At 8:00 a.m. Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order and Commissioner Shriver led the opening prayer. Clerk Slade led the Pledge of Allegiance. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, was added to the agenda. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to adopt the agenda as corrected, Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

At 8:10 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, reported on emergency meeting procedures required without giving public notification. Mr. Dunn gave the Board a copy of the law. There are only certain types of meetings that fall under this law. The stipulation is that if anything is ratified then it must be finalized in an open meeting that has been publicized. Suzanne Benton, County Administrator, called an emergency meeting to order for the purpose of proposing a fire ban. Commissioner Davie moved to accept the proposed emergency meeting procedure that was proposed to them by Mr. Dunn. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion; the motion passed. The Board discussed areas of concern for fire bans and what to do in case of emergency. Mr. Dunn presented a policy for penalties in case of human caused fires. Commissioner Davie moved for fines to be $100 for first offense, $250 for a second offense and $1000 to $5000 for a third offense, depending on severity. There will be a $50 surcharge for any offense. The motion failed due to a lack of a second. Commissioner Shriver moved that the fines should be $250 for first offense, $500 for second offense and $1000 to $5000 for each offense thereafter. The $50 surcharge applies to each offense. Chairman Murphy seconded. The motion passed with Commissioner Davie dissenting. Commissioner Shriver moved to accept Ordinance 20-12-1 for a county wide fire ban. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davie; the motion passed. Commissioner Shriver moved to close the emergency meeting. Chairman Murphy seconded the motion; the motion passed.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Murphy brought up an upcoming Action 22 meeting notice where there will be a vote on fracking. He asked Commissioners Davie and Shriver for their input on the vote. The Board agreed to support the fracking concept as long as it is done with proper management procedures.

The Board reviewed the claims and discussed them with Ms. Benton. Commissioner Davie moved to approve the claims presented and Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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Colorado State Treasurer 2nd quarter  $  154.80
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Rio Grande County Treasurer exp  $  4,956.57
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CenturyLink  phone  $  9.77
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Lake County Health Dept  $  700.00
Novartis  supplies  $  445.58
Verizon Wireless  cell phone  $  87.02
**TOTAL**  
$  1,911.68

At 9:10 a.m. Ms. Benton reported that on Sept 5, 2012 there will be a public meeting for the Rural Schools Act funding. Ms. Benton gave the Board an update on the Secure Rural School grant funds.

The final check was received from the Rio Grande Water Company for payment of repairs on CR 50. City of Monte Vista wants Pat Sullivan, Road and Bridge Supervisor, to do all the work on base work for the skate board park. Mr. Sullivan will meet with the City of Monte Vista to discuss what he can do and at what cost. Commissioner Shriver thought they should meet with Bob Bryning on site. They need 1000 yards of pit run which is 100 truckloads. Ms. Benton will set up an onsite meeting with Bob Bryning.

Todd Wright, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, will be out of town one week and Dave Osborne will be taking over for him in his absence. The counties have decided they should be available to backup other counties in their absence.

At 9:20 a.m. Le Sheppard met with the Board. Present from DSS was Jody Kern, Jackie Stephens, Sherry Slane, Ryan Dunn and Evelyn Ruybal. Ms. Sheppard had concerns about her 55 year old daughter and went over her health concerns. In April 2012 she brought her daughter to Colorado to look for housing and check on Medicaid here. Ms. Sheppard met with DSS and found out that she was not eligible for Medicaid in Colorado. Then in May 2012 she met with Ms. Slane and Ms. Stephens about assistance and was still ineligible. Ms. Kern explained to Ms. Sheppard about the HIPPA laws and what Ms. Sheppard needs to do to file her appeals.

