

**Proceedings of the Dolores County Board of
County Commissioners**

June 17, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held in the boardroom in Dove Creek, Colorado on June 17, 2019. Present for the meeting were Chairperson Floyd Cook and Commissioner Steve Garchar. Also, present for the meeting were County Attorney Dennis Golbricht, County Administrator Margret Daves and Deputy Clerk to the Board Jody Gardner.

The meeting began with everyone standing to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests

West Fork Fire Representatives Tommy Jones and Toby Hamilton, Dolores County Sheriff Don Wilson, Dolores County Assessor Berna Ernst and Deputy Assessor Amber Blackmore, USFS Representative Derek Padilla, Town of Dove Creek Town Manager Sonny Frazier, Jones and Demille Engineering Representatives Chad Sonderegger and Danny (Scoot) Flannery, BLM Representatives Connie Clementson and Chris Rose

Approval of June 14, 2019 Payroll

The following is a list of total payrolls by Department:

County Commissioners:	\$7,641.40	6 Employees	
County Commissioner Other:	\$513.29		1 Part Time
Transfer Station	\$768.03		1 Part Time
County Clerk:	\$3,303.55	3 Employees	
County Treasurer:	\$2,563.28	2 Employees	
County Assessor:	\$4,043.39	4 Employees	
Traffic Enforcement	\$1,520.75	1 Employee	
GIS:	\$1,166.29	1 Employee	
County Maintenance:	\$1,394.57	1 Employee	
County Sheriff:	\$10,571.59	8 Employees	1 Part Time
County Coroner:	\$420.77	1 Employee	
EMA:	\$1,070.86	1 Employee	
Extension:	\$1,307.11	2 Employees	
DCTV:	\$932.61		3 Part Time
Veterans Office:	\$480.22		1 Part Time
Fair Board:	\$304.75		1 Part Time
Senior Services:	\$9,112.82	3 Employees	13 Part Time
Health & Nurse:	\$2,887.48	2 Employees	
Mandatory Weed:	\$3,044.22	2 Employee	1 Part Time
Admin Other:	\$23,494.35	19 Employees	2 Part Time
Social Services:	\$6,188.42	5 Employees	
TOTAL:	\$82,729.75	61 Employees	23 Part Time

Agenda

Commissioner Garchar made a motion to accept the agenda.

Commissioner Cook seconded the motion.

Both Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Payroll and Expenditures

Commissioner Garchar made a motion to accept payroll and expenditures.
Commissioner Cook seconded the motion.
Both Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Minutes

Presented for approval were the End of the Month meeting from February 28, 2019, End of the Month meeting minutes from May 30, 2019, the Regular Meeting minutes from June 3, 2019 and the Special Meeting Minutes from June 10, 2019.

Commissioner Garchar made a motion to approve the above-mentioned minutes.
Commissioner Cook seconded the motion.
Both Commissioners voted in favor.

Petition for Abatement or Refund of Taxes Consideration

County Deputy Assessor Amber Blackmore presented a Petition for Abatement or Refund of Taxes application from Waste Management of New Mexico, Incorporated. Due to the petitioner not having filed a protest to the 2018 Notice of Valuation, Assessor Berna Ernst via Deputy Assessor Blackmore, advised the BOCC to decline the erroneous petition for abatement as being statutorily barred.

Commissioner Garchar made a motion to sign the Decision of the County Commissioners Petition for Abatement without a refund.
Commissioner Cook seconded the motion.
Both Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

After review by Attorney Golbricht it was noted that the petitioner had not been notified of the abatement hearing. Attorney Golbricht drafted a Notice of Hearing set for July 22, 2019 at 10 a.m. The notice will be sent certified mail to the petitioner per statute. The Commissioners withdrew the prior decision on abatement.

Commissioner Cook made a motion to postpone the abatement until July 22, 2019.
Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.
Both Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Jones and Demille Engineering Update on Sherry Street

Jones and Demille Engineers Scoot Flannery and Chad Sonderegger gave an update on their evaluations and possible solutions for the Sherry Street lawsuit settlement.
Attorney Golbricht suggested an Executive Session for discussion and to receive legal advice regarding compliance with settlement terms of the prior litigation, pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(b). Attorney Golbricht stated that it was his opinion that the matters would be attorney privileged communications and therefore no recording or minutes would be kept.

Public Comment

No one was present for public comment.

