

Saguache County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, November 5, 2012 with the following present:

Mike Spearman, Chair
Sam Pace, Co-Vice Chair
Linda Joseph, Co-Vice Chair
Wendi Maez, Co-Administrator
Lyn Lambert, Co-Administrator
Ben Gibbons, County Attorney
Staci Morfitt, Acting Secretary to the Board

Meeting called to order by Chair Spearman at 9:10 A.M.

Employee Appreciation:

No employees at this time.

Joseph moved to approve the agenda as amended. Pace seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda:

1. Road & Bridge Supervisor will not be present today.

Pace moved to approve the minutes of October 15, 2012 as amended. Joseph seconded motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Reading and approval of minutes of October 15, 2012:

Pace moved to approve the Steel Horse Liquor License, pending no protests at the Public Hearing. Joseph seconded motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Review of Mail and other correspondence:

1. **Rio Grande Water Conservation District** sent the October 2012 Ground Water Table Measurements. (10/22/12)
2. **State Board of Equalization** sent notice of the public hearing for the State Auditors on October 25, 2012 at 1:00p.m. Saguache County is listed with unresolved reports from the Assessment Auditor for Residential properties for 2009, 2010 and 2011. (10/22/12)
3. **Daniel S. Johnson** sent the October 2012 report for the Saguache County Fire Mitigation Program. (11/1/12)
4. **CTSI** sent notice of board positions that are up for election. If anyone is interested a letter of interest is to be received by CTSI no later than November 12, 2012. (10/31/12)
5. **The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment** sent notice that the Air Quality Control Commission does not plan to meet on November 15, 2012. The next scheduled meeting will occur December 20, 2012. (10/31/12)

6. **The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment** sent a correction plan approval with conditions for the Saguache County Landfill. (10/24/12)

Introduction of Guests:

Matie Belle Lakish- Crestone Eagle
Sandra Montoya- RGWCD
Galen DeGani- High Valley Church
T. Roger Perry- Perry Farms
Katherine Faz – Great Sand Dunes
Ashley Martinez – Great Sand Dunes
Phillip & Ameille Hooper – Steel Horse Grill

Perry Hazard- private citizen
Beverly DeGani-High Valley Church
George Whitten Jr. – RGWCD
Dee Greeman- MV Agribusiness LLC
Lisa Carrico – Great Sand Dunes
Andrew Archuleta – BLM

Public Comment:

No Comment at this time.

Commissioners Report:

Mike Spearman reported:

1. October 18- Attended the Veterans Response meeting with Senator Udall. State Veterans office attended to address some concerns on local medical procedures. All in agreement and contracts in process.
2. October 22- Attended the Valley Commissioners Meeting. Gave report on the Veterans Response meeting. All counties brought up to speed on HCP implementing agreement.
3. October 22- Attended DRG Board meeting with Mike Wisdom.
4. October 25-26- Extension meeting in Denver.
5. October 31- Meeting with the Solar Reserve Attorneys. Testifying on November 6 for Public Utilities Commission on renewable energy.

Linda Joseph reported:

1. October 17 - Attended the Gunnison Sage Grouse Conservation Strategic Committee meeting in Gunnison, along with alternate, Elinor Laurie.
2. Attended the Saguache County Tourism Council meeting for member orientation and introduction of potential members - Matie Belle Lakish and Kairina Danforth.
3. October 18 - Attended the Veteran's conference at Adam's State Student Union, along with grant writer Susan Pierce.
4. October 22 - Attended the SLV County Commissioners Association budget meeting in Alamosa.
5. October 23 - Met with Emergency Manager Jim Felmlee and grant writers, to review the OEM budget and fundraising needs.
6. Attended the Leadership Luncheon at the Moffat School.
7. Assisting Susan Pierce with applicability of grants found in research.

Sam Pace reported:

1. October 23- Site visit to Solar Reserve project near Tonopah, Nevada.
2. October 31- Talked with Roni Wisdom about ruling from state on WIB (Workforce Board) issue.
3. Took call about sub-district taxes.

Wendi Maez & Lyn Lambert – Co-administrator report:

1. The County has 2 wrecked vehicles parked in the vacate lot outside of the courthouse. Would like to have the vehicles sold or removed if possible. If possible would like to contact a company that hauls vehicles away and see if they will haul them away. Attorney Gibbons advised to get releases from insurance company first.
2. Maez & Lambert attended the SLV COG meeting on October 29, 2012.
3. Lambert received a summons from Ron Briggs for court issue on Nov. 20, 2012. Summons is for the BOCC and a copy was sent via email to the BOCC. Attorney Gibbons is working on this for the County.
4. Discussion concerning adopting a "fire arms" policy for all employees. Attorney Gibbons working on this.
5. Public Trustee Report presented for review and approval.

Break

Wendi Maez - Land Use Administrator:

Joseph moved to approve the Thomas Roger Perry Revocable Trust and Marilyn Wendi Perry Irrevocable Trust Subdivision Exemption. Pace seconded motion. The vote was three Ayes.

