

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 21, 2013**

The May 21, 2013 meeting was held in the Commissioners' boardroom in the Courthouse located at 200 E. Virginia, Gunnison, Colorado. Present were:

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

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

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Swenson called the meeting to order at 8:32 am.

AGENDA REVIEW: There were no changes made to the agenda, although it was agreed that the 9:20 am item may be rescheduled if the petitioner isn't available for discussion.

MINUTES APPROVAL: A ministerial error was discovered within the 4/23/13 draft minutes presented, and the Board agreed on a correction. **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the April 23, 2013 minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA: Commissioner Chamberland requested that Item #4 be pulled for further discussion. **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the Consent Agenda, excluding Item #4, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Memorandum of Understanding between Board of County Commissioners of the County of Gunnison, Colorado and Gunnison Valley Family Physicians; Nexplanon Insertion and Removal, IUD/IUS Insertion and Removals, and Vasectomy Procedures; 6/1/13 thru 6/1/15
2. Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley Grant Proposal; Gunnison County Multicultural Resources; \$5,000
3. Consultant Agreement; Western State Colorado University; Professional Services Regarding an Assessment of Potential Impacts Associated with Adult Mosquito Abatement Spraying on Macroinvertebrate Drift in Streams near Gunnison, Colorado
4. **Pulled for Discussion and Separate Action:** Airport Terminal Lease Agreement; SITA, Inc.; 5/1/13 thru 4/30/14, Renewable for up to Three Additional Years, \$1,406.80
5. Out-of-State Travel Request; National Association of Government Web Professionals Conference; Assistant to the County Manager; Louisville, KY; 9/24/13 thru 9/28/13; \$1,966.74
6. Release of Development Improvements Agreement and Addendum Thereto for Tomichi Village Sewer Line and Lift Station Located in the Colorado State Highway 50 Right-of-Way and Portions of S1/2 Section 31, S1/2SW1/4 Section 32, Township 50 North, Range 1 East, and S1/2SE1/4 Section 36, Township 50 North, Range 1 West N.M.P.M.
7. Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, OEPR-PHEP, FJA, Contract Routing Number 14-53976; Amendment for Task Orders #1; Emergency Preparedness Response; 7/1/13 thru 6/30/14; \$19,003
8. Gunnison and Hinsdale Counties' Memorandum of Understanding Pursuant to House Bill 04-1451; 7/1/13 thru 6/30/14
9. Professional Service Agreement; Jesse Cruz; Services to the Office of Juvenile Services Regarding Assessment, Service Planning, Case Management and Clinical Services to Promote Health and Wellness to Individuals and Families Referred from Gunnison County Family Advocacy and Support Team through the Office of Juvenile Services; 5/21/13 thru 6/30/14
10. FY 2013-14 Colorado Children's Trust Fund, Purchase Order, Statement of Work Services; Nurturing Parenting Program; \$25,000
11. Release of Agreement Regarding Repayment of Region 10 Loan; Scott P. and Margaret L. Sanders; Lot 14, Allen Homesites; \$4,300

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM #4: Commissioner Chamberland asked for clarification on the equipment, and was satisfied with the details provided. **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve Consent Agenda Item #4. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULING: The Upcoming Meetings Schedule was discussed and updated.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT: County Manager Birnie was present for discussion.

1. **Vacant Director Positions.** County Manager Birnie informed the Board that interviews and candidate receptions relative to the two vacant positions would take place later in the week.
2. **Courthouse Project Update.** County Manager Birnie informed the Board that he has asked for a proposal from the Roth Sheppard-Humphries Poli team that completed the needs assessment. A bid process will not be opened at this point because a robust and competitive selection process was conducted to select the team for the Needs Assessment phase of the project. The team will be interviewed from 10:00 am until noon on 6/11/13 in the boardroom.

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

Commissioner Houck:

1. San Miguel Basin Working Group Meeting. Commissioner Houck, Commissioner Chamberland and Gunnison Wildlife Conservation Coordinator Jim Cochran met with this group last week to discuss the Gunnison Sage-grouse.
2. Office for Resource Efficiency (ORE) Board Meeting. Commissioner Houck informed the Board that Bart Laemmel has been selected as the new Executive Director and that ORE is looking for new funding as one source will be unavailable going forward.

Commissioner Chamberland:

1. High Country Citizens' Alliance (HCCA). Commissioner Chamberland informed the Board that he met with HCCA Public Lands Director Alli Melton to discuss the trail along Cement Creek Road. The Forest Service is in agreement with the preliminary plans.

Commissioner Swenson:

1. Gunnison Sage-grouse. Chairperson Swenson informed the Board that she had a good conversation with Nicole Alt prior to the last Sage-grouse Strategic Committee meeting. Ms. Alt is interested in our habitat assessment tool.
2. Gunnison Valley Rural Transportation Authority (RTA). Chairperson Swenson attended an RTA meeting on 5/20/13. During that meeting, the RTA unanimously voted to keep the service primarily the same from Houston next year with United Airlines. The RTA board wants to meet with the Gunnison-Crested Butte Tourism Association board to decide on which market to advertise to next.
3. Gunnison Valley Animal Welfare League; Animal Shelter Update. Chairperson Swenson informed the Board that GVAWL has been struggling to fund the shelter. Hap Channell has agreed to work with GVAWL to locate alternative funding sources. The GVAWL board will provide an update to the Board on 7/9/13.

2010 PETITION FOR ABATEMENT OR REFUND OF TAXES; HANDLER MARILYN MISHEL; 300 EAST TOMICHI AVENUE, 3701-363-74-001/R043139: County Attorney David Baumgarten and Administrative Assistant III Bobbie Lucero were present for discussion. Since the petitioner was unavailable for discussion, County Attorney Baumgarten suggested that the item be rescheduled to a later date. Moved by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to table this 2010 Petition for Abatement for Handler Marilyn Mishel at 300 E. Tomichi Avenue until the June 4, 2013 meeting, and that this will not prejudice either party in the petition. Motion carried unanimously.

BREAK: The meeting recessed from 9:12 until 9:16 am.

ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT AND PROJECT UPDATES: Assistant County Manager Marlene Crosby was present for discussion.

1. Road and Bridge Updates. Assistant County Manager Crosby informed the Board that her crews would complete the paving on Jacks Cabin Road before the end of the day, and that magnesium chloride would be applied on 5/23/13. Jersey barriers are being installed, and the intersection cut is nearly complete. Crews are milling six inches deep, so they are generating a lot of material and finding soft spots. Kebler Pass is very icy and won't open until either late in the day on 5/22/13 or on 5/23/13. The Parlin bridge work is done and the inspection is pending. All gates closed for the Gunnison-sage Grouse season have been reopened.
2. Antelope Hills Water Project Update. Assistant County Manager Crosby informed the Board that the project is done and that completion of paperwork is all that remains. The residents are unhappy that grant funds weren't available for the project. Frequent testing is expensive, and the County may be allowed to wait longer between testings as long as the results come back favorable. Residents have stated that they may send correspondence to their delegates about the cost of the system, and she didn't discourage them from doing so.

BREAK: The meeting recessed from 9:27 until 9:35 am.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Our Colorado River Pledge. Commissioner Chamberland wanted to change some of the language as he felt that it was limiting and should have included new water development, but it was explained that the language couldn't be changed. He also questioned whether or not the wording of "river damaging" could be proven. County Manager Birnie stated that individual commissioners can sign on, if desired. Commissioner Houck stated his support and noted that he would like to see it supported either as a group or individually. **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Chamberland to support this and direct Clerk to the Board Haase to go online and complete it. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Federal Lease Sale; Gunnison Energy. Commissioner Chamberland stated that he had discussed this issue with John Whitney, a representative of Senator Michael Bennet's office, and that he is not sure that the County can support this without more information. Commissioner Houck stated

that he has difficulty digesting the information, but that he wants to see energy development. County Manager Birnie confirmed that suspending comments is a viable option. He also noted that the lease sale had been withdrawn and that it would likely come forward in the future. Chairperson Swenson felt that we should thank Gunnison Energy for their comments, let them know that we will continue to monitor the situation, and that the Board will be willing to reevaluate the issue at a later time. County Manager Birnie will relay this to Gunnison Energy.

VOUCHERS AND TRANSFERS APPROVAL: Finance Director Linda Nienhueser presented the voucher approval report dated May 21, 2013 and the cash transfer authorization dated April 2013 for discussion and approval. **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the voucher report in the amount of \$873,320.70. Motion carried unanimously. **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the cash transfers for April 2013 in the amount of \$2,425,757.89. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER’S MONTHLY REPORT: County Treasurer Melody Marks presented the April 2013 Treasurer’s report and an investment report dated April 30, 2013 for discussion and acceptance. **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to accept the Treasurer’s report. Motion carried unanimously.

BREAK: The meeting recessed from 9:55 until 10:05 am.

CONSIDERATION OF A COOPERATING AGENCY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT FOR THE BULL MOUNTAIN UNIT MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT: County Attorney David Baumgarten was present for discussion.

County Manager Birnie informed the Board that the staff recommends participation in this agreement. Moved by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the Cooperating Agency Memorandum of Understanding with the Bureau of Land Management for the Bull Mountain Unit Master Development Plan Environmental Impact Statement, and authorize signature by the County Manager. Motion carried unanimously.

BREAK: The meeting recessed from 10:08 until 10:30 am for a short break and then from 10:30 am until 10:57 am in order to call to order as the Gunnison/Hinsdale Board of Human Services (see separate minutes).

AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING; EAGLE, PITKIN AND GUNNISON COUNTIES; REVOLVING LOAN FUND: Office for Resource Efficiency Executive Director Maya Silver was present for discussion.

Ms. Silver explained that this agreement would open the financing pool to residents of Lake County. The current balance is approximately \$870,000, of which \$50,000 would be open to Lake County residents. **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between Eagle, Pitkin and Gunnison Counties for the revolving loan fund. Motion carried unanimously.

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

ADJOURN: **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:11 am.

Paula Swenson, Chairperson

Phil Chamberland, Vice-Chairperson

Jonathan Houck, Commissioner

Minutes Prepared By:

Katherine Haase, Deputy County Clerk

Attest:

Stella Dominguez, County Clerk