

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 17, 2015**

The February 17, 2015 meeting was held in the Planning Commissioners' boardroom in the Blackstock Government Center located at 221 N. Wisconsin Street, Gunnison, Colorado. Present were:

Paula Swenson, Chairperson (ABSENT)
Phil Chamberland, Vice-Chairperson
Jonathan Houck, Commissioner
Russ Forrest, Assistant County Manager

Matthew Birnie, County Manager (ABSENT)
Katherine Haase, Clerk to the Board
Others Present as Listed in Text

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Chamberland called the meeting to order at 8:40 am.

AGENDA REVIEW: There were no changes made to the agenda.

MINUTES APPROVAL: Commissioner Chamberland asked that the draft minutes be changed to reflect these corrections: 1) Within the Board appointments during the 1/13/15 meeting, the appointments to the Gunnison Valley Rural Transportation Authority Board should reflect that Commissioner Swenson and Commissioner Houck are equal appointments and not primary and secondary appointments; 2) Within Chairperson Swenson's reports during the 1/27/15 meeting, the minutes should clarify that the 30% pay increase for elected officials is being discussed and has not been finalized; 3) Within Deputy County Manager Marlene Crosby's report during the 2/3/15 meeting, it was thought that the minutes should possibly reflect the Corps of Engineers instead of Colorado Parks and Wildlife. *(Note: Clerk Haase later verified the information with Deputy County Manager Crosby and determined that the initial reference to the Colorado Parks and Wildlife was correct, so the minutes were only altered to further clarify the reference.)* **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Chamberland to approve the meeting minutes of January 13th, January 27th, February 3rd, February 4th and February 5th, all of 2015, with the corrections made by Commissioner Chamberland. Motion carried.

1. 1/13/15 Regular Meeting.
2. 1/27/15 Regular Meeting.
3. 2/3/15 Regular Meeting.
4. 2/4/15 Special Meeting
5. 2/5/15 Special Meeting

CONSENT AGENDA: **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Chamberland to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

1. Ratification of Correspondence; Governor John W. Hickenlooper and IBCC Director John R. Stulp; Reappointment of John McCLOW to the Colorado Water Conservation Board
2. Ratification of Approval; Colorado Department of Transportation Highway Users Tax Fund Signature Sheet
3. Contract Amendment #2014-02-026A; History Colorado, the Colorado Historical Society; Foundation Stabilization and Electrical Upgrades of Ohio City Town Hall; 4/18/14 thru 4/18/16
4. Ratification of County Manager's Signature; Gunnison County Health and Human Services Director Employment Agreement; Joni Reynolds; \$106,910
5. Colorado Parks and Wildlife Impact Assistance Grant Application; Tax Year 2014; \$15,153.83
6. Memorandum of Agreement, Affiliation for Social Work Field Education; Worden School of Social Services at Our Lady of the Lake University Internship Agreement; 1/30/15
7. Out-of-State Travel Request; Youth Leadership Conference with Crested Butte Youth Council; Gunnison County Substance Abuse Prevention Project Staff; San Jose, CA; 3/27/15 - 3/30/15; \$6,960
8. Acknowledgment of County Manager Authorization to Submit; Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Rates Assessments in Child Care and Kindergarten Project (RACK) and Human Papillomavirus Project (HPV) Combined Grant Applications; 7/1/15 thru 6/30/16; \$39,884
9. Agreement; OCx Network Consultants, LLC; Computer Network Replacement; 2/17/15 thru 12/31/15; \$84,670
10. Second Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding among Eagle County, Gunnison County and Pitkin County Concerning the Energy Smart Program
11. Professional Services Agreement; qPublic; Gunnison County Assessor's Office; 1/1/15 thru 12/31/17; \$24,000
12. Memorandum of Agreement; Gunnison Valley Animal Welfare League; Operational Costs; 1/1/15 thru 12/31/15; \$2,000
13. Ratification of County Manager Signature; Agreement, Performance Bond, Payment Bond; Spallone Construction, Inc.; Gunnison Whitewater Park Repair; \$368,831.25

SCHEDULING: The Upcoming Meetings Schedule was discussed and updated. No changes were proposed.

CORRESPONDENCE; NOMINATION OF PARCEL 2014-133 EAST RIVER-ROUND MOUNTAIN WEST FOR DESIGNATION INTO THE STEWARDSHIP TRUST: Gunnison Wildlife Conservation Coordinator Jim Cochran was present for discussion.

The draft correspondence was discussed and modifications were agreed upon. Within the summary, this sentence fragment was added for clarification, “. . . however, we do not feel that this parcel meets the general characteristics of the intent of inclusion of properties into the stewardship trusts”. **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Chamberland to approve the letter to the Colorado State Board of Land Commissioners with the edit that was included in the discussion, and that our signature stamps be used on the letter. Motion carried.

UNSCHEDULED CITIZENS: There were no Unscheduled Citizens present for discussion.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS: This discussion began earlier than scheduled due to a gap in the meeting.

Commissioner Houck:

1. One Valley Prosperity Project Update. Commissioner Houck informed the Board that the OVPP meetings are going well and that there has been good engagement.
2. Colorado State Forestry Service Meeting; Spruce Beetle. Commissioner Houck informed the Board that he attended this meeting during the previous week. The potential for local biomass opportunities was also discussed.
3. Public Lands Partnership Meeting. Commissioner Houck is scheduled to attend this meeting in Montrose later in the week. Previous meetings have gone well, and the Wild Earth Guardians group no longer attends.

ADJOURN: **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Chamberland to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The Gunnison County Board of County Commissioners meeting adjourned at 9:04 am.

GUNNISON RIVER VALLEY LOCAL MARKETING DISTRICT:

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Chamberland called the meeting to order at 9:15 am.

APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR GUNNISON-CRESTED BUTTE TOURISM ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL AUDIT: Finance Director Linda Nienhueser and Community Development Director Russ Forrest were present for discussion.

Community Development Director Forrest informed the Board that the former TA board met on 2/10 and voted to support the audit. The newly appointed board will meet within the next week or two.

Finance Director Nienhueser confirmed that she had contacted the auditor, McMahan and Associates, and that access to the TA's QuickBooks account has been problematic. Without that access, the auditor won't be able to provide a cost estimate for the single-year audit. The Board asked her to move forward and schedule approval of the expenditure on a future agenda. She confirmed that there are available resources to perform the audit, and that a third-party audit requirement will be added to annual funding contracts between the Gunnison River Valley Local Marketing District and the TA from this point forward.

ADJOURN: **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Chamberland to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The Gunnison River Valley Local Marketing District meeting adjourned at 9:19 am.

(Absent from meeting – no signature)

Paula Swenson, Chairperson

Phil Chamberland, Vice-Chairperson

Jonathan Houck, Commissioner

Minutes Prepared By:

Katherine Haase, Deputy County Clerk

Attest:

Kathy Simillion, County Clerk