
Valley Lock and Security	repair	\$	132.00
Verizon Wireless	telephone	\$	862.51
Verizon Wireless	telephone	\$	198.15
Victim Assistance Fund	Sept	\$	15.00
Victor Webb	Homeland Sec	\$	40.00
Wright Valley Oil	fuel	\$	3,216.84
WSB Computer Service	computer svc	\$	270.00
Xcel Energy	utility	\$	2,611.62
TOTAL		\$	42,966.94

Community Bank of the Rockies	exp	\$	54,544.83
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	106.00
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	158.00
Pre-Paid Legal Services	exp	\$	139.45
Rio Grande County Treasurer	exp	\$	45,235.43
Security Benefit	exp	\$	1,225.00
Sooper Credit Union	exp	\$	300.00
TOTAL		\$	101,708.71

ACS Services Inc	computer svc	\$	6,746.45
Adams Drug Store Inc	October	\$	3,333.57
Andrews Produce Inc	jail food	\$	525.84
Anne Henningsen	November	\$	275.00
Antonito Pharmacy LLC	jail meds	\$	49.00
Aspen Office Products	supplies	\$	126.22
Blanca Telephone Company	telephone	\$	41.75
Business Solutions Lsng	supplies	\$	410.33
Camille Ferran	cash	\$	2.36
CED/American Electrical	repairs	\$	74.14
Chematox Laboratory Inc	blood test	\$	51.50
Cheyenne Radiology Group	jail medical	\$	55.48
Co Dept of Public Safety	permits	\$	157.50
Colorado Assessors Assn	December	\$	900.00

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Colorado Counties Inc	registration	\$	335.00
Conejos County Hospital	RGSO	\$	416.00
Conejos County Sheriff	holding	\$	3,526.00
Crowne Plaza Colo. Spgs	meeting exp	\$	246.00
Custom Badge	RGSO	\$	44.70
Dave Pote	Homeland Sec	\$	542.50
Dave's Elec & Hobbies	supplies	\$	52.97
Del Norte Auto Supply	supplies	\$	203.25
District Attorney Office	November	\$	11,750.83
Duckwall-Alco Discount	supplies	\$	179.71
Dunn Law FLP	legal svc	\$	1,418.75
Fine Line Electrical	repairs	\$	50.00
First Bankcard	card pmt	\$	5,138.95
Galls Inc	supplies	\$	619.25
Gobins	supplies	\$	412.85
Hart Intercivic	election	\$	6,026.54
Haynie's Inc	supplies	\$	19.36
Intermountain First Aid	supplies	\$	9.64
Jack's Market	supplies	\$	117.19
Jeff Babcock	Homeland Sec	\$	7,550.65
John Michalke	Homeland Sec	\$	5,944.15
Ken's Service Center	repairs	\$	237.51
MB Police Equipment	supplies	\$	722.40
MARC	cleaning supp	\$	116.23
Meadow Gold Dairies	jail food	\$	510.18
Michael Valdez	mileage	\$	35.10
Monte Vista Cooperative	supplies	\$	19.36
Mount. View Communications	paggers	\$	239.70
NACO	dues	\$	400.00
Notes & Numbers LLC	clerk of board	\$	260.00
O&V Printing	supplies	\$	240.38
Pacer	tax sale	\$	96.88
Peggy J Kern	October	\$	18.00
Pro Com	drug test	\$	70.00
Qwest Communications	telephone	\$	36.70
Rainbow Lodge & Grocery	jail food	\$	652.65
Rio Grande County	repairs	\$	301.68
Rio Grande Hospital	jail med	\$	1,035.51
Robinson Textiles	jail supply	\$	94.80
Rose Vanderpool	mileage	\$	56.25
Safeway Inc	jail food	\$	208.88
Saguache County Jail	holding	\$	2,170.00
Sams Club	jail supply	\$	956.15
Sue Davis	Citizens Corp	\$	2,369.72
Suzanne Benton	mileage	\$	92.25
Town of Del Norte	utility	\$	1,202.25
True Value Hardware	supplies	\$	6.59
United Reprographic	supplies	\$	65.00
Valley Meat	jail food	\$	1,279.25
Vendola Plumbing & Heating	repairs	\$	2,042.07
WSB Computer Service	computer svc	\$	176.00
Xcel Energy	utility	\$	2,050.44
TOTAL		\$	75,315.36