At 10:00 a.m. the meeting was adjourned.
The Board of Rio Grande County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, July 11, 2012. Members present were Chairman Dennis Murphy Jr., Commissioner Doug Davie and Commissioner Karla Shriver, Suzanne Benton, County Administrator and Linda Slade, Clerk of the Board.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order and Commissioner Shriver led the opening prayer. Ms. Benton led the Pledge of Allegiance. Randy Kern, Building Inspector, was added to the agenda. Commissioner Shriver made the motion to adopt the agenda as corrected, Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion carried.

The minutes from the June 27, 2012 and July 3, 2012 meetings were approved as corrected. Commissioner Shriver moved to accept the minutes as corrected. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion passed.

At 9:15 a.m. Patrick Sullivan, Road and Bridge Supervisor, gave his monthly report to the Commissioners. Mr. Sullivan went over the list of completed projects which include:
- Completion of 2 intersection projects in lower Alpine
- Base work and paving in Beaver Mountain Estate
- Overlaid ¼ mile on Maxeyville Road
- Kept graders off of Schedule A roads due to extreme fire danger
- Carl Hill welded a trailer hitch for Porfie
- Culvert repair on several locations
- Mowing weeds on our county roads
- Darryl and Pat spent several hours keeping track of the fiber optic installation crew

The proposed work will be:
- Continue grading
- Clean up run off debris on Pinos Creek Road
- Begin skin patching projects
- Will do a joint project with the Railroad on CR 17
- Will overlay the bridge on CR 17
- Will continue to mow as time allows and the tractor runs

Mr. Sullivan reported that Bruce Gossard will be leaving the county road crew. Mr. Sullivan gave Alamosa County a quote for stripping and they approved the quote and the Board ratified the approval. He will also do some stripping for the Great Sand Dunes Monument of 4 ½ miles.

Ms. Benton presented a letter from the DN Chamber of Commerce thanking them for their support in the Mud Runs. There was a problem at the airport with cows on the runway and Carl Hill went up to fix the fence. The Commissioners decided to give a warning to Darwin Ensz to keep his cows off the county property.

At 9:40 a.m. Clarence Wilson, Mike Petkovic, and Bob Udell met with the Board. Mr. Wilson wanted to know what the budget was for road maintenance in Rio Grande County. The Road and Bridge budget is $867,955.00 which maintains approximately 350 to 400 miles of graded road. Mr. Wilson’s concern was the grading of the roads causing dust in his residence. Mr. Petkovic said the real problem is dust and people not using the paved roads. Mr. Petkovic would like to see a partial road closure at Mohee Road and Kenosha Road and CR 19. Mr. Udell asked if they could get road bumps and speed limit signs put up. Mr. Sullivan explained the liability it put on the County. Commissioner Shriver asked
Commissioner Murphy if they could explore all avenues to resolve this problem. This item was tabled until a work session.

Commissioner Shriver went over the Grant that was received for the Skate Board Park in Monte Vista. The County's agreement was for $5000 cash or in kind work, so it appears that the County has filled their obligation. The Skate Board committee has asked for only 50 loads of dirt instead of 100 loads. The City of Monte Vista would use 2 of their trucks to haul the dirt along with the county trucks. That would increase the County's portion by about $6200 to $6500. Under the recommendation of Mr. Sullivan it was decided to go ahead. Commissioner Davie moved to take the money from the Conservation Trust Fund. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed.

At 10:20 a.m. Todd Small from the Rio Grande Club met with the Board about the Club’s Liquor License renewal. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the license renewal and Commissioner Davie seconded the motion; the motion passed. Chairman Murphy signed the application to the State of Colorado.

At 10:25 a.m. Chez and Lisa Yund along with Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Administrator, met with the Board about an exempt division of land. Ms. Vanderpool went over the application and there were no objections either for or against the application. The legal description is W ¼ W ½ NW ¼ NW ¼ of Section 4, Township 38N, Range 8E, NMMF. The application was approved on a motion by Commissioner Shriver. Commissioner Davie seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Ms. Vanderpool presented the resolution permitting Division of Land without Complying with Subdivision Regulations for Michael and Linda Trujillo. Commissioner Shriver moved to accept the resolution as presented. Commissioner Davie seconded; the motion carried.

