MEETING MINUTES
GRAND COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GRAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
GRAND COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
GRAND COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY
April 21, 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 Minutes of the Regular Board of County Commissioners meeting of April 14, 2020 with amendment to motion as identified below.

Commissioner Cimino moved the motion from last week regarding County Road 491 to indicate that the Board accepted the bid and the Construction Contract.

The motion passed unanimously for the minutes with the corrected motion.

Finance Department

Finance Director Curtis Lange presented the Check Register and Expenditure List to be paid on April 22, 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 April 21, 2020 for payment on April 22, 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 April 22, 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 April 21, 2020, for payment on April 22, 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 April 21, 2020, for payment on April 22, 2020 for Grand County.

The motion passed unanimously.

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Finance Director Curtis Lange stated that Highway User Tax funds will be down about $100,000 in $2 million budget.

Mr. Lange noted that Building Permits and short term rentals will be down.

Mr. Lange believes that the County should expect to be down 30 percent in 2020.

Mr. Lang reported on the Grand Foundation funds:

The Emergency Assistance Fund has received $185,000.
The Business Emergency Grant fund has received $510,000.

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the renewal of the Tavern Liquor License for Renee Valentine, Owner / Manager of Trail Ridge Marina, LLC dba Tail Ridge Marina as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cimino moved to waive the building permit fees for the Grand Lake Area Historical Society to replace the roof of the Smith-Eslick Cottage Court to be replaced in the Spring of 2020. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cimino moved to accept the Notice of Award for United Companies and authorize the Chair to sign the Notice of Award outside the meeting for the Kremmling Airport. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the Applications for Federal Assistance FF424 Forms for both Kremmling and Granby-Grand County Airports and authorize the Assistant County Manager to complete the application. This is in the amount of $30,000 for each airport. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the Vehicle Lease Purchase Agreement that was approved in 2020 Budget after review of the County Attorney and authorize the Chair to sign outside the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

**Board of Health**

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

Incident Manager Brad White stated that there are four confirmed cases in the County. Over the weekend, there was a person that works in the County but lives in Denver and tested positive. The person works for a construction company and the construction company quarantined its employees.

No hospitalizations in Grand County. Medical supply levels are acceptable.

A task force has been created to consider how to open services in the community.

Mr. White stated that Grand County is still at risk to COVID 19.

Mr. White stated that his teams will work with businesses as they desire opening procedures.

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

**Manager and Attorney Items**

County Manager Kate McIntire presented her weekly report.

County Attorney Leahy presented Mutual Aid Agreement between Grand County and the local fire departments.

Commissioner Linke moved to approve the Grand County Emergency Operations Master Agreement for mutual aid as the Board of County Commissioners. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Manguso announced that the Board is sitting as the Board of Health.

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

Assistant County Manager Ed Moyer stated that the project to cover the bleachers at Flying Heels begins next week.

People can use the arena at the Fairgrounds. People are using the area on a first come basis and people will be using the arena in two-hour slots.

Board Business / Correspondence / Calendar

Commissioner Cimino:
- Attended meeting at Emergency Operations Center
- Attended a CCI call with Senator Bennet

Commissioner Linke:
- Attended the CCI Mountain District meeting
- Attended a CCI call with Senator Bennet

Commissioner Manguso:
- Attended a CCI call with Senator Bennet
- Attended the Granby Town Board meeting

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Resolution No. 2020HA-4-8, “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GRAND COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GRAND COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY AND THE CLEAR CREEK HOUSING AUTHORITY, FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE CLEAR CREEK COUNTY SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM”

Resolution No. 2020-4-9, “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO TO EXECUTE AN AMENDED GRANT APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENTS AT THE KREMMLING-MCELROY AIRFIELD”

Resolution No. 2020-4-10, “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO TO EXECUTE AN AMENDED GRANT APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENTS AT EMILY WARNER FIELD GRANBY-GRAND COUNTY AIRPORT”

