

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
August 4, 2020**

The August 4, 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  
Roland Mason, Vice-Chairperson  
Elizabeth Smith, Commissioner

Matthew Birnie, County Manager  
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 8:30 am.

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

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

1. Acknowledgment of County Manager's Signature; Agreement; M. Arthur Gensler, Jr. & Associates; Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport
2. Agreement for Professional Services; SGM; Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport
3. Proposal for Geotechnical Engineering Services; Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport
4. Contractor Agreement; Community Builders; Recovery Planning
5. Memorandum of Understanding; Immunize Colorado

**SCHEDULING:**

Commissioner Mason may not be in attendance at the 8/18/20 BOCC Regular Meeting.

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

**1. Request for Gunnison County COVID-19 Relief Fund Allocation; Public Information Office; \$10,000:**

County Manager Birnie requested a \$10,000 allocation from the Gunnison County COVID-19 Relief Fund for the Public Information Office. The funding would support graphic design and marketing materials for community outreach, education and business support. The County will request that this allocation be refunded by the CARES Act.

**Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the request for the Gunnison County COVID-19 Relief Fund Allocation for the Public Information Office in the amount of \$10,000. Motion carried.

**2. Resolution; Lot-22:**

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck to approve Resolution 2020-28; A Resolution Regarding the "North Remainder Parcel" and "South Remainder Parcel", Amended Plat, Remainder Lot 22, The Meadows Phase 2-R Thereof and Authorizing Matthew Birnie, Gunnison County Manager, to Execute all Documents and Perform all Tasks to Effectuate the Sale of Said Real Property from the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Gunnison, Colorado to APT Gunnison, LLC, a Colorado Limited Liability Company.

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Mason to amend the previous motion to include that County Manager Matthew Birnie acting as the Commissioner of Deeds, if necessary, has the authority to execute the documents necessary for this transaction. Motion carried.

- CM Birnie provided an update on the Shady Island River Park Project. He noted that Public Works is currently working on the culvert on site.
- CM Birnie discussed the 4-H Livestock Show. There was \$2,210.00 raised for the 4-H Forever Fund. The County will match that amount.

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

**1. Scope of Work Approval; Water Line Extension – Dos Rios:**

DCM Crosby explained that the Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted the scope of work for the extension of Dos Rios water to 5 of 6 homes in the institutional control boundaries still on wells. The DOE will fund the project with the exception of County staff time. Gunnison County will waive the tap fees for these homes. DCM Crosby requested approval for CM Birnie to sign the agreement, once finalized.

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve County Manager Birnie to sign the agreement with the Department of Energy and approve the Scope of Work for the water line extension at Dos Rios. Motion carried.

- DCM Crosby discussed the bridge on Gothic Road over Slate River. She discussed possible funding options for the bridge project. The Board was in support of DCM Crosby pursuing an engineering grant.
- DCM Crosby provided an update regarding the Somerset Water District.
- DCM Crosby provided an update on the Cottonwood Pass traffic counters. She noted that there have been complaints regarding the volume of traffic on Taylor River road.

**Public Hearing; Land Use Resolution Amendments:**

Cathie Pagano, Director of Community & Economic Development was present for the hearing.

1. Open Public Hearing: Chairperson Houck opened the Public Hearing at 9:05 am.
2. Public Notice Confirmation: Cathie Pagano, Director of Community & Economic Development confirmed public notice.
3. Identify Ex Parte Communications: There were no ex parte communications identified.
4. Staff Presentation: Director Pagano explained the proposed changes to the Gunnison County Land Use Resolution (LUR). The proposed changes are to the following sections within the LUR: Section 1-105, Section 6-106, Section 7-201, Section 7-301, Section 7-302, Section 7-401, Section 7-402, Section 9-202, Section 9-504, Section 9-505, Section 11-106, Section 12-103 and Section 16-118. Director Pagano discussed the proposed changes for each section. Questions from the Board were welcomed and addressed.
5. Applicant Presentation: N/A
6. Board Questions: Questions from the Board were addressed during the staff presentation.
7. Public Comments: There were no public comments.
8. Acknowledge Correspondence Received: N/A
9. Applicant Response: N/A
10. Close Public Hearing:  
**Moved** by Commissioner Houck to close the public hearing. The public hearing closed at 9:40 am.

