MEETING MINUTES
GRAND COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GRAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
GRAND COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY
February 5, 2019

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

Also Present: County Clerk and Recorder Sara L. Rosene
County Manager Lee Staab
Acting County Attorney Maxine LaBarre-Krostue

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of January 15, 2019 Board of Commissioners meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of January 22, 2019 Board of Commissioners meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

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

Finance Director Curtis Lange stated that the manager of the properties identified they were short on cash. Senior Housing Options will be submitting final numbers for reimbursement.

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

Gary Bumgarner of Middle Park Health is before the Board to ask for formal letter of support for a USDA Loan. Mr. Bumgarner stated that Middle Park Health has a $20 million loan from USDA and is asking for money for a six-bed enlargement in Granby and another wing of physician offices. Middle Park Health also intends to take down the old hospital (now used as administrative offices) in Kremmling and put a new facility.

Last year at this time, the hospital hired a general surgeon who does surgery four days per week. There is an orthopedic surgeon. There are 22 physicians under contract. There are 250 employees and the average salary with benefits is $100,000.

Commissioner Manguso moved to approve the letter of support to Middle Park Health as requested by Board member Gary Bumgarner.

The motion passed unanimously.

Finance Department

Finance Director Curtis Lange presented the Check Register and Expenditure List to be paid on February 6, 2019, for vendor payments. The list for this period was verified for the Board’s approval.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the checks presented on February 5, 2019 for payment on February 6, 2019 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 February 6, 2019, for vendor payments. The list for this period was verified for the Board’s approval.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the vouchers presented on February 5, 2019, for payment on February 6, 2019 for the Grand County Board of Social Services.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the wires payment, vouchers, and interfund transfers presented on February 5, 2019, for payment on February 6, 2019 for Grand County.
Departmental Contracts, Comments, Issues

Commissioner Manguso moved to approve the Annual Report for Discharges from the Application of Pesticides, this is a CDPHE form as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Chris Baer presented the Change Order and Amendment No. 1 to the Bowman Contract for the County Road 3 Project. The amendment is for a lump sum of $22,950.

Commissioner Manguso moved to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the First Amendment between Grand County and Bowman Consulting Group, LTD in an amount of $22,950 so the total contract is $112,873.

The motion passed unanimously.

The contractor is in the clean-up stage on County Road 3.

Commissioner Manguso moved to authorize the Chair to sign the Veterans Assistance Grant Application as presented by Veterans Service Officer Duane Dailey.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Linke moved to authorize the Chair to sign a 457 Roth Participation Agreement as presented by Human Resource Director Colleen Reynolds.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Linke moved to authorize out-of-state travel for DiAnn Butler.

Discussion: There is no cost to the County for this travel.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso moved to approve Resolution No. PER 2018-5-49, A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO, AS THE GRAND COUNTY PERMIT AUTHORITY, GRANTING C LAZY U RANCH HOLDINGS, LLC, A PERMIT TO ENGAGE IN AN ACTIVITY PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED AS AN ACTIVITY OF STATE INTEREST PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 1978-5-4 OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO” as presented by Alex Taft.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso moved to approve Resolution No. 2018-10-25, “A RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR BRIDGER WIRELESS, INC. LOCATED ON A TRACT OF LAND BEING IN A PORTION OF NORTH THE WEST ½ OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 81 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO, ALSO KNOW AS THE WOLFORD MOUNTAIN RESERVOIR SITE” as presented by Alex Taft.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-1-37, “A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2018-12-04 AND GRANTING FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF THE SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENTS FOR WALLACE SUBDIVISION EXEMPTION AND RELEASING ESCROW FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND FORTY CENTS ($1,684.40) THAT WAS HELD AS WARRANTY SECURITY” as presented by Alex Taft.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso moved to approve a change of Manager for a Beer & Wine License for the Colorado Adventure Park from Christina Warren to Jannette Harbottle.

The motion passed unanimously.
Commissioner Manguso moved to authorize the Chair to sign the 2018 close out for the Emergency Management Grant.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso moved to approve Tara Gourdin as the Emergency Manager for Grand County.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso moved to authorize the Chair to sign the 2019 Emergency Management Program Grant in the amount of approximately $68,000.

The motion passed unanimously.

Manager and Attorney Items

Commissioner Manguso moved to authorize the Chair to sign the Amendment to the Kremmling Airport Hangar Ground Lease that is good through the end of December 31, 2019 for Hangar C for William Elliott as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso moved to authorize the Chair to sign the Amendment to the Kremmling Airport Hangar Ground Lease that is good through the end of December 31, 2019 for Hangar 7 for Touch and Go LLC as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso moved to authorize the Chair to sign the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Impact Assistance Grant Application in the amount of $8,210.69 as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

County Manager Staab presented his weekly update.

Ms. LaBarre-Krostue stated that she does not have a ruling on the David Michel election contest.

Ms. LaBarre-Krostue reported that there are no new lawsuits.

The Board is fine with EMS providing backup for an event on February 23, 2019.

