

Saguache County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, November 3, 2009 with the following present:

Mike Spearman, Co-Vice Chairman
Sam Pace, Co-Vice Chairman
Ben Gibbons, County Attorney
Lyn Zimmer, Co-Administrator
Melinda Myers, Secretary and Clerk to the Board

Meeting called to order by Acting Chair Pace at 9:04 A.M.

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda.

1. SRS Funding during Road & Bridge
2. Sales Tax Grant Discussion postponed.

Pace moved to approve the agenda as amended. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

Reading and approval of minutes of October 20 2009.

Pace moved to approve the minutes of October 20, 2009 as amended. Spearman seconded motion. The vote was two Ayes.

Review of Mail and other correspondence:

1. **George Whiten Jr. and Julie Sullivan** sent a letter of concern to the Board of Commissioners in regards to Tessera Solars San Luis Valley Solar Project. Whitten lives adjacent to the Preliminary Site Plan, as well as to the Additional Study Area and are extremely concerned about the impact of the solar project on his certified organic cattle ranch. Whitten is also concerned that the long-term, historical agricultural economy of the valley and quality of life may be jeopardized or sacrificed, given the number and size of the many projects currently being proposed for the San Luis Valley. (10/20/09)

Pace moved to appoint Christopher Hardt to the Saguache County Tourism Council. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

2. **Christopher Hardt** sent a letter requesting to be appointed to the Saguache County Tourism Council. (10/23/09)
3. CTSI Board of Directors sent a list of CTSI Board positions that are up for election at the upcoming membership meetings. Commissioners interested in running for one of the open positions, a letter of interest must be sent to Brenda Hostetler with CTSI no later than November 16, 2009. (10/26/09)
4. The Colorado Association of Conservation Districts sent the "Colorado Conservator" Fall 2009 Volume 25 No. 4 issue. (10/16/09)
5. An anonymous citizen sent a letter of concern in regards to an article that was published in the Center Newspaper about a possible Saguache County Policy protecting customers and employees from contracting illnesses from each other. The Citizen

suggests installing a plastic shield like The Department of Social Services has to protect the citizens as well as the employees instead of offending customers. (10/23/09).

6. The Colorado Preservation Inc. sent the Colorado Preservationist Fall 2009, 25th Anniversary Issue. (10/23/09)

7. The Rio Grande Water Conservation District sent the October 2009 Ground Water Table Measurements. (10/29/09)

8. **Ray Wright**, President of Rio Grande Water Conservation District, sent a letter in response to an October 13, 2009 letter sent by the Saguache County Board of Commissioners in regards to the Sub district No. 1 Plan of Management litigation. (10/29/09)

9. The Colorado River Water District sent notice and an Agenda for a Teleconference to be held November 4, 2009. (11/3/09)

Pace moved to send a support letter to Carla Schriber for the Ski Hi Stampede. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

10. **Karla Shriver**, President SLV Ski Hi Stampede sent email requesting a letter of support for Ski Hi Park Project.

Introduction of Guests: Matie Belle Lakish – Crestone Eagle; Jason Davidson – Town of Moffat; Charlotte Bobicki – Senator Bennet; JW Burton; Chad Mortins & Aaron Hockerottt – Alta Fuels; May Enquist, Ceal Smith & David Beaulien – Solar Ad Hoc Committee; Devon Pollack – ScSEED/ Solar Ad Hoc Committee and Mayra McKibbon.

Commissioners Reports:

Sam Pace reported:

- Oct 26 - Attended the joint meeting with the School District Superintends on SRS Funding.

Mike Spearman:

- Oct 26 - Attended the joint meeting with the School District Superintends on SRS Funding.
- Oct 30 – Attended the final arguments for the Water District court case.
- Oct 30 – Attended DRG meeting in Alamosa.
- Contacted by Teresa Bennis regarding complaints by Ken Skoglund on County lack of bids. Spearman did not respond.

Lyn Zimmer – Co-administrator report:

Pace moved to approve the 2010 Board of County Commissioners meeting dates. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

- Review Commissioner meeting dates for 2010.