Resolution No. 2020-4-11, “A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO ACCEPTING THE BID FROM CMH CIVIL LLC, FOR THE GRAND COUNTY ROAD 491 BRIDGE REPAIR PROJECT, AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN CMH CIVIL LLC AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO FOR THE PROJECT”

Resolution No. 2020-4-12, “A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO, WAIVING THE PURCHASE OPTION FOR LOTS 13, 15, LOTS 17-20, LOTS 25-88, AND LOTS 99-104, BLOCK 19, AND LOTS 1-104, BLOCK 39, PINE AIR ADDITION TO HOT SULPHUR SPRINGS, GRAND COUNTY, COLORADO”

Resolution No. 2020-4-13, “A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND, STATE OF COLORADO APPROVING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF JIM WARD AND DENNIS CARPENTER AS REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GRAND COUNTY AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD”
Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion passed unanimously.

Water Protection Update

Presented by Assistant County Manager Ed Moyer and Water Quality Special Katherine Morris:

Colorado River Headwaters Connectivity Project
NEPA Watershed Plan EA –Last Project Partner Call April 16
• AECOM completed all additional NRCS required dam and flood analysis.
• All final reports sent to NRCS for approval and McMillan Jacobs is incorporating into Watershed Plan EA.
• EA Public Scoping – upon NRCS approval of all final reports.
• Target date for the EA ROD and FONSI is late summer 2020
• Delay justifies a 6thYear Project Extension request via Farm Bill extension process. NRCA not allowing Projects to extend until Project is in 5thYear.

Final Project Design
• Northern Water contracted with AECOM November 2019 for final design prior to issuance of a ROD and FONSI.
• Windy Gap Res drained to accommodate geo-tech drilling this winter, but weather didn’t cooperate.
  • Condition 27 of the 1041 Permit allows connectivity channel work, and didn’t constitute a violation of the 1980 mud flats and blowing dust 1041 condition.
  • A plan to minimize blowing dust is not required at this time, as Windy Gap is being refilled commencing with free river.
• 30% final engineering June 2020.

Water Court Case
• NW Municipal Subdistrict settled with the Schmuck Family Trust (SFT) at a mediation in late July 2019 to purchase the SFT property/water rights.
• BOCC approved a Resolution consenting to the Subdistrict’s acquisition of certain water rights pursuant to the terms of the WGFP IGA.
• The settlement includes a 10 year SFT exclusive fishing right on all Subdistrict property below the dam.
• At the end of the 10 years, the property below the dam could serve as a primary public access to the connectivity channel project (for fishing) and provide additional fishable water below the dam (with approval by Northern Water).
• Last Stipulation being finalized (UCRA).

Project Cost Estimates
• Cost Estimates will again be updated with 30% final engineering drawing late June 2020.
• Project line item costs will not be shared publically, since we are getting closer to bidding the project.

Fundraising: Shortfall now $2.8M (was $4.8M in Oct.2019)
• TU request for additional $2M from NRCS RCPP in 9/2019 was denied.
• Northern Water and Municipal Subdistrict contributed additional $1M (each) to the project, total $2M.
• $1M Donor Challenge –$250K raised (not incl. in shortfall)
• Northern Water submitted $2.4M CWCB Water Plan Grant in Jan.
  • May CWCB Board Meeting decision
  • Governor directive to reconsider new grants (COVID19 $ impact issues)
• Trout Unlimited submitted $600K GOCO Grant – decision end of month.

Habitat Project (CPW)
• $1M of the CPW Habitat Project at Kemp Breeze SWA will be completed as in-kind for RCPP funding on Connectivity Project (Construction 2021 and 2022).
• 30% design completed by CPW.
• Final Design bid awarded to Stillwater Sciences. Northern Water funded design via Agreement with CPW. Plans are nearly 60%.
• Construction Bid: CPW/Northern Water working on plan to commit funds prior to bid.
Meetings
Grand County Board of Commissioners
Grand County Board of Social Services
Grand County Board of Health
Grand County Housing Authority

