

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, MAY 28, 2010**

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 9:05 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call was taken:

Lynn Attebery	Chairman	Present
Jim Austin	Vice-Chairman	Present
Carole Custer	Commissioner	Absent
Kris Lang	Deputy Clerk to the Board	Present

Also present was Allen Butler, Mayor for the Town of Silver Cliff; Nora Drenner, Reporter for the Wet Mountain Tribune; Beverly Goertz, Extension Office Manager; Dee Hoag; Mike Liebman, Lockett and Sue Pitman; Larry Weber and Robin Young.

AGENDA:

Call meeting to order

Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call

Amend Agenda

Approval of minutes

Audience introduction

Old Business:

- Review vouchers and sign checks
- Tommy Covington, CSU Extension to introduce Karin Milisavljevich, Clean Energy Coordinator for Fremont-Custer counties.
- Discussion with Joel Plath of Colorado State University Extension
- Discussion with the Division of Wildlife (DOW) regarding the maintenance of the Lake DeWeese Campground.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Austin:

To accept the posted agenda. The motion carried.

Commissioner Custer joined the meeting at 9:10 AM.

County payroll and accounts payable were approved from the following funds:

County General	\$200,553.71
Road and Bridge	\$ 79,450.41
Emergency Services	\$ 12,305.57
Human Services	\$ 19,122.12
Capital Improvement	\$ 2,289.90
Airport Fund	\$ 794.85
Tourism Fund	\$ 1,710.00
Self Insurance	\$ - 0 -
TOTAL	\$ 316,226.56

Tommy Covington, Custer County Interim CSU County Extension Agent introduced Karin Milisavljevich. He said that Ms. Milisavljevich was hired under the Colorado State University Grant as the Clean Energy Coordinator for Fremont-Custer counties. Ms. Milisavljevich said her primary focus at this time was to form a strategic alliance with Fremont and Custer counties. She said that she planned to focus on the Governors Energy Office (GEO) community outreach and education; formation of a strategic core alliance group with local representation; and long term sustainability. The BOCC and those present welcomed Karin Milisavljevich to the community.

Joel Plath, Southern Regional Director, Colorado State University Extension met with the BOCC and said under the new leadership of Tony Frank, CSU has reorganized the structure of the extension department. Mr. Plath reported that a county extension agent is not required to have a master's degree at the time of hire. The minimum requirement is a bachelor's degree. The hired agent would have five years to obtain a masters degree in the appropriate area. He stated that CSU will begin advertising for a new county agent in a few weeks. He said once the applications were received the BOCC would be involved in the interview process along with a yet to be determined committee. He explained the new extension agent would be required to work across county lines in Huerfano and Las Animas counties and that the agents in those counties would assist in Custer County. Commissioner Attebery said he was glad the county was able to move forward in the process. He expressed appreciation to interim CSU Extension Agent, Tommy Covington for his support. Commissioner Austin agreed. Commissioner Custer expressed her approval regarding the revised criteria and volunteered to be a part of the search and interview committees. She said the local CSU Extension advisory groups should be included in the process. She stated it was still her desire to work within the process and help find a person to fill that position that would want to become a part of the community. Mr. Plath proposed that a meeting be scheduled to include one representative from Custer, Huerfano and Las Animas counties to define the role of the county extension agent. The Board agreed that Commissioner Attebery would represent Custer County in this role.

The BOCC recessed at 10:25 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 10:50 AM.

Justin Krall, Division of Wildlife (DOW) local agent met with the BOCC to explain DOW's association with Lake DeWeese. He explained Lake DeWeese is under multiple ownership. The DOW leases the lake from the DeWeese Ditch Dye Company for \$12,000 a year. He continued on to say that the DOW also leases the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land around the lake for \$1 a year and holds the deed to the fishing rights on the lake. A private individual owns the recreational rights. He stated a habitant fee cannot be instituted due to the federal monies received under the hunting and fishing tax, therefore, they are forced to maintain the area with limited resources. Mr. Krall outlined several options being considered: volunteer labor services; community useful service support; a camp host; designated campsites and parking areas. Mr. Krall also provided some fishing statistics. The summer of 2009 hosted 16,289 fishermen and over 19,000 trout were caught. Of the 19,000 trout caught almost 10,000 were released back into the lake. The Board thanked Mr. Krall for joining the BOCC meeting and providing his report.

Commissioner Custer stated that the BOCC meeting scheduled on August 18, 2010 presented a conflict with the Upper Arkansas Area Council of Governments (UAACOG) meeting that the Board attends. She proposed rescheduling the BOCC meeting to August 19, 2010.

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Custer:

To reschedule the BOCC Meeting being held at the San Isabel Lodge from Wednesday, August 18 to Thursday, August 19, 2010 starting at 12:00 PM. The motion carried unanimously

Commissioner Attebery said as part of the on going effort to conserve funds, the topic of direct deposit for county employee payroll compensation was brought before the Board.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Custer:

To go with direct deposit for county employee payroll checks. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Attebery said the motion made at the May 27, 2010 BOCC meeting regarding the Special Mobile Machinery Administrative Penalty Assessment Fee required clarification.

MOTION by Commissioner Custer, seconded by Commissioner Attebery:

Clarification that the BOCC elects to waive any administrative penalty assessment fees due to Custer County that are attached to all Special Mobile Machinery (SMM) equipment that is found to be in violation of not being properly registered either through the Department of Motor Vehicle Office or the County Assessor's Office. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Custer:

To adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 AM.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder
Attest

Lynn Attebery
Chairman