

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 2, 2023**

The May 2, 2023 meeting was held in the Board of County Commissioners’ meeting room located at 200 E. Virginia Avenue, Gunnison, Colorado. Present, either in person or via Zoom, were:

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| Jonathan Houck, Chairperson | Matthew Birnie, County Manager |
| Liz Smith, Vice-Chairperson | Melanie Bollig, Deputy County Clerk |
| Laura Puckett Daniels, Commissioner | Others Present as Listed in Text |

GUNNISON COUNTY LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY:

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Houck called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR PERMIT #2-2023; ADAPTIVE SPORTS; 8/06/2023 FROM 4:00 PM TO 11:30 PM

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE #03-04714; IRWIN BACKCOUNTRY GUIDES LLC DBA TAYLOR RIVER LODGE; EFFECTIVE DATE 7/06/2023 - 7/06/2024

FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE AND WINE LICENSE #04-01232; SKYHIGH COLORADO LLC DBA TAYLOR PARK TRADING POST; EFFECTIVE DATE 7/01/2023 - 7/01/2024

With no questions or concerns from the Board, it was **moved** by Commissioner Smith to approve: the Special Event Liquor Permit #2-2023 for Adaptive Sports; Alcohol Beverage License #03-04714 for Irwin Backcountry Guides LLC; and the Fermented Malt Beverage and Wine License #04-01232 for SkyHigh Colorado LLC. Commissioner Puckett Daniels seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN: Chairperson Houck adjourned the meeting of the Local Liquor Licensing Authority at 8:31 am.

GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING:

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Houck called the meeting to order at 8:31 am.

AGENDA REVIEW: No changes were needed to the agenda.

SCHEDULING: Chairperson Houck reminded the Board that there would be no Mayors & Managers meeting Thursday, May 4th. He also advised that he would not be present for the Joint Public Hearing scheduled for May 18th, as he would be attending the National Association of Counties (NACo) Western Interstate Region Conference on that date.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Moved** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Puckett Daniels, to approve the minutes for April 18, 2023, as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1. **April 18, 2023 Regular Meeting. Amendments as follows:** Pages 4 and 5 – under Commissioner Items for Commissioner Smith, Item #4 – change “Mountain Utes” to “Ute Mountain Utes”; Item #6 – omit Item #6 as it was not relevant. Page 5 – under Commissioner Items for Commissioner Puckett Daniels, Item #4 – change spelling to “Rifle” in the underlined portion.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Puckett Daniels, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1. Approval for Public Service Grant Agreement; City of Gunnison; for Gunnison-Hinsdale Early Childhood Council objectives; 1/01/2023 - 12/31/2023; \$18,000
- 2. Approval for Caring for Colorado Grant application; Health and Human Services; for 2-year funding for Family Planning Services and Multicultural Resources Team; \$250,000
- 3. Approval for Professional Services Agreement with the Town of Crested Butte; for Coal Creek Watershed Coalition services; Effective date of signing - 12/31/2023; up to \$6,800 each, Gunnison County and Town of Crested Butte
- 4. Approval for 2023 Flexible Support Next Fifty Initiative Expenditure Responsibility Grant Application; Health and Human Services; to support a Senior Resource Specialist and Senior Meal Program; \$97,777
- 5. **PULLED FROM THE AGENDA 5/1/2023 - Approval for Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing Dental Health Care Program for Low Income Seniors grant award; FY2023-24; \$21,400**

6. Approval for Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Immunization Grant Contract Task Order 2024*0031; Gunnison County Health and Human Services; for maintaining/increasing immunization coverage; 7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024; \$32,471
7. Approval for Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Prevention Services Division-Tobacco, Task Order 2024*0022; Gunnison County Health and Human Services; for public health project services to reduce the burden of tobacco use as well as prevent the initiation of tobacco use; 7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024; \$349,960
8. Approval for Colorado Department of Early Childhood Contract Amendment #2 (24 QAAA 182324); Health and Human Services (HHS); extending the contract for HHS to serve as the Local Coordinating Organization (LCO), for the Universal Pre-School Program; 10/27/2022 - 6/30/2024; \$69,694
9. Approval for Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Contract Amendment #3 (2022*2745); for contract extension to reduce negative effects of drug use in Gunnison County; 7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024; \$430,207
10. Approval for USDA Forest Service Modification of Grant or Agreement; for added funding to treat noxious and invasive plants along designated rights-of-ways; 6/01/2023 - 10/31/2023; up to \$8,000

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORTS: County Manager Matthew Birnie was present in the room for his report.

