Chaffee County Commissioners Meeting
November 2, 2021

These minutes have been taken remotely via Zoom. Some County staff, representatives from other governments and government agencies, and others from the public may attend, including participating in the public hearing portion of the meeting, remotely via Zoom.

A. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on November 2, 2021, at the Chaffee County Courthouse. Board members present were Commissioner Keith Baker, Chairman Greg Felt, Commissioner Rusty Granzella.

Others present in person were Director of General Administration Bob Christiansen, Director of Finance Dan Short, Deputy County Attorney Daniel Tom, Assistant County Attorney Miles Cottom, County Extension Director Kurt Jones, Public Affairs Officer (PAO) Beth Helmke, and IT Ethan Smith.

Others present remotely were Principal Planner Greg Laudenslager, Emergency Manager Rich Atkins, and Deputy County Clerk Barbara Tidd.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

   Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Felt called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Review Public Meeting List

   The Board reviewed the public meeting list.

B. Approve the Agenda

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the Agenda with the change moving the Colorado Mountain College (CMC) discussion to after approval of minutes. Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A. Call to Order

3. Public Comment

   Nancy Dominick, 6508 County Rd. 105, Salida, stated that she promised to tell the truth and gave public comment.

C. Minutes for Approval

1. Approve the minutes of the October 19, 2021 regular meeting.

   Commissioner Granzella moved to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2021 Commissioners' regular meeting. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Regular Agenda Items

1. Presentation by Colorado Mountain College about developing the Salida campus.

   The following persons from Colorado Mountain College (CMC) presented to the Board about developing the Salida campus and/or responded to Commissioners' questions.

   Dr. Carrie Besnette Hauser, President
   Rob Simpson, Associate Dean of Academic and Student Services
   Ben Cairns, Vice President and Campus Dean Leadville/Salida
   Kathryn Regjo, Vice President of Academic Affairs
   Matt Gianneschi, Chief Operating Officer & Chief of Staff

   Also present and introduced were:
   Beez Schell, Dean of Academic Support & Accreditation Liaison Officer, Salida

   Commissioners commented during the presentation and Q & A.

   No formal action was taken.

   A short break was taken at 10:08 a.m.
   The meeting resumed at 10:12 a.m.

D. Contracts/Grant Consideration

1. Consider contract award for Wildland Urban Interface Forest and Watershed Health Restoration Projects' work - Bob Christiansen

   Director Christiansen addressed the Board to introduce consideration of contract awards for the Wildland Urban Interface Forest and Watershed Health Restoration Projects' work. He introduced the following persons who presented to the Board:
   JT Shaver, Colorado State Forest Service (CSFS) Forester, Salida Field Office
   Josh Kuehn, CSFS Forester, Salida Field Office

   Kuehn responded to Commissioner's questions. Chair Felt commented.

   Commissioner Granzella moved to approve the contract with Colorado Forestry & Earthworks, LLC (CFE) for $53,275 for work to be done at the Farrow Ranch and City of Salida Project. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

   Commissioner Granzella moved to approve an award to Johnny Apple Tree Care for $36,000 for work to be done on the Canyons Project and an award to Johnny Apple Tree Care for $16,500 for work to be done on the Pinon Ridge Subdivision Project. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Consider Accepting Acknowledgment of Award Conditions and Covenants with SPOT and State Historical Fund and Entering into MOU with SPOT.

   Director Christiansen addressed the Board to introduce consideration of the Assumption Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the State Historical Fund Grant from the State of Colorado between Chaffee County and Salida Area Parks Open Space and Trails (SPOT).

   Attorney Tom addressed the Board and responded to Commissioners' questions.

Donna Rhoads, 6095 County Rd. 110, Salida, and Katy Grether, 502 Ouray, Salida, stated that they promised to tell the truth, spoke and responded to Commissioners' questions.

Attorney Tom spoke further.

Commissioner Granzella moved to approve and sign the State Historical Fund letter of September 29, 2021, to move forward with the Rehabilitation of the Valley View School grant monies. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approve the Fair Stimulus Funding grant from the Colorado Department of Agriculture.
   Director Kurt Jones addressed the Board to consider the Fair Stimulus Funding grant from the Colorado Department of Agriculture.

   Commissioner Baker moved to approve the Fair Stimulus Funding grant from the Colorado Department of Agriculture in the amount of $40,842 and sign all required documents to that effect. Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Consider a letter of support for an application by the Salida Community Center for a Community Revitalization Grant from the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade.

   Director Christiansen addressed the Board to consider a letter of support for an application by the Salida Community Center for a Community Revitalization Grant from the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade.

   Commissioner Granzella moved to approve the letter of support for an application by the Salida Community Center for a Community Revitalization Grant from the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Regular Agenda Items

2. Discuss and approve Colorado Opioids Settlement Memorandum of Understanding
   Attorney Cottom addressed the Board regarding the Colorado Opioids Settlement Memorandum of Understanding.

   Commissioner Granzella moved to approve the Colorado Opioids Settlement Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated Thursday, August 26, 2021. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Consider entering into a Public Access Easement for a Public Scenic Viewing Area at Centerville Ranch

   Attorney Tom addressed the Board to consider entering into a Public Access Easement for a Public Scenic Viewing Area at Centerville Ranch. Attorney Tom responded to Commissioner's questions.

Commissioner Baker moved to approve entering into the Public Access Easement for a Public Scenic Viewing Area at Centerville Ranch. Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

F. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Granzella moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Approve Resolution 2021-80 Amend Section 1.3.5 A2 of the Land Use Code to remove the certified, return receipt requirement and replace it with first class mail notice requirement.

2. Approve Resolution 2021-78 approving the Hiser Agricultural Subdivision Exemption.

3. Pay Bills

G. Active Projects

H. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

I. Potential Road Trip

Attest:

Lori Mitchell

Lori Mitchell, County Clerk