Project Team Meetings & Calls

- Next Meeting – June 1

1177 Colorado River Basin Roundtable
- March 23 CBRT Meeting – cancelled
- May 18 CBRT Meeting – TBD

CDPHE Standards Update
The Basic Standards and Methodologies for Surface Water (Regulation 31): Grand County tracked the issues through NWCCOG and did not identify anything requiring our participation.
  - “To focus division resources, the division typically requests data for specific watershed basins in preparation for specific basin standards rulemaking hearings. However, next year (2021), the division will be updating Regulation #31, basic standards, and so there is not a basin of focus for this data call. Therefore, the division is only requesting data for cases in which you or your agency has a specific interest in having water quality data assessed in this cycle.”

Climax
* Climax has terminated the cattle and molybdenum study. Final results are anticipated sometime this spring or summer.
* Climax asked meeting participants if the study needed to be extended. After conferring with interested/involved parties, I copied the BOCC on my response to Climax, leaving that decision to their discretion, and asking some additional questions.
* NWCCOG partnered with Grand County to have toxicologist Dr. Jenifer Heath attend the most recent presentation of preliminary results. CDPHE’s toxicologist was not on the call, but will be involved when the agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry finalizes the molybdenum toxicity profile.

Drought Management (Preparedness) Plan
- 2 meetings remaining: May 28th and June 25th (April skipped due to COVID)
  - May meeting
    - Discuss Town of Granby’s response to the plan, comments from CWCB, and Western Resource Advocates.
  - June meeting
    - Discuss additional comments from Towns/County & plan provisional implementation of DMP.
    - Coordinator is working on a presentation that can be used by the towns for presentation to their boards.
    - Asking stakeholders if they’d be willing to sign an MOU or other instrument committing participants to the plan.
    - Joan Lyons heading a Public Outreach and Marketing effort to communicate the plan to the general public.

GC Mutual Ditch & Res. Co.
* GCMDRC continues to work with CWCB and Colorado Water Trust on the Substitute Water Supply Plan as legal instrument for Pilot Project. (2021 implementation).
* Creates additional in-stream flows in Fraser River for environmental water and other uses (R&B Op’s for example).
* Accomplished by Denver Water diverting and using GCMDRC stored shares in Meadow Creek Res., then retiming and delivering same amount of water to upper Fraser River via the Moffat or Vasquez Collection System (Clinton delivery points).
* Working with Grand County Irrigated Land Company GCILC) President, attorney and engineer to finalize reports and address all concerns.
* GCILC will need to formally approve Pilot Project.
* Once approved, GCMDRC will make formal application to CWCB; requires two Board Meetings for approval, including public notice and State Engineer approval.
* CWCB Program: 5 in 10 year Program per new legislation
* Potential ISF compensation. Could be used to pay for engineering and leverage needed funding for Vail Ditch improvements to benefit all shareholder and GCILC.
* NEXT Project Meeting April 24.

Lease of Additional GCILC Shares – 2020
* GCMDRC leased an additional 58.5 shares in the GCILC.
* GCMDRC is working on subleasing the shares.
* In summary, these shares could ultimately help with the Pilot Project and the mission of GCMDRC.
Grand County Board of Commissioners
Grand County Board of Social Services
Grand County Board of Health
Grand County Housing Authority

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- **Hired 3 Positions:** now in training
  - Water Quality Program Coordinator
  - Secchi Field Technician
  - Water Education Coordinator

- **Membership Proposal to Wild and Scenic (Learning By Doing joined in 2019)**
- **SOWs for monitoring are out**
- **Temperature, conductivity sensors and water quality sonde calibrated & being deployed.**
- **Mary Price is doing a great job.**

Grand Lake: pre-NEPA & Adaptive Management

TSC Preliminary Alternatives Report-Final Draft is now anticipated from TSC to ECAO by July 1st. Once USBR receives the final report, they will distribute it to Cooperating Agencies.

