

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, MARCH 3, 2014**

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:

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

Also present was: Charles Bogle, Dale Mullen, Rich, Posadas, Renee Smith, Donna Hood, Bob Kattnig, Lockett Pitman, Eric Thompson, Jerry Lacy; representatives of Hilltop Broadband, Jillian Ward reporter for the Wet Mountain Tribune and Paul Sage reporter for the Sangre DeCristo Sentinel.

AGENDA:

Call meeting to order

Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call

Amend agenda

Approval of minutes:

Audience introduction

Public Comment

Commissioner Items

Executive Session

New/Old Business

- UAACOG Broadband Strategic Plan Involvement & Support – Charles Bogle, Dale Mullen

Staff Reports: CSU Extension, Public Health Agency, Airport Advisory Board, Human

Resource/Finance, Human Services, Road and Bridge

Commissioner Butler asked if there were any public comments. Hearing none, he continued with the meeting.

Commissioner Butler did not have any commissioner items to report.

Commissioner Attebery said he would like to correct his statement regarding obtaining three verbal bids for the engineering project at the Wetmore Community Center. According to the Custer County Purchasing Policy expenditures between \$10,000.00 and \$24,999.00 require informal but written bids.

Commissioner Shy said that he attended the Water Forum on March 1, 2014 sponsored by the Custer County Conservation District. He encouraged the public to review the educational handouts available from the National Resources Conservation Service.

Local Technology Planning Team (LTPT) representatives Charles Bogle, Chairman of the Custer County Community Development Corporation (CCCDA) and Dale Mullen, Subject Matter Expert LTPT/CCCDC presented the BOCC with a Regional 13 Broadband Plan. Mr. Bogle said that the LTPT Steering Committee met with the Department of Local Affairs, the Office of Informational Technology (OIT) and the Upper Arkansas Area Council of Governments (UAACOG) regarding a grant to hire a consulting firm to develop a regional (five county) broadband strategic plan. The DOLA grant offers a maximum amount of \$75,000.00 requiring a \$25,000.00 match. The five participating counties, Chaffee, Custer, Fremont, Lake and Park are proposed to each contribute \$5,000.00 maximum toward the matching funds. Mr. Bogle and Mr. Mullen recommended that the BOCC invest in the future of Custer County and approve the project. Commissioner Shy said that DOLA covers the planning stages of the project but he expressed concern regarding future funding for the completion of the project. Commissioner Butler shared the same concern. Commissioner Attebery said that the matching funds were not included in the 2014 county budget and that the BOCC would need to review and research the budget line items before they could make a decision. He reminded the Board that they denied the request of a county supervisor recently for a purchase of equipment that was not part of the 2014 budget. The BOCC encouraged the LTPT to educate the public and present the project and to request contributions and commitments from the local businesses and entities in the county that would benefit from the service. A private businessman pledged \$1,000.00 as part of the matching funds. Mr. Mullen said that collaborative efforts would be a plus but that they needed BOCC and county support.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Shy:

To approve the request to support and move forward with the Broadband project but not to commit the county to the match funding of \$5,000.00 The motion carried unanimously.

Bob Kattnig introduced himself to the audience and stated that he supported the project. He stated that the \$5,000.00 financial commitment was only 1% of the county's overall budget. He expressed concern that if the funds were not available for something so crucial that perhaps the county budget might be numbered and balanced to stringent and proposed that all the line items in the budget should be scrutinized. He said that this project was a necessity for the community. Commissioner Attebery clarified that it was not just a matter of available funding and that any non-budgeted expenditure required review and the proper appropriation before it can be authorized.

Robin Young, Colorado State University (CSU) Extension Agent met with the BOCC and gave a report. She thanked the BOCC for attending the CSU luncheon. She said that a new date of April 7, 2014 has been scheduled for the 4-H Speaking contest. She remarked that .22 shooting workshop will be scheduled in the spring. She reported on the 4-H Carnival scheduled on March 10th; the fifth grade Science Technology Engineering Mathematic STEM program on March 20th, the Meat Quality Assurance (MQA) training is April 9th; the Colorado 4-H Agents Association is scheduled on April 1 -3 and the Agriculture Fest scheduled on April 28 – 30, 2014. Ms. Young said she was assisting and helping to schedule the Ranching Conference scheduled for April 24 – 25, 2014.

Gail Stoltzfus RN and Beth Green RN met with the BOCC and gave a report. Ms. Stoltzfus said that 23 childhood immunizations, 8 adult immunizations and 24 blood pressure screenings were administered in February 2014. She said that the total flu shot count from August 2013 – February 2014 was 793 and the pneumonia shot count is 20. Ms. Stoltzfus said that Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training was offered to the Search and Rescue Department and that 16 individuals were certified. She remarked that she taught public health to the ninth graders as part of their Student Emergency Response Team (SERT) class. Ms. Green said she is continuing to host the ask a nurse program at the community library.

