

MEETING MINUTES
GRAND COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GRAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
GRAND COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

January 14 2020

Present: Commissioner Richard D. Cimino, Commissioner District 1
Commissioner Merrit S. Linke, Commissioner District 2
Commissioner Kristen Manguso, Commissioner District 3 - Chair

Also Present: County Clerk and Recorder Sara L. Rosene
County Manager Kate McIntire
Assistant County Manager Ed Moyer
County Attorney Chris Leahy

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of January 7, 2020, of the Board of Commissioners as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso announced that the Board is sitting as the Grand County Housing Authority.

Commissioner Linke moved as the Grand County Housing Authority to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Grand County Housing Authority and the Grand County Board of County Commissioners.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso announced that the Board is sitting as the Grand County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Cimino moved as the Board of Commissioners to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Grand County Board of County Commissioners and Grand County Housing Authority.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso announced that the Board is sitting as the Grand County Housing Authority.

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the disclosure of balances of bank accounts to the auditors for the Grand County Housing Authority.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso announced that the Board is sitting as the Grand County Board of Commissioners.

General Public Comments

Andy Miller, President of the Upper Colorado River Watershed Group, stated that the group came before the Board in March for 1A funds for the Northfork Project to prepare a stream restoration plan. The river has a huge red delta.

In March, the Board of Commissioners stated that it supported the project but encouraged the group to take a request for funds to the River District. In late November, it appears that the River District had some confusion as to whether there was County support for the project. The grant proposal at the River District was tabled.

Mr. Miller asked the Board of Commissioners to reiterate support for the project.

Dave Troutman stated at that Basin Roundtable in November, it was stated "Northern has much of the most important data though they are not going to cooperate and share this data until the lawsuit is settled." This quote is referring to the lawsuit related to Windy Gap. Another quote from that meeting, "Paul Bruchez said that he is still confused about information that exists and he is concerned that the study could duplicate and collect data that already exists."

Mr. Troutman provided correspondence dating back to August 5, 2019, when the Upper Colorado River Watershed Group first communicated with Esther Vincent of Northern. The correspondence demonstrates that Upper Colorado River Watershed Group exchanged copies of a proposal. Ms. Vincent transmitted copies of all

the reports. Ms. Vincent provided information that “Northern was running a biochar pilot experiment in the Northfork but the data is not currently available and the work is preliminary.” She went onto say that Northern “does not have other monitoring in the Northfork at this point in time.”

Mr. Troutman stated that Mr. Fucik met with James McCuthin who did a recent study on particulate transport.

Ms. McIntire stated that the Upper Colorado River Watershed Group has the support of Grand County. Ms. McIntire stated that the funding at the Round Table was not tabled due to lack of support of Grand County. She believes that the Board may be willing to sign a letter of support but Ms. McIntire is not sure that will solve the problem.

Ken Fucik stated that she spoke with Jim Pokrandt of the River District and Chair of the Colorado Basin Roundtable and Mr. Pokrandt indicated that Grand County is the issue.

Commissioner Manguso proposes that staff draft a letter and put on the agenda for next week.

Water Quality Specialist Katherine Morris stated that Grand County was the original entity to contract with Dr. McCuthin on the Northfork studies. Ms. Morris shared those studies with Upper Colorado River Watershed Group. The first study indicated non-alga organic material was one of the main components of reduced Grand Lake clarity. What comes down from the Northfork is inorganic material.

Grand County’s position has always been that the Northfork is a red herring on the clarity issue.

Ms. McIntire encouraged Messrs. Miller, Fucik, and Trotman reach out to Esther Vincent to address the possible duplication of effort on this project.

County Manager Kate McIntire identified employee anniversaries. The employees who achieved five-year or five-year increment anniversaries received additional recognition:

Wayne Shafer (Sheriff’s Office)	Five years
Kristi Moyer (Human Resources)	Ten years
Erich Barber (EMS)	Fifteen years
Royce Reynolds (Road and Bridge)	Fifteen years

County Manager McIntire introduced the Grand County Coin of Excellence Ceremony. Public Health Nurse Brene Belew-LaDue acknowledged the hard work and dedication to the citizens of Grand County.

Diane Hugely
Jennifer Gelbhaus

Finance Department

Finance Director Curtis Lange presented the Check Register and Expenditure List to be paid on January 15, 2020, for vendor payments. The list for this period was verified for the Board’s approval.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the checks presented on January 14, 2020 for payment on January 15, 2020 for the Grand County Housing Authority.

The motion passed unanimously.

Finance Director Curtis Lange presented the Warrant Register and Expenditure List to be paid on January 15, 2020, for vendor payments. The list for this period was verified for the Board’s approval.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the vouchers presented on January 14, 2020, for payment on January 15, 2020 for the Grand County Board of Social Services.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the wire payment and vouchers presented on January 14, 2020, for payment on January 15, 2020 for Grand County.

The motion passed unanimously.