- **Water Quality Modeling Work continues.** The Water Quality Modeling Subgroup met on October 22, 2019 and was provided an update on model progress. Bathymetric surveys and sediment coring were completed last summer and they are waiting for the final Bathymetric and Sediment Analysis Reports. Another Water Quality Subgroup meeting is tentatively planned for July 2020 once these reports are finalized.

- **The Socioeconomic Subgroup met after the last Cooperating Agency Meeting and discussed methodology.** This group is waiting for the TSC Preliminary Alternatives Report and Alternative model runs to complete the bulk of their work.

- **Next stakeholder meeting late July?**
- **Adaptive Management season kickoff meeting May 28.**

USGS Next Generation Water Observing System (NGWOS) Program

- In fiscal year 2020, the USGS selected the Headwaters of the Colorado River/Gunnison River Basin as the next basin for implementing the Nation’s Next Generation Water Observing System (NGWOS) to provide high-fidelity, real-time data on water quantity, quality and use necessary to support water-resource availability prediction with lower uncertainties as well as rapid and informed hazards response. In addition to NGWOS, the USGS will be embarking upon new integrated water prediction and water-availability assessment initiatives related to NGWOS in the larger Upper Colorado River Basin. For more information see https://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2019/3046/fs20193046.pdf, and NGWOS Delaware.

- **USGS has surveyed interested parties to provide input on issues to be addressed by the U.S. Geological Survey’s integrated monitoring and science programs being developed for the of the Upper Colorado River Basin, as well as the data, analyses and products that will be generated.**

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Management & Technical Committees
Last meeting 3/19

- **Sediment**
  - All sites met CDPHE criteria for percent fines except CR-1.7 upstream of the Blue River near Kremmling.
  - Monitoring committee investigating how to merge data collection efforts subsequent to SMP with newer criteria.
  - Macroinvertebrates
    - Sites on the Fraser and Colorado were attaining, though the Colorado declined slightly. The sites below Williams Fork Reservoir where restoration work had very recently been completed showed some impairment (likely due to instream work).
    - Next year’s macro report will integrate monitoring funded by Denver Water, LBD, and Northern Water, for a seamless progression and interpretation of sites in up-or down-stream order.
  - Water Accounting
    - “Voluntary/environmental bypasses” are CRCA releases
    - “Mitigation (change from “Required”) bypasses” to indicate a permit or ROD requirement
    - “Maintenance bypasses” for maintenance activities
    - “Spill bypasses” releases resulting from a full reservoir or system constraint
  - Discussion about how to prioritize stream reaches to receive environmental bypasses each year
    - One suggestion had been to focus on streams where fish populations can thrive (ie. Not where 100% diversion is possible)
    - Fisheries biologists and Denver Water discussed, and Denver Water instead proposed a sediment metric using volunteers and a “grid-toss” method of measurement.
  - Projects
    - Hammond Ditch Fish Screen / Fraser River Diversion Update
    - $27K Roundtable Grant Approved.
•Project will not be completed at this diversion due to landowner not willing to grant easement for fish screen bypass.
  •LBD identifying alternative location with same fish entrainment issue to implement as a model for other diversion in the County.

  •Next meeting 5/20

 Moffat Firming

•Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Permit Order Amendment to the Gross Reservoir Hydro Permit.
  •FERC issued Final EA with a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).
  •Order was on hold until revised Biologic Opinion issued.
  •Boulder County 1041 Permit-NO UPDATE
  •Denver Water filed court appeal to Boulder County 1041 permit decision.
  •2018 NEPA Lawsuit was on hold until revised Biologic Opinion was issued.
  •USF&WS finding (April 17 letter) that revised Biologic Opinion is no longer required for Project; green lineage cutthroat trout are not members of any presently listed threatened or endangered species or subspecies.
  •Reengagement by USACE and FERC under ESA for this species is no longer applicable.
  •All other cutthroat trout mitigation and enhancement obligations remain.

