

Saguache County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, September 18, 2012 with the following present:

Mike Spearman, Chair
Sam Pace, Co-Vice Chair
Linda Joseph, Co-Vice Chair
Wendi Maez, Co-Administrator
Lyn Lambert, Co-Administrator
Ben Gibbons, County Attorney
Staci Morfitt, Acting Secretary to the Board

Meeting called to order by Chair Spearman at 9:02 A.M.

Employee Appreciation:

Joseph moved to approve the agenda as amended. Pace seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda:

1. Remove Sheriff Norris report.
2. Add Ron Gilbertson, Northern Saguache County Fire Protection.
3. Remove Martin Macaulay, reassessment of property taxes.
4. Treasure Trujillo to come in during Road & Bridge time for SRS fee distribution discussion.

Pace moved to approve the minutes of September 4, 2012 as amended. Joseph seconded motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Joseph moved to approve the minutes of September 13, 2012 as amended. Pace seconded motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Reading and approval of minutes of September 4, 2012:

Reading and approval of minutes of September 13, 2012:

Review of Mail and other correspondence:

1. **Saguache County District Court** sent a Certificate of Mailing Order granting motion for continuance in regards to the Crestone Fire Protection District, case number 2011CV39. (9/4/12)
2. **Corey T. Shuman** sent a letter to the Board of County Commissioners notifying the Board that his company Gold Rush Expeditions will soon be in Saguache County locating, assessing and surveying abandoned mines on the BLM land. (9/4/12)
3. **Saguache County District Court** sent a Petition for Dissolution and Motion for Continuance in regards to the Organization of the Crestone Fire Protection District, case number 2011CV39. (9/4/12)
4. **Daniel S. Johnson** sent the 2012 August report for the Saguache County Fire Mitigation Program. (9/10/12)

5. **Tony Hernandez, Division Director** sent a copy of a letter sent to the Town of Bonanza City serving as a formal notice of a hearing to discuss the non-compliance status of the Town with the Conservation Trust Fund program and review the option to treat non-complaint entities as ineligible entities. (9/10/12)
6. **Kerrie E. Neet** Region Transportation Director sent a letter thanking the Board of County Commissioners for their participation in the 2012 Annual Meeting with CDOT. (9/10/12)
7. **The BLM News Release** was sent via email releasing yearly updates to Mineral Cost Recovery Fee Schedule. (9/7/12)
8. **Tom Blunt and Laura Weaver, Veteran Service Office** – sent a letter requesting their office be moved to the front of the Clinic building where they would use the entrance on 4th Street rather than using the same entrance as the Medical Clinic. (9/14/12). Bocc in discussion with a dentist for this space.
9. **The Rio Grande Water Conservation District** sent the September 2012 Ground Water Table Measurements. (9/17/12)
10. **The Upper River Water Conservancy District** sent the Agenda for Monday September 24, 2012. (9/17/12)

Introduction of Guests:

Mattie Belle Lakish- Crestone Eagle
 Ron Gilbertson- NSCFPD
 Jody Karr-Silaski- SCC
 Christine Gydesen- Tourism

Jason Anderson- self
 Julie Mach-SCC
 Greg Baxter- SCC
 James McVaney- McVaney & Assoc.

Public Comment:

Mattie Belle- input on the Crestone Fire Protection District.

Commissioners Report:

Mike Spearman reported:

1. September 6- attended CCI meeting on SRS in Denver.
2. September 13- attended the Bocc special meeting on SRS.
3. September 13- visited the housing authority units, looks very good.

Pace moved to approve the Mediation Agreement for the Hollenbeck case. Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

4. September 14- Hollenbeck issue resolved. County agreed to leave South portion of road closed in exchange the rest of the road open, three gates, and no locks. County will put gravel in trouble area and maintain. Hollenbeck will maintain gates. Emergency access both North and South. There is an access on Forest Service road.
5. September 16- attended the RIGHT (Rio Grande Headwaters Trust) "hoe-down".
6. September 17- attended the Valley Commissioners budget meeting.

Linda Joseph reported:

1. September 5 - Attended a teleconference meeting of the Public Policy & Finance Committee of the State Emergency Medical & Trauma Advisory Council, to discuss a statewide allotment in support of Emergency Medical Directors in all the Regions.
2. September 6 - Met with our Wall, Smith & Batemen auditors for feedback regarding options for directing SRS funds between the schools and County.