1. Sawtooth Affordable Housing, project update. CM Birnie stated that he had sent the commissioners a photo showing that all the units were now on site.
2. Whetstone Affordable Housing, project update. CM Birnie let the Board know that proposals had come in last Friday from the firms they had selected to advance in the selection process; coming up on the evening of May 10th would be the meeting for Whetstone developer presentations.
3. White River National Forest (WRNF) Protection Officer update. CM Birnie reported that, in a recent visit with the WRNF, they had changed their position on the summer funding needed for a forest protection officer. He explained that they had advised it would be too late at this point for Gunnison County to commit funding for this year; however, the WRNF did have some funding left over from previous years, and so they would utilize those funds for 2023 summer patrols. CM Birnie added that he and Assistant County Manager for Public Works Martin Schmidt would also be meeting with the WRNF next week, to go over some of the Lead King Loop stakeholder recommendations together.

The Board and CM Birnie then discussed enforcement options for the summer, and the Board requested that Sheriff Murdie be asked to go over this with them during his next regular update, which was scheduled for the BOCC work session on May 9th.

4. Update on Highway 133. Commissioner Houck asked for an update on the Hwy 133 road conditions from CM Birnie, but as ACM Martin Schmidt was also present in the room, he came forward at the Board's request to give an update on a developing sinkhole on Hwy 133, located near Somerset, close to the line between Gunnison and Delta Counties. ACM Schmidt advised that, during a meeting with Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) the day before, CDOT had informed him that the road's condition with the sinkhole had stabilized; however, CDOT would be unable to repair the road until the Spring runoff subsided. At this point, they did not think that the highway would be closed. ACM Schmidt also reported that he believed all the emergency, mine and other relevant personnel in the area had been made aware of the situation.
5. Step back to revisit the Sawtooth Process. Commissioner Houck requested to go over the process for the Sawtooth project, now that the pre-made units had been delivered. CM Birnie explained that they were currently pouring foundations, and that the present weather was very good for this. Next, onsite carpentry would add garages. After they were in place, the new units would then be affixed to the top of the garages. Road work and sidewalks would come after. He further advised that there did not seem to be any roadblocks; the entire process should take 5 months to complete, versus the 18 to 24 months with conventional site-built units, and this timeline would fit very well with Gunnison's shorter building seasons. CM Birnie also highlighted that the construction process and energy-efficient materials used on the new units would make really nice homes.

Commissioner Puckett Daniels asked about the rental details, and CM Birnie let her know that the rental process for these units was not set up just yet – they were currently working with Gunnison Valley Regional Housing Authority on the details, hoping that they will become the property management for this complex. He stated that it would be advertised as soon as they were ready for applications.

LOT CLUSTER; LOTS 9, 10 AND 11, CHAIR MOUNTAIN RANCH SUBDIVISION, FILING 2; CHAD AND DANIELLE WEBER; LUC-22-00063: Community Development Administrative Services Manager Beth Baker was present in the room for discussion and to answer any questions the Board might have.

ASM Baker briefly went over the lot cluster application with the Board, explaining that applicants Chad and Danielle Weaber would like to cluster three adjacent lots in Chair Mountain Ranch Subdivision. ASM Baker stated that the taxes were current and they had received approvals from the lender, HOA, and utility company.

