



COMMISSIONERS Corner

News & Updates from Grand County's
Board of County Commissioners

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WORKSHOP | FRASER MEDICAL CENTER

Middle Park Health (MPH) Foundation's Executive Director **Andrew Radzavich** and MPH CEO **Jason Cleckler** presented the proposal for a new 24/7 emergency facility in Fraser. Mr. Radzavich stated that having a facility on the east end of the County will complement the County's current healthcare system, and could potentially limit the need for out-of-county transports.

The new facility is projected to cost \$30 million, and will primarily be funded by the U.S.D.A. (MPH Foundation was not making a financial request of the BOCC at this time.) Representatives are hoping to break ground this fall, with opening projected for late summer of 2023.



MPH recently completed expansions to facilities in Kremmling and Granby, and is now turning its attention to providing 24/7 emergency care on the east end of the County. MPH believes the new campus would support growth in Grand County (especially in the Fraser Valley) that is anticipated in the next several years.

The U.S.D.A. questionnaire concerning the proposed MPH facility will be presented to the BOCC at next week's meeting.

BOARD BUSINESS

Waste Tire Collection Event

The Granby Rotary approached the BOCC about sponsoring a waste tire collection event for Grand County residents through the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's Illegal Waste Tire Cleanup grant program. The Rotary would manage the event, and the grant would fund tire collection bins and transport to a recycling facility on the Front Range. Commissioners supported the program, and directed staff to work with the Rotary to identify an appropriate location for the drop-off bins.

Wildland Fire Mitigation and Management Commission Appointment

Commissioners approved a letter of support recommending appointment of former Grand Fire Protection District No. 1 Assistant Chief **Schelly Olson** to the Wildland Fire Mitigation and Management Commission.

 COMMISSIONERS
CALENDAR

- March 16** | GC Department Head Meeting
- March 16** | Peak Health Alliance Meeting
- March 17** | Associated Governments of NW Colorado (AGNC) Legislative Call
- March 17** | Grand Places Meeting, Winter Park
- March 17** | National Association of Counties West Region Conference Call
- March 17** | Counties & Commissioners Acting Together (CCAT) Committee Meeting
- March 17** | GC BOCC Bi-Annual Update to Town of Hot Sulphur Springs, HSS Town Hall
- March 18** | Health Insurance Affordability Enterprise Board Meeting
- March 18** | U.S. Forest Service Planning Meeting, Grand Fire
- March 21** | CCAT Governing Board Meeting
- March 21** | Transit Advisory Committee, Winter Park Town Hall

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MANAGER'S UPDATE

County Manager **Ed Moyer** gave the following updates:

- Manager met with special water counsel **David Taussig** regarding environmental flow decree 2011 CW152 Diligence Application. Manager will present the Diligence Application to the BOCC at next week's meeting.
- **Regarding Windy Gap Connectivity Channel:** Public comments received on the Watershed EA Public Scoping are being reviewed and responded to by the project partners. Subsequent to this process, it is hopeful that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) will be issued, and project construction can begin in mid-May.
- **Regarding County Road 522:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has submitted a mitigation package to address any adverse effects in the location of the POW camp:
 - The Corps recommends archeological monitoring during construction, and a POW camp interpretive sign. (Including the property on the National Register of Historic Places is not being recommended at this time). The cultural consultant would need to develop a plan to address these mitigation recommendations.
 - Manager's Office is contacting an appraiser that specializes in right-of-way acquisition.
 - Commissioners supported the proposed mitigation, and directed staff to look into any grant opportunities that could offset project costs.
- **Regarding the proposed Multi-Jurisdictional Housing Authority (MJHA):** Staff is making nominal revisions to the IGA based on comments received during the March 14 meeting between the Town of Winter Park, Town of Fraser, Town of Granby and Grand County. The final IGA will be provided to each entity for consideration. Upon formation of the MJHA, the focus will be on developing a funding initiative for the November ballot. Creation of the MJHA does not preclude the Towns and County from engaging in their own housing authority projects.
- Manager provided an update regarding a conversation with the State about well sharing agreements:
 - Many variables affect well sharing, and the State reviews cases on individual bases. It was concluded that any proposed well sharing agreements must be approved by the Division of Water and Resources, and will also be reviewed case-by-case by the BOCC. Commissioners will continue to discuss the County's well sharing policy.
- A letter of support for CoAction Grants for Clear Creek, East and West Grand Schools to benefit the Homegrown Talent Initiative was approved as presented.
- Reminder to all Departments and the public that weekly BOCC Agendas will include a link to WebEx, in lieu of sending individual e-invites.

County Attorney

- A Notice of Intent to Issue a Notice of Environmental Use Restrictions regarding the Granby Landfill presented by Acting County Attorney **Maxine LaBarre-Krostue** was approved.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Shald Subdivision Exemption, Final Plat | Approved with conditions as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING: ZONING REGULATIONS

Amendments to the Grand County Zoning Regulations, Changes to Penalties Section 19.4

BOCC approved amendments to the County's zoning regulations to reflect the penalty provisions of the Colorado Revised Statutes 30-28-124 as amended.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Accounting

Vouchers and wire payments presented for payment by Finance Director **Curtis Lange** were approved as presented.

UPDATE: SHORT TERM RENTALS

Short Term Rental Coordinator **Christian Hornbaker** gave an update on short term rentals in unincorporated Grand County:

- 59 new registrants in February; 15 of those were new (not renewals)
- Complaints have been received regarding 20 specific properties since the beginning of 2022

Mr. Hornbaker has scheduled a meeting with staff at the Towns to discuss short term rental policies. He's also been approached by multiple HOAs throughout the County. Commissioners reiterated that HOAs have the authority to enforce their covenants related to short term rentals.

The Nexus study recently conducted by the Town of Breckenridge was also discussed. Staff and Acting County Attorney will have continued discussion on the matter.

