



Chaffee County Commissioners Meeting
July 19, 2022

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 July 19, 2022, at the Buena Vista Community Center. Board members present were Commissioner Keith Baker (remotely), Chairman Greg Felt, Commissioner Rusty Granzella.

Others present in person were Director of General Administration Bob Christiansen, Director of Finance Dan Short, County Attorney Daniel Tom, Assistant County Attorney Miles Cottom, Public Affairs Officer (PAO) Beth Helmke, Director of Housing Becky Gray, and Principal Planner Greg Laudenslager.

Present remotely was 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. Approve the Agenda

Chair Felt brought up removing from the Consent Agenda Items 5 and 11.

Attorney Cottom spoke regarding Consent Agenda item 5 and suggested that it be continued to the August 2, 2022 meeting.

This will be moved to today's Regular Agenda as item D.1.

Attorney Cottom responded to Commissioner's question regarding Consent Agenda item 11. This will be moved to the Regular Agenda.

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

3. Review Public Meeting List

The Board reviewed the public meeting list.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

B. Minutes for Approval

1. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 21 2022

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2022 Commissioners' regular meeting. Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Approve the Executive Session Minutes from the Work Session on July 11 2022

Commissioner Granzella moved to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2022 Commissioners' Work Session regarding moving into Executive Session. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 12 2022

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the *amended* minutes of the July 12, 2022 Commissioners' regular meeting as follows:

Under A. Call to Order, omit second sentence and replace it with: Board members present were Vice Chair/Commissioner Keith Baker, Commissioner/Chair Greg Felt, and Commissioner Rusty Granzella. Vice Chair Baker chaired this meeting rather than Commissioner Felt because Commissioner Felt attended remotely.

Under A.1. Pledge of Allegiance, state: Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Vice Chairman Baker called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

C. ~9:15 a.m. - Consent Agenda

Commissioner Granzella moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended with items 5. and 11. removed and placed on the Regular Agenda. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Adopt PII Protections Policy - Drafted Through OEM (Continuation From June 21 BOCC Meeting)
2. Approve Resolution 2022-48 Bolin Heritage Water Subdivision (Approved July 5 2022)
3. Approve Resolution 2022-49 Ridley Heritage Water Subdivision (Approved July 5 2022)
4. Approve Resolution 2022-50 Maier Plat Amendment (Approved July 5 2022)
6. Pay the Bills
7. Acknowledge the Treasurer's Report for June 2022
8. Acknowledge the Semi-Annual Report Provided by the Chaffee County Treasurer

9. Ratify the Lotus Contract- Helmke
10. Approve the MOU with BLM and Colorado State Office for the Cooperative Development of the Big Game Habitat, Movement Route and Migration Corridor Resource Management Plan Amendment- Helmke

D. Regular Agenda Items

The first items 5 and 11 were removed from the Consent Agenda.

5. Approve Resolution 2022-51 Bingham Plat Amendment (Approved July 5 2022)

Chair Felt addressed the Board regarding RESOLUTION 2022-51 APPROVING A PLAT AMENDMENT FOR BINGHAM.

At the invitation of Chair Felt, Shannon Bingham, 16106 Rocky Mtn. Rd., Salida, stated that he promised to tell the truth and spoke.

Commissioner Granzella moved to continue RESOLUTION 2022-51 APPROVING A PLAT AMENDMENT FOR BINGHAM to August 2, 2022. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Approve IGA with Poncha Springs, Salida and Buena Vista in Relation to Opioid Settlement Funds- Cottom

Attorney Cottom addressed the Board responding to Chair Felt's question regarding consideration of approval of the IGA with Poncha Springs, Salida, and Buena Vista in relation to the Opioid Settlement Funds. Attorney Cottom responded to Commissioner's question.

Commissioner Granzella moved to approve for Chaffee County to opt into the IGA for the State Opioid Settlement Funds distribution program and authorize Director of Finance Dan Short to sign when the municipalities opt in as well. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

1. **9:20 a.m.** - Consider the South Main Arts and Parks Trust Special Event Liquor License Application

Chair Felt addressed the Board to consider the South Main Arts and Parks Trust Special Event Liquor License Application.

PAO Helmke responded to Chair Felt's question.

Public comment was given by:

Randall Peters, 15685 Par Lane, Buena Vista, stated that he promised to tell the truth and spoke.

Attorney Tom responded to Peters' question.

Commissioner Granzella moved to approve the South Main Arts and Parks Trust Special Event Liquor License Application as presented. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion

carried unanimously.

2. **9:25 a.m.** - Consider the Chaffee County Democrats Special Event Liquor License Application
Chair Felt addressed the Board to consider the Chaffee County Democrats Special Event Liquor License Application.

