

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
November 24, 2015**

The November 24, 2015 meeting was held in the Board of County Commissioners' meeting room located at 200 E. Virginia Avenue, Gunnison, Colorado. Present were:

Paula Swenson, Chairperson
Phil Chamberland, Vice-Chairperson
Jonathan Houck, Commissioner

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

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Swenson called the meeting to order at 12:45 pm. Commissioner Houck did not arrive until 12:47 pm, which was at the start of the Vouchers and Transfers Approval agenda item.

CONSENT AGENDA: **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Chairperson Swenson to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

1. HIPAA Business Associate Addendum; State of Colorado, Department of Human Services, Office of Behavioral Health
2. Grant Award Letter; Colorado Department of Education, Expanding Quality Initiative; 7/1/15 thru 6/30/16; \$7,159
3. Ratification of Property Disposition; Paul Brown; Stamped Metal Ceiling Panels

VOUCHERS AND TRANSFERS APPROVAL: Commissioner Houck arrived at the meeting prior to the beginning of this discussion. Finance Director Linda Nienhueser presented the voucher approval report dated November 24, 2015 and the cash transfer authorization dated October 2015 for discussion and approval. **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Chamberland to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$1,902,422.15. Motion carried unanimously. **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the cash transfer authorization for October 2015 in the amount of \$2,966,983.15. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT: County Treasurer Debbie Dunbar presented the October 2015 Treasurer's report and an investment report dated October 31, 2015 for discussion and acceptance. **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Chamberland to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

BROADBAND UPDATE: Community Development Director Russ Forrest and IT Director John Felix were present for discussion. Because Chairperson Swenson has a personal financial interest in this issue, she recused herself from the discussion and left the room at 12:52 pm.

CDD Forrest informed the Board that the City of Gunnison approved approximately \$40,000 to serve as grant-matching funds. Mt. Crested Butte approved \$120,000, and Crested Butte is expected to make a funding decision on 11/30.

IT Director Felix confirmed that Gunnison Valley Hospital (GVH) verbally agreed to serve as an anchor, and a contract memorializing this decision will be drafted. CDD Forrest confirmed that Western State Colorado University (WSCU) will also participate as an anchor, though the Library District is not interested in making a financial commitment at this time. The WSCU and GVH commitments to this project will total \$46,649, and both entities are willing to enter into contracts.

CDD Forrest stated that the agreement in the packet formalizes the elements of the 11/17 discussion that were agreed upon.

CDD Forrest acknowledged that, if Crested Butte does not decide to participate, the team will need to reconfigure the plans to attach Mt. Crested Butte. He also stated that Mammoth can get lit fiber, and they will later confirm whether or not unlit fiber will be available.

Moved by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Chamberland to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Region 10 and the Board of County Commissioners of Gunnison County, authorize Matthew's (the County Manger) signature on behalf of the County, and also to arrange those MOUs with the hospital and Western in the amount of \$87,059. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 1:03 pm.

Paula Swenson, Chairperson

Phil Chamberland, Vice-Chairperson

Jonathan Houck, Commissioner

Minutes Prepared By:

Katherine Haase, Deputy County Clerk

Attest:

Kathy Simillion, County Clerk