



Chaffee County Commissioners Meeting
August 16, 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 August 16, 2022, at the Buena Vista Community Center. 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, County Attorney Daniel Tom, Assistant County Attorney Miles Cottom, Public Affairs Officer (PAO) Beth Helmke, Planning Manager Jon Roorda, Principal Planner Greg Laudenslager, Jen Gardner (Logan Simpson) and Planner Christie Barton.

Others present remotely were Mark McMullen (Item D.2), Debbie Fesenmeyer (Staff- Short Term Rentals) and Deputy County Clerk Brandy Coscarella.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Felt called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Approve the Agenda

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

3. Review Public Meeting List

The Board reviewed the public meeting list. Among the events noted was a space holder for a potential special meeting on August 22.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

B. Minutes for Approval

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022 Commissioners' Work Session for the Executive Session only and the minutes of the August 9, 2022 Commissioners' regular meeting. Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Consent Agenda

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

1. Consider the Liquor License Renewal for Browns Canyon Brewing Company LLC
2. Consider Approval of Axon Enterprise Contract for \$25,946.60 for the Sheriff's Office
3. Acknowledge the VSO Monthly Report
4. Approve Resolution 2022-57 to Accept the Easement for County Road 397 for Certain Roads on United States Bureau of Land Management in Chaffee County, Colorado per COC-76046-02
5. Approve Board of Health Resolution No. BOH 2022-02- Approving Application Pertaining to 43255 County Road 397 Granite CO Granting a Variance to the Chaffee County On-Site Wastewater Treatment System Regulations
6. Pay the Bills
7. Acknowledge the Treasurers' Report

D. Regular Agenda Items

1. **9:05 a.m.** - Consider Special Event Liquor License Application for Rotary Club of Buena Vista

Attorney Tom addressed the Board to consider the special event liquor license application for Rotary Club of Buena Vista. Discussion followed regarding a contingency of approval of the Special Event Application Permit, scheduled for Sept 6 2022.

Commissioner Granzella moved to approve the special event liquor license application for Rotary Club of Buena Vista contingent upon approval of the Special Event Application Permit. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. ~9:10 a.m. - Consider Recommendation of _____ for Contract for Chaffee County Landfill Geosynthetic Liner and Membrane Installation- Direct Legal to Draft Contract

PAO Helmke introduced Mark McMullen who addressed the Board to consider the recommendation of Texas Environmental Plastics (TEP) for a contract for Chaffee County Landfill Geosynthetic Liner and Membrane Installation. Director Short and Mr. McMullen answered questions from the Commissioners. Attorney Tom spoke.

Commissioner Granzella moved to approve TEP for a contract for the Chaffee County Landfill Geosynthetic Liner and Membrane. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Legal was directed to draft the contract and authority was given to the chair to sign it when completed.

Commissioner Baker updated the Board on permits. Attorney Tom spoke about coordination with Mr. McMullen.

Chair Felt expressed sympathy about the passing of Department of Human Services Director Dave Henson on Friday August 12 2022. Director Christiansen will serve as interim director. Commissioners Baker and Granzella also spoke.

3. Second Opportunity - Discussion/Listening Session to Consider Ballot Measures on Lodging Tax Reallocation and Commissioner Term Limits

Chair Felt addressed the Board about the possibility of a ballot issue concerning a change to term limits for County Commissioners. Attorney Tom spoke.

Commissioner Baker moved to accept late comments formally into the record. Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners discussed placing a change to Commissioner term limits on the ballot. Attorney Tom spoke.

The Chairman asked for public comments on the question of term limits. There were none, and the public comment portion of the hearing was closed.

Commissioner Granzella moved to approve putting the term limit question on the November ballot and directed Legal to prepare a Resolution for a special meeting on August 22. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Felt addressed the Board about potential lodging tax reallocation. Commissioners Baker and Granzella spoke.

Chair Felt asked for staff feedback. Director Short asked questions of the Board. Attorney Tom spoke. Commissioners Felt and Baker spoke.

The Chairman asked for public comments. The public comment portion of the hearing opened at 10:16 a.m.

Public comments were given by:

Travis Hochard, 1307 I St. Salida promised to tell the truth and spoke.
Commissioners asked questions. Director Short and Attorney Tom answered.

Becky Gray, director of Chaffee Housing Authority, spoke.
PAO Helmke and Commissioner Granzella spoke.

Michal Rosenoer 103 Brady Rd Buena Vista promised to tell the truth and spoke.

Jake Rishavy, 7165 CR 178 Salida promised to tell the truth and spoke. He answered questions from Commissioner Granzella and Baker. Attorney Tom and Chair Felt spoke.

Caleb Efta, 102 Grouse Rd, Buena Vista promised to tell the truth and spoke.

The public comment portion of the hearing closed at 10:45a.m.

Chair Felt shared a handout.
Commissioner Granzella spoke.

Michal Rosenoer answered a question from Commissioner Baker. Commissioner Baker spoke.

Chair Felt spoke.

