

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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The Rio Grande County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, April 4, 2012. Members present were Chairman Dennis Murphy, Jr., Commissioners Doug Davie and Karla Shriver, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, and Lyla Davis, Clerk of the Board.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order. Commissioner Shriver gave the opening prayer and Commissioner Davie led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the March 28, 2012 minutes as amended. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:15 a.m. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Planner, joined the session regarding the resolution for denial of the F.A.R.M. conditional use application. The Board clarified a statement in the resolution.

At 10:00 a.m. Rachel Willis, Housing Coalition, joined the session to discuss the loan programs. The loan terms and rates are made according to the ability of the applicant to repay the loan. There are repair loan programs and home purchase loan programs. All homes have an inspection done for down payment assistance. The Coalition owns and operates two apartment complexes, one in Alamosa for elderly residents, which are subsidized by the Rural Housing Authority. High Valley Manor in Monte Vista (formerly Tri-County) is also owned by the Coalition. Management was assumed February 1, 2010 and was purchased in March 2011. There is federal funding with the Monte Vista facility. There are very strict rules for the apartments and if violations occur the residents are asked to move out. It was changed from elderly to multi-family housing. There is also a rental rehabilitation program to assist private landlords with upgrades. The Coalition has had one successful rental rehabilitation program in Alamosa and is looking at a second project in South Fork. The loan amount for this program is just over \$900,000. Some of the administration funds will be used to hire a project supervisor because this is such a large program. Ms. Willis gave examples of the renovations that have to be done to make the complex safe and accessible for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Rural Development told the original owners that the apartment complex was unfit for residents and many violations occurred with Rural Development regulations. This is a 48 unit complex. She asked if the County and/or the Town of South Fork would sponsor the application for this project. Chairman Murphy asked what was expected of the County. Ms. Willis said she has worked with Alamosa County on similar projects in Alamosa County and felt there was a good relationship between the entities. This is pass-through funding of \$993,000 with Community Block Development Grant (CBDG). Ms. Benton said any federal grant is audited at a flat rate of \$2,500 and will be part of the County budget. There are no additional funds in the current budget for this expense. She also discussed Davis-Bacon wage reporting. Ms. Willis said she has been working in this capacity for twelve years and to her knowledge the counties involved have not had problems with audits. Chairman Murphy confirmed that the County would not be responsible for any changes beyond the scope of work. Ms. Willis said any change orders would be the owner's responsibility. The contractors have to have general liability insurance and worker's compensation insurance. Commissioner Shriver said Ms. Benton's time

will need to be compensated for since she will be issuing vouchers and doing paperwork.

Ms. Willis said she may be moving at the end of the summer which is why she will have a project manager for this project site. She will work with her replacement and the project manager to make sure the transition is seamless. Ms. Benton said the additional insurance costs would be about \$11,000 for this grant. Commissioner Shriver asked that the Admin Fees for the grant be sufficient to cover the staff and insurance expense from the County. Ms. Willis hopes to have this project completed in one year. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to sponsor the grant to the housing coalition and loan to the property owner contingent upon reimbursing the County expenses and the Coalitions' assistance with file management, including but not limited to insurance and audit costs. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

At 10:30 a.m. Mike Blenden, Wildlife Refuge Supervisor (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior) and Suzanne Beauchaine joined the session. Mr. Blenden introduced Ms. Beauchaine as the new manager of the Alamosa and Monte Vista wildlife refuges.

Mr. Blenden updated the Board on the comprehensive protection plan for the Valley refuges including Alamosa, Baca and Monte Vista. The project has been divided into two parts. Planning has been done with the federal and state land management offices as well as the NRCS. Four alternative plans have been developed for managing the three refuges. Alternative A is to not make any changes; Alternative B is being proposed. Some things will be reinstated such as a staff member to visit schools and give programs, building a small visitor's center and office in Monte Vista given the high use of this facility. The visitor center experts from the Denver office will give suggestions for the facility. The driving loop may be extended east of Monte Vista as it used to be a longer tour. They will better manage the water resources and modify the water management infrastructure. This plan also addresses elk management. Alternative C was presented noting the introduction of wolves. Mr. Blenden clarified there are many pros and cons to Alternative C and it is not being suggested by the department but since it was suggested it has to be considered even though it may not be the best fit for the overall plan. The plan should be completed by the winter of 2014. The next year or more will be spent planning and drafting ideas. A land protection plan will be done separately based on the environmental impact statement.

Conservation easements on private land issued by the U.S. Wildlife Service would be to promote and maintain wildlife and endangered species habitats. Mr. Blenden said there would be restrictions to keep the land as it is and not developed. He does not want to compete with the existing land trusts in the Valley and would be funded through the land and water conservation fund through the sale of off-shore oil and gas leases. The funding comes through the Fish and Wildlife service and is not in competition with funds for other easement groups. This type of conservation is happening nationwide to protect wildlife and endangered species. Mr. Blenden presented a map of the areas within the Valley where habitat is most at risk. The landowner would still manage the land and handle water, noxious weeds, fences, etc, while protecting wildlife. The land would stay on the tax rolls and would not become federal land. He asked for concerns or comments from the Board. Secretary of the Interior, Ken Salazar, has asked for a letter of support from the Board. Commissioner Shriver confirmed that the Division of Wildlife is a partner in this plan. Mr. Blenden confirmed that they are a partner.

The plan is addressing some fee title property acquisition if conservation easements are not successful.

There was discussion of being able to burn on the refuges. There was also discussion of haying and grazing on the refuges.