A Resolution will be presented on an upcoming agenda to formally approve the Land Use Resolution Amendments.

**Discussion & Approval to Submit Grant Application; GOCO Resilient Communities Grant:**

Cathie Pagano, Director of Community & Economic Development was present for the discussion. Director Pagano noted that grant applications are due Friday, 8/7/20. A Scope of Work was previously submitted to GOCO. The County should receive a response from GOCO the first week of September.

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Mason to approve the Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Resilient Communities Grant submittal. Motion carried.

**Sustainable Tourism & Outdoor Recreation (STOR) Charter Amendment:**

Cathie Pagano, Director of Community & Economic Development was present for the discussion.

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the Sustainable Tourism & Outdoor Recreation (STOR) Charter Amendment. Motion carried.

**Release of Development Improvements Agreement; Wilder Phase I:**

**Release of Development Improvements Agreement; Wilder Phase II:**

Attorney Kendall Burgemeister from Law of the Rockies participated in the discussion via Zoom Meeting.

**Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the Release of Development Improvements Agreement for Wilder on the Taylor; Phase I & Phase II. Motion carried.

**COVID-19 Update; Joni Reynolds:**

Health & Human Services Director Joni Reynolds was present for the discussion. Director Reynolds discussed the COVID-19 numbers, test kits, contact tracing and recovery efforts. Questions from the Board were welcomed and addressed.

**Hearing; Petition for Abatement or Refund of Taxes; Property Tax Year 2019; R002078, Lots 14 – 24 E/W Alley Adj Blk 146 West Gunnison #654235; Alpine Lumber Company:**

**Hearing; Petition for Abatement or Refund of Taxes; Property Tax Year 2019; R002079, Lots**

**17 – 23, 13' x 200' Tract Adj, E/W Alley Adj Blk 145 West Gunnison; Alpine Lumber Company:** William Spicer, Senior Appraiser Analyst was present for the hearing. Michael Kaufman from Stevens & Associates participated via telephone.

SSA Spicer discussed the adjacent Alpine Lumber properties (R002078 & R002079) together. SSA Spicer explained the subject property attributes, locations and values. The property located on W. Tomichi Avenue, R002078, is valued at \$1,533,440. The property located on W. New York Avenue, R002079, is valued at \$530,470.

Mr. Kaufman is petitioning for a value of \$1,145,000 for R002078, the W. Tomichi property. Mr. Kaufman explained that subject property R002079 was purchased in conjunction with parcel R002078 for a total sales price of \$1,540,000 on July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018. He is petitioning a value of \$395,000 for R002079.

**Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to deny the Petition for Abatement or Refund of Taxes; Property Year 2019; R002078, Lots 14-24 E/W Alley Adj Blk 146 West Gunnison #654235; Alpine Lumber. Motion carried.

**Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to deny the Petition for Abatement or Refund of Taxes; Property Tax Year 2019; R002079, Lots 17-23, 13' x 200' Tract Adj, E/W Alley Adj Blk 145 West Gunnison; Alpine Lumber Company. Motion carried.

**Hearing; Petition for Abatement or Refund of Taxes; Property Tax Year 2019; R003448, Lots 9 – 24 Blk 47 Crested Butte #583170; Alpine Lumber Company:**

William Spicer, Senior Appraiser Analyst was present for the hearing. Michael Kaufman from Stevens & Associates participated in the hearing via telephone. SSA Spicer explained the subject property attributes, location and value. The property is currently valued at \$2,961,210. Comparable sales were presented. Mr. Kaufman is petitioning for a value of \$2,066,985 using the cost approach.

**Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to deny the Petition for Abatement or Refund of Taxes; Property Tax Year 2019; R003448, Lots 9-24 Blk 47 Crested Butte #583170; Alpine Lumber Company. Motion carried.

