

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
February 18, 2020**

The February 18, 2020 meeting was held in the Board of County Commissioners' meeting room located at 200 E. Virginia Avenue, Gunnison, Colorado. Present were:

Jonathan Houck, Chairperson  
John Messner, Vice-Chairperson (VIA PHONE)  
Roland Mason, Commissioner

Matthew Birnie, County Manager (ABSENT)  
Elizabeth Mense, Deputy County Clerk  
Others Present as Listed in Text

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING:**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairperson Houck called the meeting to order at 9:04 am. Chairperson Houck noted for the record that all three commissioners are in attendance. Commissioner Messner is participating via telephone.

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

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** **Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the meeting minutes of 1/21/20 as presented. Motion carried.

1. 1/21/20 Regular Meeting

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

1. Public Service Grant Agreement; City of Gunnison; Youth Shared Spaces & Sources of Strength; \$25,000
2. Public Service Grant Agreement; City of Gunnison; Gunnison Hinsdale Early Childhood Council & Multicultural Resource Office; \$15,000
3. Acknowledgment of County Manager's Signature; Lease Agreement; Parish Hall Voter Service Polling Center
4. Core Services Agreement Amendment No. 2 & Cost-Containment and Guide Services Agreement No. 2; ELAP Services, LLC
5. Grant Award Letter; Colorado Department of Transportation, Colorado Aeronautical Board, Division of Aeronautics; 20-GUC-01
6. Impact Assistance Grant Application; Colorado Parks & Wildlife
7. Contract Amendment #1; Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment; Local Public Health Preparedness
8. Grant Proposal; Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment; Family Planning
9. Memorandum of Understanding; Colorado Emergency Fire Fund
10. Liquor License Renewal; Crested Butte LLC dba Paradise Restaurant; February 4, 2020 – February 4, 2021
11. Resolution; A Resolution Adopting the Gunnison County Procurement Policy
12. Grant Application; Strategic Prevention Framework – Partnership for Success; GCSAPP
13. 2020 Gunnison County Annual Operating Plan; Wildland Fire Management
14. Contract for Services Request; Evolution Communications Agency; GCSAPP
15. Resolution; A Resolution Requesting Aviation System Grant Assistance from Colorado Aeronautical Board and the Division of Aeronautics

**Correspondence; 2020 Election Coordination:**

The Board briefly discussed the correspondence received from Kathy Simillion, Gunnison County Clerk & Recorder regarding 2020 election coordination.

**SCHEDULING:**

- Commissioner Mason is attending the Mt Crested Butte Town Council meeting this evening. Commissioner Houck is attending the upcoming Gunnison City Council meeting.
- Club 20 meetings are scheduled for 2/27/20 & 2/28/20.
- Mayors and Managers is scheduled for Thursday, 3/5/20. Crested Butte Mountain Resort is hosting.
- There is a Conservation District dinner Thursday, 3/5/20.
- Commissioner Houck and Commissioner Messner will be attending the upcoming NACo Legislative Conference in Washington DC. Commissioner Houck will not be in attendance at the 3/3/20 Regular Meeting.
- Commissioner Houck will be in attendance at the 3/17/20 Regular Meeting.
- There is a peak purchasing alliance meeting on Monday, 2/24/20.

**DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT:** Deputy County Manager Marlene Crosby was present for the discussion.

**1. Request for Approval to Purchase Glass Crusher:**

Finance Director Linda Nienhueser was present for the discussion.

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Mason to approve the expenditure of up to \$ 27,000 from the Sales Tax Fund for purchase of a glass crusher. Motion carried.

- DCM Crosby noted for the record that she issued a temporary 5-day plowing permit on Six Mile Lane.

**VOUCHERS AND TRANSFERS:**

Finance Director Linda Nienhueser presented the voucher approval report dated February 18, 2020 and the cash transfer authorization report dated January 2020 for discussion and approval.

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Mason to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$1,078,511.95. Motion carried.

**Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Houck to authorize the cash transfers in the amount of \$3,362,934.09 Motion carried.

**Sales Tax & Local Marketing District Reports:**

Finance Director Nienhueser presented the December 2019 Sales Tax & Local Marketing District reports.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Treasurer Debbie Dunbar was present for the discussion. The January 2020 Treasurer’s report, Investment report dated January 31, 2020 and Six-Month report were provided for Board review.

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Mason to approve acceptance of the Treasurer’s reports as presented and authorize Chair signature. Motion carried.

**UNSCHEDULED CITIZENS:** There were no Unscheduled Citizens present

**COMMISSIONER ITEMS:**

Roland Mason-

1. Commissioner Mason discussed a recent Mayors & Managers meeting he attended.
2. Commissioner Mason is planning on attending an upcoming Region 10 and Club 20 meeting.
3. Commissioner Mason noted that he was appointed as Chair of the Gunnison Valley Regional Housing Authority.
4. Commissioner Mason noted that he was nominated to serve as Vice-Chair of Region 10. They will be voting during their next meeting.

Jonathan Houck-

1. Commissioner Houck discussed a recent Taylor Park Adaptive Management Group meeting he attended.
2. Commissioner Houck discussed a recent meeting he attended regarding Gunnison Sage-Grouse.

John Messner-

1. Commissioner Messner discussed a recent Governors Transportation Task Force meeting he attended.

**Possible Executive Session Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) Conference with the County Attorney to Receive Legal Advice:**

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Mason to enter an executive session Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(b) to Conference with the County Attorney to Receive Legal Advice. Participants in the executive session will include Commissioner Jonathan Houck, Commissioner John Messner, Commissioner Roland Mason, County Attorney David Baumgarten and Deputy County Manager Marlene Crosby. Motion carried.

The Board went into executive session at 10:08 am. *Executive sessions of the Board of County Commissioners are conducted as per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4). This specific session was conducted as per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b).*

Attorney Statement Regarding Executive Session

Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(2)(d.5)(II)(B) and C.R.S. 24-6-402(4), I attest that I am the Gunnison County Attorney, that I represent the Gunnison County Board of County Commissioners, that I attended all of the above referenced executive session, that all of the executive session was confined to the topic authorized for discussion pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) and that, because in my opinion all of the discussion during the executive session constituted a privileged attorney-client communication, no record of the executive session was required to be kept and no such record was kept.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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David Baumgarten  
Gunnison County Attorney

Chairperson Statement Regarding Executive Session

Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4), I attest that I am the Chairperson of the Gunnison County Board of Commissioners, that I attended all of the above referenced executive session, and that all of that executive session was confined to the topic authorized for discussion pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b).

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Jonathan Houck, Chairperson  
Gunnison County Board of Commissioners

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Mason to come out of executive session. Motion carried unanimously. The Board came out of executive session at 10:21 am. Commissioner Houck confirmed that the discussion remained on-topic and that no decisions were made.

The Board directed County Attorney David Baumgarten to take the initial step to preserve the opportunity to appeal the BLM UFO RMP.

**ADJOURN: Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Houck to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:22 am.

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Jonathan Houck, Chairperson

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John Messner, Vice-Chairperson

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Roland Mason, Commissioner

Minutes Prepared By:

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Elizabeth Mense, Deputy County Clerk

Attest:

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Kathy Simillion, County Clerk

**NOTE:** Resolution 2020-6 & Resolution 2020-7 can be viewed online at:  
<https://www.gunnisoncounty.org/Archive.aspx?AMID=36>  
or at the Gunnison County Clerk & Recorder’s Office (Reception #665253 & 665254).