Mr. Blenden said there has not been opposition from the other Valley counties. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to write a letter of support realizing the private landowners would enter into the easements. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

At 11:30 a.m. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the following claims. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

County General Fund

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| Xcel Energy | utility | \$ | 2,646.91 |
| CDHS Central Accounting | dues | \$ | 40.00 |
| CenturyLink | phone | \$ | 1,657.04 |
| Co Dept of Public Health | services | \$ | 2,000.00 |
| District Attorney Office | 3rd pmt | \$ | 13,470.48 |
| Government Finance Office | dues | \$ | 190.00 |
| Henry Naranjo | reimbursed exp | \$ | 63.71 |
| Jack's Market | RGSO | \$ | 50.93 |
| Randall Kern | training | \$ | 242.39 |
| Rio Grande County Treasurer | 2012 van | \$ | 10.98 |
| Rose Vanderpool | training | \$ | 258.36 |
| Staples Business | supplies | \$ | 23.16 |
| State of Colorado/DOI | T1 line | \$ | 333.84 |
| Town of Del Norte | Water/sewer | \$ | 1,198.68 |
| Verizon Wireless | cell phone | \$ | 150.50 |
| Verizon Wireless | cell phone | \$ | 747.08 |
| Victim Assistance Fund | February | \$ | 40.00 |
| Wright Express FSC | gas | \$ | 4,163.52 |
| WSB Computer Services | computer svc | \$ | 129.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 27,416.58 |

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| American Public Life | March | \$ | 450.06 |
| BC Services, Inc | March | \$ | 118.61 |
| Colorado State Treasurer | March | \$ | 1,322.30 |
| Community Bank of the Rockies | March | \$ | 52,258.37 |
| Credit Bureau of Alamosa | March | \$ | 489.90 |
| Family Support Registry | exp | \$ | 370.00 |
| Family Support Registry | exp | \$ | 600.00 |
| Pre-paid Legal Services | exp | \$ | 89.65 |
| Mark A Leachman P.C. | March | \$ | 417.50 |
| Professional Finance Co | March | \$ | 592.90 |
| Rio Grande County Treasurer | March | \$ | 44,103.41 |
| Security Benefit | exp | \$ | 150.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 100,962.70 |

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| Xcel Energy | utility | \$ | 4,760.45 |
| ACS Services | computer exp | \$ | 4,074.13 |
| Alamosa Co Nursing Svc | Reimbursement | \$ | 307.34 |
| Bresnan Communications | annual | \$ | 719.40 |
| Brown's Septic Svc | Septic svc | \$ | 125.00 |
| Business Solutions Lsng | copier | \$ | 410.33 |
| CCNC, Inc | membership | \$ | 100.00 |

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| Century Link | phone | \$ | 36.31 |
| Co Dept of Public Health | 1st qtr | \$ | 80.00 |
| CrimeStar Corporation | RGSO | \$ | 12,510.50 |
| Crossroads Turning Point | 2012 award | \$ | 2,000.00 |
| Dave Pote | Homeland Sec | \$ | 1,102.50 |
| Del Norte Auto Supply | parts | \$ | 247.13 |
| Digitcom Electronics | Install fee | \$ | 254.95 |
| Direct TV | RGSO | \$ | 93.99 |
| Donna Murphy | wages | \$ | 70.00 |
| Duckwall-Alco Discount | supplies | \$ | 262.25 |
| Dunn Law LLP | legal svc | \$ | 568.50 |
| First Bankcard | card pmt | \$ | 5,438.43 |
| Galls Inc | RGSO | \$ | 1,170.24 |
| Gobins | supplies | \$ | 500.76 |
| Hart Intercivic | computer exp | \$ | 2,250.00 |
| Jack's Market | supplies | \$ | 122.87 |
| Jeff Babcock | Homeland Sec | \$ | 7,006.84 |
| Joe Isenbart | crimestar | \$ | 400.00 |
| John Michalke | Homeland Sec | \$ | 6,211.95 |
| Kelco Supply Company | Cat. work | \$ | 2,668.00 |
| Ken's Service Center | Service/tires | \$ | 1,150.52 |
| Kristy Dennis | reimbursed exp | \$ | 33.74 |
| KVS Information System | election exp | \$ | 3,771.00 |
| Les Lamm | UTV | \$ | 6,100.00 |
| Marshall and Swift | Assess manual | \$ | 503.20 |
| Meadow Gold Dairies Inc | jail food | \$ | 208.43 |
| Michelle Montoya | conference | \$ | 28.80 |
| Monte Vista Cooperative | supplies | \$ | 108.28 |
| Monte Vista Journal | ads | \$ | 34.75 |
| Notes & Numbers, LLC | board clerk | \$ | 162.50 |
| Peggy J Kern | reimbursed exp | \$ | 18.90 |
| Pitney Bowes Inc | postage meter | \$ | 143.97 |
| Plainsman Printing | Book binders | \$ | 161.50 |
| PTS of America | Transport | \$ | 752.40 |
| Pueblo Co Information System | Computer svc | \$ | 62,400.00 |
| Rio Grande County Clerk | title | \$ | 10.98 |
| Rio Grande Hospital | RGSO | \$ | 2,749.65 |
| Rio Grande Pharmacy | RGSO | \$ | 128.00 |
| Rose Vanderpool | reimbursed exp | \$ | 40.56 |
| Safeway Inc | jail food | \$ | 268.27 |
| Sams Club | RGSO | \$ | 39.48 |
| Shamrock Foods Company | RGSO | \$ | 2,517.54 |
| Sherryl Steving | conference | \$ | 55.80 |
| Sirchie | Supplies | \$ | 457.56 |
| SLV Auto Repair | Pickup repair | \$ | 715.51 |
| SpectraCom | radio | \$ | 20.00 |
| State of Colorado/DOI | fees | \$ | 333.84 |
| Steffens Plumbing | repairs | \$ | 128.00 |
| Sue Davis | Homeland Sec | \$ | 3,417.95 |
| Suzanne Benton | reimbursed exp | \$ | 329.52 |
| Todd Wright | coroner exp | \$ | 1,629.59 |
| Valley Electric | repairs | \$ | 184.50 |
| Vendola Plumbing | repairs | \$ | 114.58 |
| Verizon Wireless | cell phone | \$ | 150.42 |

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| Wright Express FSC | fuel | \$ | 257.35 |
| WSB Computer Services | repairs | \$ | 1,250.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 143,868.96 |

Road & Bridge Fund

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| Business Solutions Leasing | copier | \$ | 102.40 |
| CenturyLink | phone | \$ | 54.17 |
| Monte Vista Machine Tool | repair | \$ | 146.16 |
| Monte Vista Tractor | parts | \$ | 66.80 |
| SLV REC | utility | \$ | 180.00 |
| Verizon Wireless | cell phone | \$ | 125.45 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 674.98 |

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| American Public Life | exp | \$ | 285.44 |
| Colorado State Treasurer | March | \$ | 619.50 |
| Community Banks of Colorado | exp | \$ | 21,246.21 |
| Rio Grande County Treasurer | exp | \$ | 18,224.16 |
| Security Benefit | exp | \$ | 50.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 40,425.31 |

