

Saguache County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, June 19, 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 9:06 A.M.

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

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda:

1. Add Connie Trujillo to Administration time for SRS distribution.
2. Remove Tom Dessain, Crestone Music Festival.
3. Add Carla Gomez, Clerk and Recorder, Primary Election update.

Joseph moved to approve the minutes of June 5, 2012 as amended. Pace seconded motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Reading and approval of minutes of June 5, 2012:

Review of Mail and other correspondence:

1. **Daniel Johnson** sent the Saguache County Fire Mitigation May 2012 Report. (6/4/12)
2. **Crestone Youth Plaza** sent a letter thanking the BOCC for their support and changes to partner up with (YES) Youth Empowerment Solutions to manage the camp. (6/5/12)
3. **Colorado BLM** sent an email to the BOCC that they have hired Lura Matthews as the BLM Colorado Service First Coordinator. (6/6/12)
4. **State of Colorado Dept of Revenue** sent a letter with the updated County Lodging Tax Cost Recovery. (6/11/12)
5. **State of Colorado Public Health** sent the Notice of Meeting & Agenda on Air Quality Control Commission Annual Retreat on June 28 & 29, in Westminster, Co. (6/11/12)
6. **Colorado Choice Health Plans** sent a letter thanking the BOCC for letting them present a Carepoint Health Presentation. (6/14/12)
7. **State of Colorado Public Health** sent a Notice of Public Rule-Making Hearing before the Colorado Board of Health on July 18, 2012. (6/14/12)
8. **State of Colorado Public Health** sent the Colorado Board of Health Agenda for June 20, 2012 in Denver, CO. (6/14/12)

9. **Colorado State Board of Health** is going green they would like to enroll everyone to email subscriptions to cut down on paper and postage. (6/14/12)
10. **Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District** sent the Board of Directors Annual Meeting Agenda on June 25, 2012 and 6:30pm in Gunnison. (6/18/12)
11. **CCI (Colorado Counties Inc.) Salary Survey sent via email.** Survey on pay increases for elected officials; survey was completed by Co-Administrator Lambert.
12. **Colorado State Veterans Center Homelake 120th Anniversary Celebration.** Tuesday July 3rd at 10:00 a.m. in Monte Vista, Bocc received an invitation.

Introduction of Guests:

Matie Belle Lakish – Crestone Eagle

Public Comment:

None at this time

Commissioners Report:

Mike Spearman reported:

1. June 11 – Attended the SLV County Commissioners special meeting for Work Force Investment Board.
2. June 12 – Attended annual RAC meeting
3. June 12 - Attended the Carepoint Insurance presentation during work session.
4. June 15 – Attended the meeting with the Secretary of Interior Salazar to announce the Conservation Easement on the Blanca Ranch.
5. June 18 – Attended the DRG meeting.

Linda Joseph reported:

1. June 6 - Accompanied Della Vieira, Public Health Director to meet with the Rio Grande County Commissioners, regarding our shared PCP program and finance. Visited the Center offices at the Haskins Bldg. Vieira received a \$22,264 grant from Colorado Rural Health Care for additional repairs and improvements. Watering system needs adjusting or replacement. Vieira is waiting to meet with Valleywide later this month, as they have had to reschedule twice.
2. June 7 - Attended the Tourism Council meeting in the Library. Forwarded an email to the Tourism Council from Twyla Walker-Collins. Her term is up and she will not be continuing on the Council. Letter was sent thanking her for her service.
3. Attended the Northern SLV Conservation Roundtable's educational session - "Where does our Water in Large Watersheds Come From" at the Saguache County Road & Bridge meeting room.
4. June 8 - Attended the Cottonwood Creek Study Group meeting. All agreements are in place. The kiosk and porta potty will be set, and the open season will launch within approx. a week.
5. June 12 - Met with Kate Vasha for an update on the Cochetopa Scenic Byway Tour with the Scenic Byway Commission, June 27. Joseph and Maez will join the tour in Saguache. Commissioners Spearman and Pace are invited to lunch at Buffalo Pass campground at 12:15 pm.
6. June 12 - Attended the Carepoint presentation work session.
7. June 14 - Attended the Meeting with USFWS Regional Director Steve Guertin and the Gunnison Sage Grouse Conservation Strategic Committee, to discuss the Candidate Conservation

Agreement Plan, along with Elinor Laurie and Jenny Nehring. The decision of the Saguache BoCC needs to be confirmed by June 28.

