

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, SEPTEMBER 12, 2011**

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COMMISSIONER’S BOARDROOM.

Commissioner Lynn Attebery called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call was taken:

Lynn Attebery	Chairman	Present
Jim Austin	Vice-Chairman	Present
Allen Butler	Commissioner	Present
Kris Lang	Deputy Clerk to the Board	Present

Also present was Bob Tobin, James Squire, Janice Squire and Nora Drenner, reporter for the Wet Mountain Tribune.

AGENDA

Call meeting to order

Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call

Amend agenda

Audience introduction

Approval of minutes:

Public Comment

Old/New Business:

- Vending Machine

Public Health Report – Donna McDonnall

Prevention Coordinator Report– Linda Brigham

Cliff Riders Club Representative – ATV riding on county roads

Human Resource/Finance Report – Dawna Hobby

Road and Bridge Report – Dave Trujillo

Humans Services Report – Laura Lockhart

Colorado Counties Officials & Employees Retirement

CCOERA Jacob (Jake) Kuijper, Executive Director

(Elected Officials/Department Heads/Staff)

Recycling Report – Tim Thrun

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Butler:

To accept the posted agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Attebery asked if there were any public comments. Bob Tobin said the Bike with Pike, Westcliffe Adventure held on September 10, 2011 was a success. He requested that the county waive the special events permit fee. He said that the event supports the Frontier Pathways Scenic & Historic Byways and All Aboard Westcliffe. The BOCC said the topic and request was not on the posted agenda and that a decision could not be made at this time. Mr. Tobin asked the Board to consider the request at a later date.

James and Janice Squire of Double Vision, Inc. met with the BOCC and presented the Board with an Independent Contractor Agreement for the placement, maintenance and responsibility of a vending machine in the county courthouse. The BOCC agreed that The contract will require review by the county attorney.

Commissioner Attebery reported that the bid proposal with Lewis Home Services for the installation of the tile in the hall areas of the courthouse has been approved and signed. He said that the installers are properly bonded and insured as required by the county. He remarked that the tile installation would be scheduled on two consecutive weekends.

Ron Fisher, Department of Human Services presented the BOCC with the department's expenditures and unexpended balances; the state allocations; the emergency services block grant expenditures and the energy outreach Colorado expenditures. He said that the TANF funds have been received. Mr. Fisher presented the Custer County Policy and Procedures for the Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) to the Board for their signatures. He remarked that the CSBG Policy and Procedures have been reviewed and approved by the county attorney. The BOCC signed the paperwork as presented. Mr. Fisher said that the Care and Share, Inc., the Food Bank for Southern Colorado was scheduled to make the first delivery to the county later this date. He said that currently any outgoing phone calls placed from the courthouse do not identify the source of the phone call. He suggested that the courthouse telephone system be programmed to provide an identification number on those out-going calls. Following a brief discussion, the BOCC asked Mr. Fisher to follow-up with an electrician regarding the electrical concern of having the commodities building and the scale house on the same line.

Commissioner Austin remarked that in an effort to improve cell phone service, Verizon would be willing to erect a tower in the area on county property. Following a brief discussion, the Board agreed that Commissioner Austin would contact Verizon and schedule a presentation to the BOCC to review and evaluate these options.

Commissioner Attebery said that the impact of online vacation home rentals was growing in Colorado. He stated that some of the homeowners were not registered with the counties to pay the appropriate lodging taxes. He remarked that some counties were requiring that all homeowners who rent short-term obtain a license that regulates trash, parking, noise and other issues. He proposed that the Board investigate methods and options for initiating a compliance program for Custer County

The BOCC recessed at 9:55 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 10:05 AM.

Linda Brigham, Prevention Coordinator met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said that the school season has started and the elements of the Choose the Future program are being implemented. She gave a status report on the Healthy Kids Colorado Survey. Ms. Brigham said redefining the future of Choose the Future would be a priority. She remarked that the current Persistent Drunk Driving (PDD) grant funding may not be available next year and that it is very important that the direction chosen will be sustainable under the new funding. She feels that it is essential to approach prevention broadly as an aspect of public health as well as law enforcement. Ms. Brigham said she participated in an advocacy training seminar offered by the Colorado Children's Campaign. She also participated in a grant writing webinar sponsored by the Colorado Health Foundation.

Donna McDonnall, Public Health Nurse met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said that 57 childhood immunizations; 8 adult immunizations; and 22 blood pressure screenings were administered in August 2011. She stated that the 2011 Flu Shot Clinics are scheduled for September 17, October 12, and October 14.