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| Airgas Intermountain | supplies | \$ | 132.94 |
| Alta Fuels | fuel | \$ | 5,427.76 |
| Center Parts Store | supplies | \$ | 89.90 |
| CenturyLink | phone | \$ | 477.91 |
| Dalco Industries | supplies | \$ | 168.00 |
| Dave's Elec & Hobbies | supplies | \$ | 12.99 |
| Del Norte Auto Supply | supplies | \$ | 250.12 |
| Denver Industrial | parts | \$ | 90.44 |
| Division of Reclamation | permit | \$ | 791.00 |
| Drive Train Industries | Repair | \$ | 6,116.08 |
| Duckwall-Alco Discount | supplies | \$ | 8.00 |
| Fuentes Auto Glass | repair | \$ | 1,215.00 |
| Gary Mason | repairs | \$ | 150.00 |
| Gobins | supplies | \$ | 29.30 |
| Gunbarrel Service Station | repairs | \$ | 385.00 |
| J.J. Keller & Associates | signs | \$ | 399.90 |
| Lenco West | supplies | \$ | 73.12 |
| Leroy A Romero | maintenance | \$ | 125.00 |
| Matco Tools | supplies | \$ | 8.30 |
| MCH Kenworth | parts | \$ | 432.50 |
| Monte Vista Cooperative | supplies | \$ | 401.72 |
| Monte Vista Machine Tool | parts | \$ | 79.28 |
| Myers Brothers Truck | repairs | \$ | 1,493.26 |
| Olivia Romero | training | \$ | 26.61 |
| Parts Plus | parts | \$ | 602.38 |
| Rocky Mtn Memorabilia | retire gift | \$ | 44.75 |
| Rylind Industries Inc | supplies | \$ | 449.00 |
| San Luis Valley Regional | Landfill fee | \$ | 30.06 |
| Skyline Steel | supplies | \$ | 1,290.00 |
| South Fork Propane | utility | \$ | 704.80 |
| Town and Country | parts | \$ | 308.32 |
| United Rentals Inc | repairs | \$ | 125.01 |
| Valley Lumber and Supply | supplies | \$ | 90.32 |

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| Valley Tractor and Repair | repairs | \$ | 52.50 |
| Verizon Wireless | cell phone | \$ | 140.44 |
| Volvo of Denver | Repairs | \$ | 453.22 |
| Wagner Equipment | Repairs | \$ | 2,018.77 |
| Wright Express FSC | fuel | \$ | 1,667.59 |
| Xcel Energy | utility | \$ | 3,389.56 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 29,750.85 |

Pest Control

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| SLV REC | utility | \$ | 216.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 216.00 |

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| Colorado State Treasurer | March | \$ | 37.58 |
| Community Bank of the Rockies | March | \$ | 1,524.25 |
| Rio Grande County Treas. | exp | \$ | 1,119.48 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 2,681.31 |

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| AT&T Mobility | cell phone | \$ | 49.33 |
| Centurylink | phone | \$ | 84.04 |
| First Bankcard | card pmt | \$ | 86.88 |
| Gunbarrel Service Station | tires | \$ | 790.76 |
| Rio Grande Soil District | rent 2 yrs | \$ | 4,750.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 5,761.01 |

Airport Fund

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| SLV REC | utility | \$ | 314.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 319.00 |

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Capital Expenditure Fund

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| TOTAL | | \$ | - |
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Conservation Trust

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| Ann Burkhart | annual rent | \$ | 575.00 |
| San Luis Valley TV Inc | 1st qtr | \$ | 1,251.25 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 1,826.25 |

Tourism Trust

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| Applelodge Enterprises | | \$ | 750.00 |
| Bags by CMG | promotions | \$ | 1,500.00 |
| Devi Jardon | reimbursed exp | \$ | 9.00 |
| Josephone Pierce | Travel | \$ | 1,271.31 |
| South Fork Visitor's Center | promotion | \$ | 1,100.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 4,630.31 |

Public Health Department

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| CenturyLink | phone | \$ | 245.98 |
| Chaffee Cnty Public Hlth | February | \$ | 1,400.00 |

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| Costilla County Nursing | February | \$ | 2,076.00 |
| Del Norte Auto Supply | supplies | \$ | 36.39 |
| Duckwall-Alco Discount | supplies | \$ | 15.00 |
| Lake County Health Dept | March | \$ | 700.00 |
| Staples Business | supplies | \$ | 71.99 |
| State of Colorado/DOI | T1 line | \$ | 61.51 |
| Verizon Wireless | cell phone | \$ | 87.52 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 4,694.39 |

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| American Public Life | exp | \$ | 75.02 |
| Colorado State Treasurer | March | \$ | 157.42 |
| Community Bank of the Rockies | March | \$ | 5,445.17 |
| Rio Grande County Treasurer | exp | \$ | 4,938.57 |
| Security Benefit | exp | \$ | 50.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 10,666.18 |

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| CenturyLink | phone | \$ | 9.67 |
| CenturyLink | phone | \$ | 49.21 |
| Costilla County Nursing | March | \$ | 2,076.00 |
| First Bankcard | card pmt | \$ | 136.37 |
| Merck & Co Inc | vaccine | \$ | 1,507.00 |
| Saguache Co Public Health | contract | \$ | 1,400.00 |
| State of Colorado/DOI | T1 line | \$ | 61.51 |
| TOTAL | | \$ | 5,239.76 |

Commissioner Davie made the motion to approve the Rocky Mountain PBS tower lease. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed.

Ms. Benton gave an update on the CCOERA Participation Agreement changes to correspond with the Personnel Policy. She also discussed employees being vested in the plan after five years of employment rather than ten years. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to change the employee benefit to being vested in the retirement program after five years. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

The Department of Social Services presented a request for computers for the Child Welfare Department. The six computers must be purchased from the State. Commissioner Davie made the motion to approve the purchase. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed.

The Rio Grande Canal proxy was presented for sub-district matters related to River depletions. Chairman Murphy signed the proxy.

A letter from Davis Engineering was presented to request access to meter the wells for irrigation data. Commissioner Shriver said the more data they have the better they can prepare their models.

Ms. Benton discussed the fire system in the Clerk's Office not covering the entire building, the light at the jail has been repaired and the fire panel in the new portion of the Social Services Building should be moved according to the fire safety study. The Board did not feel moving the panel was necessary.