Road & Bridge Fund

B&C Electric Inc	repair	\$	1,475.03
Qwest Communications	telephone	\$	108.00
Verizon Wireless	telephone	\$	119.96
TOTAL		\$	1,702.99

Community Banks of the Rockies	exp	\$	22,596.99
Family Support Registry	exp	\$	487.00
Rio Grande County Treasurer	exp	\$	18,578.24
Security Benefit	exp	\$	50.00
TOTAL		\$	41,712.23

Airgas Intermountain	exp	\$	363.89
All Truck and Trailer	exp	\$	154.40
Alta Fuels	fuel	\$	14,087.51
American Auto Parts	exp	\$	21.15
Asphalt Constructors	exp	\$	2,296.20
Business Solutions Lsg	exp	\$	179.58
Chaffee County Finance	snow blades	\$	3,000.00
CNH Capital	exp	\$	237.45
Colorado Machinery	exp	\$	562.66
D&M Wire Rope	supplies	\$	1,032.10
Del Norte Auto Supply	supplies	\$	72.88
Denver Truck Sales	exp	\$	38.76
Division of Reclamation	pit permits	\$	791.00
First Bankcard	card pmt	\$	175.35
Gobins	exp	\$	26.64
Gunbarrel Service Station	exp	\$	200.00
Haynie's Inc	supplies	\$	970.27
High Valley Lumber	exp	\$	21.00
Hotsy Sales & Service	exp	\$	175.69
Industrial & Farm Supply	exp	\$	172.60
J.J. Rental Centers	exp	\$	15.84
Leroy A Romero	October	\$	125.00
Michael Todd	signs	\$	1,960.20
Monte Vista Cooperative	exp	\$	295.05
Monte Vista Machine Tool	exp	\$	285.95
Monte Vista Machine Tool	exp	\$	48.00
Monte Vista Tractor	exp	\$	103.85
Myers Brothers Truck	exp	\$	330.69
Qwest Communications	exp	\$	393.75
Rio Grande County	computer exp	\$	445.74
San Luis Valley Rural	exp	\$	170.00
Sanner Brothers Salvage	exp	\$	239.40
SLV Earth Movers	exp	\$	1,320.00
SLV Glass	exp	\$	260.00
United Rentals Inc	exp	\$	174.56
Wagner Equipment	exp	\$	2,963.43
Wright Valley Oil	fuel	\$	10,425.58
WSB Computer Services	computer exp	\$	39.00
Xcel Energy	utility	\$	2,150.50
TOTAL		\$	46,325.67

Pest Control

TOTAL		\$	-
Community Bank of the Rockies	exp	\$	1,561.17
Rio Grande County Treas.	exp	\$	965.48
TOTAL		\$	2,526.65
Alltel	cell phone	\$	27.47
DP Ag Services	chemical	\$	103.00
First Bankcard	card pmt	\$	95.88
Haynie's Inc	repair	\$	1.73
Qwest Communications	telephone	\$	82.33
San Luis Valley Rural	utility	\$	67.00
TOTAL		\$	377.41

Airport Fund

TOTAL		\$	-
San Luis Valley Rural	utility	\$	314.00
TOTAL		\$	314.00

Capital Expenditure Fund

TOTAL		\$	-
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Conservation Trust

TOTAL		\$	-
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Tourism Trust

Applelodge Enterprises	web site	\$	500.00
TOTAL		\$	500.00

Public Health Department

City of Monte Vista	exp	\$	475.00
DNHS Booster Club	prevent partnr	\$	250.00
KALQ Radio Service	ads	\$	230.00
Office Depot	supplies	\$	126.86
OMNI Institute	prevent partnr	\$	868.60
Physician Sales & Services	supplies	\$	268.71
Qwest Communications	telephone	\$	314.04
State of Colorado/DOI	T1 line	\$	61.51
Tamarac Medical	lab work	\$	70.00
Valley Publishing	exp	\$	199.00
Verizon Wireless	cell phone	\$	119.96
TOTAL		\$	2,983.68

