

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, AUGUST 1, 2006**

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

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

Also present for the meeting was Alan Urban and Nora Drenner.

Meeting was called to order at 8:40am.

Road and Bridge Supervisor, Clint Englehart, met with the Board to give his monthly report.

WORK COMPLETED IN JULY

- Cleaned cattle guard on County Road 319
- Hauled base to Wykagyl between Airport Road & Choctaw
- Graded Wykagyl and Airport Road
- Graded north and south ends of valley floor
- Hauled gravel to County Road 164 and 172
- Cleaned up flood damage and opened culverts in Cuerno Verde and Antelope Valley
- Finished building cattle guard for County Road 305
- Cleaned up flood damage on County Roads 254 and 260
- Patched Schoolfield and Copper Gulch Roads

WORK PLANNED

- Continue to repair County Road 260. Will take approx. two more weeks.
- Continue patching where needed
- Possibly apply MAG Chloride to some roads
- Install cattle guard on County Road 305
- Major rebuild of County Road 323 between County Road 320 and 325

Discussed the cattle guard on County Road 328 that is near the Marr's property. There has been a complaint that the rails are too close together and the cattle are able to walk across it. Dave Trujillo is going to cut 1/2" off of each rail, making the gaps further apart.

This is the best way to correct the problem without creating a lot of expense. Also discussed the possibility of installing a cattle guard on Copper Gulch Road at the county line. Clint has not had a chance to visit with Fremont County concerning this issue.

Clint and Dave drove out to the Redmond property located on County Road 105. There had been a complaint that the owner was collecting junk cars along with other items and placing them along the fence line and in the right-of-way of the road. The Board discussed this issue with the county attorney and the C.R.S. that addresses abandoned vehicles. The Board directed Clint to visit with the under-sheriff.

Commissioner Shy made a motion seconded by Commissioner Hoag to sign the MOU Agreement between the county and the search and rescue organization for the purpose of adding them to the county's insurance (Colorado Counties Casualty & Property Pool) so they would be covered under Workman's Compensation insurance. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hoag made a motion seconded by Commissioner Shy to sign the contract between the county and the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment for the county's nursing service program. These funds will be used for materials and child health services. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board met with the Social Service Department.

Sam DeNardo, representing Garren, Ross and DeNardo, met with the Board and presented the results of the 2005 audit. Sam advised the Board that the audit was an "unqualified opinion".

Sam suggested that the Board reconstruct their Emergency Fund. Tabor requires that government agencies set aside a total of 3% of the county's yearly budget for this fund. Currently the county sets aside the 3% in the general fund. Sam's suggestion was that instead of lumping the 3% together for all funds, it might be in the county's best interest to put 3% into each fund. The benefit of doing this would free up part of the funds to be used if needed and at the same time be in compliance with Tabor.

Sam informed the Board that since GASBE has gone into effect, the Internal Service Fund is no longer required. The money in this fund may be added to the General Fund.

The General Fund exceeded its budgeted amount due to the Home Security Grant monies. There was a total of \$2,459,885 in the budget for 2005 and \$2,735,903 was spent, leaving a negative balance of \$276,018.

Sam encouraged the Board to adopt a standardized form to be used for reimbursing county employees. This form would then be attached to the voucher along with any other receipts needed for proper documentation.

Commissioner Hoag made a motion seconded by Commissioner Shy to approve the 2005 audit as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hoag made a motion seconded by Commissioner Shy to sign the audit engagement letter (contract) with Garren, Ross, & DeNardo for 2005-2008. Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business the Board adjourned for the day at 3:30pm.