Ms. Benton discussed the security light for the election equipment. There was discussion of having a separate bank for this light or just leaving the entire bank on during the night.

It was also noted that there is not a light on the front of the jail.

Craig Cotten has submitted a letter stating that the current Maxeyville Gravel Pit water augmentation plant has been approved.

Ms. Benton noted the pending meeting schedule and presented various items of correspondence.

At 12:00 p.m. the meeting was adjourned for lunch and a work session.

Attest:

Dennis Murphy, Jr.
Chairman of the Board

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board

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At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order and gave the opening prayer. Commissioner Davie led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

Chairman Murphy discussed the meeting he attended regarding concerns from the local Veterans. They would like to work towards getting a full time V.A. doctor in the Valley to avoid so many out of town trips for doctor visits. The local hospitals will be involved in future discussions. It was noted that the County Veteran's Officer is running for public office and may not be able to fulfill this position if elected. The Board asked Ms. Benton to schedule an appointment with the Veteran's Officer. The Board approved the monthly Veteran Officer's report.

Commissioner Davie made the motion to approve the April 4, 2012 minutes as amended. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed.

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

- Crack sealing has been completed on County Roads 17 and 25.
- Completed the multi-plate culvert at the 8 ½ North and 3 West roads.
- Preliminary work was done on the Home Lake Dam project, including back sloping and moving rip-rap.
- Traded 12 loads of gravel for 300 loads of field rock to Eric Bothell.
- The office has been busy with data entry, filing and reports.
- Mr. Sullivan met with Bob Oswald from the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Board. Pit inspections were done at the Del Norte (hot plant), Maxeyville and 10 South gravel pits.

- A retirement gathering was held for Freddie Benavidez on the 30th of March.

Mr. Sullivan said the crews have been cleaning culverts since the water has been turned into ditches. If they wait for the ditch companies to clean the plugs the County incurs road damage. He works with the ditch companies as much as possible.

Mr. Sullivan said the County may be able to participate in community improvement projects, such as a park, to help fulfill the Maxeyville pit reclamation.

There was discussion of the level of completion with the Plaza Project wetland matter.

Proposed work for April includes completing the road around Home Lake and the dam project; replacing culverts on Swede Lane, the 5 East Road and Deer Creek; complete a round of pothole patching; and other general road work.

At 9:45 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters. The CASA Start grant through Social Services was presented for signature. Commissioner Davie made the motion to sign the agreement. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed.

Ms. Benton noted that CDOT has requested Title VI assurance so that the County will comply with the Civil Rights Act. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to sign the agreement. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

Commissioner Davie will be attending the Western Interstate Regional (WIR) convention this summer.

The Del Norte Headstart sent a community assessment survey. Chairman Murphy said the surveys were also mailed with the Del Norte Town water bills. Commissioner Shriver asked that the Public Health Director be involved with this survey.

Ms. Benton presented various informational items.

CCI sent requests regarding Drought Program Benefits and Rodent Control.

At 10:00 a.m. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Administrator, joined the session. Chairman Murphy swore in Anna Helton, conditional use applicant. Ms. Vanderpool said she received one comment from the neighboring business that the business was not appropriate for families visiting other stores in the vicinity. Ms. Helton is requesting a conditional use permit for an adult novelty store to be located in a fraction of the W ½, SW ¼, Section 30, T 39 N, R 8 E. The parcel is owned by Manual Archuleta and is leasing the property to Ms. Helton. The letter of concern also addressed lack of parking. Ms. Helton said there is parking on the side and all along the front of the building. She said there will not be adult novelty items in the front windows. Men's and women's clothing, jewelry, candles and gifts will be displayed in the front of the store. There is a separate room with a curtain for products that require the purchaser to be over 18 years of age. She said the curtain is secure so that the wind cannot blow it open and products cannot be seen when the curtain is opened. She said the stores in the mall are not behind closed curtains and only require that patrons be at least 18 years old to make purchases. Ms. Helton presented a sketch of the floor plan. She also presented a petition of residents who are in favor of the store. Commissioner Shriver asked if a sign could be posted for

parking for this business. Ms. Helton felt that the neighboring businesses were more informed now. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the conditional use permit with a review in six months. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed. BOOK 559 PAGE 1226

At 10:25 a.m. Ms. Vanderpool discussed a landowner in Seven Mile Plaza who wants to add on to their home. The home sites in the Plaza area were settled many years ago and most homes do not fit within the current regulations. The addition would be 23 feet from the property setbacks; the current regulation is 25 feet. Ms. Vanderpool added that there are three vacancies on the Board of Adjustments. Per the State Statute, she can use a member of the Planning Commission or Board of Commissioners to fill the absent seats. This board has not met in over a year but will have a couple of matters to review soon. The Board felt that this should go through the proper channels for approval.

At 10:30 a.m. Steve and Sharron Reznik joined the session for a conditional use hearing for a Bed and Breakfast business. Ms. Vanderpool said the Planning Commission's concerns were geologic hazards of falling rock on this property. The Commission recommended approval and asked that the County not be liable for any injuries from falling rocks. The property is located in Lot 3A, Replat Pronghorn Ranch. The County Attorney recommended that the applicant have a geological study performed to be sure the site is safe. A waiver of liability form was drafted by the Building Department. Chairman Murphy swore in Mr. And Mrs. Reznik. Mr. Reznik said they built their home and did not feel there were geological concerns. He said students and classes have visited the site studying the rock formations. He did not feel rocks would jump off the mountain and injure anyone. If a rock did fall, there is a ground shelf and road that would catch the rock. He commented on the neighbor that has voiced concerns stating that this neighbor has problems with everything the Reznik's have done on their property. Mr. Reznik presented pictures of the site. He felt it would be cost prohibitive to have a geological study done. Commissioner Davie asked if this were a locked community. Mr. Reznik said there is a locked gate but a code would be given to the guests which would expire after their stay. Mr. Reznik referred to Colorado Law listing six natural instances where the County government would be liable. He added that his family stays with him and he would not put anyone in danger. Chairman Murphy said he would like to visit the site. Mrs. Reznik gave examples of businesses that have signs posted warning patrons of falling ice or falling rock. She added that the neighbor protesting this application had given them problems when they built their home. Chairman Murphy asked about the level of occupancy. Mr. Reznik said there are times of each month when they have other plans so this would not be a full time operation. There are five king sized beds with bathrooms so a maximum of ten guests would be present.

