



Chaffee County Commissioners Meeting
January 7, 2025

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 January 7, 2025, at the Chaffee County Courthouse. Board members present were Chair P. T. Wood, Commissioner Keith Baker, and Commissioner Greg Felt (remotely).

Others present in person were County Administrator Don Reimer, Deputy County Administrator Beth Helmke, Director of Finance Dan Short, Interim County Attorney Lynda Knowles, Planning Director Miles Cottom, Planner Nick Gomer, and Commissioners-Elect Dave Armstrong and Gina Lucrezi.

Others present remotely were Assistant County Attorney Mark Olguin, Emergency Manager Rich Atkins, and Deputy County Clerks Kit Kuester, Julia Rivera, and Barbara Tidd.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chair Wood called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

2. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Baker suggested that Hearing Consent Agenda Item D.1. be moved to Regular Agenda Items as Item F. 2. because of public interest.

Chair Wood suggested Consent Agenda Item C.4. be moved to Regular Agenda Items as Item F. 3.

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the Agenda as amended with those two changes. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Review Public Meeting List

The Board reviewed the public meeting list.

4. Outgoing Commissioner Statements - Commissioner Felt & Commissioner Baker

Commissioners Baker, Felt, and Wood spoke.

No formal action was taken.

5. 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:

Joanne Allen, 14901 County Road 261c, Nathrop. Commissioner Baker commented.
Robert Sakata, 662 Rose Dr., Brighton. Commissioner Felt commented.
Wendy Hall on behalf of Chaffee County Community Foundation, Buena Vista.
Read McCulloch, 246 Blake St., Salida.

B. Minutes for Approval

1. Consider for Approval the Minutes of the December 17, 2024 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2024 Commissioners' regular meeting. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Felt moved to approve the Consent Agenda with Item C.4. removed to the Regular Agenda. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Pay the Bills
2. Ratify plat amendment for lot line adjustment for County facility at 200 Steele Dr, Buena Vista - Nick Gomer, Planning Department
3. Approve engagement of Alcon Construction for scope of services related to installation of the new Landfill scale, at cost NTE \$ 83,492.31 - Helmke, Wilcox
5. Ratify letter to Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack regarding federal lands funding - Commissioners
6. Acknowledge the Sheriff's Office Monthly Report for November 2024
7. Approve letter appointing Commissioner-elect Gina Lucrezi as Chaffee County representative to the Arkansas Basin Roundtable

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).

Chair Wood asked if anyone from the public wished to testify on Items D. 2 or 3 as Item D.1 was removed to Regular Agenda Items.

There was no public comment.

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

2. **Name of Project:** Burkley Heritage Water Subdivision Exemption
Applicants: Matthew Burkley
Location: 11700 County Road 190 E
Request: To subdivide a 39.28 acre parcel into two (2) parcels of 29.16 acres and 10.11 acres, respectively, through the Heritage Waters Subdivision Exemption Process.
Planner: Nick Gomer / 719-530-5571 / ngomer@chaffeecounty.org
3. Hearing to Consider the Liquor License Renewal for Independent Whitewater, DBA Drift In, at 10832 County Road 165, Salida, CO 81201

E. Contracts/Grant Consideration

1. Consider Acceptance of Termination of Ground Lease for Site T at the Airport by Harder-Diesslin Holdings LLC & Approve New Lease for Don Dubin - Zech Papp / Lynda Knowles

Attorney Knowles addressed the Board to consider acceptance of Termination of Ground Lease for Site T at the Airport by Harder-Diesslin Holdings LLC and approve a new Lease for Don Dubin.

Commissioner Baker moved to accept the Termination of the Ground Lease for Site T at the Airport by Harder-Diesslin Holdings LLC and approve a new Lease for Don Dubin. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Approve engagement with a vendor for professional services related to the 2024 Audit - Dan Short

Director Short addressed the Board to consider engagement with DMC Auditing and Consulting, LLC for professional services related to the 2024 Audit.