Alamosa Credit Union	exp	\$	200.00
Community Bank of the Rockies	exp	\$	11,101.44
Rio Grande County Treasurer	exp	\$	5,716.01
Security Benefit	exp	\$	50.00
Sooper Credit Union	exp	\$	100.00
TOTAL		\$	17,167.45

CDW Government Inc	exp	\$	218.55
Chaffee Cnty Public Hlth	October	\$	1,295.00
Costilla County Nursing	October	\$	1,778.00
Duckwall-Alco Discount	supplies	\$	5.45
First Bankcard	card pmt	\$	2,795.50
High Valley Community	exp	\$	225.00
Impact Promo Products	exp	\$	1,928.75
Jade Communications	exp	\$	49.95
Merck & Co Inc	vaccine	\$	1,507.00
Mineral County Public	October	\$	803.76
O&V Printing	supplies	\$	1,100.00
PSA	prevent partnr	\$	1,210.55
Qwest Communications	telephone	\$	17.18
Qwest Communications	telephone	\$	126.65
Rio Grande County	computer exp	\$	270.94
Sanofi Pasteur Inc	vaccine	\$	2,267.14
Staples Business	supplies	\$	483.12
Valley Publishing	exp	\$	145.00
TOTAL		\$	16,227.54

At 10:45 a.m. Marty Heimsoth and Paul Herman joined the session to discuss the closure of Forest Service roads, specifically, Upper Beaver Mountain Camp Ground road into Tueksbury trail. Mr. Heimsoth presented a letter that he would like to send to the Forest Service. Commissioner Murphy noted that the County is not in the position to maintain this trail. Mr. Heimsoth said it is a non-maintained County right-of-way. He asked that Bill Dunn, County Attorney, send a strong letter to the Forest Service on this RS 2477 road closure. Mr. Heimsoth said there is a gentleman from Utah who gives presentations on RS 2477 roads and is willing to visit the Valley for a presentation to all the Valley counties. The Board suggested this item for the Valley Commissioners meeting so all six counties could benefit. Mr. Heimsoth stated that he does not want to see more areas marked as 'wilderness' per the Forest Service plan and 'back country' is one level below 'wilderness'. Mr. Heimsoth would like to have a County right-of-way sign posted on the RS 2477 trails. The Board will take this under consideration.

At 11:30 a.m. Ms. Benton continued with pending matters. She noted meetings and correspondence.

At 11:45 a.m. the meeting was adjourned for lunch and a 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 Thursday, November 12, 2009. Members present were Chairman Doug Davie, Commissioners Dennis Murphy and Robert Hagedorn, and Suzanne Benton, County Administrator.

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 November 4, 2009 minutes as amended. Chairman Davie seconded; the motion passed.

Ms. Benton presented pending matters. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the following warrant for cancellation. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.
Warrant # 129805 Conejos County Hospital \$416.00

At 9:30 a.m. Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Supervisor, joined the session for the monthly report. The written report was submitted as follows:

- The 9 South project was completed.
- The crew has started base improvements on the 11 South Road.
- Bridges on the 11 South, 2 East, 1 South and 1 East roads were cleaned along with all Monte Vista Canal bridges.
- The second round of mowing was completed.
- Two days were spent plowing snow.
- Preliminary work on the 6 North bridge was started. Footers will be set November 24 with the road closed starting November 23. This should be a five week closure.
- Three sander boxes were ordered from Layton Trucks.
- Mr. Sullivan assisted Alamosa County with a culvert project.
- Two snow plows were purchased from Chaffee County for a total of \$3,000 including the hitches.

Proposed work for November includes marking telephone pedestal wire for the upcoming year, complete base improvements on the 11 South Road, begin engineering work on the 8 North, 10 North and 11 North roads for winter projects, set the fuel tank at the Del Norte yard and have B&C Electric do the electrical work, and begin the bridge project on the 6 North. Mr. Sullivan said a hammer will have to be rented to remove the old bridge. He also noted that the Monte Vista offices will be repainted and new carpet installed.

Mr. Sullivan is looking at a crack seal machine. They range from \$25,000 (used) to \$35,000 (new). In order to purchase a pickup truck through the State bid process, it must be ordered by November 20, 2009 for delivery in March of 2010.

Mr. Sullivan said he has talked with Jamie Hart. Mr. Hart has not submitted a letter for water augmentation yet.

