



OCTOBER 24, 2023

# Grand County

Colorado

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Hot air balloon rising on a Grand fall day photo courtesy of **Richard Broady**.

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## WHY DON'T SKELETONS GO TRICK-OR-TREATING?

They don't have the guts.

What's **not** a joke is that there is **no BOCC meeting next week**, as October 31 is the 5th Tuesday.

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN!**



## OLRT FALL GRANT CYCLE

Open Lands, Rivers & Trails (OLRT) Administrator **Anna Drexler-Dries** presented OLRT's Fall 2023 grant cycle recommendations.

### Open Lands, Rivers

- As of August 31, OLRT had \$7,509,326.11 available for open lands and rivers grants.
- A total of three grant requests were received, all from Colorado Headwaters Land Trust:
  - Marietta Creek Ranch Conservation Easement, Granby Trails Highlands Conservation Easement, Black Fox Conservation Easement.
  - Commissioners approved funding all three land and river grant requests as recommended by the OLRT Advisory Committee.

### Trails

- As of August 31, OLRT had \$289,844.11 available for trails grants.
- A total of six grant requests were received from Headwaters Trails Alliance, Grand Lake Trail Grooming, Inc., and Fraser Valley Mountain Bike Coalition:
  - Grand Lake Winter Trails grooming, Winter Trail Grooming, Idlewild Trail System Maintenance II, 2024 Grand County Trail Maintenance projects, 2024 Volunteer projects, Tool / Project Funds.
  - Commissioners approved funding all six trails grant requests as recommended by the OLRT Advisory Committee.

**Three OLRT Advisory Committee members have completed their final terms. If you are interested in serving on the Advisory Committee, submit a letter of interest and resume by November 3. New members will begin their terms in January of 2024.**

## BOARD BUSINESS

Commissioners approved the following Grand County Library District board appointments:

- **Alan Walker** was appointed to District 2.
- **Jen Goertz** will fill the **Marcus Davis'** District 3 seat when his term expires January 1, 2024.
- Current board member **Jeremy Krones** was re-appointed as an At-Large member to a three-year term beginning January 1, 2024.

Commissioners briefly discussed last week's Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting regarding the County's upcoming transition from CodeRED to Genasys for emergency communications. CodeRED will continue to be used until the migration to Genasys is complete.

## MANAGER'S UPDATE

Manager **Ed Moyer** and Assistant Manager **Micah Benson** gave the following updates:

- Commissioners are scheduled to meet with representatives from Northern Water Wednesday at Windy Gap at 3 p.m.
- At the BOCC's direction, staff is working with the Grand Foundation to establish criteria for a grant program to assist citizens in need with property tax payments.
- Commissioners previously approved moving the November 28 regular BOCC meeting to Monday, November 27 to accommodate attending the Colorado Counties, Inc. (CCI) winter conference. This meeting will take place VIRTUALLY ONLY with one tentative agenda item (Approval of Weekly Payments).
- Staff is finalizing water usage data to submit to the State as required per the Administrative Exchange and annual well reporting. (The "Water Year" ends October 31.)
- CDOT will be presenting an update regarding US Hwy 40 safety improvements on Red Dirt Hill on December 12. Commissioners requested to also have updates regarding ongoing road maintenance and passing lanes on US 40 west of Kremmling.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The following were presented by Director **Kristen Manguso**:

**Resolution No. 2023-8-11, Elk Mountain Outright Exemption** | Approved as presented.

**Resolution No. 2023-10-4, Granting Preliminary Acceptance of all Subdivision Improvements for Summit Trail Homes, etc.** | Approved as presented.

**Resolution No. 2023-8-5, Approving Winter Park Lift Operations Center SUP Amendment, etc.** | Approved with conditions as presented.

**Amended Final Plat of Lots 4 and 5, Block 19, Innsbruck - Val Moritz Subdivision and Utility Easement Vacation** | Approved with conditions as presented.

**Reserve at Soda Creek Sketch Plan** | Approved as presented.

## DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

### ACCOUNTING

Vouchers and wire payments for payment on Wednesday, October 24 were approved as presented by Finance Director **Curtis Lange**.

Services Contracts with Hinkle & Company, P.C. for Housing Authority and County required financial audits were approved as presented by Mr. Lange.

### EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Direction to place an order for a new vehicle (that is budgeted for and will be received in 2024) was approved as requested by **Chief Robert Good**.

### CLERK & RECORDER

The hotel and restaurant liquor license renewal for SD & AD, Inc. d/b/a Roadhouse Bar & Grill was approved as presented by Clerk & Recorder **Jolene Linke**.

### ROAD & BRIDGE

Commissioners approved additional funds for pick-up trucks that were approved in the 2021 and 2022 budgets and ordered, (but due to supply-chain issues have not yet been received). The cost to take possession of the trucks is now higher than what was approved in those years.

Sales Agreements with Wagner CAT to replace two graders and one front-end loader in 2024 was approved as requested by Assistant Superintendent **Zac Broady**. Commissioners also approved purchase of two mini-excavators pending legal review of the sales agreement.

### PUBLIC HEALTH

Commissioners gave direction to hire a full-time nurse to be shared between the Grand County jail and GCPH, as requested by Director **Abbie Baker** and **Undersheriff Wayne Schafer**.

A Task Order with CDPHE to update the Statement of Work to Original Contract Number 2024\*0700 Amendment 1 was approved as presented by Ms. Baker.

### HUMAN SERVICES

Director **Deb Ruttenberg** presented several items:

- A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Prowers County to answer and process child welfare calls from Grand County via the Hotline County Connection Center was approved as presented.
- A Services Contract with Mountain Family Center to administer the LEAP program was approved as presented.
- A Services Contract with Regina Speaking, LLC to implement Culture Excellence: Ideas and Discussion (CEID) training services was approved as presented.
- An Intergovernmental Agreement Amendment #1 with the State Controller to lease computer equipment to GCDHS was approved as presented.

## AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD UPDATE & GROUND LEASE RATE

Representing the Airport Advisory Board, **Dennis Carpenter** gave an update that included an air traffic report and recent hangar construction activity at the Kremmling Airport (20V) / McElroy Field. The discussion included a decision regarding Grand County Airports ground lease rate (continued from September 5, 2023). Commissioners approved staff recommendations that included increasing the ground lease rate to \$0.35 per square foot for **new** ground leases, and decreasing the commercial rate to \$0.05 per square foot (in addition to the ground lease rate).