8. Spoke with Dale Erby who attended the Gunnison meeting. He requested consideration of health coverage; he is part time. Also the business owner of the mineral mill at Hwy 17/Rd. AA, Jeff Wilkenson, who has been delayed by State procedures (special permit, mineral assays).
9. June 16 - Attended the dedication of the Veterans Memorial at the Crestone Cemetery.
10. 2012-2013 SEMTAC (State Emergency Medical & Trauma Advisory Council) grant awards were announced. Jim Felmler received approval to 2 out of 3 grants requested for Saguache County Office of Emergency Management and Center Fire & Ambulance.

Sam Pace reported:

1. June 11 – Attended the Saguache County Prevention Partners in Center.
2. June 11 – Attended the SLV County Commissioners special meeting for Work Force Investment Board.
3. June 12 – Meeting with Clarke Becker and Roni Wisdom.
4. June 18 – Work Force Investment Board meeting.

Wendi Maez & Lyn Lambert – Co-administrator report:

1. Auditors are still here working and finishing up. They are really looking at the grants this year.
2. There will be a Department Head meeting Wednesday, June 20th at the Road & Bridge meeting room.
3. Kenny Bertin from WSB will be working on the county website to create an employment tab or portion as was discussed at our last board meeting.
4. Treasurer Trujillo presented the SRS funding distribution tables, copy of distribution table attached.
5. Meeting in the next couple of weeks for Child Care Facility grant update with the State, DOLA, Headstart and Administration.
6. Received a call from First Southwest Bank to see if the County will authorize and cover paychecks for Youth Corp. Commissioners will not authorize or cover.

Break

Randy Arredondo- Road and Bridge Supervisor report:

1. Paving is on hold due to hot plant being down, and it will be at least the week of July 4th before it will be up and running; this has set the paving schedule behind by a few weeks.
2. Nolan Pit is good to use for the next 3 years, will be looking for another pit this year.
3. Looking into a storage lien on the plane that has been abandoned at the Saguache Airport.
4. Davis Engineering sent proposal over on the landfill for expanding, or opening another cell.
5. Still waiting on the Cottonwood Creek Road survey to be completed, based on surveyor's schedule.

Pace moved to approve the County's signing on to the Candidate Conservation Agreement with the USFWS and Gunnison Sage Grouse Conservation Strategic Committee. Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

6. Discussion on the Gunnison Sage Grouse Conservation Strategic Committee, Candidate Conservation Agreement plan and the part of Road and Bridge and equipment cleaning.

Pace moved to convene as Saguache County Social Services Board at 11:12 A.M. Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Jeannie Norris- Social Services Director:

1. There were 35 TANF cases for the month of May, 2012. Food assistance cases decreased slightly to 654. There are 27 aid-to-the-needy-disabled cases, and 83 old-age-pension cases.
2. The Child and Adult Protection Unit had 12 referrals during May, 8 of which were accepted for investigation. The Unit has 6 children in placement, and currently has 49 open child protection cases. There are two open adult protection cases, with two referrals and two closed cases.
3. TEFAP commodity distribution served 57 households in Saguache, 89 in Center and 43 homes in Crestone. There were 11 families served by the emergency food bank in Saguache. Crestone had 65 families and 30 in Center.
4. Julie Westerman, Joel Johnson and Meryl Tolsma from the Child Protection Unit, and the Director attended the Child Welfare Summit at Keystone together with judges, attorneys, and guardians ad litem from our own judicial district as well as across the State. Our department benefited from visiting with other departments regarding initiatives that we are in the process of developing for youth in Saguache County. We have developed a mentoring program to support students in our school systems, and are excited to implement in the fall. Together with the Prevention Partnership Coalition, we have applied for grant funds to enhance the work we have in place already, and lack personnel hours to fully fill the needs we see.
5. Representatives from the newly created Office of Child Welfare Ombudsmen were at the Keystone Summit. The Ombudsman receives complaints from clients and others involved with the child welfare system, and will investigate any issues which have been reported to the office. We have been able to speak on several occasions to the Ombudsmen, as they made our office aware of potential threats to our agency and staff, as well as notifying law enforcement personnel on our behalf.
6. The Department will begin to use an automated system of time and cost reporting effective July 1. The program is in use in a number of counties across the State, and reviews are outstanding. Time reporting, requests for leave and reimbursement, as well as accurate allocation of time to the appropriate program costs will free staff time and provide valuable management reports to supervisors.