 Gross Reservoir Expansion 41.8 KAF currently

  •Raise Dam 131 Ft. to add 77KAF -accommodate current needs, growth projections, system flexibility.
  •Grand County 1,000 AF Pool for Fraser River Grand County / CRCA Implementation Triggers are contingent on Moffat Project Permitting or Gross dam Construction:
    •LBD Cooperative Effort
    •Grand County 1,000 AF Fraser River Bypass flow,
    •1,000 AF Williams Fork,
    •Grand County Water Users -375 AF, Clinton Bypass Water, Snowmaking water, etc.
    •USFS 1,500 AF Fraser Bypass flows,
    •$3,95M in Project Funding -WPWSD and WPRA
    •$2M Water Quality Funding,
    •$3M LBD Aquatic Habitat Enhancement,
    •$1M LBD or Aquatic Habitat Mitigation (Denver Water using $984K for Mitigation on Williams Fork River per CRCA)
    •$1M for Windy Gap Pumping, etc.
    •12.5% surcharge for West Slope Fund (Grand County and Summit County split 20%) – funding to LBD.
    •Shoshone Outage Protocol
    •No West Slope Water Rights Development

 UPRR Moffat Tunnel Discharge Permit

  CDPHE issued a permit modification to the Railroad’s west portal discharge permit.
  1. Additional TSS monitoring: If influent turbidity is greater than 175 NTU and effluent turbidity is greater than or equal to 1 NTU, then additional TSS sampling from 001 is required. A grab sample is collected and continued sampling every two hours until both turbidity readings fall below the associated thresholds.
  2. Additional TSS monitoring: If influent is diverted to fractanks or any other pretreatment equipment and effluent turbidity is greater than or equal to 1 NTU, then additional TSS sampling from 001 is required. A grab sample is collected and sampling is continued every two hours until influent wastewater is no longer diverted to fractanks or other pretreatment equipment and effluent turbidity is less than 1 NTU.
  3. The division included additional recordkeeping requirements. UPRR is required maintain a log of tunnel activities that could potentially increase influent turbidity. The division will also require the permittee to maintain a log documenting occurrences when influent wastewater is diverted to fractanks or any other pretreatment equipment. Both logs are to be submitted to the division annually.

 Water quality monitoring

  •WQS obtained sample bottles to collect sediment samples from above and below the Moffat tunnel discharge & analyze for semi-volatile organic carbons and diesel range organics.
  •Putting together a proposal to LBD and EGWQB for twice a year monitoring for same, but at 3 sites. Water quality monitoring

 Wild and Scenic Stakeholder Group

  •Next meeting April 23rd
    •Resume discussion of amendments to Amended and Restated Plan from March 30 meeting.
    •Outstanding issues included adding USFS and BLM language characterizing ORVs, using WQCC standards, use of Resource Guides, accounting for drought, how to incorporate external documents, how to populate tables that aren’t yet complete (for example: because another
sampling season is needed), flushing flow of 2,500 cfs at Kremmling in 50% of years over a 10 year period, channel maintenance flows, inclusion of segment 7, governance.

•Approve the Plan & cover letter to send to BLM & USFS

•Next steps
•Federal Review Apr 30-May 4
•Address Federal comments May-June
•Finalize plan at June 8 SG meeting

Windy Gap Firming Project (WGFP)

WGFP Lawsuit

•Courts shut down due to COVID19. Judge previously ruled on administrative record and it’s now finalized. West Slope partners entered a joint amicus brief to outline the WGFP IGA and other negotiated enhancements.

WGFP IGA

•Need to get back to Northern Water regarding public access and open space, as well as processed materials agreement.

WGFP 1041 Permit conditions:

•Staff continues to meet with Municipal Subdistrict to address Conditions 22 and 30.
•Last Call –March 26th

Purchase Options – Office Building in Hot Sulphur Springs for Department of Human Service, Facility Needs

County Manager Kate McIntire outlined the options with regard to the purchase of the Whitmer Building in Hot Sulphur Springs for Human Services.

Grand County currently has a contract to purchase the building at a cost of $1.6 million plus closing costs.

