

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING, DECEMBER 10, 2014**

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE WETMORE FIRE STATION, WETMORE, COLORADO.

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

Roll Call was taken:

Allen Butler	Chairman	Absent
Kit Shy	Vice-Chairman	Present
Lynn Attebery	Commissioner	Present
John Naylor	County Attorney	Absent
Clint Smith	Attorney	Present
Kris Lang	Deputy Clerk to the Board	Present

Also present was: Dallas Anderson, Kevin Day, Alden Gray, Larry Hayes, Rose Hildebrand, Ruth Roper, and Paul Sage reporter for the Sangre DeCristo Sentinel.

**AGENDA:**

Call meeting to order

Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call

Amend agenda

Audience introduction

Approval of minutes

Public Comment

County Attorney

County Attorney Assistant

Commissioner Items

Executive Session

Old/New Business

- DOLA Grant Wetmore Community Center and Library Project

Commissioner Shy said that a transfer from the County General Fund to the Airport Fund will be an added agenda item.

Commissioner Shy asked if there were any public comments. Dallas Anderson inquired on the status of the dog breeding in Westcliffe, CO. Commissioner Shy responded that a presentation for the Special Use Permit (SUP) for a dog breeding kennel went before the Planning Commission on December 9, 2014 and that a public hearing on the matter will be scheduled in February 2015.

Commissioner Shy said that the topic of an executive session was discussed at the Colorado Counties Incorporated (CCI) Winter Conference. He explained that there were specific guidelines that must be met before an executive session could be called or held and afterwards there are specific requirements of recording keeping that must be followed. Commissioner Attebery said that the BOCC attempts to limit going into executive sessions but when they become necessary each commissioner has a copy of the specific guidelines that need to be adhered to in their meeting folders.

Commissioner Shy said that Colorado State Statute prohibits the treasurer from showing any negative county fund balances. He said that currently the airport fund is in the negative and therefore proposed a transfer of \$1500.00 from the County General Fund to the Airport Fund to rectify this discrepancy.

**MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Shy:**

To approve the transfer of \$1500.00 from the county general fund to the airport fund. The motion carried.

Dallas Anderson asked the Board to consider transferring \$2000.00 from the County General Fund to the Airport Fund to create a financial cushion. Commissioner Attebery said that he did not agree or support the request. Commissioner Shy concurred.

Beth Lenz, Upper Arkansas Area Council of Government Recycling addressed the BOCC and the community members in attendance and said that recycling bins were available for placement in the Wetmore area if there was a need or desire for recycling. Commissioner Attebery said that the topic has been previously discussed and the main concern is the placement and location of the bins. He said that the recycling trucks are very large and finding a location that could accommodate those trucks is difficult. He said that in his previous conversations with the community residents, he understood that the recycling bins currently in the Florence area were sufficient. He said that he would re-address the topic with the community. Ms. Lenz gave an update on the annual recycling art show held in November hosted by the UAACOG Recycling Committee. She said the event was the kick off to the annual America's Recycling Days.

Commissioner Attebery gave an update on the Wetmore Community Center and Library project. He said that the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) grant application was complete and ready for the submission for the December 2014 grant application cycle deadline. He remarked that discussions and conversations with Christy Culp, Regional Director of DOLA revealed that numerous grant applications were being submitted and received for this grant cycle. She suggested that Custer County wait until the next grant cycle of March 2015 to increase the chance and opportunity of receiving the funding. Commissioner Attebery said that although he would be disappointed with the potential delay, he understood, agreed and supported the suggestion. He remarked that DOLA had the capabilities of distribution 35 million dollars for the various projects. The Wetmore residents in the audience also agreed that waiting would be a viable option. The Board agreed that waiting the additional ninety days on submission would offer the time and opportunity to secure additional funding for the project. Beth Lenz offered to provide the Board with a list of various foundations that may be of assistance. She said that we are an underserved region and felt confident that additional funding would be available for the project. Commissioner Shy thanked Commissioner Attebery for his continued support, dedication and motivation for the project.

Larry Hayes, Wetmore Road and Bridge Supervisor and Kevin Day, Wetmore Assistant Road and Bridge Supervisor reported that the Wetmore Road and Bridge Department was functioning well. Mr. Hayes remarked that the county was in need of snow and precipitation.

Commissioner Shy asked if there was any more business to discuss. Paul Sage said that Candi Sage expressed concern regarding the condition of CR 255.

Commissioner Shy adjourned the meeting at 9:40 AM.