




JANUARY 16, 2024

Grand County

Colorado

Richard Cimino | District 1
Merrit Linke | District 2
Randal George | District 3



 Though not from last weekend's storm, the snow-covered Kremmling Cliffs is an oldie-but-a-goodie. Thanks, **Kremmling Area Chamber of Commerce!**

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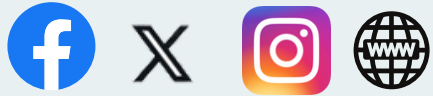


Commissioners CALENDARS



WHY DO BIRDS FLY SOUTH IN THE WINTER?

BECAUSE IT'S TOO FAR TO WALK.



MANY THANKS!



Last weekend's storm resulted in highway closures from east to west and north to south in Grand County.

A **very GRAND SHOUT OUT** to our First Responders, Road & Bridge crews, and all County staff who worked through the weekend to keep roads clear and safe, and our public and visitors informed.



As a friendly reminder: CDOT maintains and is responsible for closures and announcements regarding Highways 40, 34, 125, 134 and 9 through Grand County.

For the most up-to-date highway information, visit COTrip.org.

BOARD BUSINESS

An out-of-state travel request for **Commissioner Cimino** to attend National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference in February in Atlanta was approved as presented. Expenses will be reimbursed by Colorado Counties Inc. (CCI).

The BOCC designated **Commissioner George** as the County's primary representative and **Commissioners Linke** and **Cimino** as alternates on the Northwest Colorado Council of Governments (NWCCOG).

Commissioners Cimino and **George** gave an update regarding meetings last week with Governor Polis and his staff regarding mountain passenger rail. CDOT has issued Requests for Proposals (RFPs) related to purchasing passenger rail cars fit for mountain travel.

Commissioner George gave an update regarding a recent Transportation Planning Region (TPR) meeting, which included updates about planned US 40 safety projects west of Kremmling and on Red Dirt Hill.

Commissioner Linke gave an update regarding a recent Club 20 meeting.

MANAGER'S UPDATE

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

- A Services Contract with Rawhide Rodeo Company for management and operation of the CPRA Rodeo, Junior Rodeo, Ranch Rodeo, Horse Racing, Calcutta for the Ranch Rodeo and Team Roping events during the 2024, 2025, and 2026 Middle Park Fair and Rodeo was tabled pending additional information.
- A request by Girl Scout Troop 54036 to waive facility use fees to host a drive-thru cookie sales booth at the Flying Heels Arena on February 4 was approved as presented.
- Commissioners approved Road & Bridge assuming payment for a street light at County Road 83 and US Hwy 40 (CDOT currently pays for the light and has announced their intention to remove the light).
- Manager gave an update regarding recent discussions with the Town of Granby about the Hwy 40 affordable housing project, specifically related to construction traffic and maintenance of a county road connector.
- Regarding the Joint Resolution concerning the Water Clarity of Grand Lake, staff is working with Northern Water, Three Lakes Watershed Association and other West Slope partners on final language.
- Commissioners gave direction to move forward with the purchase of a UTV with broom and plow attachments for the Maintenance Department.
- A meeting regarding concession facilities at the Flying Heels Arena will take place at Granby's Road & Bridge shop at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 25.
- A request by County Attorney **Maxine LaBarre-Krostue** to delegate Manager Moyer or his designee to act on behalf of the BOCC regarding Collective Bargaining actions was approved.

BUDGET HEARINGS

Commissioners approved Resolutions related to the 2024 budget as presented by Finance Director **Curtis Lange**. Mr. Lange also presented a draft of the 2024 Budget Message. Commissioners will be approving the final 2024 Budget Message next Tuesday, January 23.

Resolution 2024-01-17 approving and adopting the levying of taxes for the County of Grand, the School Districts, the Towns, and the Special Districts within the County of Grand, and certifying said levies, etc. was approved as presented by Assistant Finance Director **Cathy Henderson**.

PIPER SANDLER UPDATE

Representatives from institutional securities firm Piper Sandler gave a market update, and also provided recommendations after reviewing Grand County's investments and liquid funds.

DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

ACCOUNTING

- Vouchers, wire payments, and interfund transfers for payment on Wednesday, January 17 were approved as presented by Finance Director **Curtis Lange**.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Out-of-state travel requests for **Sgt. Nathan Opsahl** and **Deputy Brian Maccione** to travel to Utah for a kennel visit and K9 selection were approved as presented by **Lt. Jeff Bauckman**. Expenses will be paid via a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).

ROAD & BRIDGE

A Services Contract with Blackwell Oil Company, Inc. for fuel delivery was as presented by Superintendent **Chris Baer**.

The BOCC signed the mileage certification for the annual Department of Transportation Highway Users Tax fund report as presented.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Director **Abbie Baker** presented several items:

- An out-of-state travel request for **Monique Lussie** to travel to Reno in April for the 2024 EPQ Tri-Regional Stakeholder Meeting Educational Conference was approved as presented. Expenses will be paid via an Indoor Radon Grant GCPH received last October.
- Ms. Baker also gave an update regarding instances of respiratory illness in Grand County.

WATER QUALITY

Water Quality Manager **Katherine Morris** gave an update that a draft discharge permit from the Water Quality Control Division related to Blue Valley Ranch's Blue River Remediation Project is open for public review and comment.

CLERK & RECORDER

Clerk & Recorder **Jolene Linke** gave a monthly report, and also presented an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Colorado Division of Motor Vehicles to issue driver licenses, instruction permits, identification documents, and commercial driver licenses.

HOUSING AUTHORITY

A Services Contract with Stillwater Tech, LLC to provide water-quality monitoring and compliance reporting services for Black Bear Apartments was approved as presented by Operations Manager **Sheena Darland**.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

An Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Grand Lake for building department services for the Town was approved as presented by Director **Kristen Manguso**.

HUMAN SERVICES

A Core Services Program Contract with River Song Counseling was approved as presented by Director **Deb Ruttenberg**.

CSU EXTENSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Commissioners approved creating the Grand County CSU Extension Advisory Committee, and adoption of bylaws.