With no concerns from the Board, it was **moved** by Commissioner Smith to approve the lot cluster agreement declaration for Lots 9, 10, and 11, LUC-22-00063, with the entire Board's signatures. Commissioner Puckett Daniels seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AUTHORIZING ATV, OHV, AND UTV USE ON A CERTAIN PORTION OF COUNTY ROAD #3: Assistant County Manager for Public Works Martin Schmidt was present in the room for discussion and to answer any questions the Board might have.

Chairperson Houck introduced the discussion, briefly going back over the history of previous Board discussions and noting that, by no longer having the open-ended resolution, it will force continued evaluation by the Board concerning decisions around County Road #3 near Marble – based on the best combined amount of evidence, information, and movement in the stakeholder process.

Commissioner Houck highlighted that the State of Colorado, from a legal standpoint, gave the County the authority to determine, through affirmative action as done in the past, whether OHV use will be allowed. He then went over the history of challenges regarding this portion of County Road #3, citing differences in the types of vehicles allowed within the Town of Marble and on the White River National Forest, and the challenges with parking for trailers along that portion of the road. He further noted that past-Commissioner Roland Mason had been an active member of the working group looking at these issues, and explained that Commissioner Puckett Daniels had now taken over that work and had consulted with Mr. Mason to get up to speed on the issues.

When asked if he had anything further to add, County Attorney Matt Hoyt reminded the Board that this would be a wholly discretionary decision by the Board, and possible actions to take would be: 1) to not act which would mean that OHVs are prohibited, or; 2) to act and then decide what action they would take – to allow OHVs and not have a resolution that expires, or to have a date that the resolution will expire. There was no statutory mandate on how they handled their decision on OHVs.

ACM Martin Schmidt provided a map by sharing on Zoom, and explained the roads, varying conditions, and current maintenance of County Road #3 in that area.

Commissioner Puckett Daniels, upon request, went over her knowledge of the working group meetings and noted that, though she had not been here to participate in all the stakeholder meetings, she had met with several of the participants. She then highlighted several points she felt that most of the working group could agree on, and requested more accurate information regarding enforcement from the Sheriff's Office and the Forest Service, and any decisions on parking for the upcoming summer season, as this would greatly impact what was put out for visitor education and management this year.

Commissioner Smith acknowledged how difficult the process has been for people, and noted that this was part of the reason why the Board had put a sunset on the resolutions. She cited some of the proposed solutions as being temporary, and urged those present to think of long-term solutions as they considered access to the Lead King Loop amenity. Acknowledging the participation and input of several different groups in the process, she also asked Marble's Town Administrator Ron Leach, attending remotely via Zoom, what kind of permitting was ready to be launched for a proposed 12 parking spaces. Mr. Leach advised that the system would not be ready to go for this summer.

Commissioner Puckett Daniels requested that ACM Martin Schmidt go over what land is available for parking at or near the base of Daniel's Hill. ACM Schmidt shared the area map again and pointed out a 60-foot right-of-way that runs along County Road 3, as well as areas that could have trees and vegetation removed, possibly putting down gravel or hardened surface for more parking. He noted that he believed they had gotten direction in December 2022 from the stakeholder group on this, and were also looking at moving signage as suggested. He noted that this could not yet be worked on because of lingering winter conditions in the area, but ACM Schmidt explained that he did now have a new full-time staff person in the area who was eager to devote time to these projects.

Chairperson Houck invited Kevin Warner, District Ranger with the White River Nation Forest (WRNF), to speak. Ranger Warner, attending remotely via Zoom, stated that his read of the recommendations fell in line with what ACM Schmidt had just gone over. He also noted that the Forest Service could possibly develop trailhead parking to the south of the road itself, but explained that the stakeholder group had advised that they did not want to see parking in that location at this time, so they were not moving forward with that plan.

The Board then discussed for several minutes various topics, including: issues with exemption of County Road #3; any ability for permitted parking; the location of an open ditch in an area where parking could exist; and overall concerns with traffic, noise and dust.