At 10:00 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. The Board reviewed a letter to Rusty Strohmayr. The Board discussed zoning questions with Mr. Dunn. There was discussion of the Maxeyville and Sanderson gravel pit water augmentation plans.

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

At 1:30 p.m. Ray Wright, Chairman of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District; Brian David, Rio Grande County representative; Steve Vandiver, District Manager; Deb Sarason, Davis Engineering; Peggy Kern, County Treasurer; Joe Dominguez, County Assessor; and J.J. Mondragon, Deputy Assessor, joined the session to discuss the collection of water assessments through the County Treasurer's office. Mr. Wright said there is a considerable amount of concern or misinformation about collection of fees through the County Treasurer. The sub-district of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District would like to work with the County to assess fees. Mr. Vandiver said he feels it is within the State Statute to collect fees in this manner. Mr. Vandiver said they want to put a good database together under the proper authority. The sub-district has worked with Pete Magee, of SLV GIS/GPA Authority, as well as with Alamosa and Saguache Counties. There are some concerns listed with parcel numbers. The District will give the Treasurer a spreadsheet or some form of list to provide a single fee amount. It will not be up to the County to make calculations. The first year will be a collection of administrative fees of \$5/acre. Mr. Vandiver said they know the size of the parcels and the District will give a single figure to be put on the tax notice. There is a specific appeal process within the sub-district's board of managers. The County will not have to answer questions as to why assessments were made. All of the ditches under the Rio Grande Water Users Association, main ditches and senior water users, have supported and approved the sub-district to this point. Mr. Vandiver said he feels concerns have been addressed by opponents of the sub-district. The sub-district hopes to have the judge's findings so budgeting can begin. The data has been collected from Mr. Magee's office to get the proper land parcels recorded. The State Water Engineer is working on rules and regulations of ground water. He will try to have this done by the end of the year which will also be submitted to the court. Mr. Vandiver said they expect objectors to the State Engineer's plan as well. He said he would like to work with the County and sort out any concerns as they arise. The sub-district efforts are ahead of having each well owner submit to the court an application for water augmentation. He said agriculture will be damaged in the Valley if the State forces individual water augmentation plans. The sub-district effort is an attempt to correct the well over pumping that was created over the past several years. Farmers want to avoid ground water administration by the State; the sub-district is a locally managed effort.

Ms. Kern said this was discussed over a year ago with Ms. Sarason. Ms. Kern said she would need a certified list of what needs to be collected. She cannot make a subjective

decision; everything must be on this list that will be added to the tax roll. It is not an instrument that can be modified after it is certified. She likened this to the towns and special districts that the County collects taxes for. Ms. Kern said certifications are not perfect and once the collection cycle begins it cannot be changed. She added that the towns turn the delinquent taxes over to the County after having tried to collect it themselves first. The State Statutes do not preclude the sub-district from collecting it first. The entity first has to be declared legal before taxes can be collected. Mr. Wright said the sub-district is legal; the management plan is before the judge at this point. Mr. Vandiver noted the letter sent back to the County from the board of managers addressing the concerns sent to the judge. Mr. Vandiver said they would take this idea of the sub-district first attempting to collect fees to the board of managers again. Chairman Davie clarified that if the tax or assessment is not paid it will be treated like any other delinquent tax lien sale. Ms. Kern explained the process for a tax sale which would result in the loss of the property; the water rights are not conveyed by a Treasurer's Deed. Ms. Benton said some water is tied to the land. Mr. Vandiver said some water is listed on the deeds and some is not. He said this has all been reviewed extensively. Mr. Wright said there are a lot of irrigators who want this process to be successful. He added that he and Mr. David will be more diligent in providing information to the County to keep communication open. Commissioner Hagedorn said there were concerns about the time frame for entering the data into the tax roll. Mr. Vandiver explained their process for submitting everything by December 1, 2009. They do not want to put Ms. Kern in a bind and if the data cannot be certified by December first it will not be submitted to the Treasurer. Commissioner Hagedorn asked about other fees. Mr. Wright said there is a \$5 per acre fee for administration, a flat fee up to \$12 per acre to fund non-federal cost sharing of Conservation Reserve E P (CREP), a sister program to CRP, to keep ground fallow for 15 years. The board of managers would only assess at the level necessary. The third fee is the variable, or water use fee, which is calculated on the amount of water that is used as compared to the water brought to the system through surface water rights. If there is excess surface water there is a provision for a credit. The well meters are being read at this point. There was discussion of the list having discrepancies with ownership changes of various types. Ms. Kern said the time consuming part of the Treasurer's Office will be directing inquiries and phone calls. She reiterated the services being performed and the 1% fee that the County will receive for handling this assessment; she feels the fee the County receives is very minimal for the work the County will do. Mr. Dominguez said it will take time for the Assessor's Office to match or correct irrigated acres. Staff will be reviewing each schedule number. Ms. Sarason said the data source will be the County property records so there should not be need for many changes. Mr. Dominguez said he can see farmers stating that they irrigate 120 acres but the Assessor does not have the resources to verify everything. Mr. Vandiver said the irrigable acres will be assessed not just irrigated acres this year. If the land is able to be irrigated the owner will be assessed the \$5 fee. Mr. Vandiver said a crop census will be done every year and it will be refined as time goes on. Mr. Dominguez asked if the