She remarked that February was heart health month. Ms. Stoltzfus and Ms. Green attended the South Region Health Coalition meeting and that Ms. Stoltzfus was named to the core planning committee for this coalition. Ms. Stoltzfus reported that the Public Health Agency is continuing to work on the MRC school exercise; the immunization billing with the clinic; and the 9 Health Fair. Ms. Green has completed the inventory system conversion for vaccines. Ms. Stoltzfus attended the statewide Public Health Nurses Association of Colorado (PHNAC) and the Colorado Association of Local Public Health Officials (CALPHO) meetings.

Ms. Stoltzfus said she was presenting a mini grant proposal application on behalf of Jean Mavromatis for the BOCC's review and approval. She said that \$1,286.22 is being requested from the Office of Transportation Safety (OTS) for the purchase, education and installation of car seats to prevent injury and fatalities related to unrestrained and improperly restrained child motor vehicle passenger in private vehicles.

MOTION by Commissioner Shy, seconded by Commissioner Butler:

To approve and sign the mini grant application as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The BOCC recessed at 10:35 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 10:48 AM.

Johnny Smith and Bob Jolley joined the meeting representing the Airport Advisory Board (AAB). Mr. Smith said that the AAB was in communication with Bill Geipel regarding the proposed World Aviation Museum, Corp. at the Silver West Airport Facility. Mr. Smith said that there were several concerns and issues regarding the proposal and if the details could be worked out, Mr. Geipel would break ground on the project in the spring of 2014. Mr. Smith announced that the airport is on track to receive an Automated Weather Observation Station (AWOS) for the first time. The AAB is continuing to work on the video and security system. The courtesy vehicle is now at the Road and Bridge Department. He said that the application of crack sealing is not weather prohibited as previously understood and he recommended that the project be completed as soon as possible. He is working with Chuck Ippolito, IT Director to update and expand the airport county website. He remarked that Jill Rowland expressed an interest in becoming a member of the AAB. Mr. Jolley said that the repairs on the fuel tank have been completed. He asked the BOCC for an update regarding the water testing at the airport facility. Commissioner Butler responded that no formal complaint has been issued or received and therefore, the matter is on hold at this time. Mr. Smith said that the future goals at the airport would include the asphalt/fog sealing, the construction of a turn around and the repainting of the stripes on the runway followed by the installation of lights along the runway. The BOCC remarked that the County Attorney was currently reviewing and working on the airport lease records and drafting a standard lease agreement. The BOCC asked the AAB to add the review of the by-laws and the special use permit to their next agenda.

Dawna Hobby, Human Resource and Finance Director met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said that the county has received the National Medicaid Support Notice (NMSN). The document serves as legal notice that the employees identified on the NMSN are obligated by a court or administrative child support order to provide health care coverage for the children identified on the notice. Commissioner Shy asked for a breakdown on the cost of the medical coverage provided by the county. Ms. Hobby responded that the county pays 2/3 of the premium and the employee pays the other 1/3. She confirmed that the premium costs, the deductibles and the co-payments have increased over the past few years. She said that the Colorado Employee Benefit Trust (CEBT) renewal is July 1, 2014 and that she could not predict what changes may occur.

Dave Trujillo, Road and Bridge Supervisor met with the BOCC and gave a report. The work completed in February included the grading of numerous roads, the plowing of snow, the hauling of road base, and the repair of flooding washouts and road sign repair and replacement. The work planned will include but not be limited to the grading of roads, the hauling of water, the installation of cattle guards, culvert repair and replacement and preparation for the gravel crushing. Mr. Trujillo said that the twenty seven year old welding machine is in the shop for repair and expressed concern that the parts necessary may not be available. He remarked that more fill and culverts will be required on Lake DeWeese Road. He proposed that an asphalt damage assessment be completed on the county roads.

Laura Lockhart, Human Services Director met with the BOCC and gave a report. She presented the Expenditures & Unexpended Balances; the State Allocations; the Energy Outreach Colorado Expenditures and TEFAP County Allocations for January 2014. She said that the department has received additional leap funds for distribution. She remarked that as part of the Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) requirements, Judy Gilkerson of the Upper Arkansas Area Council of Governments (UAACOG) completed a monitoring visit in the department. Ms. Lockhart said that a commodity distribution was scheduled this month. The BOCC and Ms. Lockhart continued the discussion from the February 2, 2014 BOCC meeting regarding the Colorado Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline

Commissioner Butler mentioned that the frozen water meter outside the Resource Center Annex was repaired by Round Mountain Water and Sanitation District.

Commissioner Butler asked if there was any more business to discuss. Hearing none, he adjourned the meeting at 12:05 PM.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder
Attest

Allen Butler,
Chairman