After these discussions, Chairperson Houck made two recommendations: 1) to hear from the Sheriff during the next BOCC work session, regarding patrol capacity in that area for this summer, and: 2) to revisit the stakeholder report and take another look over everything. He further added that he wanted to reach out to past-Commissioner Roland Mason and gain his perspectives, noting also that the Town of Marble had a limited capacity on what was possible for them to do all at one time.

Commissioners Smith and Puckett Daniels gave their support for this plan, and after thanking all the people attending the discussion, in the room or remotely, the Board agreed to park the discussion for that day, and address it again at a later meeting.

County Attorney Hoyt clarified for those listening that this meant the use of OHVs would continue to be prohibited on this section of County Road 3 for now.

CHANGE OF AGENDA - BREAK: Chairperson Houck called for a recess in the meeting from 9:27 am to 9:32 am

UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no one present in the room or via Zoom who wished to make a comment.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS:

Commissioner Houck

1. Traveled to several meetings last week. Commissioner Houck reported that he had thoroughly enjoyed spending time last week in Marble, Somerset, and Paonia.
 Commissioner Houck traveled to Marble for the community kickoff of a stakeholder group looking at long-term protections for the Crystal River, noting that the attendance had been outstanding, with 44 registered to attend, but 138 actually in attendance. He added that there will be subcommittees developed from those in attendance who signed up.
 From there, Commissioner Houck traveled to Somerset and stopped by the county's shop located there, to meet the new operator now working in that district. Commissioner Houck also noted that there was quite a bit of rock coming down on Hwy 133, along with the issues of the river undercutting the highway near Somerset.
2. Legislative session to be done on Monday, May 8th. Commissioner Houck reminded the Board members that there would be a lot to watch in this last legislative week, highlighting that they needed to be diligent in seeing that the legislative ideas being proposed were of benefit to Gunnison County.
3. Attended the contractor's meeting last Wednesday, April 26th. Commissioner Houck stated that the meeting had been very well attended, and thanked Assistant County Manager for Community and Economic Development Cathie Pagano and her staff for their excellent job of walking attendees through all the different items.
 Commissioner Houck further noted that he had taken time to specifically address the wildland fire codes – wanting the group to understand that the BOCC understands the changes needed for significantly lowering fire risk in light of the long-term changes brought by drought, and that the county has made a commitment to managing these codes. Further, he emphasized that Gunnison County, by being progressive with their fire codes, would not only see a large reduction in fire risk, but would also have a much better chance of not being swept into projected, generalized state-wide coding.
4. Another meeting while in the North Fork area. Commissioner Houck added a meeting that he had attended while in the North Fork area, stating that he had also met with John Whitney and Hilary Henry from Senator Bennet's office, looking at draft language for the Gunnison Outdoor Resources Protection (GORP) bill. The meeting also included Delta County Administrator Robbie LeValley and Delta County Board of County Commissioners Chair Don Suppes.
5. Appreciation for Earth Day. Commissioner Houck stated that he had gone to the Earth day event held on Friday, April 21st at the Fairgrounds. He thanked Human Resources and CM Birnie for the effort put in to make the gathering such a successful event.
6. May 1st marks the end of many seasonal road closures. Commissioner Houck reminded those present that May 1st marked the end of most seasonal road closures to recreational opportunities, adding that he had taken his bike and checked out the east side of Signal Peak and found the road to be in good shape.