There was discussion of pending blight cases and progress on them. Ellen Dunn and Arthur Kraft are making progress on their properties.

Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Planner, joined the session to discuss roads platted within the Maxeyville subdivision in 1963. The roads are not County roads and the subdivision was formed prior to County subdivision regulations. A question was raised to Ms. Vanderpool about using Maxeyville Street to access a property rather than using the Highway 285 access. The area noted as Maxeyville Street has been built on. The Board agreed that this was a civil matter between the two parties.

At 10:25 a.m. Pat Perry, Public Health Agency Director, joined the session for the monthly report. The written report was presented and discussed. Ms. Perry commented on flu vaccine being provided to health care providers. There have been 2,000 doses received with almost 1,000 doses redirected to other health agencies. Kelli Nichols was hired temporarily to administer vaccine while other vaccinating nurses are on vacation; Ms. Nichols has the training and education to fill this duty.

Ms. Perry presented a memorandum of understanding for Prevention Partners with Mineral County. Mineral County will receive \$621 per month from September 30, 2009 through June 30, 2010 for services. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the memorandum. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

A memorandum of understanding was presented for signature between Prevention Partners and Monte Kids Club for \$475/month; \$225 is allocated for programming and \$250 is allocated for the assistant position. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the memorandum. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

There was discussion of how unused funding would be directed should grant money not be spent.

Ms. Perry noted that there is a memorandum of understanding in place with the Clerk & Recorder's Office to handle birth and death certificates.

A letter to the Town of Del Norte from the State Division of Water Quality was noted.

A Red Cross volunteer will be calling people on the flu vaccine waiting list as well as scanning some documents for the Department.

At 11:00 a.m. Jim Willschau joined the session for a conditional use application. Ms. Vanderpool said the Planning Commission approved the conditional use application specific to SLV Earth Movers for five years. The application is to allow the stock piling of rock and gravel inventory and refuse from Ms. Willschau's construction sites on the northeast corner of the NW ¼, Section 9, T 38 N, R 8 E, containing 6 acres, more or less. Ms. Vanderpool noted that it is not the rock inventory that is a problem it is the concrete, rebar, etc., that creates an eye sore. Commissioner Hagedorn said five years is a concern for him and noted a shorter timeframe. Mr. Willschau said with the current economy he hopes that he will not need the site for that long. Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the application. Commissioner Hagedorn

seconded; the motion passed. Mr. Willschau said he will do his best to keep the site clean.

At 11:15 a.m. Mike and Clay Mitchell joined the session for an exempt division of land application. The property is located in the SE ¼ of Section 11, T 39 N, R 8 E, containing 2 acres more or less. The tract will be conveyed to Mike's son, Clay Mitchell, for his home. There was discussion of the set backs and buffer from the irrigation sprinkler. Chairman Davie said the County is concerned with set backs should this home tract or farm tract be sold outside the family. The Mitchells agreed to sign an agreement that they understand the setbacks cannot be met and that the property deeds will be clouded. There was discussion of sprinkler buffer areas and the ground that is irrigated within the 100 foot buffer. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the division contingent upon language within the deed and survey that both parcels do meet the setbacks. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

At 11:45 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the liquor license renewal for Kelloff Enterprises. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed. There have been no reports from the Sheriff's Office on this establishment.

