Chaffee County Commissioners Meeting
February 7, 2023

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 February 7, 2023, at the Chaffee County Courthouse. Board members present were Chair Keith Baker, Commissioner Greg Felt, and Commissioner P. T. Wood.

Others present in person were Director of General Administration Bob Christiansen, Director of Finance Dan Short, Deputy Director of Administration Beth Helmke, County Attorney Daniel Tom, Assistant County Attorney/Planning Director Miles Cottom, Development Engineer Gary Greiner, and Building Safety Director Dan Swallow (Executive Session only).

Others present remotely were Deputy County Clerks Kit Kuester and Barbara Tidd.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
   Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chair Baker called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. Approve Agenda
   Chair Baker stated that Consent Agenda Item D.1. will be moved to C. Contracts/Grant Consideration as Item C.1. and Item E.6. will be removed and moved to a Special Meeting scheduled for February 8, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

   Commissioner Wood moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Review Public Meeting List
   The Board reviewed the public meeting list.

4. Public Comment
   Chair Baker asked for Public Comment. He indicated that by speaking, the person giving public comment is agreeing to be civil, maintain normal decorum for conducting business on the public square and to the extent possible to state only facts after providing one's name and address for the record.

   Public Comment was given by:

   Carrie Skahan, 8122 County Rd. 120, Salida.

   Chair Baker spoke in response to Skahan's comments.

B. Minutes for Approval

1. Consider for Approval the Minutes of the January 17, 2023 Regular Meeting
Commissioner Felt moved to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2023 Commissioners' regular meeting. Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Consider for Approval the Minutes of the January 31, 2023 Special Meeting
Commissioner Wood moved to approve the minutes of the January 31, 2023 Commissioners' special meeting. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Contracts/Grant Consideration

1. Moved from D. Consent Agenda Item 1. Consider for approval Contract with Diesslin Structures, Inc. regarding the EMS North-End Public Safety Services Facility project.

   Chair Baker recognized several people who have been instrumental in moving this project forward.

   Engineer Greiner addressed the Board to consider approval of the contract with Diesslin Structures, Inc. for the EMS North-End Public Safety Services facility, which will include the Office of Emergency Management Command Center. Groundbreaking is estimated to be May 1, 2023 with a completion date estimated to be May 2024.

   Discussion ensued.

   Commissioner Felt moved to approve the contract with Diesslin Structures, Inc. for the EMS North-End Public Safety Services facility project. Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Wood moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended removing Item C.1. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Consider for Approval the Tryg Group Proposal - Niagara AX to N4 and LonWorks to BACnet IP Controller Upgrade

3. Consider for Approval the Amendment to the Clerk and Recorder Contract for Voting System - L Mitchell

4. Consider for Approval the Liquor License Renewal Application for Independent Whitewater dba Drift In

5. Consider Entering a Cooperative Forest Road Agreement with USFS (#23-RO-11021200-007 Master Road- on Feb 6 Agenda for Review)

6. Approve Resolution 2023-19 Approving the Searles Lot Line Elimination (Approved by BOCC January 17 2023)

7. Approve Resolution 2023-18 Approving the Butler- Meseke Boundary Line Adjustment (Approved by BOCC January 17 2023)

8. Approve Contracts for EMS as Discussed in Feb 6 2023 Work Session:
   Ratify Stryker Contract
   Consider for Approval Eitan Medical
   Consider for Approval GlideScope- Veraton

9. Approval to Award Bid for Poncha Pass Fuels Reduction Project with Signing Authority to the Chair on Administratively Reviewed Contract, as Discussed in the Feb 6 2023 Work Session- B Helmke/ CSU and USFS

10. Consider for Approval Resolution 2023-17 Authorizing Treasurer to Deposit and Invest Public Funds, as Discussed in Feb 6 2023 Work Session- D Tom

E. Regular Agenda Items

1. Executive session under 24-6-402(4)(b) for purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions and strategy involving ongoing Building Safety litigation - Asst. County Attorney Miles Cottom. County Administrator Bob Christiansen, Finance Director Dan Short, Deputy Director of Administration Beth Helmke, County Attorney Daniel Tom, Asst. County Attorney Lynda Knowles, and Building Safety Director Dan Swallow may also attend.

   Chair Baker addressed the Board to consider going into executive session under CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions and strategy involving ongoing building safety litigation. Commissioners Keith Baker, Greg Felt, and P. T. Wood and County Attorney Daniel Tom will attend. Assistant County Attorney Lynda Knowles, Assistant County Attorney/Planning Director Miles Cottom, Director of County Administration Bob Christiansen, Director of Finance Dan Short, Deputy Director of Administration Beth Helmke, and Building Safety Director Dan Swallow may also also 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 Felt moved to go into executive session. Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The Board of Commissioners moved into executive session at 9:25 a.m. The Board of Commissioners came out of executive session at 9:50 a.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 February 7, 2023 constituted privileged attorney-client communication.

   Daniel Tom

Daniel Tom, Chaffee County Attorney

I, Keith Baker, 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 February 7, 2023 were confined to the topic described in the announcement of such session and authorized by the provisions of CRS 24-6-402(4)(b).

Keith Baker

Keith Baker, Chairman

2. Consider Special Event Liquor Permit Application for the BV Chamber of Commerce

Chair Baker addressed the Board to consider a Special Event Liquor Permit Application for the Buena Vista Chamber of Commerce.

Commissioner Felt moved to approve a Special Event Liquor Permit Application for the Buena Vista Chamber of Commerce as presented. Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Close Out CDBG Grant #20-057 Down Payment Assistance Program, Managed by Chaffee Housing Trust - Read McCulloch (Requested Continued to March 7, 2023 by Read McCulloch to meet requirements of Division of Housing)

Chair Baker stated that this item is continued to March 7, 2023 at the request of Chaffee Housing Trust Executive Director Read McCulloch.

4. Update on EPA SWIFR Grant Proposal and Consider Application for Submission - B Helmke

Director Helmke addressed the Board to provide an update on the EPA SWIFR Grant Proposal and consider an application for submission. Director Helmke responded to Director Short's questions.

Discussion ensued.

No formal action was taken.

5. Update on Groundwater Study Plan with USGS and UAWCD and Consider Grant Proposal to Colorado Water Conservation Board - B Helmke

Director Helmke addressed the Board to provide an update on the Groundwater Study Plan with USGS and UAWCD and to consider the Grant Proposal to the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB).

Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Felt moved to approve pursuit of the Colorado Water Conservation Board Water

Supply Reserve Grant in collaboration with Upper Arkansas Water Conservation District as fiscal agent and U.S. Geographical Survey – Colorado Water Science Center as research partner for purposes of supporting a county-wide cooperative Groundwater Study. Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Executive Session under CRS 24-6-402(4)(d) For Purpose of Receiving Specialized Detail on a Current Investigation by the Sheriff and Department of Human Services and may also include discussion required to be kept confidential under 24-6-402(4)(c), C.R.S. 19-1-307, and CRS 24-72-305. Commissioners Keith Baker, Greg Felt, and P. T. Wood will attend. County Attorney Daniel Tom, Assistant County Attorney Lynda Knowles, County Administrator Bob Christiansen, County Deputy Director of Administration Beth Helmke, DHS Director Monica Haskell, Sheriff John Spezze, and Finance Director Dan Short also may attend.

   Chair Baker stated that this matter has been continued to a Special Meeting properly noticed for February 8, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

F. Active Projects

G. Adjourn

Commissioner Wood moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

Attest:

Lori Mitchell

Lori Mitchell, County Clerk