Commission Laura Puckett Daniels

1. Thanks to Human Resources staff Lauren Trautz and Hailey Bingman, Fairgrounds and Facilities employees, and Assistant to the CM Katherine Haase for their work in hosting the County Earth Day celebrations. Commissioner Puckett Daniels thanked staff for their work and reported that it had been a very nice community event. She had been able to meet new faces, check out several different booths, and also pick up poppy seeds.
2. Introductory call with Grand Mesa - Uncompahgre - Gunnison (GMUG) National Forest Supervisor Chad Stewart. Commissioner Puckett Daniels stated that it had been good to get to talk to the Forest Supervisor, in light of the upcoming GMUG draft forest plan discussions. She also noted that she had discovered Supervisor Stewart came from a wildland fire fighting background, and that it had been good to have a conversation with him regarding reasons for the various fire codes on wild lands.
3. Attended part of the Colorado Counties Inc (CCI) steering committee meeting in person last week. Commissioner Puckett Daniels stated that she had been able to sit in for the morning session, and had found it very interesting to hear the dialogue around the room. She reported that there had been no big surprises on the bills and amendments at that point, but had needed to leave before the big issues of the day came up later in the afternoon. She further noted that overall, she felt CCI had been online with where the county's stances were at.
4. Attended an International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives Conference (ICLEI) in Denver last week. Commissioner Puckett Daniels outlined that she and Assistant County Manager for Operations & Sustainability John Cattles had spent most of last week attending the ICLEI conference. She noted the ICLEI tag line had been "local communities for sustainability" and observed that it had been extremely interesting to learn what communities of a variety of different sizes are doing in regards to their policies for climate adaptation and mitigation.
5. Also attended the Cities Summit of the Americas (CSOA) in Denver last week. Commissioner Puckett Daniels explained that after the first conference, they also attended this second summit hosted by the State Department, with attendees from all over the North, Central, and South Americas, as well as the Caribbean. She reported that mayors, sustainability directors, government officials, and those who are working with climate change in their communities convened to promote regional

cooperation and to address shared challenges. Commissioner Puckett Daniels also observed that she was able to see how this collective impact could make a big difference over time.

Commissioner Smith

1. Reminder that it is MetRec election day. Commissioner Smith reminded everyone listening that there were three seats open with five candidates. Locations to vote were the Fred Field House at the Fairgrounds, and the Queen of All Saints Parish Hall in Crested Butte.
2. Attended an Air Command meeting yesterday, May 1st. Commissioner Smith highlighted a report regarding FAA flight approach changes for United which had been presented at the meeting. These changes would require pilot training and should dramatically reduce visibility requirements while increasing landing completions. The changes are scheduled to go into effect on June 2nd.
3. Attended a couple of meetings related to cheatgrass in the last two weeks. Commissioner Smith explained that one meeting was the monthly subcommittee meeting, and she informed all present that cheatgrass pull day was set for June 10th; she would get all the details out to those present.

Her second meeting had consisted of a great conversation with various partners visiting the greenhouse on Western Colorado University's campus. The greenhouse is owned by the Forest Service, and Commissioner Smith noted that they were looking at the significant potential for several stakeholders to be able to buy in. Commissioner Smith further reported that one unfortunate discovery had been asbestos in the piping that goes to the campus greenhouse; because of this, they were now looking at both the possibility of mitigation for the asbestos, as well as for building a new greenhouse instead. Funding sources and other greenhouse locations were also being considered.

4. Stakeholder meeting being held that afternoon. Commissioner Smith outlined that this meeting would revisit last year's application for a Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) Human-Bear Conflict Mitigation grant. Commissioner Smith explained that the past application had mainly been turned down because of the large number of applications compared to what CPW had to give out. She expressed hope for new submission, and noted in particular that the bear-proof dumpsters which could then be installed would also greatly help to reduce the draw to ravens, whose depredation of Gunnison Basin Sage-grouse nests they sought to lessen.
5. Attended an 8-hour retreat last Saturday, April 22nd. Commissioner Smith revealed that the retreat had been with the Rural Welcoming Initiative Site Team, which was now appropriately renamed the Gunnison Cultural Connection. She outlined that, at the retreat, they had clarified goals based on past conversations and interactions within the community.

Commissioner Smith identified one of their key emerging goals as the empowering of a group of leaders reflective of the local immigrant communities. She felt there would be funding available to support this type of effort, through the anonymous grant given to the Hispanic Affairs Project – to facilitate more local welcoming work efforts.

6. The retreat had been great timing as they headed next to the April 26-28 Welcoming Interactive in San Jose, CA. Commissioner Smith reported that the Interactive had been extremely effective, with some very concrete information given – that she was still processing through. She briefly outlined all the topics that had been covered in the materials from the Interactive.