Commissioner Felt moved to approve engagement with DMC Auditing and Consulting, LLC for professional services related to the 2024 Audit. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Agreement with Miles Marketing Destinations for \$72,600 to provide Colorado Tourism Office Publication Advertising - Lynda Knowles / Don Reimer

Attorney Knowles addressed the Board to consider approval of an Agreement with Miles Marketing Destinations for \$72,600 to provide Colorado Tourism Office publication advertising.

Administrator Reimer stated that this was budgeted.

Chair Wood spoke.

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the Agreement with Miles Marketing Destinations for \$72,600 to provide Colorado Tourism Office publication advertising. Commissioner Felt seconded

the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Ratify Fleet Vehicle Lease with Enterprise Fleet Management - Dan Short / Don Reimer

Administrator Reimer addressed the Board regarding the Fleet Vehicle Lease with Enterprise Fleet Management.

Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Felt moved to approve ratification of the Fleet Vehicle Lease with Enterprise Fleet Management. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

F. Regular Agenda Items

1. Consider for Approval Resolution 2025-01 Designating the Public Website for Posting Meeting Notices, Designating Exigent and Emergency Posting Place and Adopting the Schedule for Regular Meetings in 2025 - Lynda Knowles

Attorney Knowles addressed the Board to consider approval of **RESOLUTION 2025-01 DESIGNATING THE PUBLIC WEBSITE FOR POSTING MEETING NOTICES, DESIGNATING EXIGENT AND EMERGENCY POSTING PLACE AND ADOPTING THE SCHEDULE FOR REGUALR MEETINGS IN 2025.**

Commissioner Baker moved to approve **RESOLUTION 2025-01 DESIGNATING THE PUBLIC WEBSITE FOR POSTING MEETING NOTICES, DESIGNATING EXIGENT AND EMERGENCY POSTING PLACE AND ADOPTING THE SCHEDULE FOR REGUALR MEETINGS IN 2025** as presented by Interim County Attorney Knowles. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

D.1. **Name of Project:** Data Family Agricultural Subdivision Exemption

Applicants: Data Family Partnership, LLLP; Represented by Karin Adams

Location: 11460 County Road 140

Request: To subdivide 71.8 acres into two (2) parcels of 61.76 acres and 10.05 acres, respectively, through the Agricultural Subdivision Exemption Process.

Planner: Nick Gomer / 719-530-5571 / ngomer@chaffeecounty.org

Planner Gomer addressed the Board to consider the Data Family Agricultural Subdivision Exemption for Applicant Data Family Partnership, LLLP, represented by Karin Adams, located at 11460 County Road 140, Salida.

The public comment portion of the hearing opened at 10:16 a.m.

Public comments were given by:

Ron Sanchez, 7735 US Hwy. 285, Salida.

Planner Gomer, Director Cottom, and Commissioner Felt responded to Sanchez's questions.

Bruce Shoff, 8050 Windmill Ln., Salida.

Director Cottom responded to Shoff's question.

Ron Sanchez spoke further.

The public comment portion of the hearing closed at 10:22 a.m.

Attorney Knowles responded to Commissioner's question.

Director Cottom spoke followed by Commissioner Felt.

Commissioner Baker moved to approve the Data Family Agricultural Subdivision Exemption for Applicant Data Family Partnership, LLLP, represented by Karin Adams, located at 11460 County Road 140 to subdivide 71.8 acres into two (2) parcels of 61.76 acres and 10.05 acres, respectively, through the Agricultural Subdivision Exemption Process, as presented. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- C.4. Approve submission of application to Colorado Department of Human Services Behavioral Health Administration Co-Responder Program grant opportunity for Sheriff's Office - Helmke, Rohrich, Reimer, Short

Chair Wood addressed the Board to consider submission of an application to the Colorado Department of Human Services Behavioral Health Administration Co-Responder Program grant opportunity for the Sheriff's Office.

Discussion ensued.

Deputy Administrator Helmke spoke.

Commissioner Baker moved to approve submission of an application to the Colorado Department of Human Services Behavioral Health Administration Co-Responder Program grant opportunity for the Sheriff's Office as presented. Commissioner Felt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

G. Active Projects

H. Adjourn

There being no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

Attest:



Lori Mitchell, County Clerk