The LEAP contract for winterization projects was presented for signature. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to sign the contract. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

Chairman Davie signed the Alpine Village Waste Water grant report and request for funding.

Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the increased Annex Use Fee of \$75 starting January 1, 2010. The fees will not be waived; the only exceptions are for County use. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

The Board denied the request from San Juan Nordic Club for a snow mobile to be purchased with Conservation Trust Funds.

Ms. Benton said the County is mandated by State Law to file the Fire Protection Plan. This will be given to the Homeland Security Officer for completion.

At 12:15 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

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At 9:15 a.m. Commissioner Hagedorn moved to approve the following payroll noting there will not be overtime next year (2010). Overtime hours must be rendered through compensation time. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion passed.

County General

Davie, Douglas	sal.	\$	4,141.67
Hagedorn, Robert	sal.	\$	4,141.67
Murphy, Dennis	sal.	\$	4,141.67
Benton, Suzanne	sal.	\$	6,963.03
Dennis, Krystal	sal.	\$	2,099.07
Bricker, Pamela	sal.	\$	50.00
Franke, Craig	sal.	\$	50.00
Freeman, Dwight	sal.	\$	50.00
McCallister, Vern	sal.	\$	50.00
Seger, Gary	sal.	\$	50.00
Slade, Janice	sal.	\$	50.00
Vanderpool, Rose	sal.	\$	3,215.33
Canada, Sean	sal.	\$	3,279.47
Kern, Randall	sal.	\$	4,296.93
Gabbel, Jaclyn	sal.	\$	1,698.67
Gonzales, Catherine	sal.	\$	2,112.93
Hill, Cindy	sal.	\$	2,591.33
Hindes, Sara	sal.	\$	1,665.73
Jackson, Sandra	sal.	\$	4,141.67
Montoya, Michelle	sal.	\$	2,112.93
Quintana, Mary	sal.	\$	2,523.73
Steving, Sherryl	sal.	\$	2,022.80
Wilson, Christina	sal.	\$	1,698.67
Dominguez, Telesforo	sal.	\$	4,141.67
Leist, Chris	sal.	\$	3,208.40
Lyons, Cherri	sal.	\$	2,267.20
Medina, Michelle	sal.	\$	2,496.00
Mondragon, Jennifer	sal.	\$	2,804.53
Salazar, Eva	sal.	\$	2,312.27
Trujillo, Dale	sal.	\$	2,447.47
Valdez, Michael	sal.	\$	2,221.55
Atencio, Valerie	sal.	\$	1,516.67
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.	\$ 1,995.07
Medina, Porfie	sal.	\$ 2,508.13
Arellano, Timothy	sal.	\$ 2,496.00
Chick, Charles	sal.	\$ 3,596.67
Clark, Frank	sal.	\$ 1,944.80
Doctor, Janette	sal.	\$ 2,996.93
Duran, Jeremiah	sal.	\$ 2,496.00
Garcia, Cori	sal.	\$ 2,398.93
Lopez, Emily	sal.	\$ 2,643.33
Martinez, Robin	sal.	\$ 2,447.47
Messoline, Larry	sal.	\$ 2,398.93
Norton, Brian	sal.	\$ 5,550.00
Steffens, Angela	sal.	\$ 2,447.47
Wheelwright, Boyd	sal.	\$ 2,870.80
Archuleta, Anthony	sal.	\$ 2,483.05
Atencio, Joseph	sal.	\$ 2,546.27
Bailey, Ronald	sal.	\$ 2,035.61
Black, Kelly	sal.	\$ 3,272.53
Bollinger, Jason	sal.	\$ 2,019.36
Bruder, Gary	sal.	\$ 2,518.46
Chick, Amanda	sal.	\$ 2,068.39
Deherrera, Alicia	sal.	\$ 1,989.28
Duran, Dusty	sal.	\$ 2,039.90
Ford, Donna	sal.	\$ 2,187.40
Fuentes, Jose	sal.	\$ 1,982.93
Hart, Jonathan	sal.	\$ 2,261.87
Kerr, Tory	sal.	\$ 2,035.27
Naranjo, Henry	sal.	\$ 1,878.24
Ortega, Arthur	sal.	\$ 2,339.65
Pacheco, Helen	sal.	\$ 1,516.96
Parks, Joseph	sal.	\$ 2,300.16
Sierra, Shaun	sal.	\$ 2,025.32
Stambaugh, Keith	sal.	\$ 1,906.67
Trujillo, Ramon	sal.	\$ 2,363.93
Wright, Todd	sal.	\$ 1,200.00
Strohmayr, Rusty	sal.	\$ 1,841.67
Ferran, Camille	sal.	\$ 1,993.33
Crowder, Larry	sal.	\$ 973.82
Colville, Louise	sal.	\$ 174.72
Oglesby, Freddy	sal.	\$ 2,546.27
Taylor, Anna	sal.	\$ 3,438.59
Lujan, Maxine	sal.	\$ 2,544.82
Webb, Victor	sal.	\$ 900.00
		<u>\$187,025.52</u>