Commissioner Smith added her appreciation that both Community Health Manager Margaret Wacker and Multicultural Coordinator Yazmin Molina had been able to attend, and revealed that one of the highlights of the conference had been when Gunnison (along with only the host city, San Jose) had been invited to give a presentation to the Welcoming America Board of Directors on what their local site team has been able to accomplish. Afterwards, several members of the Board had approached Commissioner Smith to let her know they had been blown away by the prolific, integrated collaboration between stakeholders and government entities.

Commissioner Smith let CM Birnie know that she would be sharing some of the Welcoming America materials with him, as they might be very beneficial to consider in the county's strategic planning.

7. Land Use and Property Taxes legislation. Commissioner Smith observed that legislation for land use and property taxes were presently "in the spin cycle," with several proposed amendments. She requested, as they were under a quick turn-around in timeline here at the end of the session, that the Board all take a look at the proposals and get back to the organizations with anything they have concerns about. CA Hoyt also advised that there had been several bills regarding meeting laws and transparency that, while well-intentioned by their sponsors, would be detrimental to smaller local governments lacking the staffing and technology required for administering them.

Commission Houck then gave a brief reminder that there was an important Mt. Emmons Exchange Open House on Wednesday afternoon (May 3rd) from 3:30 - 6:00 pm in Mt. Crested Butte, being hosted by the Forest Service, Towns of Crested Butte and Mt. Crested Butte and the County. He added that both he, on behalf of the Board, and Crested Butte Mayor Ian Billick would be giving opening comments.

RECESS: Chairperson Houck recessed the meeting from 10:09 am until 11:43 am, in order to hold the below executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION, PURSUANT TO C.R.S. SEC. 24-6-402(4)(B) CONFERENCE WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ATTORNEY OR ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR

GUNNISON COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING LEGAL ADVICE RELATED TO TYZZER V. GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO COURT OF APPEALS NO. 22CA0681, GUNNISON COUNTY DISTRICT COURT NO. 2021CV30017: Chairperson Houck **moved** to go into Executive Session, pursuant to C.R.S. sec. 24-6-402(4)(b) conference with the County Attorney, Deputy County Attorney or Assistant County Attorney for Gunnison County for the purpose of receiving legal advice related to Tyzzar v. Gunnison County, Colorado Court of Appeals No. 22CA0681, Gunnison County District Court No. 2021CV30017. The participants in the Executive Session would be Commissioner Houck, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Puckett Daniels, County Manager Matthew Birnie, County Attorney Matthew Hoyt, and Assistant County Manager for Community and Economic Development Cathie Pagano. Because any discussion in the executive session would be protected by attorney-client privilege, no contemporaneous record of the meeting would be kept. Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board went into executive session at 10:10 am. The executive session was held in the BOCC Boardroom, and no contemporaneous records were kept. *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 §24-6-402 (4)(b).*

Attorney Statement Regarding Executive Session

Pursuant to 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: _____

Matthew Hoyt
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(b).

Date: _____

Jonathan Houck, Chairperson
Gunnison County Board of Commissioners

At 11:43 am, it was **moved** by Chairperson Houck to come out of executive session, affirming that the participants in the executive session remained consistent with those read into the record, and that they did stay on topic. Commissioner Puckett Daniels seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Houck then gave direction to CA Hoyt, on behalf of the Board, that they would not at this time pursue a further appeal in this specific case. He explained that this decision had multiple factors for consideration which included cost, time, likeliness of success, community impact and priorities, and allocation of limited county resources. The Board was disappointed with the outcome, but they had decided to not make a further appeal and would abide by the court’s decision in this case.

ADJOURN: Chairperson Houck adjourned the Gunnison County Board of County Commissioners regular meeting at 11:44 am.

Jonathan Houck, Chairperson

Liz Smith, Vice-Chairperson

Laura Puckett Daniels, Commissioner

Minutes Prepared By:

Melanie Bollig, Deputy County Clerk

Attest:

Kathy Simillion, County Clerk