Executive Session

Commissioner Cook made a motion to enter into Executive Session.
Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.
Both Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Cook ended the Executive Session at 11:52.

The County will move forward with the Town of Dove Creek in addressing any drainage and road issue as the Town sees fit after their Board meeting on Thursday, June 20, 2019.

Social Services Update

Social Services Director Malynda Evans was available via teleconference to go over the Record of Proceedings from May 20, 2019 as well as the May 31, 2019 Reconciliation Summary.

Commissioner Garchar made a motion to approve and sign the above-mentioned documents.
Commissioner Cook seconded the motion.
Both Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

The Dolores County Social Services Department received the CSTAT award at the CCI summer conference.

Northwoods Software is not meeting state security standards. The current contract is being placed on hold. Colorado has very strict requirements in place compared to neighboring states. Northwoods is working to improve their security standards.

Forest Service Update

USFS Representative Derek Padilla gave an update to the BOCC on the West Fork Land Acquisition. The time frame for complete transferal of the land was originally slated for August. Mr. Padilla doesn't believe that is accurate at this point and an extended time frame is likely.

Mr. Padilla reported that the Lake Canyon RX Unit 2 controlled burn project will start this coming Saturday and end on Sunday (weather permitting). Road guards will be posted to escort people safely through the burn area.

Dolores County Mapping and Addressing Specialist Amber Fisher gave a presentation on Eagle View high resolution imagery. Empire Electric, Montezuma County, the City of Cortez, the Town of Dove Creek and the Town of Rico are all interested in having the high-resolution imagery flown. Nine inch and three-inch imagery is available. The imagery would assist with 911 emergency calls, fire and Sheriff's office response times as well as assessment purposes for the County assessor. The Forest Service owns a large percentage of Dolores and Montezuma Counties and could be a potential contributor to the funding of the project.

BLM Update

BLM Representative Connie Clementson shared the Field Manager Report for the Tres Rios Field Office from the recent RAC meeting. The report included planning, renewable resources, minerals and realty. See attached handout for details.

There was discussion about the Dolores River Canyon Search and Rescue helicopter retrieval from of 6 young men that failed to return Saturday evening. Safety for the helicopter crew was emphasized in non-emergency situations.

A pine tree had fallen across the river below Snaggletooth blocking rafters. County Administrator Margret Daves questioned if the BLM was working on removing the tree. Ms. Clementson said the BLM recognizes that there will be hazards along the river, however, they do not have a legal responsibility to remove every tree that may present an issue. The BLM is happy to work with their partners such as the Dolores River Advocates.

A Tri-State brochure was handed out that detailed information of what is happening with the new power lines. Roads were put in place last summer. Cement work for the tower pads is being done now. Lines should be installed this fall. BLM will notify the County when Tri-State spans the mile-wide river canyon as it should be quite the site.

The Dolores River high flow rates were discussed as the amount of snow in the high country slowly continues to melt due to the cool evening temperatures. Snow-tel measuring points are at mid mountain not on mountain tops so gauging depths on top is a guessing game.

BLM Acting Monument Manager Chris Rose shared details of increased fees at the Canyons of the Ancients Monument Visitor Center and Museum.

New Business

Resolution #6-19-02 Transfer of Funds: The Dolores County Treasurer made a request to Transfer Funds from the Medical Fund to the Senior Services Fund in the amount of \$149.04 for Medicaid.

Commissioner made a motion to sign Resolution #6-19-02 transferring the funds.
Commissioner seconded the motion.
Both Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Dunton Hot Springs Liquor License Renewal: Sheriff Don Wilson reported that there had been no issues with the Dunton Hot Springs establishment in regards to liquor sales.

Commissioner Garchar made a motion to sign the license renewal.
Commissioner Cook seconded the motion.
Both Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Upstairs Copier Lease Proposal: The upstairs copier lease is expiring. Image Net provided a quote for a 5-year lease of a new copier.

Commissioner Garchar made a motion to upgrade to a new copier for all the upstairs offices.
Commissioner Cook seconded the motion.
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Plotter Discussion: Assessor Berna Ernst discussed possibly upgrading to a 36" wide color printer/plotter she would like to purchase to replace the 2012 previously purchased printer.

Old Business

First Reading Special Transport Draft: Postponed and added to the July 8, 2019 Rico Meeting.

Commissioner Cook adjourned the meeting.

Attest:


County Administrator



Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners

