

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
September 10, 2013**

The September 10, 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 2:54 pm.

**FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION; COTTONWOOD PASS PROJECT:** Deputy County Manager Marlene Crosby, Finance Director Linda Nienhueser and County Attorney David Baumgarten were present for discussion.

Deputy County Manager Crosby suggested that the County submit a proposal and a request to the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) to extend the terms of the funding for this project. The Board agreed that committing to anything during the meeting was difficult since so many variables could not yet be specified. Moving ahead with the project may necessitate the suspension of other road and bridge construction projects well into the future as the Public Works Department may only be capable of performing maintenance as a means of offsetting the cost of this project.

The Board agreed that Deputy County Manager Crosby should submit a letter outlining a sound proposal that, if accepted by CDOT, can be brought back to the Board for final consideration.

**ADJOURN: Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Chamberland to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

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Paula Swenson, Chairperson

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Phil Chamberland, Vice-Chairperson

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Jonathan Houck, Commissioner

Minutes Prepared By:

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Katherine Haase, Deputy County Clerk

Attest:

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Stella Dominguez, County Clerk