Mark Jones was sworn in. He noted that the Planning Commission focused on the geology matter. There is evidence of rock falls in this area and feels it should be a concern. He does not know the likelihood of a rock slide but a seismic event could cause a rock slide. The access to the home is through an easement on Mr. Jones' lot. There have not been problem to date, but the easement was granted for a private residence and a bed and breakfast would increase traffic. Mr. Jones asked the Board to consider dust and noise on this private access. Mr. Reznik said the San Francisco Creek subdivision has restrictions on commercial business but Pronghorn subdivision does not have this restriction. He added that if all five of his children were living at the home the traffic would be

considerably greater than the bed and breakfast. He does not feel this is adverse impact. Mr. Jones said the subdivision is zoned agriculture and allows home occupations. Mr. Reznik said a bed and breakfast is a home occupation.

Terry Hance was sworn in. She said her home is southwest of the property in question. Ms. Hance said with oil and gas drilling there could be the potential of earthquakes. She said people who see the pictures will take the chance of a rock slide because they chose the site for its atmosphere. She asked about zoning and other businesses that could be allowed. Ms. Vanderpool said the zone would not change and a bed and breakfast is allowed under the current zoning. Ms. Hance asked about increased taxes on the other property owners as businesses prosper. Ms. Vanderpool said this would be a question for the Assessor but did not feel there would be great impact. Ms. Hance asked about guests wandering onto other lots. Ms. Reznik said they would be sure guests stayed on their property. Ms. Hance asked about a liquor license. Mr. Reznik said they would not apply for one but may have a wine and cheese appetizer before dinner. Ms. Hance asked if they were looking for a way to increase the value to sell their property. Commissioner Shriver said the conditional use permit does not transfer with a sale, it is specific to the applicant. Ms. Hance is not opposed to the application but wanted questions answered.

Commissioner Shriver asked if the entire lot were fenced. Mr. Reznik said he would like to complete the fence as weather allows; it is mostly fenced.

Mr. Jones stated that this is a discretionary decision and anyone who is injured would know that the County heard the concerns and would be putting themselves at risk. Mr. Reznik said the County has sovereign immunity on this situation. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to table the decision until a site visit can be scheduled. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed. The visit was scheduled for Friday, April 13 at 2:00 p.m.

At 11:15 a.m. Randy Kern, Building Inspector, joined the session to discuss soil percolation test certification. There is not enough time for percolation tests for septic systems with only one person on staff. Mr. Kern presented an idea to certify the applicant to perform the test and return the result to Mr. Kern. He can then issue the field size based on the test. The system would still be inspected before it is covered. Mr. Kern said there are new regulations coming into effect which would take longer to perform the test because water levels will have to be maintained for four hours. Commissioner Shriver asked about comments that can be sent to the State; the new regulations seem unreasonable. Mr. Kern said he has performed enough percolation tests to know if the results are reasonable for the site. Commissioner Shriver said she does not want to make the process prohibitive for property owners and would like Mr. Kern to follow the changes being proposed. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to accept the Soil Percolation Test Certification procedures. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed. Ms. Benton said this is another unfunded mandate that needs to be addressed at CCI.

At 11:25 a.m. Ms. Benton continued with pending matters. The County Clerk reported small acreages that are being deeded to the County. Ms. Benton said the County was not informed of the transfer prior to the deed being recorded. She said the taxes have not been paid on these parcels. There was also discussion of getting property with blight or hazardous waste unbeknownst to the County. This will be discussed with the County Attorney. Commissioner Shriver reviewed the deeds and noted they had been prepared by a title company.

Ms. Benton noted pending meetings and events.

At 11:30 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, joined the session for pending legal matters. Valerie Braun-Fry and Mike Trujillo joined the session to discuss progress on the pending blight matter. Mr. Trujillo read the list of items that have been removed. There are about ten cars left with good motors. Ms. Fry has a friend that will be working on those cars. She said she is not done with the cleanup work and would like to continue running the repair shop at some point. Commissioner Shriver offered condolences for the loss of her father. Ms. Vanderpool said she drove to the site this morning and saw significant improvements and confirmed the ten cars left on the lot. Commissioner Davie said the issue of zoning needs to be resolved to prevent future problems. Mr. Dunn said a meets and bounds survey should be done so that the exact area can be recorded properly. Commissioner Davie said it would be about a five acre parcel. Ms. Vanderpool said a survey is necessary for proper handling of this site. Commissioner Shriver asked if August 2012 was a reasonable time for the survey to be submitted. Ms. Vanderpool said the property is already zoned commercial but the boundaries need to be determined. Mr. Dunn asked if the entire five acres would be zoned commercial or if it would be a portion of the parcel. He also asked if the neighbors would protest to not having a public hearing. Mr. Trujillo said the original application was for five acres and neighbors within 1500 feet would have been notified. Ms. Vanderpool and Mr. Dunn agreed that the Board does not always approve what the application asks for. By granting the five acre parcel as commercial the property taxes will be increased. Ms. Fry said she does not need the entire five acres for the commercial operation. The site for this operation needs to be defined. Commissioner Davie asked Ms. Fry to have the commercial site surveyed for the size of the operation she can manage. Mr. Trujillo suggested that Ms. Fry plan and measure, including setbacks, for the operation. Commissioner Shriver suggested an Improvement Location Certificate survey for this purpose. Mr. Trujillo will work with Ms. Fry to remedy the matter.

Ms. Benton informed Mr. Dunn of property that was deeded to the County unbeknownst to the County. Ms. Vanderpool is researching the lots.

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

At 2:00 p.m. Davey Pitcher, Wolf Creek Ski Area, joined the session to discuss the proposed shuttle service from South Fork to the ski area. Mr. Pitcher said they have talked with Archuleta County and are looking at addressing parking at the ski area. The South Fork Visitor's Center parking area has been used as a shuttle area for the employees. Over time, they would incorporate transportation for visitors or locals who do not want to drive the pass. He has talked with Archuleta County about using the rodeo grounds for similar services on that side of the pass. The Board confirmed that the Town of South Fork owns the Visitor's Center. Also suggested was Rickles Arena. There is not any County-owned property that would be adequate in the South Fork area for parking. Mr. Pitcher said the Valley is an important part of the longtime plans for the ski area. He recognized the number of pass holders, founders and employees that come from Rio Grande County. He understands that public transportation cannot be subsidized by the counties and would be funded by the ski area. The County will be given a draft of the plan they have to file with the Forest Service permitting process. Chairman Murphy said he has heard and seen some of the plans and thinks they will be good for the area.

