

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, OCTOBER 1, 2012**

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 Dennis Sprecher 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
New/Old Business
Recycling Report
Public Health Report
Chamber of Commerce Special Events Liquor License Permit
Human Resource/Finance Report
Road and Bridge Report

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Butler:

To amend the agenda to include a report from the Human Services Department. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Dennis Sprecher, Recycling Coordinator met with the BOCC and gave a report. He said that a truckload of cardboard with an approximate weight of 47,520 pounds went to the Angel of Shavano Recycling Facility. He remarked that the current rate for cardboard was between \$65 and \$70 per ton and that at this time he did not have a final compensation figure. Mr. Sprecher said he will become involved with the metal recycling program at the county landfill. Commissioner Austin asked Mr. Sprecher to research the guidelines on the relocation of the recycling bins currently housed near the sheriffs' office. He said that the placement of those bins creates a vehicle safety hazard around the Sheriffs' Office and the Search and Rescue facility during an emergency situation. Mr. Sprecher said he will contact Beth Lenz, UAACOG Recycling for clarification regarding the placement of the recycling bins on private and public lands.

Commissioner Austin said that Eric Bergman of CCI indicated that the Highway User Tax Funding (HUTF) would not be held back from the counties not in compliance with the uniform traffic control devices for streets and highways.

The BOCC recessed from the regular meeting in the commissioners boardroom to meet with Laura Lockhart, Human Services Director in a confidential session at 9:15 AM..

The BOCC recessed at 9:40 AM.

The BOCC reconvened at 9:55 AM.

Gail Stoltzfus, RN met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said that 5 adult immunizations, 20 children immunizations, 242 flu immunizations and 11 blood pressure screening were administered in September 2012. She said that the state of Colorado has issued a pertussis (whooping cough) advisory. Ms. Stoltzfus gave a report on the El Pomar Foundation and Regional Council, the Coordinated Approach to Child Health (CATCH) and the grants offered through the Medical Reserve Corp (MRC) and the National Association of Counties (NACo). She reported that she and Donna McDonnall attended the Public Health in the Rockies Conference.

Dawna Hobby, Human Resource/Finance Manager met with the BOCC and gave a report. She said the county had a 78% participation in the Civil Rights, Discrimination and Harassment Prevention Training Classes scheduled on September 10 and 11, 2012. She said that the County Finance Officer would present the 2013 preliminary budget to the BOCC on October 2, 2012 and that the individual departmental hearings were scheduled for October 9, 10 and 11 of 2012. Ms. Hobby requested clarification and confirmation regarding attendance at the Colorado Counties Incorporated (CCI) Winter Conference in Colorado Springs on November 26, 27, and 28, 2012. Following a discussion and review of the remaining 2012 commissioner's budget line items it was agreed that the county could fund the CCI Winter Conference registration fees for Commissioner Attebery, Commissioner Austin, Commissioner Butler and Kit Shy and the accommodation costs for the three seated commissioners. Mileage reimbursement for the travel to and from the winter conference in Colorado Springs will be reviewed at a later date and completed if the appropriate funding is available.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder and Michele Woolery from the Chamber of Commerce joined the meeting. Ms. Livengood said that the Chamber of Commerce is applying for a Special Events Liquor License Permit. She said all the paperwork was complete and in order and the property location has been posted. Ms. Woolery said that the Wild West Fall Fest was scheduled on October 20, 2012 from 11 AM to 4PM at the Painted View Ranch, 3115 CR160, Westcliffe, CO.

MOTION by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Austin:

To approve the Special Events Liquor License Permit for the Wild West Fall Fest as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Livengood reported that the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) completed an audit on the county Conservation Trust Fund. She said that the audit went well. Ms. Livengood said DOLA is requesting a more detailed and specific breakdown of the conservation trust fund monies at the end of the year audit. She will share the request with the Human Resource/Finance Manager.

Dave Trujillo, Road and Bridge Supervisor met with the BOCC and gave a report. The work completed in September 2012 included the grading of numerous roads, hauling of water and gravel, the cleaning and repair of cattle guards and culverts and mowing.

The work planned will include but not be limited to: grading of roads, hauling of water and gravel, mowing and preparation of the equipment used for plowing snow. Mr. Trujillo said the Town of Westcliffe and the Town of Silver Cliff are requesting assistance with chip-sealing in 2013. The BOCC agreed that the R&B Department should donate a 1 ½ day in 2013 providing the town employees assist with the work. Mr. Trujillo reported that the R&B department has already exceeded the fuel budget for 2012. The BOCC asked whether bids were being solicited for the fuel purchases. Mr. Trujillo responded that bids and estimates were reviewed and evaluated prior to the fuel purchase. He expressed concern in not being able to hire staff for the vacancies in the department and felt that the starting wage and wages are too low. He said in an attempt to keep and maintain employees that evaluations and possible salary increases will be based on the employee's skills and performance. Mr. Trujillo reported that the Home Owners Association (HOA) of Blumenau have purchased and replaced the signs in their community. He remarked that Roger Squire, R&B Assistant Supervisor and Dani Walden, R&B Administrative Assistant will attend the CCI Winter Conference November 26 – 28, 2012 in Colorado Springs, CO. He said that the HUTF workshop is scheduled in Pueblo on October 5, 2012. Commissioner Austin shared the information he received from Eric Bergman of CCI indicating that the HUTF would not be held back from the counties not in compliance with the uniform traffic control devices for streets and highways with Mr. Trujillo.

MOTION by Commissioner Attebery, seconded by Commissioner Butler:
To adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 AM.

Debbie Livengood, Clerk and Recorder
Attest

Lynn Attebery,
Chairman