Mr. Staab stated that he meet with the YMCA regarding County Road 53. The YMCA Board is considering its participation regarding County Road 53.

Board Business / Correspondence / Calendar

The Board attended the Department Heads meeting last week as well as the County Attorney interviews.

Commissioner Linke attended the Stockgrowers Annual meeting on February 1 and the annual dinner on February 2.

Commissioner Manguso met with Bill Mills and Chris Ziegler of the BLM. They discussed the airport. The BLM is very supportive.

Commissioner Cimino attended the Winter Park Transit Advisory Committee meeting. Commissioner Cimino stated that the Granby route is very popular.

February 5
County Manager Meet and Greet at Granby Town Hall from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (All three commissioners)

February 6
County Manager Interviews at the Grand County Administration Building, 308 Byers Avenue, Second Floor, Hot Sulphur Springs, CO at 9:00 a.m. (All three commissioners) The Board will hold an executive session in compliance with CRS 24-6-402(4)(f), which states, "Personnel matters, unless the employee asks for an open meeting (if multiple employees are involved, they must all request the open meeting), this provision does not apply to discussion concerning any member of the local public body, any elected
officials, or the appointment of a person to one such offices, nor does it apply to discussions of personnel policies generally. County Manager Interviews.

February 7
Tourism Board meeting from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Fraser Distillery
(Commissioners Cimino and Manguso)

February 8
Grand County Wildfire Council at 9:00 a.m. at Grand Fire in Granby (Commissioner Linke)

February 8
Club 20 Executive Committee Conference Call at 10:00 a.m. (Commissioner Linke)

Consent Agenda


Commissioner Manguso moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion passed unanimously.

Community Development - Appointment of Deputy Fire Officials

Commissioner Manguso moved to authorize the five fire chiefs as the deputy Fire Officials for Grand County.

The motion passed unanimously.

Reilly Johnson Architects Needs Assessment Update

County Manager Staab stated that about eight months ago the Board of Commissioners meet to develop the Grand County Strategic Plan. One of the things that came out of the Grand Results Plan was to make sure that the County had updated infrastructure throughout the County. The County hired a consultant to determine where the County’s current infrastructure and a way to develop a strategy plan and look at options.

A couple of weeks ago, Mr. Johnson (of RJA) presented information on a public safety facility to the Board. Today, Mr. Johnson will present on the public safety facility, EMS facilities, Public Health facility, and Human Service facility.

Mr. Johnson stated that at the last meeting, the Board looked at locating the Sheriff on different sites in Hot Sulphur Springs.

Mr. Johnson stated that he looked at detention, law enforcement, and communication for the Sheriff, Social Services, Public Health, EMS in Granby and Fraser.

Mr. Johnson hired William Garnos, a consultant, to determine inmate population projections. The average daily population 20 years from now is 42, divide by .8 and the final number is 52.

Concept A to use the existing location:
1. Tear down the current location
2. Build across Moffat Avenue to the south

This is not a viable option due to space and due to logistics of where the Sheriff’s Office will be once the current location is torn down while a new facility is built.

Concept B to use existing Judicial Parking Lot for the Sheriff’s facility:
1. West end of the building is for housing inmates
2. Center – inmate support (laundry, kitchen, booking facility)
3. East end – Sheriff’s Office
4. Parking will be moved two blocks to the east (formerly impound lot and garage)
5. Pave area currently used by Sheriff’s Office and use for parking
6. An inmate tunnel can be built under Moffat Avenue from the new Sheriff’s facility to the Judicial Building
Concept C to use the Sheriff’s garage and impound lot for the facility:

1. Building similar to Concept B
2. Parking for impound lot and garage will need to be located on a different lot
3. Sally port can be added to the north side of the Judicial Building

The total cost provided by Mr. Johnson of $32 million is based on the first pass through space requirements. The estimate is for space that may be larger than needed and it includes the cost of work to begin in June or July of 2020.

All the services that need to be considered for upgrade - law enforcement, dispatch, detention center, garage, animal shelter, EMS (Granby), EMS (Fraser), Social Services, and Public Health amount to 46,654 square feet needs to be twice as much square footage at 92,796. If services were to be co-located, the amount of square footage needed could be cut by almost 10 percent.

If services are to be co-located, additional parking needs to be considered.

Grand County Rural Health Network Executive Director Jen Fanning presented information on co-locating services.

Ms. Fanning stated that health care is more than just the doctor’s office and the dentist office but also includes all the collective health and human services whether non-profit or government.

Ms. Fanning stated that the original Middle Park Health building was to include Public Health, Home Health, Mind Springs, Rural Health Network and others. The economy tanked and the funding was pulled so only health services were allocated for that facility.

In 2016, the community was surveyed. The underserved community expressed the need for co-located building.

Cost sharing is a big piece of co-located buildings. National studies show that the average annual cost savings to co-locate is approximately 7 percent per organization per year.

There are eleven organizations that would like to be considered for co-location. If they are all co-located, the annual operations savings would be $192,500 per year.

Co-location allows the ability to serve more clients. It reduces the barrier to care transportation.