(Taxes Withheld, \$27,705.79; Deductions Withheld,
\$21,829.71)

ROAD & BRIDGE

Atencio, Kevin	sal.	\$ 2,357.33
Black, Timothy	sal.	\$ 3,799.66
Chapman, Destry	sal.	\$ 2,709.20

Hansen, Arnold	sal.	\$ 2,709.20
Hill, Carl	sal.	\$ 3,435.47
Lyons, Dale	sal.	\$ 2,184.00
Maestas, William	sal.	\$ 3,605.88
McKinley, Robert	sal.	\$ 3,111.33
Miles, Darryl	sal.	\$ 4,540.81
Pacheco, Carl	sal.	\$ 3,435.47
Plane, Kenneth	sal.	\$ 2,227.33
Widger, Michael J	sal.	\$ 2,099.07
Archuletta, Mark	sal.	\$ 3,050.67
Atencio, Manuel	sal.	\$ 3,237.87
Benavides, Eodofredo	sal.	\$ 3,057.60
Cervantez, Manuel	sal.	\$ 2,184.00
Claunch, Billy	sal.	\$ 3,081.47
Gates, Marvin	sal.	\$ 2,140.67
Paulson, Roy	sal.	\$ 3,435.47
Rowe, Danny	sal.	\$ 2,479.20
Steffens, John	sal.	\$ 3,821.59
Sullivan, Patrick	sal.	\$ 5,455.45
Trujillo, Adelmo	sal.	\$ 2,452.67
Romero, Olivia	sal.	\$ 2,405.87
		<u>\$ 73,017.28</u>

(Taxes Withheld, \$12,048.56; Deductions Withheld,
\$8,890.26)

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Arvizo, Rita	sal.	\$ 2,967.25
Atencio, Davine	sal.	\$ 2,083.25
Berg, James	sal.	\$ 7,054.40
Bruder, Linda	sal.	\$ 2,130.38
Casias, Brenda	sal.	\$ 2,083.25
Chavez, Melody	sal.	\$ 2,063.75
Dupont, Ilene	sal.	\$ 1,539.72
Duran, Jaxine	sal.	\$ 2,299.38
Fernandez, Julia	sal.	\$ 2,083.25
Gallegos, Brandi	sal.	\$ 2,440.75
Garcia, Shirley	sal.	\$ 1,628.25
Gonzales, Carolyn	sal.	\$ 2,393.63
Gunther, Darlene	sal.	\$ 2,299.38
Hernandez, Marlene	sal.	\$ 2,393.63
Horn, Ruth	sal.	\$ 4,129.13
Jaramillo, Richelle	sal.	\$ 3,199.63
Kern, Jody	sal.	\$ 3,960.13
Maestas, Valarie	sal.	\$ 2,434.25
Martinez, Helen	sal.	\$ 4,057.63
Martinez, Janelle	sal.	\$ 2,255.50
Meder, Jeremy	sal.	\$ 2,935.25
Naranjo, Andritta	sal.	\$ 2,136.88
Oaks-Jaramillo, Andrea	sal.	\$ 669.85
Pacheco, Leann	sal.	\$ 1,761.50
Pacheco, Rosanne	sal.	\$ 3,748.88
Padilla, Christopher	sal.	\$ 2,167.75
Palacios, Irma	sal.	\$ 2,255.50
Parra, Gregorio	sal.	\$ 3,796.00