By consensus, no formal action was taken. There will be Special Meeting on August 22nd at 104 Crestone Salida to further consider the ballot item issues and verbiage.

The Board took a short break from 10:58- 11:04 a.m.

5. **9:15 a.m. - Public Hearing for Module 1 LUC update topics**

Chair Felt addressed the room and all online about the Module 1 Land Use Code update.

The Chairman asked for public comments. The public comment portion of the hearing opened at 11:06 a.m.

Public comments were given by:

Amanda Laban, 814 W Main St, Buena Vista, promised to tell the truth and spoke.
Commissioner Granzella asked a question. Attorney Cottom spoke. Commissioner Baker spoke

Monika Courtney, 27354 Rodeo Road/Co Rd 321, Buena Vista, promised to tell the truth and spoke.

Bob Dorenfeld, 10142 E Cheyenne Cr, Salida, promised to tell the truth and spoke.
Planner Laudenslager answered a question.

Caleb Efta, 102 Grouse Rd, Buena Vista, promised to tell the truth and spoke.
Commissioner Felt spoke.

Jake Rishavy, 7165 CR 178, Salida, on behalf of the Economic Development Corporation, promised to tell the truth and spoke.
Rishavy responded to Commissioners' questions and comments.

Gwen Merrezuko 16895 CR 338 Buena Vista spoke and promised to tell the truth.

Michal Rosenoer 103 Brady Rd Buena Vista BV promised to tell the truth and spoke.
Rosenoer responded to Commissioners' questions and comments.

Erik Carlson, 360 S Garfield St Denver 80209- representing Tom Warren of Mount Princeton promised to tell the truth and spoke.
Attorney Cottom spoke. Attorney Tom asked a question with Attorney Cottom responding.
Discussion amongst attorneys and commissioners followed. Jen Gardner, Logan Simpson spoke.

Joe Cooper, 9325 CR 160, Salida promised to tell the truth and spoke.
Attorney Tom responded to his question. Attorney Cottom spoke.

Art Hutchinson- 9104 W Hwy 50 Salida promised to tell the truth and spoke.

Kerry Hodgkins- 17221 CR 240 F, Maysville/Salida promised to tell the truth and spoke.

Bradley Becker- 8495 CR 160, Salida, promised to tell the truth and spoke.

Lamar Fite, 8546 CR 240 G, Maysville/Salida, promised to tell the truth and spoke. Commissioner Granzella asked a question and spoke.

The initial public comment portion of this hearing closed at 12:25 p.m.

Jen Gardner of Logan Simpson presented a PowerPoint overview of the Land Use Code Update Process. She presented recap information of each section of Module 1. Staff weighed in on specific points. For each item, Gardner identified the intent and then reviewed questions and suggestions. Commissioners Baker and Granzella, Planner Laudenslager, Attorney Cottom, and Chair Felt spoke. Commissioners asked questions. Discussion ensued.

The Board took a lunch break at 1:15. The meeting resumed at 1:40 p.m.

Logan Simpson's presentation on the Module 1 topics of the Land Use Code Rewrite continued and included discussion with Commissioners and Staff. Planning Commission and Community Advisory Committee recommendations were highlighted, as well as other public comments received. Staff Member Debbie Fesenmeyer contributed to the discussion in relation to ADU and STR regulations. Discussion ensued.

It was noted that the Planning Commission voted to deny the Private Land Camping section. Their recommendation was detailed by Attorney Cottom. Planning Commission suggested a redraft, to be remanded back to the Planning Commission- tentatively for September 6. That would potentially get it back to BOCC on September 13 2022. Commissioners discussed the recommendation to remand that section.

Commissioners discussed next steps.

The Chairman asked for additional public comments. The public comment portion of the hearing reopened at 4:25 p.m. Public comments were given by:

Patrick Merrezuko, 16895 CR 338, BV, promised to tell the truth and spoke.

Chuck Tomkiewicz, 9540 W US Hwy 50, Salida, promised to tell the truth and spoke.

Gwen Merrezuko spoke again.

Caleb Efta spoke again.

Chair Felt spoke. Commissioner Baker spoke.

This public comment portion of the hearing closed at 4:41pm.

By consensus, no formal action was taken. This item was continued to the Special Meeting on August 22, 2022.

6. Consider a Date for the County Employee Appreciation Dinner
Chair Felt addressed the Board to consider October dates. By consensus, Commissioners directed Staff to schedule for either the 11th or 12th of October.

4. Enter into Executive Session Under CRS 24-6-402(4)(B) For Purpose of Receiving Legal Advice on Specific Legal Issues Involving Personnel and Employment Matters. Directors Robert Christiansen and Dan Short, County Attorneys Tom, Cottom, Stocks, and Public Affairs Officer Helmke May Attend.

This executive session was not needed.

E. Active Projects

The Letter of Recommendation for Chaffee Housing Trust was discussed. This item will be considered on the 22nd.

F. Adjourn

Commissioner Baker moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Granzella seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

Attest:



Lori Mitchell, County Clerk