



# Grand County Colorado

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Our mountain wildflowers, courtesy the Winter Park & Fraser Chamber of Commerce.

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## DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS AWARD

The Colorado Division of Aeronautics recently recognized Airports Supervisor **Josh Schroeder** as the 2023 Aviation Professional of the Year. As manager for both McElroy Field and Granby-Grand County Airport, Josh has a unique role in Colorado's aviation system.



CDA representatives attended today's BOCC meeting to present Mr. Schroeder with this award. **CONGRATULATIONS, JOSH!**

## BOARD BUSINESS

A 2024 budget preparation letter presented by Finance Director **Curtis Lange** was approved with minor changes. The letter summarizes employee compensation, including a proposed 6.6% cost of living adjustment (COLA); expected revenues; and reiterates Commissioners' commitment to a balanced budget.

**Commissioner Linke** gave a brief update regarding the recent National Association of Counties (NACo) conference in Austin, Texas. A lengthier discussion on topics presented during the conference is planned for next week's regular BOCC meeting.

## CONEXON "FIBER TO THE HOME"

Conexon, LLC's Business Development Manager **Leslye Krampe** presented information about Conexon and its proposed partnership with Mountain Parks Electric.

Conexon partners with electrical cooperatives throughout the United States primarily to bring fiber broadband to rural communities. The organization was awarded a \$9.9 million grant from the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) to assist with building out the fiber network in Grand County, and has asked the BOCC for a letter of support to apply for additional grant funding. Conexon is working with Mountain Parks Electric to bring fiber to all of MPEI's members.

Commissioners requested additional information, and asked that the topic be brought back once Conexon's agreement with MPEI has been finalized.

## IF A PIG LOSES ITS VOICE...



does it become disgruntled?



## MANAGER'S UPDATE

County Manager **Ed Moyer** presented the following:

- Manager gave an update regarding a recent Insurance Committee meeting:
  - Employee medical and dental plans will remain the same with possible increases in employee premiums, and prescription coverage will shift to CVS/Caremark;
  - Proposed increases to the County's contribution to HSA plan, and increased cash-in-lieu for employees not on a County plan;
  - Commissioners gave direction for staff to move forward presenting a 5% increase, and provide additional details on implementing and achieving a 90% County/10% Employee cost share over the next 4-5 years. Recommendations will be presented to the BOCC at a future meeting.
- **Senator Bennet** and **Congressman Neguse** submitted Grand County EMS' Station 1 project for Congressionally Directed Spending and Community Project Funding, respectively. The Appropriations Committees rejected the project for funding; Grand County has asked for feedback to strengthen our resubmittal next spring.
- Middle Park Fair & Rodeo:
  - 4-H exhibits and events are underway;
  - County Shoot is this Sunday, July 30 at Crooked Creek Trap Club (shotgun, .22 rifle and pistol), and Flying Heels (archery);
  - Fair week kicks off August 6 with the 4-H Horse Show.
- The Board of Equalization (BOE) will convene August 7, 2023 to hear property value assessment appeals. The BOE received more than 500 appeals, which had to be postmarked or received online by July 17.
  - The BOCC will appoint arbitrators for property owners who would like further appeal after August 7. Staff is reaching out to potential arbitrators for the BOE's consideration.
- Windy Gap Connectivity Channel: Work is progressing quickly, and will begin on the diversion structure soon. Commissioners requested a site visit be scheduled.

## PLATS & PLANS

**Mulligan Estates Final Plat** | Resolution No. 2023-07-10 granting an exception to the Grand County Subdivision Regulations to allow for site disturbance by Mulligan, LLC for the completion of site improvements, etc. was approved. Applicant requested to table the request for Final Plat approval.

**Lots 1 & 2, Cairns Shadow Mountain Amended Final Plat** | Resolution No. 2023-07-08, approved with conditions as presented.

## CTSI UPDATE

County Technical Services, Inc. (CTSI) Senior Loss Control Specialist **Dana Foley** presented an annual update that included Grand County's Property Pool Loss Ratio Report and Work Comp Pool claims. CTSI provides Colorado counties with insurance products, alternative risk management, and other technical services, and is providing County staff additional trainings in 2023 to help minimize claims.

## DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

### ACCOUNTING

Vouchers and wire payments for payment on Thursday, July 27 were approved as presented by Finance Director **Curtis Lange**.

### CLERK & RECORDER

A request by Clerk & Recorder **Jolene Linke** to waive the 30-day reinstatement policy per Grand County's Personnel Manual in order for **Sara Rosene** to assist with invoice payments was approved.

### ROAD & BRIDGE

Amendment # 1 to amend the Construction Contract with Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. d/b/a United Companies was tabled pending additional information to be provided by Superintendent **Chris Baer**.

Per the Schedule A Agreement, District 4 Crews have been working with the U.S. Forest Service to service and repair roads in west Grand County.

### HOUSING AUTHORITY

A Services Contract with Peak Performance Copier & Supply d/b/a Peak Performance Imaging Solutions was approved as presented by Operations Manager **Sheena Darland**.

Ratification of an agreement with DOLA to administer the Section 8 housing program for the five counties managed by Grand County Housing Authority was approved as requested.

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**Resolution No. 2023-07-07, Approval of the Amended Final Plat of Lots 4-24, Fairways at Pole Creek Subdivision** | Approved as presented.

**Resolution No. 2023-07-09, Approval of the Fourth Amended Final Plat of Units 6 and 7, The Harbor** | Approved as presented.

Director **Kristen Manguso** gave an update regarding the transition of building inspections to an online system: Physical building permit applications and requests for inspections will be accepted through September 1, 2023. The department has a work station available for the public to use should individuals need assistance with the new online building permit process.

### OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Thank you letters to Team Rubicon and the Inn at SilverCreek related to Team Rubicon's recent Trees on Parade wildfire mitigation operation in Grand County were approved as presented by Manager **Ed Moyer**.

## BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

As part of the annual budget process, each department gives the BOCC a high-level presentation outlining their budget needs for 2024. This week's overview workshops were from: Veteran Services Office, Treasurer's Office, County Attorney, and Human Resources.

## PUBLIC HEARING

**Emore Inc. Heavy Equipment Storage Special Use Permit Renewal** | Approved as presented.