Option 1 - Purchase the building using County funds on 6-30-2020 for a purchase price of $1,600,000 plus closing costs. Costs - $1,600,000 purchase price plus approximately $30,000 closing costs

Option 2 - Decide not to purchase the building and likely risk losing the $50,000 earnest money deposit Costs - $50,000 earnest money plus appraisal and inspections costs already incurred

Option 3 - Utilize a lease-purchase funding arrangement with a bank to purchase the building on 6-30-2020

Costs - 20 year term 30 year
1,600,000 purchase price 1,600,000
513,100 cumulative interest 802,000
20,000 Alan Matloz fee to manage loan process 20,000
5,000 Additional closing costs 5,000
131,850 interest paid 1st 3 years of loan term 135,000
8,596/mo 51,575 monthly loan payments in 2020 39,210
3,898,000 Unrestricted fund balance 3,910,000
19.5% 19.6%

Finance Director Curtis Lange stated that if the County uses a lease purchase option to purchase the building, he believes that the unrestricted fund balance would be approximately 19.6 percent.

Alan Matloz stated if the County moves forward and wants to finance the project, it could use a lease purchase. Mr. Matloz could solicit a group of banks and get the best terms available for the County. He would look for the longest term with the lowest rate with the best flexibility to pay off the lease early.

Commissioner Linke stated that he not comfortable with a purchase at this time. Commissioner Linke is concerned over the financial position that Grand County is in at this time because of COVID 19.

The County is not currently in debt. Citizen James Newberry stated that he does not believe the purchase should be made at this time.

Citizen Rich Rosene believes that this is not the time to purchase the building due to the expenses and lost revenue due to COVID 19.

Kent Whitmer stated that there are three owners of the property. There are two minority owners and he is the majority owner. Mr. Whitmer stated that if the County wants to buy out the minority owners, he would be willing to do a lease option on his portion. He would be willing to extend out beyond the COVID 19 crisis.
Mr. Whitmer is doing mitigation on the building. He is negotiating a lease for another place and would like to know sooner rather than later as to what the County is doing.

Sara Rosene expressed concerns for the ongoing obligation to pay for the property over the next 30 years.

Ed Moyer stated that if the County walks away from the purchase, it will walk away from $50,000 in earnest money.

Mr. Moyer added that the current building used for Human Services is not adequate for the needs. There are safety concerns in the current building.

Mr. Moyer noted that there is not a great deal of time to make a decision to purchase or not purchase the building.

Commissioner Cimino stated that he wants to continue with the purchase and get additional funds for other buildings. Commissioner Cimino wants to take bold measures to help the economy.

Eden Recor stated that Grand County is in a deep state of uncertainty. Going forward with a new expenditure should wait until the County is sure of its financial position.

Commissioner Cimino move to extend the Emergency Declaration to June 30, 2020.

The motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing – Special Events Permit Liquor License, Winter Park Horseman’s Association, Inc.

Clerk and Recorder Sara Rosene stated that she received an application for a Special Events Permit Liquor License for Winter Park Horseman’s Association, Inc. The John Work Arena is located at 1741 County Road 73, Fraser was posted making notification of the hearing. Ms. Rosene stated that she has received no remonstrance.

The request is for events on July 4, 11, 18, 25, August 1, 8, and 15.

Ms. Rosene recommends approval of the request.

Commissioner Cimino moved to approve the Special Events Liquor License for Winter Park Horsemen’s Association as recommended.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cimino moved to convene an Executive Session 12:01 p.m. for the Grand County Housing Authority, Public-Private Partnership for Low-Income Housing Projects - Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(e) to determine positions relative to matters subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations and instructing negotiators and pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b) for conference with attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice with regard to the Grand County Housing Authority and for the purchase of a building for Human Services.

The motion passed unanimously.

The Regular meeting was reconvened 12:55 p.m.

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.
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.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m. The minutes were prepared by Clerk and Recorder Sara L. Rosene. Approved this 28th day of April 2020.

Attest:

Kristen Manguso, Chair

Sara L. Rosene, Clerk and Recorder