

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, FEBRUARY 15, 2005**

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN
REGULAR SESSION WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dale Hoag	Chairman
Dick Downey	Vice-chair
Kit Shy	Commissioner
Ric Ferron	County Administrator
Debbie Livengood	Clerk to the Board

Mike Bohart met with the Board on behalf of the property owners in Conquistador Filing 3 asking them to consider vacating the property access road known as Taylor Road. This is their second request to the Board. Mr. Bohart's first meeting with the Board was in 2003. At that time the Board asked Mr. Bohart to get written agreements from all interested parties stating that this was their desire. According to Mr. Bohart he has received a written agreement back from all parties with the exception of the Pul's. They have given verbal agreement to Vic Barnes, but have not returned their signed agreement back as of today's date. The Board will contact the county attorney for his opinion and Commissioner Hoag wants all agreements signed before any action will be considered. Commissioner Shy stated that even though this road was dedicated to the county on the copy of the subdivision plat that was presented to them, the Board that accepted the dedication never signed it; therefore a legal opinion would be needed to see if the county really does own the road. No action was taken.

Dawn Mathis met with the Board to inform them that the draft copy of the Home Land Security Grant had been submitted on February 10th. The grant was written for 2.2 million dollars. Of this amount Custer County requested approx. \$240,000.00. Custer County also applied for the CERT grant. According to Dawn we were the only county to apply for this grant in our region.

Road Supervisor, Gary Havens, met with the Board concerning his comp time. According to Gary he has complied 74.5 hour of comp time already this year. Due to the time of year when he earns most of these hours (winter) he is unable to use them in a time frame specified by our personnel policy and therefore losses these comp hours. He is asking if he could be compensated in some other way for all of these extra hours he works. No decision was made.

There was discussion concerning the intersection of County Road 243 and the Lake DeWesse Road aka County Road 241. Gary would like to move this road 70' to the south so the intersection could be lined up. Mr. Tezak has agreed to supply the base. Gary is going to contact Mr. Cooper who owns mining claims within the 70' of land needed to move the road to the south.

Commissioner Shy made a motion seconded by Commissioner Hoag to approve the renewal of the 3.2 beer license for the Lodge at San Isabel. Motion carried unanimously.

Ray Sandavol, Bill Green and Mike Miller, representing the San De Cristo Electric Company, met with the Board. Their appearance before the Board was due to a letter they received from a resident of the county expressing his concerns about the frequent power outages the county has been experiencing and the long duration of these power outages. He related in his letter that his concerns are that these outages appear to be weather related (snow, rain and wind) and therefore indicates to him that the power transmission lines are vulnerable and need to be upgraded. Mr. Sandavol explained to the Board that all of their power is purchased through Tri-State not Aquila. Tri-State has an agreement with Aquila that allows them to transmit power to SDCEA using Aquila's power lines. SDCEA does not have any rights to the main transmission line from Canon City that supplies power to the valley, therefore any problems with this line need to be directed to Aquila. Also present for this meeting was SDCEA Director, Arlie Riggs, and Joe Arbuckle. There was not a representative present for Aquila.

The Board will contact Aquila and a representative from the PUC to see if a meeting could be set up with their companies along with SDCEA. Mr. Sandavol will contact Tri-State. The Board will facilitate this meeting.

Being no further business the Board adjourned.