Mr. Pitcher said there are 6,000 beds (hotels) available between Archuleta and Rio Grande counties. He is trying to work with the amount of lodging available in growth plans for the ski area. Mr. Pitcher added that he is willing to listen to any ideas. He is considering mid-sized buses (20-30 passengers) initially. John Lynch said he is working on the transportation permits and PUC license for this project. Mr. Pitcher said he is looking at insurance coverage to be sure everyone involved is properly covered. The employees alone bring 160-180 vehicles on any given day. Wolf Creek has an incentive program for employees to use the shuttle. There was discussion of the benefits of having the ski program through the schools. Commissioner Shriver asked about the cost to ride the bus. Mr. Pitcher said at this point they do not know but there could be a small cost for bus fare. He noted the cost and environmental impact to build another parking lot compared with the transportation costs. There was discussion of the benefits the ski area has on the County. Mr. Pitcher said they work with all the ambulance services and hospitals and was glad to hear about the airport improvements. Mr. Pitcher said he would provide the MDP that is being prepared for the Forest Service.

At 2:30 p.m. Chairman Murphy read the following herbicide bid from DP Ag Services (only one bid was submitted):

| Chemical | Container Size | Price |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Glyphosate | 2 ½ Gallon | \$10.57/gal |
| Aquatic Glyphosate | 2 ½ Gallon | \$20.95/gal |
| Extended Control Glyphosate | 2 ½ Gallon | \$68.01/gal |
| Curtail | 2 ½ Gallon | \$52.61/gal |
| Hi-Dep | 2 ½ Gallon | \$24.30/gal |
| Vanquish | 2 ½ Gallon | \$65.05/gal |
| Sahara | 10 lb. Bags (4/case) | \$544.09/case |
| Plateau | 2 ½ Gallon | \$182.80/gal |
| Sticker, Non-ionic | 2 ½ Gallon | \$16.75/gal |
| Milestone (Range & Pasture Label) | 1 Quart | \$81.96/quart |
| Plateau (not on request) | 2 ½ Gallon | \$161.29/gal |

Commissioner Shriver made the motion to accept the bid. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

At 2:45 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Dennis Murphy, Jr.
Chairman of the Board

Lyla Davis
Clerk 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, April 25, 2012. Members present were Vice Chairman Doug Davie, Commissioner Karla Shriver, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, and Lyla Davis, Clerk of the Board. Chairman Dennis Murphy, Jr. was absent.

At 9:00 a.m. Vice Chairman Davie called the meeting to order and gave the opening prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and the agenda was approved as presented. The approval of the April 11, 2012 minutes was tabled.

At 9:05 a.m. Ms. Benton presented pending matters.

Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Rio Grande and Alamosa County Sheriff Departments for Victim Advocate Services (Victims of Crime Act). There were no changes to the agreement from the previous year. Vice Chairman Davie seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:15 a.m. Chairman Murphy joined the session via telephone for the decision on the Reznik conditional use application. Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Administrator, joined the session and noted that a copy of the decision criteria has been presented to the Board. Commissioner Shriver read from the Planning and Zoning minutes stating that approval was recommended with the condition that the County not be liable for any injury from falling rocks. She stated appreciation for all of the comments submitted, both pro and con. The Board was able to visit the site prior to the decision. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the application with the conditions as set by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Chairman Murphy seconded; the motion passed. BOOK 559 PAGE 1616

At 9:30 a.m. Jody Kern, Director of Social Services, joined the session for the monthly report.

At 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the April payroll as follows. Vice Chairman Davie seconded; the motion passed.

County General

| | | | |
|---------------------|------|----|----------|
| Davie, Douglas | sal. | \$ | 4,141.67 |
| Murphy, Dennis | sal. | \$ | 4,141.67 |
| Shriver, Karla | sal. | \$ | 4,141.67 |
| Benton, Suzanne | sal. | \$ | 7,171.92 |
| Dennis, Krystal | sal. | \$ | 2,970.93 |
| Vanderpool, Rose | sal. | \$ | 3,345.33 |
| Kern, Randall | sal. | \$ | 4,435.60 |
| Gabbel, Jaclyn | sal. | \$ | 1,835.60 |
| Gonzales, Catherine | sal. | \$ | 2,281.07 |
| Hill, Cindy | sal. | \$ | 4,141.67 |
| Montoya, Michelle | sal. | \$ | 2,750.80 |
| Parks, Torie Lynn | sal. | \$ | 1,802.67 |
| Quintana, Mary | sal. | \$ | 2,782.00 |
| Steving, Sherryl | sal. | \$ | 2,184.00 |