Pace moved to adjourn as Saguache County Social Services Board at 11:30 A.M. Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Carla Gomez – County Clerk and Recorder:

1. Secretary of State Deputy Suzanne Staiert held a public meeting on June 7th at 6pm to answer any questions or concerns the public might have about the election process or machines used.
2. The Secretary of States' Office was also present for the Logic and Accuracy Testing held on June 8th.
3. Machine count of ballots will be held on election night, June 26th and a hand count will be held on June 27th. The hand count will be the official count.
4. Clerk Gomez looked into what counties do hand counts; two counties still do, one due to low amount of registered voters and one county due to lack of funding for machines.

Mike Norris- Sheriff report:
Not present at this time

Jail Tour

Lunch

Wendi Maez - Land Use Administrator:

Pace moved to approve the Lot Consolidation for Zhu Lan, Lots 959 and 960 Baca Grande Chalets Unit One. Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

1. Zhu Lan Lot Consolidation request to consolidate Lots 959 and 960 Baca Grande Chalets Unit One. The Crestone/Baca Planning Commission recommend unanimous approval at their regular meeting on June 6, 2012.
2. Received cash bid for Area D Block 1 Tract 1 D2, Block 1 Tract 1 D3, and Lots 26 and 27. Commissioners declined the bid amount submitted and offered a counter bid offer of \$400.00

Ben Gibbons- County Attorney:

1. Attended CCA (Colorado County Attorneys') conference that covered personnel policies, election law, and Cora (Colorado Open Records Act) requests.
2. Nothing new on the Marilyn Marks case. Hearing was set for June 21 and Marks Attorney asked to reschedule.
3. Hollenbeck litigation is set for a one week trial in October. Emailed Hollenbeck's Attorney on Judge's Review of the road and have received no response at this time.
4. Would like to work on classifications of employees, and, a specific policy on a gift ban.

Break

Pace moved to convene as the Housing Authority Board at 1:20 P.M. Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Evan Samora-Housing Director:

Pace moved to return to regular session at 1:35 P.M. Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Tourism Board

Could not be present today

Break

Bill Paying

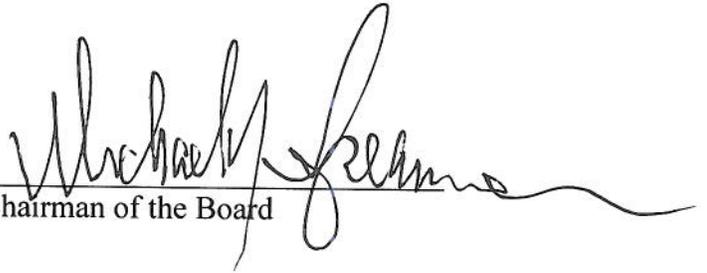
Pace moved to adjourn at 2:00 P.M. Joseph seconded the motion. The vote was three Ayes.

Adjourn

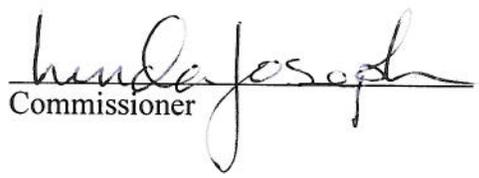
Respectfully Submitted,

Staci Morfitt Acting Secretary to the Board of County Commissioners

Minutes Approved July 3, 2012


Chairman of the Board


Commissioner


Commissioner


Attest