- SSA Spicer noted that the County Board of Equalization deadlines will be altered this year due to COVID-19. He will follow up with the Board once the dates are finalized.

**Correspondence to Senator Michael Bennet:**

**1. Gunnison Public Lands Initiative Letter:**

Maddie Rehn from Gunnison Public Lands Initiative participated via Zoom Meeting.

**Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the BOCC letter to Senator Michael Bennet regarding the Gunnison Public Lands Initiative. Motion carried.

**2. Oil & Gas Bonding Letter:**

**Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the BOCC letter to Senator Michael Bennet regarding oil & gas bonding. Motion carried.

**COMMISSIONER ITEMS:**

Roland Mason-

1. Commissioner Mason discussed the Crested Butte Town Council Special Meeting he attended.
2. Commissioner Mason noted that there is a Housing Authority meeting on 8/13/20 and a Gunnison Valley Rural Transportation (RTA) meeting on 8/7/20.
3. Commissioner Mason will be going to Somerset with DCM Crosby in the coming week to address some of the issues in Somerset.
4. Commissioner Mason will be attending a Broadband meeting this afternoon.

Elizabeth Smith-

1. Commissioner Smith discussed a recent conversation with Tim Baker from Vail Resorts.
2. Commissioner Smith will be attending the RTA meeting on 8/7/20.
3. Commissioner Smith discussed a recent Counties & Commissioners Acting Together (CCAT) phone call she participated in.

Jonathan Houck-

1. Commissioner Houck discussed recent outreach with surrounding counties.
2. Commissioner Houck discussed a recent meeting with the Stockgrowers Association.
3. Commissioner Houck discussed a recent meeting with the COVID-19 command staff.
4. Commissioner Houck noted that he'll be participating in upcoming Counties & Commissioners Acting Together and Colorado Counties, Inc. phone calls.

**UNSCHEDULED CITIZENS:**

There were no Unscheduled Citizens present

**ADJOURN: Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 11:53 am.

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Jonathan Houck, Chairperson

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Roland Mason, Vice-Chairperson

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Elizabeth Smith, Commissioner

Minutes Prepared By:

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Elizabeth Mense, Deputy County Clerk

Attest:

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Kathy Simillion, County Clerk

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TEXT INCLUSION INTO MINUTES**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE COUNTY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO  
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-28**

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE "NORTH REMAINDER PARCEL" AND "SOUTH REMAINDER PARCEL", AMENDED PLAT, REMAINDER LOT 22, THE MEADOWS PHASE 2-R THEREOF AND AUTHORIZING MATTHEW BIRNIE, GUNNISON COUNTY MANAGER, TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS AND PERFORM ALL TASKS TO EFFECTUATE THE SALE OF SAID REAL PROPERTY FROM THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO TO APT GUNNISON, LLC, A COLORADO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is authorized pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes § 30-11-101(1)(c) to sell, convey or exchange any real property owned by the County and to make such order respecting the same as may be deemed conducive to the interests of the inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Gunnison, Colorado is authorized pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes § 30-11-107(1)(a) to make such orders concerning the property belonging to the County as it deems expedient; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Gunnison, Colorado is the owner of the "North Remainder Parcel" and "South Remainder Parcel," Amended Plat, Remainder Lot 22, The Meadows Phase 2-R thereof recorded June 3, 2020 under Reception No. 666803, County of Gunnison, State of Colorado (hereinafter referred to as "Lot 22"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Colorado desires and intends to sell and convey Lot 22 to APT Gunnison, LLC, a Colorado Limited Liability Company; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO that Matthew Birnie, Gunnison County Manager, is authorized and delegated the power to sign all documents and perform all tasks to effectuate the sale and conveyance of Lot 22 from the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Gunnison, Colorado to APT Gunnison, LLC, a Colorado Limited Liability Company.

This Resolution has immediate effect upon its passage by the Board of Commissioners without further action necessary.

INTRODUCED by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Mason, and adopted this 4th day of August, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO

Houck – yes; Mason – yes; Smith – yes.