3. September 13 - Met with Jim Felmlee, County Office of Emergency Management, and Tricia Watson, for discussion of assistance in grant making and administrative tasks.
4. September 13- attended special Bocc meeting for SRS.
5. September 17 - Attended the Valley Budget request presentations to the SLV County Commissioners Association.
6. Attended the monthly meeting of the Saguache Town Council, with Mike and Roni Wisdom, regarding participation in the SLV Council of Governments, and support of projects throughout the Valley. Also, regarding the film digitalization process and assistance to rural theaters.
7. Have had numerous phone contacts with Verizon over the last several weeks, regarding connection issues which have worsened. Ross Griffin, Gov't Acct. Mgr, checked with field staff and learned they "do have a site in the build plan for the Villa Grove area, as well as a sectorization project for the Methodist Mountain site which will improve coverage on the north end the valley ... 'Sectorization' is the term for optimizing the performance of a current tower." Verizon will not give a date for when this work is scheduled to be completed. People with service issues can - "call [1-800-922-0204](tel:1-800-922-0204) or *611 from their handsets. They need to specifically ask, "PLEASE START A NETWORK TROUBLE TICKET FOR OUR AREA".

Pace moved to approve the letter of support for the Candidate Conservation Agreement regarding Gunnison Sage Grouse Conservation. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

8. Worked on several comment and support letters:
 - DOI /Udall letter about the SLV Historical Park, submitting today.
 - Crestone Peak USDA grant Micro-Funding project; ready for review and signature.
 - Saguache County's comment letter to US Fish & Wildlife regarding Sage Grouse conservation measures in our County and support for the CCA is needed, as soon as possible. Joseph received a copy of the letter Gunnison County Commissioners sent.

Sam Pace reported:

1. September 6 and 7- attended CCI steering committee meeting and a meeting on SRS and PILT funds. Letter of support from Bocc for the current Enterprise Zone was discussed, Maez will get information for a support letter to be sent. Wanting to amend 20-1-102 discussion on that with Bocc and getting more information from Roni Wisdom.
2. September 7- attended State Board of Human Services meeting and met with Veterans Board. Discussion on funding sources.
3. September 10- attended the meeting for Saguache County Prevention Partners meeting at Moffat School. Discussion on Sales Tax Grants.
4. September 11- attended the SLV workforce Investment Board meeting and open house for new office.
5. September 13- attended the Bocc special SRS meeting.
6. September 17- attended Title 2 RAC meeting. Approved \$60,000.00 for Zen Center water storage system, Canero Creek Road improvement, LaGarita Trails, Replacement toilet at Big Springs, and Willow Lake Trail improvements.

Wendi Maez & Lyn Lambert – Co-administrator report:

1. Elevator installed with 3 stops (all 3 floors) total would be \$106,158.00. Would be ADA, 42in. x 60in. up to 1, 400 lbs.

Break

Randy Arredondo- Road and Bridge Supervisor report:

1. Bocc advised Treasure Trujillo that funds need transferred to Schools before September 30th.
2. Arredondo brought the Federal Forest Payment and Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act Election Form, form was signed by Chairman Spearman. Title I 85%, Title II 15%, and Title III 0%.
3. Discussion on signs needed on some of the county roads that are not county maintained.
4. Proposal from AquAeter that is good thru September 29 2012 for installation and sampling of wells at Landfill. Initial price of installation is \$59,381.00. If State requires quarterly sampling it would cost around \$35,000.00 a year or \$8,478.00 a quarter to sample. Arredondo and the Bocc will find out more about how often the State wants sampling this Friday, September 21 2012. Attorney Gibbons advised Arredondo to see if the proposal date could be extended. Discussion on the proposal, testing and looking into different options. Joseph will attend the Landfill meeting with Arredondo, the State rep. and our engineers.

Wendi Maez - Land Use Administrator:

Pace moved to approve the Lot Consolidation for Whipple Living Trust Lots 1885C and 1887, Baca Grande Chalet Unit One. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

1. Whipple Living Trust Lot Consolidation request to consolidate Lots 1885C and 1887, Baca Grande Chalet Unit One. CBPC recommended unanimous approval of this request at their regular meeting on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Joseph moved to approve the Lot Consolidation for Treat Suomi Lots 338 and 339 Baca Grande Mobile Home Estates. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

2. Treat Suomi Lot Consolidation request to consolidate Lots 338 and 339 Baca Grande Mobile Home Estates. CBPC recommended unanimous approval of this request at their regular meeting on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Ben Gibbons- County Attorney:

1. Discussion on how to get the Town of Bonanza dis-incorporated and the County's role in that. The County would need to submit a petition to the Secretary of State. Bocc advised Attorney Gibbons to contact DOLA, and see how the County can aid in this process.