Chairman Murphy signed the Veteran’s Report. Sheriff Norton felt the Fire ban could be lifted and Commissioner Shriver made the motion to lift the ban, Commissioner Davie seconded the motion; the motion passed.

At 11:40 a.m. David Slater met with the Board for an Exempt Division of Land. Ms. Vanderpool said there were no comments either for or against the division. Mr. Slater is asking to keep 10 acres from the 160 acre parcel to satisfy the ditch company. The address is 5503 CR 10 N with a legal description of SW1/4, Section 7, Township 40N, Range 7E, NMMF, Rio Grande County. There will have to be a new access road so application will have to be made with Mr. Sullivan. Commissioner Davie moved to allow the division of land with the condition of a survey completed and access road permits. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Ms. Benton asked Mr. Slater about closing roads in the Jasper area. He will bring the matter up at their meeting July 12, 2012. Mr. Slater was requesting that there be communication between the Building Inspector and the secretary on building permit issues.

At 11:00 a.m. Randy Kern, Building Inspector, met with the Board regarding the Jasper POA request. It was discussed about his office notifying the POA at Jasper and it was decided that it should be on the POA to enforce. The Town of South Fork is
requesting that Mr. Kern fill in on a temporary basis as their building inspector is leaving July 14, 2012. Mr. Kern expressed his concerns to the Board. The Board agreed there needed to be more information and tabled the matter.

Action Items:

The Jail Roof Contract was discussed. The Board called Marty Skolnick but he said the Board really needed to talk to Monte Montgomery as he did the site visit. He is going to go back to the contractors and see if they can reduce the price with their subcontractors.

Ms. Benton presented Notice of Award and Agreement to Proceed to Electrical Excellence Enterprise for $487,311.00 for runway lights. Commissioner Davie made the motion to proceed. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed. A Notice of Award and Agreement to Proceed for the AWOS system was presented by Vaisala, Inc. for $126,575.00. Commissioner Davie moved to sign the contract for the AWOS system. Commissioner Shriver seconded; the motion passed. The FAA has awarded Rio Grande County their Frequency for the AWOS system.

Senior Water Users petitioned the Board to waive the fee for use of the Annex Building. Commissioner Davie moved to allow the waiver of the fees. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion; the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20.
Bateman. Chairman Murphy seconded the motion; the motion carried.

At 9:25 a.m. Jody Kern, Department of Social Services, gave her monthly report.

At 10:10 a.m. Bill Dunn, County Attorney, discussed pending legal matters. Also present were Rose Vanderpool, Land Use Administrator, and Randy Lanosga, representing River Island Ranch. This matter has been before the Board previously. It involves 80 property owners and 70 unsold lots. Filings One, Two and Three have been completed. Filings Four, Five and Six have not been completed due to the lender backing out. Mr. Lanosga is requesting a letter stating that the Board is aware of the situation and that filings Four, Five and Six need to be reviewed. Mr. Dunn advised that River Island Ranch arrange a meeting with Todd Smith, Attorney for the San Luis Valley Water of the SLV Water Conservancy District and Matt Hobbs, attorney for Tom Smith, and the Anaconda Ditch to meet with the Board. Ms. Vanderpool suggested that River Island Ranch also file for an extension of its prior agreement.

Mr. Dunn reported he had sent a letter to Joey Edge and had not received a response. Mr. Edge is living in the Fishing Club house and there have been complaints that the members have not been able to use the Fishing Club house. The club house is zoned commercial and not residential.

Leonard Sandoval has not responded to the letter from Mr. Dunn and Mr. Dunn will file an Entry of Default on Mr. Sandoval’s property.

Dave Edwards, Rimrock Ranch, sent a letter to the County questioning taxes collected on open space properties. Ms. Benton will talk with the Assessor about this concern.