The cost for the immunizations at the scheduled clinic is \$20. The cost for individual immunizations outside the scheduled flu shot clinic will be \$30. Ms. McDonnall said she participated in the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) meeting and a statewide 800 MHZ radio drill. The state/nation MRC organization is getting a separate channel and our radios will be reprogrammed. Ms. McDonnall said she completed a CPR/First Aid class for the coaches, school staff and local businesses. The public health agency is currently working on a grant application from the National Association of City and County Health Organizations (NACCHO) for additional funds to be used for emergency preparedness and responses as related to the MRC. Ms. McDonnall reported that the MRC Regional Coordinator has completed and passed the public health agency on the technical assessment.

Dawna Hobby, Human Resource/Finance Manager met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said the approved propane bid from Norup Gas Inc. was finalized. The new custodial services for the courthouse have been instituted. The projection screen required by the county courts has been ordered. The budget hearings have been scheduled for October 11th, 12th and 13th. Ms. Hobby remarked that the Treasurer and the Road and Bridge Supervisor are not available during those dates. The Board agreed to discuss the conflict with the County Finance Officer. Ms. Hobby distributed the Colorado Technical Services Inc. (CTSI) Loss Ratios and the Loss Analysis Reports for Custer County to the BOCC.

John Natalie, Larry Weber and Jerry Tracewell representing the Cliffe Riders Off-Road Club joined the meeting. Sheriff Fred Jobe, Under-Sheriff Tina King, Deputy Mike Halpin and the Road and Bridge Supervisor, Dave Trujillo also joined the meeting.

John Natalie, Acting President of the Cliffe Riders Off-Road Club presented and reviewed a proposal to the Custer County Commissioners to allow All-Terrain-Vehicles (ATVs) and Utility-Vehicles (UTVs) to operate on the Custer County roads. He said the proposal would increase tourism and revenue. Mr. Natalie also requested that the members of the Search and Rescue (SAR) be allowed to use ATVs and UTVs on the county roads. Sheriff Jobe responded that the SAR is under the auspice of the sheriff's office and that use of the county roads during an emergency situation was justified. Sheriff Jobe expressed concern regarding the safety of the riders on the county roads. Dave Trujillo shared concern regarding the increased road maintenance that would be necessary as a result of the increased usage. Sheriff Jobe advised that the current state law prevents ATVs and UTVs from being driven on the county roads and regardless of any local law, the state patrol would issue tickets. Commissioner Attebery said that the matter was discussed at the last session of the state legislation. He remarked that the topic would likely come up again in the next session of the state legislation. The BOCC agreed to postpone making a decision on the matter until it was discussed and reviewed again during the state legislation.

Dave Trujillo, Road and Bridge (R&B) Supervisor met with the BOCC and gave a report. The work completed in August 2011 included but was not limited to the grading and chip sealing of county roads; the hauling of water and gravel; and the repairing of wash-outs and flooding damage. He reported that the annual Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) Refresher Safety Training has been completed. The work planned will include the grading of county roads; hauling of gravel and topsoil; the cleaning and repair of culverts; and the patching of pot-holes. The R&B department will finish the reclamation at the north pit and remove and haul the buildings from the Silver West Airport property.

The BOCC recessed at 11:45 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 1:15 PM.

Mike Halpin, JD Henrich, Dawna Hobby, Kit Shy, Dave Trujillo, and Virginia Trujillo joined the meeting.

Jacob Kuiper, Executive Director of the Colorado County Officials and Employee's Retirement Association (CCOERA) met with those present and summarized why the CCOERA system works. He reviewed the plans highlights and enhancements. Mr. Kujper presented a Roth IRA option. He explained that it is an Individual Retirement Agreement that is named after its creator, the late Senator William Roth of Delaware and that a Roth IRA allows employees to save up money that can be used after retirement. He said that the individual option was available and would not result in any additional costs to the county.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Austin:

To approve the additional of the IRA option to the existing CCOERA program. The motion carried unanimously.

Tim Thrun, Recycling Coordinator met with the BOCC and gave a report. He said the recycling building is scheduled for completion by the end of the week. He reported that the additional funding for the remaining stucco on the recycling building had been secured. Mr. Thrun remarked that the recycling center was still in need of a tow vehicle for the recycling trailer. He said there was a tow vehicle available within the road and bridge department. Commissioner Butler said that the vehicle will require substantial repair before it can be utilized. He expressed concern regarding the cost of the repairs, maintenance and operation of the tow vehicle. He said those expenses would need to be included in the recycling center fund. Commissioner Austin offered the recycling center the use of his tow vehicle during the interim period. Mr. Thrun inquired on the revised Angel of Shavano Recycling LLC Recovered Materials Purchase Agreement submitted for review. The Board responded that the revised agreement would be reviewed by the county attorney at the September 13, 2011 BOCC meeting. It was noted that the revised agreement contained a number of discrepancies.

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Butler:

To adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder
Attest

Lynn Attebery
Chairman