

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2007**

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

Dick Downey	Chairman
Kit Shy	Vice-Chair
Carole Custer	Commissioner
Jacquelyn Hobby	Acting BOCC Secretary

Absent: Debbie Livengood-Clerk to the Board

The meeting was held in the Wetmore Community Building and called to order at 7:05pm. There were 25 people present from the Wetmore area.

The Pledge was recited.

Commissioner Downey made a motion seconded by commissioner shy to approve the minutes for March 20th, 2007 motion carried unanimously

**Old business**

Bill Donley stated that they had talked about the lighting around Wetmore and was wondering what was the progress? Commissioner Shy responded that he would do some follow up with the state and get back with them.

Commissioner Downey informed the crowd that the Custer County Workman's Comp. Would not cover the Wetmore Volunteer Fire Department.

Charlie Judge explained that it would be nice to be able to have Workman's Comp. to cover about a dozen Volunteer Fire Fighters. Commissioner Downey recommended they make a request in August when the Commissioners review the Budget. Judge replied that the Wetmore Fire Department is continuing to be operational but they need to purchase a computer to be online, need to have training for the Volunteers and we need to have sufficient fire gear for the Volunteers. Commissioner Shy stated that the Custer County Volunteer Fire Fighters is conducting classes and that they are welcome to attend and could receive their certificates. Judge asked why they could not be in the Custer County District? Commissioner Shy replied at this time Wetmore is not in any District they all stop short of Wetmore. Jerome Weigel stated that sooner or later they needed to form a District with Custer or Fremont County. Commissioner Shy stated that they needed to put together a Service Plan and work from there. Would they please keep the BOCC informed.

Commissioner Custer gave a community update on providing a service worker at no cost for the Wetmore Library. Commissioner Custer informed the crowd that at this time there are two options on help for the Community Library one would be hiring a youth through the Canon City Workforce and the other option would be through Senior's incorporated. Judy Vanacker

addressed the crowd with an update of what the Wetmore Community Library has accomplished. Two wireless internet connections for the public to use, they have around 6,000 items to check out and they check out around 1,200 books annually. They also thanked the County Commissioners for all their help this year. Thanks to all the community members for the matched donations. In the future we plan to develop a web site and possibly connect to the Custer County website. Becky also reminded the crowd of the fund raiser that will be held April 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to benefit the Wetmore Library.

Commissioner Custer informed the crowd of the upcoming Pike event that will be held in Herefano County, September 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007

Commissioner Custer made a motion to designate the week of April 22<sup>nd</sup> -April 28<sup>th</sup> 2007 The Week of the Young child.

Commissioner Downey made a motion and Commissioner Shy seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Downey asked if there were any comments or questions from the public?

Weigel addressed the Board and asked them to consider installing ADA facilities at the Wetmore Community Library. Commissioner Custer replied that she is working on obtaining grants for the Library.

Ed Prusse replied that he had sent Commissioner Custer a letter suggesting that they pave the outside parking lot of the Wetmore Library due to the small children that walk through the mud on their way into the Library and the need to make a safe environment for the children. Commissioner Downey replied that they need to include this in their request's in August when the County Commissioner's review the budget for the following year. Perhaps the county along with the Wetmore help could accomplish this.

Julie Fall addressed the County Commissioner's about her concern that the Wetmore area had no representation on the Planning Commission and the Board of Zoning Adjustment. What can be done about this situation? Commissioner Shy replied that they make appointments to the Boards in January and anyone interested needs to apply. Commissioner Custer replied that she commits to post all appointments so that everyone will be informed. Fall wanted to know the qualifications for being appointed to these Boards? Commissioner Shy replied we interview all interested parties and asked them the same questions in the interview, we voted on the nominations and in January we will conduct the same interviews with interested parties and at that time anyone interested can be included. George Draper was also concerned that Wetmore lost representation when they lost Bill Donley off the Board. Commissioner Shy replied that in January appointments will be made. Draper replied if they had known that Bill Donley was not going to be reappointed they would have sent someone else.

Commissioner Downey made a motion to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.. Commissioner Shy Seconded the motion.