

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 2, 2015**

The June 2, 2015 meeting was held in the Board of County Commissioners' boardroom located at 200 E. Virginia Avenue, 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 8:30 am.

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

CONSENT AGENDA: **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Acknowledgment of County Manager Signature; Colorado Department of Human Services Grant Application; Substance Abuse Prevention for Children, Youth and Families – SABG Dollars; \$90,270
2. Acknowledgment of County Manager Signature; Federal Aviation Administration Application for Federal Assistance SF-424; Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport AIP Project No. 3-08-0030-050; Taxiway A Rehabilitation from A1 to A3, Runway Rehabilitation, and Runway Extended Safety Area Grading Improvements; \$1,400,000

SCHEDULING: The Upcoming Meetings Schedule was discussed and updated.

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

1. Food/Facility Inspections. Commissioner Houck asked for an update on this issue, and County Manager Birnie informed the Board that a final decision has not yet been made. Montrose County will be done providing services as of the end of June, and then the State will assume the responsibility. The State would prefer that the County take responsibility for these duties. He stated his belief that Health and Human Services Director Joni Reynolds plans to have the State provide these services through the summer, and that the general plan will be for the County to assume responsibility in the fall if an agreement can be reached with the State.

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

1. Contract Agreement; Gunnison Gravel & Earth Moving, LLC; Crushing and Screening of Site Excavated Material; Gunnison County Landfill Project; \$143,886. DCM Crosby informed the Board that this agreement was approved by County Attorney David Baumgarten, pending receipt of a performance bond. **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the contract agreement between Gunnison Gravel for crushing and screening of site excavated material and the Gunnison County Landfill, and authorize signatures. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Marble Signage. DCM Crosby showed proposed signage options to the Board, and she explained that the signage would be 4'-0" wide and 2'-0" long. The Board expressed verbal approval of the options. Chairperson Swenson referenced an email that was forwarded yesterday from a citizen asking that Marble not be added to the West Elk Scenic Byway, and DCM Crosby stated that the Marble Town Council would be discussing the issue on 6/4/15. She stated that the general feeling is that the letter of support will move forward as the objections are isolated. At the last Marble Town Council meeting, the vast majority were in favor of the direction that the Board supported. Commissioner Houck offered to respond to the email.
3. Water Truck Replacement. DCM Crosby informed the Board that the frame for the 1993 water truck is beyond repair and won't pass inspection. She has been researching the availability of another unit. She indicated that the budget allows for the purchase of a dump truck this year, but that her department has a greater need for a water truck and that she can rent a dump truck when needed. The truck that she'd like to purchase will hold 4,000 gallons and cost \$149,500. She confirmed that she discussed this cost with Finance Director Linda Nienhueser and that there were no other issues to relay to the Board. She asked for permission to purchase the truck, and the Board gave her verbal approval. She will attempt to dispose of the old truck as a unit.
4. Whitewater River Festival. DCM Crosby informed the Board that the festival is still scheduled to take place during the next weekend, although the water levels are rising.

BREAK: The meeting recessed from 8:52 until 8:59 am for a short break.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION; RED FEATHER RANCH SUBDIVISION; RESOLUTION; APPROVING LAND USE CHANGE PERMIT NO. 2014-11, A LAND USE CHANGE PERMIT FOR MIKE AND RENEE WRIGHT, RED FEATHER RANCH SUBDIVISION, S1/2SE1/4NE1/4

SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 86 WEST, 6TH P.M.: Assistant Community Development Director Neal Starkebaum, applicant Mike Wright and attorney Mike Dawson were present for discussion.

ACDD Starkebaum informed the Board that the applicant had provided evidence of purchase of augmentation water from the Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District. The plat wasn't available during the meeting, though ACDD Starkebaum stated that it was in transit. He asked for permission for the Chairperson to sign the plat as soon as it became available. **Moved** by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve Resolution #2015-13, a Resolution Approving Land Use Change Permit No. 2014-11, a Land Use Change Permit for Mike and Renee Wright, Red Feather Ranch Subdivision, and approve the Chairperson's signature when the plat is ready. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Commissioner Chamberland:

1. Town of Crested Butte Housing Meeting. Commissioner Chamberland informed the Board that he attended this well-represented meeting, and that Community Development Director Russ Forrest did a good job of representing the County. Commissioner Chamberland indicated that people are worried about the availability of short-term housing.

Chairperson Swenson stated that resident Beth Ferchau also approached her and asked why owners of vacation rentals are only paying residential property taxes on their properties. County Manager Birnie stated that renting properties from owners doesn't mean that the properties are considered commercial, per the State, and that legislation would be needed in order to change the classification. He stated that he would find the research and renew the conversation. Commissioner Chamberland indicated that most of the vacation homes rented by owners belong to second-home owners and that they aren't long-term rentals because the owners want to be able to use them throughout the year. The Board stated that the vacation rental issue is not to blame for the lack of housing in the valley.

Chairperson Swenson informed the Board that ground will be broken for Anthracite Place on 6/8. She also stated that it might be good to start a conversation about partnering with the City of Gunnison, Town of Crested Butte, Town of Mt. Crested Butte, Gunnison Valley Regional Housing Authority and the Housing Foundation to discuss building affordable housing on some property that the County co-owns in the Brush Creek and Rock Creek areas. County Manager Birnie stated that the covenant and declaration documents are still not cleaned up for Rock Creek, and that they probably won't be until a new Deputy County Attorney is hired.

