



Grand County

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COMMISSIONERS Corner

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

Richard Cimino | District 1

Merrit Linke | District 2

Randy George | District 3



Photo courtesy **Rusty Spurr Ranch**.

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VETERAN'S DAY BREAKFAST



Pictured at left:
Top: The Veteran's Day breakfast hosted at Snow Mountain Ranch last Friday by Grand County's VSO **Duane Dailey** was well attended. **THANK YOU to our Grand County veterans for your service to our country!**



Bottom: As part of the Veteran's Day ceremonies, East Grand and Grand Fire Protection Districts raised the big flag over County Road 53 in recognition of our nation's military veterans.



COMMISSIONERS CALENDAR

Nov 16 | AGNC Meeting (Garfield County)

Nov 16 | BLM / Greater Sage Grouse Cooperating Agency Meeting

Nov 17 | NACo West Region Conference Call

Nov 17 | Peak Health Alliance Executive Committee Meeting

Nov 17-18 | CCAT Fall Retreat (Boulder County)

Nov 18 | Health Insurance Affordability Enterprise Board Meeting (Zoom)

[Click here to view the BOCC's full calendar.](#)

BOARD BUSINESS

- **Commissioner Cimino** gave an update regarding a presentation at a recent CCI meeting about state vs. county land use rights relative to the State's water plan and counties' 1041 permit authority. Commissioner Cimino also gave an update regarding the Geographic Naming Board; six of the board's 15 members' terms have expired ahead of a decision whether to re-name Mount Evans.
- **Commissioner George** updated the BOCC that he received a call from Rep. Neguse Friday, offering his congratulations and establishing a relationship. Commissioners will be coordinating an informal meeting with Summit County and State Representatives. A Workshop will be scheduled for next week regarding legislative priorities.
- **Commissioner Linke** gave an update regarding the Colorado River Lower Basin tour coordinated by the Colorado River District he recently attended. Commissioner Linke also served on a panel at last week's Emergency Management Academy event hosted by State of Colorado DHSEM.



Pictured at left:
Grand County EMS recently donated a vehicle to the Hot Sulphur Springs-Parshall Fire Protection District. Commissioners received correspondence from HSSFPD thanking Sheriff's Office Executive Assistant **Kelly Oxley** for her help coordinating the transaction.



DATE CHANGE!

The December 13 BOCC regular meeting has been **MOVED** to **Monday, December 12** to accommodate Commissioners attending CCI's Winter Conference in Jefferson County.

MANAGER'S UPDATE

County Manager **Ed Moyer**

County Road 522

The County Engineer has redesigned the proposed right-of-way for a segment near County Road 50 and County Road 731 to avoid the Xcel Energy substation. The legal descriptions are being revised for the appraisal as part of the right-of-way acquisition.

The Monitoring and Discovery Plan as required by the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Grand County for mitigation of cultural impacts in and adjacent to the POW Camp. The County will be submitting any comments to Metcalf Archaeological Consultants prior to forwarding the information to SHPO and USACE. The Monitoring Plan requires a qualified, professional archeologist to be onsite at all times during construction of County Road 522 adjacent to the POW camp. The MOA is one of the requirements for the County's 404 Permit to be extended.

- At the BOCC's request, Manager will be meeting with TG & Associates to discuss contracting with the firm for grant writing.
- Commissioners approved **Resolution 2022-11-4**, rescheduling the Tuesday, December 13 regular BOCC meeting to Monday, December 12.
- County Manager will be attending an educational meeting between Middle Park Health & EMS.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Accounting

Vouchers and wire payments presented for payment by Finance Director **Curtis Lange** were approved as presented. An operating lease agreement with DebtBook presented by Mr. Lange was also approved.

Sheriff's Office

Commissioners accepted funds awarded to the Sheriff's Office by the Gray and Black Marijuana Enforcement Grant Program.

Clerk & Recorder

Clerk & Recorder **Sara Rosene** gave a monthly update, noting that October recording revenue is down year-over-year from 2021, but increased over 2019 and 2020.

Public Health

A Statement of Work for Lead Testing in Schools and Child Care Facilities presented by Environmental Health Program Supervisor **Hannah Wynd** was approved.

Director **Abbie Baker** gave a brief update reminding the public that respiratory illnesses are on the rise, and to practice good hygiene and stay home if illness is suspected.

Human Services

A CORE Services Contract with Summit Play Therapy LLC for mental health and play therapy presented by Director **Deb Ruttenberg** was approved.



Pictured above: Clerk & Recorder **Sara Rosene** and her husband, **Rich Rosene** (who has served with the Kremmling Fire Protection District), were recognized by **Lynnae and Jerry Boyd** on behalf of American Legion Post 88 at the Veteran's Day breakfast for their service to Grand County. Both Sara and Rich also serve in the Kremmling Rotary. Sara will be retiring at the end of this year.

COLORADO RIVER DISTRICT BUDGET UPDATE

Colorado River District board member representing Grand County **Mike Ritschard** presented the River District's amended 2022 budget, along with a reservoir and Big River update, and other agenda items discussed during the Colorado River District's October 18 & 19 board meeting.

[Click here for full details.](#)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

A request by the Grand Foundation to waive all building permit fees related to improvements at the Black Bear Lodge was approved. Black Bear Lodge was recently acquired by Grand Foundation in conjunction with the BOCC for East Troublesome Fire families and workforce housing. It will be subsequently deeded to the Grand County Housing Authority.

Resolution 2022-8-17, Change of Ownership and Renewal of Kattenberg Gravel Pit (located on County Road 60) | Approved as presented.

Resolution 2022-11-5, Red Hawk Ranch Water & Sanitation District Plan Renewal Extension | Tabled until December 6 pending additional information from the developer's attorney. Following discussion, Commissioners also requested a Workshop regarding Red Hawk Ranch.

Pine Beach Subdivision, Lots 9 & 10, Amended Final Plat | Approved as presented.

2022 General Election

The Clerk's office is performing its final 2022 General Election count on Thursday, November 17; voters who were notified that they needed to cure their ballot need to do so by midnight this Wednesday, November 16 in order for their ballot to be counted.

The risk-limiting audit will be performed this weekend, as required by the Colorado Secretary of State. [Click here to learn more about the ballot counting process.](#)