Departmental Contracts, Comments,

County Clerk and Recorder Sara Rosene presented the December report of the monthly fees for Clerk fees

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the renewal of the beer and wine license for Colorado Adventure Park, LLC as presented by Clerk and Recorder Sara Rosene.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the Work Plan for the Emergency Management Program for Grant Activities for the Grand County Office of Emergency Management.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-1-12, "A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CHANGE IN NAME OF THE PERMITEE FROM GRANBY SAND & GRAVEL, LLC TO ESCO SAND & GRAVEL, LLC PERMITTING A SAND AND GRAVEL PIT OPERATION IN THE F – FORESTRY AND OPEN DISTRICT LOCATED IN SE1/4SE1/4 OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTHER, RANGE 76 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO" as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-1-13, "A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CHANGE IN NAME OF THE PERMITEE FROM ATH SPECIALITIES AND SALES, INC. TO ESCO CONSTRUCTION CO. PERMITTING A CONSTRUCTION AND EXCAVATION BUSINESS IN THE F – FORESTRY AND OPEN DISTRICT LOCATED IN SE1/4 SE1/4 OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 76 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO" as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Manager and Attorney Items

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the request by the Kremmling Area Chamber of Commerce to use the Grand County Fairgrounds to apply for a liquor license on March 28, August 8, August 15 and August 29, 2020 as requested.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Moyer reported that he will be bringing forward RICD diligence application.

Manager and Attorney Items

County Manager Kate McIntire provided her weekly report.

A meeting will be scheduled for HUB and UMR to meet with Grand County employees regarding health insurance.

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-1-15, "A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO OPPOSING EFFORTS TO INTRODUCE WOLVES INTO COLORADO"

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the letter regarding Secure Rural Schools and send to the letter to the news outlets.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cimino moved to authorize the early termination of the lease and waive the 90-day provision for the Lease at the Workforce Center.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve Resolution 2020-1-11, "A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIOENRS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO APPOINTING MICHAEL BRACK AS THE TOWNS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GRAND COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE AUTHORITY BOARD"

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the Notice of Environmental Use Restrictions for the Kremmling Landfill.

The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the Treasurer's Semi-Annual Report and approve publication of the report.

The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Monthly Report and the Quarterly Report.

Board Business / Correspondence / Calendar

Commissioner Cimino is working to have the Board of Commissioners to be a non-voting status on Rural Health Network Board.

Commissioner Cimino attended the Grand Places 2050 meeting.

All three Board members attended the Mayors and Managers meeting.

Commissioner Cimino attended the CCAT Health Care Committee meeting.

Commissioner Manguso attended the UCC meeting and the STAC meeting.

Commissioner Linke attended the Granby Dairy Apartments open house and Debbies Drive-Inn open house.

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| January 15 | The Board will attend Homegrown Talent Initiative Dinner at River Run Resort at 5:00 p.m. |
| January 15 | Commissioner Linke will attend the Middle Park Stockgrowers meeting |
| January 15 | Commissioner Manguso will meet at C Lazy U regarding Grand Lake Fire at noon |
| January 16 | All three Board members will attend the Builder's Association meet at Basecamp at Granby Ranch at 5:00 p.m. |
| January 16 | Commissioners Linke and Cimino will attend the LEPC meeting at 9:00 a.m. at Snow Mountain Ranch |
| January 16 | Commissioner Cimino will attend a teleconference with CCAT |
| January 16 | Commissioner Linke will attend the AGNC legislative call 8:30 a.m. |
| January 22 | Commissioner Cimino will attend CCAT in Denver at 5:00 p.m. |
| January 23 & 24 | Commissioners Cimino and Linke will attend Club 20 Rural Voices |

County Treasurer Christina Whitmer reported that Payment in Lieu of Lands report from 1995 forward. West Grand School District received \$6,043.82 from 1995 forward and East Grand School District has received \$2,796,064.98 from 1995 forward.

Commissioner Cimino moved to convene an Executive Session at 11:00 a.m., pursuant to CRS 24-6-402, Sections (4)(e)(I), (4)(a), and (4)(b) –to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators; for the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of any real, personal, or other property interest; And for Legal Advice (if needed) RE: Facility Needs. The Board will have a session for legal advice on the Hot Sulphur Springs / Parshall Protection District and Climax operating issues. Present for the meeting will be the Board, County Manager, Assistant County Manager, County Attorney, Assistant County Attorney, and Finance Director.

The motion passed unanimously

The Regular meeting was reconvened at 11:30 a.m.

I, Kristen Manguso, hereby attest that the portion of the executive session during which no minutes were taken was confined to a topic authorized for discussion in an executive session.

I, Chris Leahy, hereby attest that the portion of the executive session during which the Recorder was directed to take no minutes constituted a privileged attorney-client communication.

I, Kristen Manguso, hereby attest that the minutes of this executive session were recorded in accordance with CRS 24-6-402 and confined to the topic authorized for discussion in the executive session.

Veteran Services Quarterly Report

Grand County Veterans Service Officer Duane Dailey presented a quarterly update.

1,415 Veterans in Grand County (9.1 percent of the population)
194 Veteran-owned business out of 843 businesses (23 percent vet owned)
572 Veterans are enrolled with Grand County Veterans Service Officer. That is 40.4 percent of the reported Veterans.

The state estimates 400,000 Veterans in Colorado, 163,000 are known to be registered

746 Veterans in Grand County are receiving some sort of benefits brings \$5.2 million into Grand County
246 Veterans receive medical care which brings in approximately \$2.45 million

The Veterans Trust Fund has assisted over 80 people in the one-year grant cycle with expenditures of \$21,000.

Veterans Assistance Grant has assisted 35 contacts in the amount \$12,500 in the form of housing and mental health.

Grand County Tourism Board – Byways and 2020 Goals

Lindsay Morrow, Director of the Grand County Tourism Board, stated that there was a Byway committee. The Corridor Management Plan is outdated and needs to be updated.

Ms. Morrow believes that Dawnie Baldo may be willing to take the lead on this.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:38 p.m. The minutes were prepared by Clerk and Recorder Sara L. Rosene. Approved this 21st day of January 2020.

Kristen Manguso, Chair

Attest:

Sara L. Rosene, Clerk and Recorder