Ms. Fanning stated that loans and grants consider co-location a best practice. Ms. Fanning stated that she does not support putting mental health services in the same building as the Sheriff’s Office.

Mr. Johnson stated that for co-location, there needs to be consideration for footprint, parking for employees and clients, green space, and storm water detention. To co-locate all the services discussed, the County needs about 7 acres.

Hot Sulphur Springs Town Mayor Bob McVay understands the need for a co-facility but it needs to be separate from the Sheriff’s Department.

Mr. Johnson stated that the biggest advantage to keeping the Sheriff in Hot Sulphur Springs is the direct connection between the Sheriff and the courts. The Sheriff’s Office and the detention facility is a significant customer to the Town of Hot Sulphur Springs.

Mr. Johnson noted some disadvantages to keeping the Sheriff’s Department in Hot Sulphur Springs. The County EMS in Granby provides medical services to the Sheriff’s Office. Hot Sulphur Springs is further for law enforcement to drive from Grand Lake, Fraser, Granby, and Winter Park. Parking will be even a bigger problem in Hot Sulphur Springs.

Public Health Nurse Brene Belew-LaDue stated that they have a main public health building that was built in 2000. In that building, they have had flooding issues from in-floor heat and from library, security issues, and the ramp is a playground for the kids. The administration building is 50 years old. There is a lot of wasted space. The basement is not useable because the steps are so steep.

Mr. Belew-LaDue stated that 70 percent of the WIC clients are on the east end of the County.

In 2018, the Department did 429 immunizations with 390 in-county addresses. Of the 390 immunizations, 76 percent is East Grand School District and 24 percent is West Grand School District.
Director of Human Services Deb Ruttenberg stated they have two buildings- Child welfare Annex (4 employees) and Main Building (12 employees). Seven of the employees in the main building are in the basement. There are safety issues for the people in the basement as there is no escape route from the basement. They are so crowded that staff share offices. There is no place to eat lunch. There is no room large enough for a staff meeting. There are privacy issues in the main office as well.

Ms. Ruttenberg reported that the neediest clients are from Hot Sulphur Springs and east. If a co-located building were at a location difficult for people in the west end of the county, a satellite office could be set up in the west end.

Grand County Sheriff Brett Schroetlin stated that the Sheriff’s Office was built in 1983. It houses the Sheriff’s Office and Jail. There have been a lot of issues in the building – safety and security. There has been human feces floating in the building when there was a jail back up. He spends $40,000 to $50,000 every time it happens. There have been fires in the building. The locks are failing, the cameras are failing, and doors are failing. They are also facing a mental health crisis in additional to the criminal acts.

The size of the facility is not the only issue. There is a concern for the safety of the employees and the citizens of the County.

Sheriff Schroetlin stated that as Sheriff, he is responsible for responding to all law enforcement actions within Grand County, assisting the Towns, protection to the public, civil service, wildland fire, search and rescue to 1850 square miles. Over the past few years, 74 percent of the calls occurred from Highway 34/40 to the east while 26 percent of the calls from Highway 34/40 to the west (including Hot Sulphur Springs). The needs of the Sheriff are in a different direction.

Undersheriff Wayne Schafer stated that co-location will allow them to share facilities, training rooms, and share meeting rooms.

Winter Park Chief of Police Glen Trainor stated that he was the Undersheriff for twelve years. The jail did not meet the American Correctional Association standards when he started working for the Sheriff’s Office. Many issues have resulted as claims against the County.

Grand County is different than it was 10 or 15 years ago. He stated that his calls for service have increased 48 percent in the towns of Winter Park and Fraser in the last five years. Countywide, the increase is 84 percent. Staffing has not kept up with increased call for services.

Local departments are responding because the Sheriff’s Office is so far away from where the calls are coming from.

Chief Trainor stated that he hears that people want services to be centralized because it is a burden for people to come to Hot Sulphur Springs.

Allen Pulliam with Grand County EMS stated that the Fraser station is not enough as 40 percent of the call volume comes from the Fraser Valley. They need to staff a second ambulance in that area. The garage in the Fraser area is an ancient fire station. There have been problems with draining in that area. The roof needs to be addressed very soon. The safety sleep area is marginal at best.

The Granby facility is past its life. The brick portion isn’t as bad as the Quonset portion.

Granby Town Mayor Paul Chavoustie appreciates the planning in advance. He likes the Plan B model. There is a lot of economic impact if the facility were to move. He noted that he is not in opposition to looking at Granby.

Frank Reeves of East Grand School District stated that they are in the middle of master planning. Mr. Reeves noted that Granby elementary may be a good building for co-locating.

County Manager Staab stated that the EMS facility is falling down as they use it.

Mr. Staab asked that the Board give the staff direction next week with regard to a co-located facility.

Mr. Staab stated that from a facility standpoint, the most pressing need is to figure out where EMS will go.
There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m. The minutes were prepared by Clerk and Recorder Sara L. Rosene. Approved this day of February 2019.

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Richard Cimino, Chair

Attest:

Sara L. Rosene, Clerk and Recorder