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| Wilson, Christina | sal. | \$ 1,835.60 |
| Dominguez, Telesforo | sal. | \$ 4,141.67 |
| Leist, Chris | sal. | \$ 3,338.40 |
| Lyons, Cherri | sal. | \$ 2,312.27 |
| Medina, Michelle | sal. | \$ 2,546.27 |
| Mondragon, Jennifer | sal. | \$ 2,861.73 |
| Salazar, Eva | sal. | \$ 2,357.33 |
| Trujillo, Dale | sal. | \$ 2,496.00 |
| Valdez, Michael | sal. | \$ 2,546.27 |
| Kern, Peggy | sal. | \$ 4,141.67 |
| Rue, Cherilyn | sal. | \$ 3,051.53 |
| Voris, Carol | sal. | \$ 2,338.70 |
| Brown, Elaine | sal. | \$ 1,573.87 |
| Garcia, Carol | sal. | \$ 1,918.80 |
| Medina, Porfie | sal. | \$ 2,558.40 |
| Torres, Harold | sal. | \$ 1,573.87 |
| Beecham, Alan | sal. | \$ 2,447.47 |
| Bonemeyer, Michael | sal. | \$ 2,447.47 |
| Clark, Frank | sal. | \$ 1,981.20 |
| Coffman, Samuel | sal. | \$ 2,546.27 |
| Doctor, Janette | sal. | \$ 3,057.60 |
| Duran, Jeremiah | sal. | \$ 2,676.85 |
| Fresquez, Adam Paul | sal. | \$ 2,496.00 |
| Marquez, Emily | sal. | \$ 2,697.07 |
| Messoline, Larry | sal. | \$ 2,447.47 |
| Norton, Brian | sal. | \$ 5,550.00 |
| Raps, Edward | sal. | \$ 3,742.27 |
| Wheelwright, Boyd | sal. | \$ 2,861.73 |
| Archuleta, Anthony | sal. | \$ 2,600.38 |
| Atencio, Joseph | sal. | \$ 2,598.27 |
| Bailey, Ronald | sal. | \$ 2,076.05 |
| Black, Kelly | sal. | \$ 3,338.40 |
| Bollinger, Jason | sal. | \$ 1,999.73 |
| Bruder, Gary | sal. | \$ 2,547.99 |
| Delaine-Stone, Dana | sal. | \$ 1,995.19 |
| Duran, Dusty | sal. | \$ 2,078.43 |
| Ford, Donna | sal. | \$ 756.62 |
| Fuentes, Jose | sal. | \$ 2,110.33 |
| Gonzales, Kari | sal. | \$ 2,011.17 |
| Hart, Jonathan | sal. | \$ 2,405.53 |
| Naranjo, Henry | sal. | \$ 921.76 |
| Ortega, Arthur | sal. | \$ 2,430.38 |
| Pacheco, Helen | sal. | \$ 1,816.47 |
| Parks, Joseph | sal. | \$ 2,490.36 |
| Schultz, Keith | sal. | \$ 2,844.41 |
| Sierra, Shaun | sal. | \$ 2,076.68 |
| Trujillo, Ramon | sal. | \$ 2,291.67 |
| Vest, David | sal. | \$ 1,981.20 |
| Wright, Todd | sal. | \$ 1,073.30 |
| Strohmayer, Rusty | sal. | \$ 1,841.67 |
| Ferran, Camille | sal. | \$ 2,073.07 |
| Crowder, Larry | sal. | \$ 1,183.20 |
| Colville, Louise | sal. | \$ 981.00 |
| Lujan, Maxine | sal. | <u>\$ 2,650.27</u> |

\$177,843.91

(Taxes Withheld, \$27,082.73; Deductions Withheld,
\$27,274.57)

ROAD & BRIDGE

| | | |
|-------------------|------|---------------------|
| Atencio, Kevin | sal. | \$ 2,405.87 |
| Black, Timothy | sal. | \$ 3,574.13 |
| Hansen, Arnold | sal. | \$ 2,762.93 |
| Hill, Carl | sal. | \$ 3,574.13 |
| Lyons, Dale | sal. | \$ 2,292.07 |
| Maestas, William | sal. | \$ 3,503.07 |
| McKinley, Robert | sal. | \$ 3,237.87 |
| Miles, Darryl | sal. | \$ 3,988.40 |
| Pacheco, Carl | sal. | \$ 3,574.13 |
| Plane, Kenneth | sal. | \$ 2,272.40 |
| Archuletta, Mark | sal. | \$ 3,165.18 |
| Atencio, Manuel | sal. | \$ 3,367.87 |
| Davie, Andrew | sal. | \$ 2,227.33 |
| Gates, Marvin | sal. | \$ 2,227.33 |
| Gossard, Bruce | sal. | \$ 2,227.33 |
| Harris, Charlie | sal. | \$ 2,057.47 |
| Paulson, Roy | sal. | \$ 3,574.13 |
| Rowe, Danny | sal. | \$ 2,502.93 |
| Steffens, John | sal. | \$ 3,842.80 |
| Sullivan, Patrick | sal. | \$ 5,619.11 |
| Romero, Olivia | sal. | \$ 2,502.93 |
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| | | \$ 64,499.41 |

(Taxes Withheld, \$10,660.94; Deductions Withheld,
\$10,576.29)

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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|---------------------|------|-------------|
| Archuleta, April | sal. | \$ 3,121.63 |
| Archuleta, Ramona | sal. | \$ 3,136.25 |
| Atencio, Davine | sal. | \$ 2,125.50 |
| Atencio, Valerie | sal. | \$ 2,125.50 |
| Chavez, Melody | sal. | \$ 2,148.25 |
| Dupont, Ilene | sal. | \$ 1,569.75 |
| Duran, Jaxine | sal. | \$ 2,346.50 |
| Gallegos, Brandi | sal. | \$ 2,847.00 |
| Garcia, Shirley | sal. | \$ 1,660.75 |
| Gonzales, Carolyn | sal. | \$ 2,489.50 |
| Gunther, Darlene | sal. | \$ 2,346.50 |
| Hernandez, Marlene | sal. | \$ 2,489.50 |
| Horn, Ruth | sal. | \$ 4,212.00 |
| Hurtado, Margarita | sal. | \$ 1,967.88 |
| Jaramillo, Richelle | sal. | \$ 3,328.00 |
| Jiron, John | sal. | \$ 2,435.88 |
| Kern, Jody | sal. | \$ 5,150.00 |
| Leblanc, Elizabeth | sal. | \$ 2,125.50 |
| Lester, Heather | sal. | \$ 3,105.88 |
| Maestas, Valarie | sal. | \$ 2,484.63 |
| Martinez, Helen | sal. | \$ 4,220.13 |
| Martinez, Janelle | sal. | \$ 2,299.38 |

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| Meder, Jeremy | sal. | \$ 2,955.88 |
| Mills-McKim, Natasha | sal. | \$ 3,030.00 |
| Palacios, Irma | sal. | \$ 2,299.38 |
| Parra, Gregorio | sal. | \$ 4,109.63 |
| Phillips, Donna | sal. | \$ 1,933.75 |
| Resendiz, Michelle | sal. | \$ 2,880.00 |
| Ruybal, Evelyn | sal. | \$ 2,988.62 |
| Sanchez, Ramona | sal. | \$ 2,539.88 |
| Shaver, Betty | sal. | \$ 2,916.88 |
| Sierra, Jessica | sal. | \$ 2,346.50 |
| Slane, Sherryl | sal. | \$ 3,074.50 |
| Stephens, Jackie | sal. | \$ 3,900.00 |
| Thompson, Chris | sal. | \$ 2,935.25 |
| Varner, Julia | sal. | \$ 2,125.50 |
| Velasquez, Amanda | sal. | \$ 2,006.88 |
| White, Victoria | sal. | \$ 2,299.38 |
| | | <u>\$104,077.94</u> |