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the Chaffee County Democrats Special Event Liquor License Application for the event on August 6, 2022. Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. ~9:30 a.m. - Consider Request to Support Chaffee Housing Authority Tax Measure on the Ballot to Acquire Sustainable Local Funding To Address the Housing Issue with Multi-Jurisdictional Resolution as Presented by Becky Gray

Director Gray addressed the Board to consider a request to consent to the Chaffee Housing Authority tax measure to be placed on the ballot to acquire sustainable local funding to address the housing issue with a multi-jurisdictional resolution.

Attorney Tom addressed the Board and responded to Commissioner's questions. Discussion ensued during which Directors Short and Gray and Attorney Tom responded to Commissioners' questions.

Chair Felt asked for Public Comment. There was none.

Commissioner Baker moved to approve RESOLUTION 2022-52 Chaffee Housing Authority Ballot Issue 071822 with amended changes as stated on the record. Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion with an addendum changing the title of the resolution to read, **CONSENTING TO THE CHAFFEE HOUSING AUTHORITY SEEKING VOTER CONSIDERATION FOR AN INCREASE IN *AD VALOREM* PROPERTY TAXES**. Attorney Tom stated that he will make the changes as discussed. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting recessed at 10:06 a.m. for a short break.

The meeting resumed at 10:10 a.m.

4. ~10:00 a.m. - Discuss and Consider Possible Formal Action and Direction of Staff to Notify the County Clerk of Chaffe County's Intent to Participate in the 2022 Election With Potential Ballot Measures Reallocating Visitors' Bureau Tax and/or Commissioner Term Limits by July 29 2022 Deadline

Chair Felt addressed the Board to discuss and consider possible formal action and direction of/to Staff to notify the County Clerk by the July 29, 2022 deadline of Chaffee County's intent to participate in the 2022 Election with potential ballot measures reallocating Visitors' Bureau tax and/or Commissioner term limits.

Attorney Tom addressed the Board.

Discussion ensued during which Attorney Tom spoke and he and Director Short responded to Commissioners' questions.

Commissioner Baker moved to inform the Chaffee County Clerk of the Board of Commissioners' intent and enter into necessary contracts to effect a ballot measure to pursue HB22-1117 authority to reallocate lodging tax funds under the provisions of HB 22-1117. by the August 30, 2022 deadline.

Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued during which Director Short spoke. Chair Felt spoke regarding possible date(s) for further discussion of this matter. Possible participants for the discussion were suggested. Attorney Tom will draft a resolution with examples of how funds may be allocated.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Felt addressed the Board regarding a possible ballot measure regarding Commissioner term limits.

Discussion ensued during which Attorney Tom and Director Short responded to Commissioners' questions.

Commissioner Granzella moved to reserve with the Chaffee County Clerk a spot for a second ballot question related to expanding term limits for the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. ~10:30 a.m. - Ratify Bureau of Land Management ROW for CR 397

Attorney Tom addressed the Board to ratify the Bureau of Land Management Right-of-Way for County Rd. 397 concerning the Granite Bridge project.

Commissioner Granzella moved to ratify the Bureau of Land Management Right-of-Way for County Rd. 397. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. ~10:45 a.m. - Consider Increased Hourly Rate for CORA Requests from \$20 to \$30 per Hour- Legal

Attorney Tom addressed the Board to consider increasing the hourly rate for CORA requests from \$20 to \$30 per hour.

Attorney Tom responded to Commissioners' questions and comments.

Commissioner Granzella moved to approve increasing the hourly rate for CORA requests from \$20 to \$30 per hour. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. ~11:00 a.m. - Executive Session under CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) for purposes of receiving legal advice on legal questions and strategies involving personnel and employment matters; County Attorney Tom, Attorney Cottom, Administrator Christiansen, Finance Director Short, and Public Affairs Officer Helmke may attend.

Chair Felt addressed the Board to consider going into executive session under CRS 24-6-402(4)(b)

for the purposes of receiving legal advice on legal questions and strategies involving personnel and employment matters.

Attorneys Tom and Cottom, Directors Christiansen and Short, and PAO Helmke may attend.

County Attorney Tom stated that this portion of the meeting would constitute attorney-client communication and no further recording of this portion of the meeting would be required.

Commissioner Granzella moved to go into executive session. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting recessed for a short break at 11:22 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 11:23 a.m.

The Board of Commissioners moved into executive session at 11:23 a.m.

The Board of Commissioners came out of executive session at 12:03 p.m. with no decisions being made.

I, Daniel Tom, Chaffee County Attorney, do hereby attest that the unrecorded statements and discussions that took place during the executive session held on July 19, 2022 constituted privileged attorney-client communication.

Daniel Tom, Chaffee County Attorney

I, Greg Felt, Chairman of the Chaffee County Board of County Commissioners, do hereby attest that the unrecorded statements and discussions that took place during the executive session held on July 19, 2022 were confined to the topic described in the announcement of such session and authorized by the provisions of CRS 24-6-402(4)(b).

Greg Felt, Chairman

After the executive session, there was no other business, and the meeting was adjourned.

E. Active Projects

This item was before Regular Agenda Item 7. Executive Session.

F. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Attest:



Lori Mitchell, County Clerk