Ms. Vanderpool said there was a problem with SLV REC and Brian Rue and there needs to be an Exemption of Land Permit. Ms. Vanderpool will get the necessary information for the next meeting.

The oil and gas recommendations will be in tomorrow and George Monsson would like to review the recommendations with the Board as soon as possible.

Wes Wilson will be doing a workshop on September 7, 2012 regarding fracking and Rio Grande County will be hosting this meeting. There will also be another workshop later in the month on Saturday and Sunday the date to be announced later.

At 11:00 a.m. Tom Malecek, USFS, and Mike Blakeman talked to the Board about the cabin the Forest Service rents on Alder Creek and Burro Creek. Mr. Malecek and Mr. Blakeman were here to review the fees that are charged for the cabin rental. The Fitton Guard station was built in 1908 and the Off Cow camp was built approximately 1915. The USFS is proposing a fee of $25.00 per night for the use of the cabin or cabins as they both have been restored. A large percentage of the fees come back to the USFS programs. Mr. Blakeman presented to the Board the Secure Rural Schools Act, Title II Project Proposal Request. The Board must decide if they are going to take the SRS funds or 25% or full funding. Ms. Benton will do more checking into that to see
which way would most benefit the County. The Board asked USFS to check into sales and lodging taxes.

Commissioner Shriver moved to approve payroll. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion; motion carried.

**County General**

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PUBLIC HEALTH

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$100,834.58

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Patrick Sullivan, Bridge Supervisor, talked with Mr. Petkovik about closing Mohee road in Alpine Village to see if it would help with the dust problem they were having. Mr. Sullivan suggested that the County put up temporary barricades to see what the community says. The Board decided to put up temporary barricades for the remainder of the summer.

**ACTION ITEMS**

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to grant forced entry for control of noxious weed control for Saira Development. Commissioner Murphy seconded; the motion carried.

As Commissioner Davie regularly attends the CCI Committee in his absence it was proposed he attend. If he is not able to attend Chairman Murphy will do so.

The Board decided to terminate their PCP contract with Saguache County in the amount of $1,148 per month and will use other providers as there are not that many clients. Rio Grande County will continue service from Saguache County for three months. Ms. Benton will send a letter to that effect.

Loretta Abrams has asked for a waiver of fees on the Annex Building to host the annual Community Christmas Dinner. Commissioner Shriver moved to allow the waiver. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Davis Engineering has completed the design work on the water system for the Movie Manor and is asking for an approval of the design. Commissioner Shriver moved to approve the engineers design for Movie Manor. Chairman Murphy seconded the motion; the motion carried.

At 1:45 Steve Parker, CDOT, Ross Hamilton, David Vailpando, Rick Routh Keith McGowan, Matt Muraro and Kerrie Neet met with the Board. Ms. Neet opened up the meeting with questions from the Board. Chairman Murphy questioned them on the intersection at US 160 and CR 19.

Mr. Muraro explained future planning projects and funding from both the State and Federal perspective including the new program Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAPS-21). Mr. Routh went over traffic and safety issues including permits required for access and future projects. Mr. Hamilton explained the maintenance budget and how many counties it includes. Mr. Hamilton explained that their budgets have not increased and
with the cost of materials they really have shrunk. They will continue the 14 hour plowing going on selected roads. Mr. Hamilton reported they were working on a concept with all local government, EMT’s, CSP, CDOT to work out a procedure for notifying the public in case of a closure on Wolf Creek Pass. Mr. McGowan reported on the 11 engineering projects ongoing in this area including surface treatment on Hwy 285, 4 miles of passing lanes east of Monte Vista, US 160/US 285 in Monte Vista where the existing asphalt, sidewalk and curb and gutter will be reconstructed. There will also be some fencing work done east and west of Del Norte on Hwy 160. There are other projects to be done but they are in other counties.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Attest:

Dennis Murphy Jr. Linda Slade
Chairman of the Board Clerk of the Board