(Taxes Withheld, \$14,924.82; Deductions Withheld, \$16,948.40)

PEST CONTROL

| | | |
|---------------|------|--------------------|
| Plane, Darrel | sal. | \$ 3,991.67 |
| | | <u>\$ 3,991.67</u> |

(Taxes Withheld, \$596.35; Deductions Withheld, \$940.22)

PUBLIC HEALTH

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|-------------------------|------|---------------------|
| Hendricks, Paula | sal. | \$ 1,004.90 |
| Koshak, Dianne | sal. | \$ 3,098.55 |
| Kostuk, Diane | sal. | \$ 2,062.67 |
| Masters, Judy | sal. | \$ 2,579.55 |
| Perry, Patricia | sal. | \$ 4,781.93 |
| Montoya-Salazar, Lanell | sal. | \$ 2,067.22 |
| Robinson, Kelli | sal. | \$ 1,803.32 |
| | | <u>\$ 17,398.14</u> |

(Taxes Withheld, \$2,952.94; Deductions Withheld, \$2,884.12)

At 10:10 a.m. Pat Perry, Public Health Agency Administrator, joined the session for the monthly report. Diane Koshak was present to discuss the radon testing results. She compared 2011 and 2012 data and talked about different ways of distributing the kits this year, such as through the public school systems. Ms. Koshak noted the higher test results in the South Fork and Del Norte areas. There are resources for people who want to work on removing radon from their home.

Ms. Perry said her goal is to have the written report to the Board a week prior to the meeting.

There are new funding formulas from the State Health Department. Local health agencies have provided input on the formulas. There will be a tier system starting with Tier I being small agencies that do not provide core services, small agencies that participate in some core services (Tier II), agencies that service mid-sized populations and provide all core services (Tier III) and the final tier is high service agencies to large populations (Tier IV). There is incentive for agencies to participate in the programs and core services. Ms. Perry still has questions about the new formulas. She discussed

moving CDCHP into the Public Health Agencies. This includes inspection of hotels, food providers and grocery stores, child care facilities, air and water quality. This could be added to the Tier III agencies.

There will be a transition period with the South Central HCP office merging into the Alamosa County Public Health Agency. There was discussion of services for children and early screenings such as vision and dental.

There may be funding for the tobacco prevention program again for adults and children. This funding would go to the County, not through Prevention Partners.

Ms. Perry asked if the Sagauche County Commissioners had talked with the Board about the Personal Care Provider (PCP) program. There has not been discussion about Rio Grande County picking up this program.

There will be a health fair meeting to discuss the success of the event and what to do differently in the future.

The Board was given a letter to review for a future work session. She also asked if the Board was aware of the Farm to School program for local farms to provide local produce to the schools. The Board was not aware of this program.

There will be a Board of Health meeting May 10, 2012.

At 10:55 a.m. Darrel Plane, Weed District Supervisor, joined the session. Commissioner Shriver said the weeds at the McMullen Building are growing and asked if ground sterilization was possible. Mr. Plane said ground sterilization may not be the best method because if the dirt is moved or the seal is broken it is ineffective. He said he would spray the weeds and look for a product that would be effective. Commissioner Shriver asked if he would try the ground sterilization in a small section of the area.

At 11:00 a.m. Larry Crowder, Veteran's Officer, joined the session for various updates. He presented a chart of information comparing two years of veteran population, income and expenses for each county within the State. Mr. Crowder said the State is adding mental health counselors for families of veterans. Work is being done through the Veteran's Affairs to have a doctor in the Valley. Mr. Crowder said the local Veteran Officers attended a Valley Commissioner's meeting to request a local VA doctor. He said the VA has criteria that have to be followed and there is little input from the local governments. The veterans can get mileage in some cases if they are referred to a doctor outside of the Valley. Mr. Crowder reiterated that the local officers do not hire for the VA positions. He said each client has a different circumstance and each one requires different work to assist with the veteran's needs.

Mr. Crowder has completed the trainings and is accredited. This allows him to speak on behalf of the veteran without the veteran being present. He noted that this is helpful to the client because some cannot easily travel to the office for every phone call.

Commissioner Shriver asked if the Valley Commissioners needed to address consolidation of Veteran's Officers. Ms. Benton said this was addressed in the past but did not go over well. Mr. Crowder said he would encourage all Veterans Officers to be accredited.

At 11:30 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, joined the session for pending legal matters. He has been working on the beacon tower site agreements for the Del Norte Airport.

The donation of lots in Alpine Village to the County was discussed. The Board did not accept the donation of land. A resolution could be signed denying the conveyance. Mr. Dunn will prepare the proper resolution.

The Board of Assessment Appeals file is being reviewed and the hearing will be set in Denver.

Randy Kern, Building Inspector, joined the session to update the Board on the Ellen Dunn blight case. A building permit has been issued but at this time there is still cleanup work being done. Mr. Dunn (no relation) has a status update on this case next week.

There was discussion of comments on the oil and gas application through the State for the Old Woman's Creek site. Ms. Vanderpool is well informed on the process through the Colorado Oil and Gas Commission. Residents will have input at the County level when the conditional use application is submitted.

There was discussion of appointments for the Board of Adjustments and two pending items for this board. The Commissioners discussed the history of the fees and the processes involved. There was also discussion of having the Board of Commissioners serve as the Board of Adjustments. Ms. Vanderpool will research the State Statute on this matter but she thought other residents were required for the board.

There will be more discussion of the variance process when Chairman Murphy is present.

Commissioner Shriver made the motion to approve the following abatements. Vice Chairman Davie seconded; the motion passed.

| Schedule | Actual | Assessed | Tax |
|--------------|----------|----------|----------|
| 37130-00-053 | \$13,638 | \$3,955 | \$260.36 |
| 21254-09-029 | \$7,950 | \$7,950 | \$104.82 |
| 35313-01-001 | \$22,536 | \$6,535 | \$526.72 |

At 12:20 p.m. the meeting was adjourned for lunch and a work session to hear updates from the Work Force Center.

Attest:

Doug Davie
Vice Chairman of the Board

Lyla Davis
Clerk of the Board