1. Thomas Roger Perry Revocable Trust and Marilyn Wendi Perry Irrevocable Trust – Subdivision Exemption request – SW1/4 11-41-7. The location of this request adjoins the Mennonite Church located on County Road E west of Highway 285. The request is to create 3 Tracts – Tract 1 – 148.94 acres, Tract 2 – 5.03 acres and Tract 3 – 3.56 acres (county road right of way). Tract 2 will be purchased by the High Valley Mennonite Church for the use of future parking at this time. Any other use will require a Conditional Use permit. The Saguache County Planning Commission recommended unanimous approval of this request at their regular meeting on October 25, 2012.

Pace moved to approve the Resolution 2012-G-7 for the Implementing Agreement for the San Luis Valley Habitat Conservation Plan. Joseph seconded motion. The vote was three Ayes.

2. Sandra Montoya – SLV Habitat Conservation Plan discussion on the SLVHCP Implementing Agreement. Stated Rio Grande, Costilla, and Conejos Counties have signed the agreement. Asked the BOCC if they would sign on. BOCC discussed along with local landowner Perry Hazard, who is against the agreement, and George Whitten, representing the Rio Grande Water Conservation District, who is for the agreement. Attorney Gibbons advised the BOCC they would need to approve a resolution to sign the agreement.
3. Discussion concerning the adoption of a Model Resolution for National Flood Insurance Program in order to be eligible for grant funding thru FEMA and CWCB rules must be adopted by January 14, 2012. A copy of the resolution will be sent to Attorney Gibbons for his review prior to Monday's meeting.
4. Discussion on the Leach Airport and the title search. Attorney Gibbons will work on a contract

Ben Gibbons- County Attorney:

1. Marks Litigation- Having information copied for ES&S review.

2. Motorcycle accident litigation has been completed.
3. Board of Equalization meeting on November 15th, will be attending with Assessor Stephens.
4. Ron Briggs filed a civil case and CTSI referred it to a law firm for their review.

Pace moved that after reviewing Attorney Gibbons' memo to the Board there has not been enough evidence presented to show that the road in question was a public road in 1996. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was two Ayes. Joseph recused herself due to her affiliation with Manitou and the Cottonwood study group.

5. Discussion on the Cottonwood area.

Pace moved to enter into Executive Session at 11:40 A. M. for personnel purposes under CRS 24-6-402(4) (f) (I). Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Pace moved to adjourn Executive Session and return to regular meeting at 11:48 A.M. Pace seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Pace moved to convene as the Housing Authority Board at 11:49 A.M. Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Evan Samora-Housing Director:

Pace moved to return to regular session at 11:55 A.M. Spearman seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Lunch

Public Lands: Lisa Carrico and Kathy Faz- Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve:

1. Fair number of staff turn overs at the Park.
2. First planning stages for a native fish project. Should be a three year project.
3. Management Plan for park focusing on the Elk and Bison within the boundaries of the Park.
4. Wide range of programs inside and outside of the Park for all ages.
5. 232,000 visitors at the Park this year.

Andrew Archuleta reported on;

6. Solar PEIS is complete and an applicant still moving forward. No protests on the Geo-thermal EA at this point.
7. Incredibly dry. Gave the BOCC a thank you for working so well with the different agencies.

Break

Steel Horse Grill: New Liquor License

1. See above for motion.
2. Public Hearing, no protests and BOCC confirmed approval of this new Liquor License.

Bill Paying

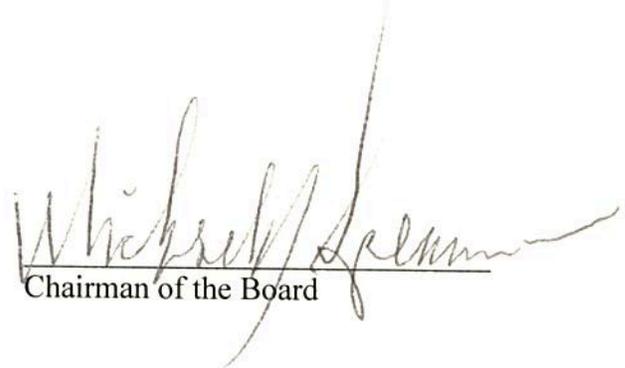
Spearman moved to adjourn at 2:45 P. M. Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

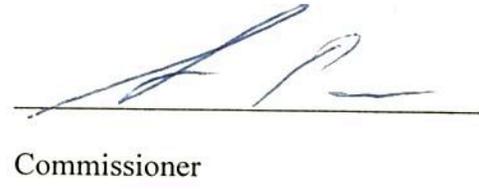
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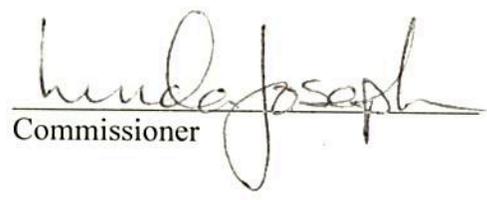
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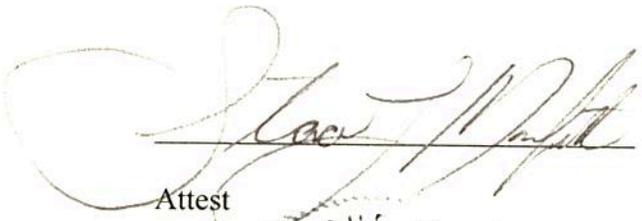
Staci Morfitt Acting Secretary to the Board of County Commissioners

Minutes Approved November 20, 2012


Chairman of the Board


Commissioner


Commissioner


Attest

