



Chaffee County Commissioners Meeting
July 16, 2024

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 16, 2024, at the Buena Vista Community Center. Board members present were Chair P. T. Wood, Commissioner Keith Baker, and Commissioner Greg Felt.

Others present in person were County Administrator Don Reimer, Deputy County Administrator Beth Helmke, Director of Finance Dan Short, County Attorney Daniel Tom, and Weed Department Supervisor Kayla Malone.

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

1. Pledge of Allegiance

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

2. Approve Agenda

Chair Wood stated that Consent Agenda Item C.4. will be moved to Regular Agenda Item F.1. (before the Meadows Farm concert item) and is to be continued.

Commissioner Baker 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 during which Commissioner Felt notified the public that on July 11, 2024, the Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District (UAWCD) voted to approve a draft contract with him to serve as General Manager of UAWCD as of January 1, 2025, and between now and then, he'll be preparing to serve in that position. He clarified that is not stepping down as Commissioner.

4. Public Comment

Chair Wood asked for public comment. He stated that you'll have up to 3 minutes to speak, and please give your name and address for the record.

Public Comment was given by:

Doug Mojer, 16300 Pine Grove Pkwy., Buena Vista.

Jan Wondra with *Ark Valley Voice*, 101 N. F St., Salida.

Chair Wood spoke in response to Mojer's comment.

B. Minutes for Approval

1. Consider for Approval the Minutes of the July 9, 2024 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Felt moved to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2024 Commissioners' regular meeting. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended with item 4. being moved to Regular Agenda Item F.1. (before consideration of Resolution 2024-48 regarding the concert at the Meadows Farm). Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Pay the Bills
2. Acknowledge the Sheriff's Office Monthly Report for June 2024
3. Acknowledge the Treasurer's Monthly Report for June 2024

D. Hearing Consent Agenda - Agenda Items are listed on the Hearing Consent Agenda because no testimony is expected. In the event a Commissioner or any member of the public wishes to testify regarding an item on the Consent Agenda, the item will be removed and considered with the Regular Agenda. These items, if approved, will include signing authority to the Chair of the Board on the related Resolution(s).

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

1. **Name of Project:** Hart Plat Amendment
Applicant: Elizabeth and Paul Hart
Location: 18101 County Road 271
Request: To relocate the access easement on the plat to align with the existing roadway on the property.
Planner: Nick Gomer, 719-530-5571, ngomer@chaffeecounty.org

E. Contracts/Grant Consideration

1. Discuss & Approve the USFS Volunteer Detector Network Grant Agreement - Kayla Malone

Supervisor Malone addressed the Board to consider approval of the USFS Volunteer Detector Network Grant Agreement.

Commissioner Felt moved to approve the USFS Volunteer Detector Network Grant Agreement.

Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Consider letter of intent for grant application to Colorado Garden Foundation for demonstration garden and Fairgrounds entrance beautification - Helmke; Pless (CSU-Extension)

Deputy Administrator Helmke addressed the Board to consider a letter of intent for a grant application to Colorado Garden Foundation for a demonstration garden and Fairgrounds entrance beautification.

Helmke and Malone responded to Commissioners' questions.

Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Baker moved to approve a letter of intent for a grant application to Colorado Garden Foundation for a demonstration garden and Fairgrounds entrance beautification. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Consider approval of grant application, with City of Salida as co-applicant, to Colorado Energy Office for "Energy Efficiency and Conservation Grant Program - Program for Local Government Staff Capacity and Regional Collaboration Support" grant - Helmke; Sara Law (City of Salida)

Deputy Administrator Helmke addressed the Board to consider approval of a grant application with the City of Salida as co-applicant to the Colorado Energy Office for an "Energy Efficiency and Conservation Grant Program - Program for Local Government Staff Capacity and Regional Collaboration Support" grant.

Helmke and Administrator Reimer responded to Commissioner's question.

Attorney Tom spoke.

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the grant application with the City of Salida as co-applicant to the Colorado Energy Office for an "Energy Efficiency and Conservation Grant Program - Program for Local Government Staff Capacity and Regional Collaboration Support" grant with signing authority to the Chair after legal review. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

F. Regular Agenda Items

1. (moved from Consent Agenda Item C.4.) Approval of Resolution 2024-50 Modifying the Planning Commission Decision for the Trilogy Harvard Subdivision Preliminary Plan

Chair Wood addressed the Board regarding continuing approval of Resolution 2024-50 Modifying the Planning Commission Decision for the Trilogy Harvard Subdivision Preliminary Plan per staff request.

Commissioner Felt moved to continue consideration of approval of Resolution 2024-50 Modifying the Planning Commission Decision for the Trilogy Harvard Subdivision Preliminary Plan to August 6, 2024. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval of Resolution 2024-48 Approving the Special Event Permit Application with Conditions for the Concert at the Meadows Farm Jun 26-29th, 2025

Chair Wood addressed the Board regarding **RESOLUTION 2024-48 CONDITIONALLY GRANTING A REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT SUBMITTED BY SOUTH MAIN ARTS AND PARKS FOR A MULTI-DAY FESTIVAL TO BE HELD AT A LOCATION IN CHAFFEE COUNTY COLORADO KNOWN AS THE “MEADOWS.”**

Attorney Tom and Reimer responded to Commissioners' questions.

Commissioner Baker spoke.

Commissioner Baker moved to approve **RESOLUTION 2024-48 CONDITIONALLY GRANTING A REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT SUBMITTED BY SOUTH MAIN ARTS AND PARKS FOR A MULTI-DAY FESTIVAL TO BE HELD AT A LOCATION IN CHAFFEE COUNTY COLORADO KNOWN AS THE “MEADOWS”** approving the Special Event Permit Application with Conditions for the Concert at the Meadows Farm June 26-29, 2025.

Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

G. Active Projects

H. Adjourn

There being no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Attest:



Lori Mitchell, County Clerk