Pace moved to approve the 2010 Holiday dates. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

- Review Holiday date list for 2010.
- Lyn Zimmer met with Jeannie Norris and Della Vieira regarding funding for public health.
- Maez & Zimmer attended the Hazard Mitigation workshop on Wednesday, October 28, 2009.

Pace moved to transfer from General Fund \$2,000 to the Library Fund. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

- Library transfer of funds of \$2000. As of Sept. 30, 2009 the library is at 87% of expenditures. Budgeted transfers from General Fund to Library was \$44,531 actual transferred to date will be 56,500 an over transfer of \$12,000. Nursing expenditures are at 82% as of 9/30/09 with revenue at 75%.
- Pete Garcia would like to know what he should be with the capital outlay that he had in his budget for 2009: purchase of a pickup or some of the new tools that are also needed for the Maintenance department. Board wants a list of the tools needed.
- Board of Commissioners chairs, new and the donation of old if new are ordered.
- Most of the Department heads and Elected officials met yesterday to review the bids for auditor. The consensus was to go with McMahon and Associates.

Break

Sue Gallegos – Land Use Administrator report:

- Received three bids for a 1041 consultant.

Pace moved to approve the Vacation/Consolidation of Lots 3356 and 3357, Baca Grande Chalets Unit II, for Gabriele Gusso. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

- Request for Vacation/Consolidation of Lots 3356 and 3357, Baca Grande Chalets Unit II, for Gabriele Gusso. Planning Commission gave unanimous approval.

Pace moved to approve for the Vacation/Consolidation of Lots 41 and 42, Baca Grande Chalets Unit I, for Sheila J Ramsey. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

- Request for Vacation/Consolidation of Lots 41 and 42, Baca Grande Chalets Unit I, for Sheila J Ramsey. Planning Commission gave unanimous approval.

Pace moved to enter into Executive Session at 10:36 A. M. for legal purposes under CRS 24-6-402(4)(f)(i). Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

Pace moved to return to regular session at 10:50 A. M. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

Ben Gibbons – Attorney report:

- Researched the timeline and process on 1041. The procedure needs to be outlined in specific detail and the decision to use outside consultants. More discussion next week during Land Use.
Draft of probable Steps of 1041 applications:
 - 1) BOCC will Meet and determine if complete
 - 2) Notify of complete or not (10 days?) notice of receipt
 - a. If not, we send notice for request of addition information
 - 3) Written review (the board has 30 days to write the review)
 - a. Then they have 30 days to review our written review
 - 4) After receiving notice from them we set a date to discuss review.
 - 5) Fees to be set for the application
 - 6) They have up to 30 days to comment or respond of the Boards review. Set meeting 30 days from the review
 - 7) Within them submitting a final application, then a 30-40 day public meeting date is set with public notice.
- Next meeting Board will discuss weather to hire someone to review 1040 applications.

Adjourned for Lunch at 11:45 P. M.

Resumed meeting at 1:00 P. M.

Randal Arredondo - Supervisor Road & Bridge and Land fill report:

- Alta Fuels brought in a proposal for fuel prices for 2010.
- Crestone is still interested in an IGA for road maintenance, but they want it on their terms. Arredondo pointed out to the Town Clerk that all the work they are asking for would cost much more than the HUTF money that would be collected for those roads.
- Trailer on CR 53. Arredondo will contact the owner to have it removed.
- SRS Funding agreement decided on was for the Schools getting 20 %, County getting money 80% of the remaining 50%.