Commissioner Houck noted that 12-15 local teachers will be retiring soon, and that this will likely translate into issues with finding housing for any new teachers. Chairperson Swenson stated that she will discuss the issue at the GVRHA meeting on 6/3.

2. Region 10 Update. Commissioner Chamberland indicated that the Small Business Fund is operating well. Region 10 may be sending a representative visit the San Juan/San Miguel areas once a week. Region 10 has applied for \$4,000,000 in DOLA funding, to be split between Delta and Montrose Counties. An additional \$1,000,000 in EDA funds will be applied for, which will be split into a \$750,000 match for the DOLA grant, \$200,000 for an innovation center, and \$50,000 for another project.
3. Broadband Update. Commissioner Chamberland informed the Board that Western State Colorado University is pursuing an RFP for a broadband contract, so we will see if any new potential parties are identified.

Commissioner Houck:

1. Public Lands Discussion. Commissioner Houck informed the Board that he met with John Whitney, a representative from Senator Michael Bennet's office, to discuss public lands. During the meeting, he reiterated that the County would be at the table for upcoming discussions.

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 9:26 am.

Paula Swenson, Chairperson

Phil Chamberland, Vice-Chairperson

Jonathan Houck, Commissioner

Minutes Prepared By:

Katherine Haase, Deputy County Clerk

Attest:

Kathy Simillion, County Clerk

GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TEXT INCLUSION INTO MINUTES

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GUNNISON COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 15-13**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING LAND USE CHANGE PERMIT NO. 2014-11
A LAND USE CHANGE PERMIT FOR MIKE AND RENEE WRIGHT
RED FEATHER RANCH SUBDIVISION
S1/2SE1/4NE1/4 SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 86 WEST, 6TH P.M.

WHEREAS, Mike and Renee Wright submitted a land use change application for the subdivision of 18.9-acres into three 6.3-acre single-family residential lots. An existing residence and detached garage, constructed in 2001, is located on proposed lot Ranch 3. Each lot would be served by an individual well, (an existing well and wastewater treatment system is located on proposed lot Ranch 3) and by individual on-site wastewater systems; and

WHEREAS, after a review of the information, documentation and testimony related to it, the Gunnison County Planning Commission did, after a joint public hearing, on May 1, 2015 unanimously approve a Recommendation with certain Findings and Conditions:

FINDINGS:

1. The Planning Commission has classified the application as a Minor Impact Project, based upon the impact classification found in *Section 6-102: Projects Classified as Minor Impact Projects A. 2-4 Units.*
2. The land use change complies with all applicable requirements of the *Gunnison County Land Use Resolution* and *Section 6-10: Standards of Approval for Minor Impact Projects.*
3. This review and decision incorporates, but is not limited to, all the documentation submitted to the County and included within the Planning Office file relative to this application; including all exhibits, references and documents as included therein.

CONDITIONS:

1. This permit is limited to activities described within the "Project Summary" of this application, and as depicted on the Site Plan submitted as part of this application. Expansion or change of this use will require either an application for amendment of this permit, or submittal of an application for a new permit, in compliance with applicable requirements of the *Gunnison County Land Use Resolution.*
2. A Mylar subdivision plat, in compliance with Section 6-105, *Gunnison County Land Use Resolution*, shall be provided to the Community Development Department, for signature by the Board of County Commissioners. Approval shall not be effective until and unless the plat is recorded with the Office of the Gunnison County Clerk and Recorder.
3. The approval shall be memorialized by Board Resolution. Approval shall not be effective until the Resolution is recorded with the Office of the Gunnison County Clerk and Recorder.
4. Prior to scheduling the application before the Board of County Commissioners, the applicant shall provide evidence of the purchase of the augmentation water from the Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy, pursuant to an approved augmentation plan, for all of the lots, to the Community Development Department.
5. The applicant shall provide three copies of the recorded subdivision plat, fourteen (14) by seventeen (17) inches in size, to the Building Official, for inclusion into the rural addressing system.
6. The following shall be completed upon recordation of the Plat:
 - 1) The applicant shall provide two copies of the final plat designating County addresses for each lot, to the appropriate office of Century Link.
 - 2) The applicant shall provide one copy of the final plat, designating County addresses for each lot, to the U.S. Postal Service.
7. This permit may be revoked or suspended if Gunnison County determines that any material fact

set forth herein or represented by the applicant was false or misleading, or that the applicant failed to disclose facts necessary to make any such fact not misleading.

- 8. The removal or material alteration of any physical feature of the property (geological, topographical or vegetative) relied on herein to mitigate a possible conflict shall require a new or amended land use change permit.
- 9. Approval of this use is based upon the facts presented and implies no approval of similar use in the same or different location and/or with different impacts on the environment and community. Any such future application shall be reviewed and evaluated, subject to its compliance with current regulations, and its impact to the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Gunnison County, Colorado, that Land Use Change Permit No. 2014-11, for Red Feather Ranch Subdivision is approved as a Minor Impact, subject to each and all conditions of the Planning Commission Recommendation, as identified above.

THIS APPROVAL is affected noting that decision documentation includes, but is not limited to, the application and the entire Community Development Department Land Use Change Permit application file relative to this application. This approval is founded on each individual finding and requirement. Should the applicant successfully challenge any such finding or requirement, this approval is null and void.

THIS RESOLUTION AND THE APPROVAL GRANTED HEREBY shall not be effective unless and until a copy is recorded in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder of Gunnison County.

INTRODUCED by Commissioner Chamberland, seconded by Commissioner Houck, and passed on this 2nd day of June, 2015.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Chamberland – yes; Houck – yes; Swenson –yes.