Joseph moved to enter into Executive Session at 11:17 A. M. for legal purposes under CRS 24-6-402(4) (b). Pace seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Pace moved to approve Memorandum of Understanding between the County and Marilyn Marks related to the potential settlement on the CORA suit that Marilyn Marks has against County. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Joseph moved to adjourn Executive Session and return to regular meeting at 11:25 A.M. Pace seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Ron Gilbertson- Northern Saguache County Fire Protection:

1. Asked the Bocc on behalf of the Northern Saguache County Fire Protection to allow a Knox Box Program. Knox Box is a rapid entry system that allows emergency personnel entry without the destruction of forced entry by putting a box outside of each County building that has all the keys needed for that building and the emergency personnel would have access to these boxes. Northern Saguache County Fire Protection district is the only holder for the Knox Box system for Saguache County.
2. Bocc discussed the Northern Saguache County Fire Protection district applying for a Sales Tax Grant to purchase a Knox Box for each county building

Jail Tour

Lunch

Joseph moved to convene as the Housing Authority Board at 1:00 P.M. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Evan Samora-Housing Director:

Joseph moved to return to regular session at 1:20 P.M. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Greg Baxter- Southwest Conservation Corps:

1. Program dates are June 11-July 6. Program Partners include the Saguache County Road & Bridge, the Town of Saguache, Town of Center, Town of Moffat, and the BLM.
2. Participants included ten local youth ages 14-18 and two adult crew leaders 21+ in the 2012 SCC Community Corps program in Saguache County.
3. SCC partnered with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado and US Forest Service to organize a two-week crew leader training in Salida Colorado. Review policies, procedures, risk management, crew dynamics, education, and technical trail skills.
4. Crew spent four weeks completing conservation projects throughout Saguache County. Three acres of invasive species removal; 1,000 sq ft of restoration work; trash removal; and 2 acres of facility maintenance at the Center Municipal Plant Storage Yard.
5. The crew also participated in 8 hrs of educational activities and discussion on topics such as local history, ecology, sustainable farming, volunteer opportunities, Leave No Trace, and career development.
6. The total program cost for 2012 was \$26,370.00

Tourism Board

1. New President, Christine Gydesen. Four people on the Board right now. Bebop grant submitted for Community Welcome Center for advertising, the new sign, a computer for visitors to use, and grand opening event. Staffing is volunteer basis.

2. Theater Production group is really doing well.
3. As of January 1st the movie theater will not be able to show new releases due to the fact that Hollywood movies will be digital now instead of the 35mm. Have not been able to find any programs to help theaters switch over to digital.

Break

Bill Paying

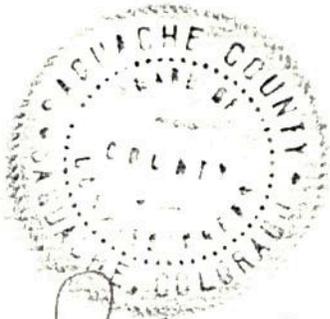
Joseph moved to adjourn at 2:43 P.M. Pace seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Adjourn

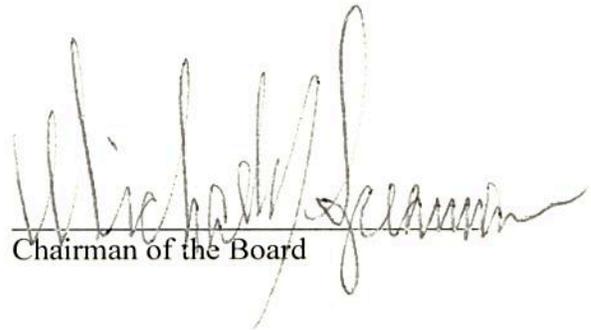
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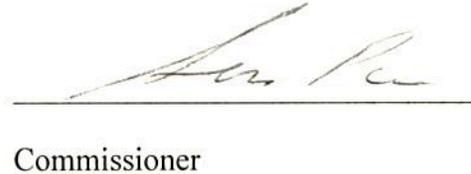
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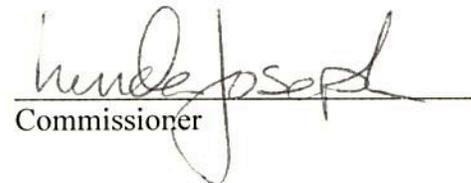
Minutes Approved October 2, 2012




Attest


Chairman of the Board


Commissioner


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