Pace moved to approve the General Resolution for the remaining 50 % of the SRS Funds to be divided as follows: School Districts = 20%, Saguache County = 80%, actual amounts will be approved at a later date. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

Pace moved to convene as the Board of Health at 1:56 P.M. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

Della Vieira – Public Health Director:

- H1N1 update: as of 10-24-09: widespread in 48 states, including Colorado with 25 deaths(7 pediatric, 18 adult), 1306 hospitalizations (99% conf. H1N1),
- Clinic visits around state still above threshold, but ILI seems to have peaked the week of Oct 10.
- SLV: 10 hospitalizations, all in the last month, 0 fatalities.
- Colorado has received 270,000 doses as of 10/28/09; Saguache County has received 500 doses
- Permission slips sent out through schools in prep for administering vaccinations at schools, preschools, head starts.
- Supplying H1N1 vaccines to VWHS clinics according to prioritized groups they have identified:22 Pregnant women and all healthcare workers in County have been offered H1N1 vaccine. Focus continues on children 5 & under, school-aged children with health conditions, families of children <6 months (31 identified through VWHS clinics) Have injectable and mist forms on hand at PH & clinics
- Seasonal flu vaccination: since last report, we have received a small amount (30 doses) for children 6 months to 18 yrs
- Regular immunization clinics set up for Mondays: 1:00-4:00, 1st & 3rd Monday in Center, 2nd & 4th in Saguache
- In process of revising 2010 budget structure with Admin Office to consolidate PH items. We had our second meeting yesterday, and have a good working document.
- Met with Admin and Social Services Directors to put together a proposal for TANF support to maternal-child activities:
 1. Support to HCP program to offset budget from CDPHE (\$4,500 in contract, \$7,000-8,000 to actually run the program)
 2. Support for educational postpartum visits
 3. Explore teen pregnancy prevention activities; this program would be new to Saguache County PH and must be researched. A new ½ RN will be hired to conduct these activities, and TANF monies should offset that cost.
- Met with a member of the grant-writing circle, set priorities for pursuing funding:
 1. Assistance to food bank to support food supply
 2. Continuation of substance abuse prevention program after June 30, 2010
 3. Weights & other equipment for obesity prevention activities expansion to Center
 4. Evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention program.
- Working with Social Services to provide a job training placement for a TANF client interested in nursing. We will put together a small work plan for her and she will provide us 20 hours per week as long as we need her. She will start on Monday, 11/9/09. I hope that she will help us organize and inventory emergency prep supplies, help with organizing immunization records, and other clerical duties.
- Vieira will submit a CEDRS application for supervisor signature that will allow access to the communicable disease registry on behalf of Saguache County.
- No updated financial reports available at this time.

- 2009 Influenza Vaccine Provider Agreement was signed with the clinics.
- Mutual Aid Agreement was signed with Valley Wide Health Systems.
- Phones are not working well in the Center office and need to be replaced with either new or used equipment. Vieira will contact WSB to replace the system.

Pace moved to adjourn the Board of Health and return to regular meeting at 2:14. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Devon Pollack – Town of Saguache AmeriCorps volunteer:

- Saguache Ad Hoc Solar Committee members were present. This committee came about through the Downtown revitalization Project to incorporate renewable Solar and develop energy efficient plan into the renovation. Saguache Energy Action Plan to coordinate and implement the Governor’s Energy Office projects as a model.
- Jan 16 – Community Outreach Energy Event is planned to present renewable energy projects and opportunities.

Break

Title III funding request – Office of Emergency Management

Pace moved to approve the request for Title II Funds for up to \$10,000 for tree removal on County Road T at the entrance of the Baca Grande. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

- County Road T fire mitigation on the dead trees at the entrance of the Baca has been funded up to \$10,000. Kimberly Bryant will coordinate the workers.

Break

Melinda Myers - Clerk and Recorder:

Pace moved to approve the Liquor License renewal for Old Cow Town. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

- Liquor License Renewal Old Cow Town

Erin Minks – **John Salazar’s** representative:

- Salazar is supporting whatever public health option is chosen in the House.

Mayra McKibbon –Rocky Mountain Ser Workforce Center-Programs:

- Youth programs in the high schools developing leadership and work habits.
- NFJP- Migrant Farm Workers Program finds housing, jobs and travel to next area for them.

Pace moved to adjourn at 3:40 P.M. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda Myers Secretary to the Board of County Commissioners

Minutes Approved November 10, 2009

Chairman of the Board

Attest

Commissioner

Commissioner