Pena, Mike	sal.	\$ 4,538.63
Roesch, Korissa	sal.	\$ 2,434.25
Ruybal, Evelyn	sal.	\$ 2,255.50
Sanchez, Ramona	sal.	\$ 2,440.75
Shaver, Betty	sal.	\$ 2,803.13
Sierra, Jessica	sal.	\$ 2,299.38
Sims, Heather	sal.	\$ 3,047.38
Slane, Sherryl	sal.	\$ 2,785.25
Stephens, Jackie	sal.	\$ 3,823.63
Thompson, Chris	sal.	\$ 2,976.38
Villagomez, Rashel	sal.	\$ 1,090.02
Vrooman, Kristina	sal.	\$ 2,624.38
Webb, Jeannie	sal.	\$ 1,756.30
White, Victoria	sal.	\$ 2,255.50
		\$112,098.63

(Taxes Withheld, \$16,882.19; Deductions Withheld, \$14,950.71)

PEST CONTROL

Christensen, Bryan	sal.	\$ 50.00
Clare, James	sal.	\$ 50.00
Miner, Craig	sal.	\$ 50.00
Plane, Darrel	sal.	\$ 3,913.40
Schaefer, Michael	sal.	\$ 50.00
		\$ 4,113.40

(Taxes Withheld, \$643.06; Deductions Withheld, \$783.09)

PUBLIC HEALTH

Brown, Linda	sal.	\$ 4,192.10
Koshak, Dianne	sal.	\$ 3,358.36
Kostuk, Diane	sal.	\$ 2,242.13
Masters, Judy	sal.	\$ 2,653.63
Nichols, Kelli	sal.	\$ 99.00
Perry, Patricia	sal.	\$ 4,964.05
Montoya-Salazar, Lanell	sal.	\$ 2,157.73
Robinson, Kelli	sal.	\$ 1,768.43
Duran, Justin	sal.	\$ 1,426.79
Harlan, Brittany	sal.	\$ 58.00
Housden, Joyce	sal.	\$ 3,813.33
Hendricks, Paula	sal.	\$ 3,980.95

TOTAL \$ 30,714.50

(Taxes Withheld, \$5,353.67; Deductions Withheld, \$4,926.51)

At 9:45 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. Commissioner Murphy moved to file the application for the Best and Brightest Intern Program. Commissioner Hagedorn seconded; the motion passed.

At 10:00 a.m. Aaron Derwingson joined the session to discuss Rio Grande Headwaters Land Trust (RiGHT) projects. The project that he intended to address has not closed at this time. The Board asked questions about the number of easements being placed on property in the Valley and the State and Federal tax implications. RiGHT is hoping to close the Ox Bow Ranch and Espinoza Ranch next year. Mr. Derwingson thanked the Board for their support.

At 10:20 a.m. Mike Potts and Tim Ruggles, Idaho Pacific, joined the session to discuss bio-waste on their property. The potato plant produces flour and potato flakes. The facility has its own waste water treatment plant. When the waste is stabilized and applied to the environment, the odor is neutralized. Mr. Potts presented research and information on their facility and products. They have purchased the farm quarter in the southwest corner of the intersection of Highway 112 and the 3 East Road. They would like to pump the refuse water into a corner of this property. Mr. Ruggles said this is 95% clean water. The farm ground is leased to a local farmer. Mr. Potts explained the plant processing. The potatoes go through a steam process above 200 degrees which kills any disease in the potatoes so there is not a concern for spreading any disease. Mr. Potts said this material is excellent fertilizer. He noted there is no fecal matter in this waste. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Planner, said the State regulations and reporting need to be followed. Mr. Ruggles said they are aware of the State requirements. Chairman Davie said he did not feel the County had any concerns with this process and thanked them for meeting with the Board. Mr. Potts said they will spread out the waste irrigation by pumping it into different parts of the ground then till the ground after it has dried. Mr. Ruggles said they wanted the County to be aware of what Idaho Pacific was going to do. There are no County permits required for this process.

At 10:45 a.m. the session was adjourned for a work session.

Attest:

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board

Doug Davie
Chairman of the Board