

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WELD COUNTY, COLORADO MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021

The Board of County Commissioners of Weld County, Colorado, met in regular session in full conformity with the laws of the State of Colorado at the regular place of meeting in the Weld County Administration Building, Greeley, Colorado, May 17, 2021, at the hour of 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order by the Chair and on roll call the following members were present, constituting a quorum of the members thereof:

Commissioner Steve Moreno, Chair
Commissioner Scott K. James, Pro-Tem
Commissioner Perry L. Buck
Commissioner Mike Freeman
Commissioner Lori Saine

Also present:

County Attorney, Bruce Barker
Clerk to the Board, Esther Gesick
Controller, Barbara Connolly

MINUTES: Commissioner Saine moved to approve the Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners meeting of May 12, 2021, as printed. Commissioner James seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

CERTIFICATION OF HEARINGS: Commissioner James moved to approve the Certification of Hearings conducted on May 12, 2021, as follows: 1) COZ21-0001 – Harley and Patricia Troyer, 2) USR21-0004 – WETCO Farms, Inc., c/o SunShare, LLC, and 3) PUDZ21-0001 – Landowners of Lakota Lakes Ranch PUD, c/o Jamie McGill. Commissioner Saine seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT: No public input was given.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA: There were no amendments to the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA: Commissioner Freeman moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as printed. Commissioner Buck seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER COORDINATOR REPORTS: Commissioner Buck reported the Department of Human Services has approved approximately \$1.3 million in Emergency Rental Assistance funding, processed 886 requests, and evaluated 583 households. Additionally, the Area Agency on Aging continues to support the 'Grab and Go' senior meals until the 23 congregate meal sites return to in-person services. She also provided an update on the unemployment claims processed, as well as grants and services provided by Upstate Colorado Economic Development. Commissioner James commended the Weld County Department of Public Health and Environment for their ongoing efforts in fighting the pandemic with local vaccination clinics, with further information available at www.weldhealth.org. He reported the

Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC) has delayed the rulemaking hearings concerning Greenhouse Gas Reduction efforts and the Board intends to continue working with air quality consultants to express its opposition to the negative legislative impacts on the citizens of Weld County. Commissioner Saine thanked Commissioner James for testifying on this matter at the capital. Chair Moreno recognized the passing of former County Coroner, Mark Ward, and expressed his condolences to the Ward family.

PRESENTATIONS:

1) RECOGNITION OF SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – MICK ELLIOTT: Chair Moreno read the certificate recognizing Mick Elliott for 15 years of service. Jay McDonald, Director of the Department of Public Works, expressed his pride in a quality employee. Curtis Hall, Deputy Director, shared Mr. Elliott’s contributions as a dedicated, yet fun-loving employee who started as a seasonal position and progressed in his career at Road and Bridge and then Maintenance/Support. Lee Stephens, Supervisor, shared that through the years Mr. Elliott has supported citizens and motorists through his great service. Mr. Elliott stated he owes his life to Weld County as a result of the benefits of the Wellness Program and the insurance that sustained him through medical treatment, as well as the opportunity to contribute to his retirement. The Commissioners, in turn, expressed their appreciation to Mr. Elliott as a quality employee whose efforts benefitted every citizen in Weld County, and wished him the best in his future endeavors. Mr. Elliott concluded he has watched Weld County grow, and he credited the Board of Commissioners for investing in and equipping the Department of Public Works with the necessary staff and equipment to do quality work.

WARRANTS:

1) GENERAL WARRANTS – MAY 14, 2021: Commissioner Freeman moved to approve the General Warrants, as printed. Commissioner James seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried four to one, with Commissioner Saine opposed.

2) GREELEY-WELD COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY WARRANTS – MAY 14, 2021: Commissioner Freeman moved to approve the Greeley-Weld County Airport Authority Warrants, as printed. Commissioner James seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried four to one, with Commissioner Saine opposed.

BIDS:

1) PRESENT AND APPROVE EMERGENCY BID #B2100098, CORONER MORGUE X-RAY EQUIPMENT – CORONER’S OFFICE: Rob Turf, Purchasing Department, stated six (6) bids were received and staff recommends awarding to Rocky Mountain Radiographics, the low bidder meeting all specifications, for the amount of \$51,000.00. *(Clerk’s Note: The written recommendation clarifies the total bid amount is \$58,500.00, including the necessary add-ons.)* He confirmed the new X-ray module is certified for use and includes maintenance and installation, which has been reviewed by the Department of Information Technology. Dr. Michael Burson, Coroner, stated the specialized equipment will meet the need of the growing population. In response to Commissioner Freeman, Mr. Turf explained the Emergency approval is being requested to ensure the machine is installed and online prior to the official move-in date in June. Commissioner Freeman moved to approve said bid on an Emergency basis. Commissioner Buck seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

2) APPROVE BID #B2100092, COVERT SURVEILLANCE PLATFORM IN A TOOLBOX – SHERIFF’S OFFICE: Mr. Turf reviewed staff’s recommendation to select Point Blank Enterprises, the sole bidder meeting specifications, for a total amount of \$28,299.60. Commissioner James moved to approve said bid, as recommended by staff. Commissioner Buck seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

3) PRESENT BID #B2100090, COURTROOM AUDIO AND VISUAL PRESENTATION SYSTEM – FACILITIES DEPARTMENT: Mr. Turf presented the five (5) bids received and stated staff will make a recommendation on June 2, 2021.

4) PRESENT BID #B2100093, HEALTH LAB RENOVATION – FACILITIES DEPARTMENT: Mr. Turf stated staff received five (5) bids and will make a recommendation June 2, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) CONSIDER HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT AND BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT, AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN – COLORADO REGIONAL HEALTH INFORMATION ORGANIZATION (CORHIO): Karin McDougal, Assistant County Attorney, introduced the terms of the agreement. Dr. Burson explained the Coroner’s Office often needs to evaluate medical records to determine if an autopsy is necessary, and this system will allow them access to medical records in real time to assist in making an appropriate decision, which will save time and money, as well as help the decedent’s family in making necessary arrangements. Commissioner James moved to approve said agreement and authorize the Chair to sign. Seconded by Commissioner Freeman, the motion carried unanimously.

2) CONSIDER TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CR 33 BETWEEN CRS 74 AND 76: Amy Mutchie, Department of Public Works, requested temporary closure of County Road (CR) 33 from May 25, 2021, through May 28, 2021, for replacement of an irrigation culvert, and she noted the detour route is paved. Commissioner Freeman moved to approve said temporary closure. Commissioner James seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

3) CONSIDER EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CR 6 BETWEEN CRS 13 AND 19: Ms. Mutchie requested an extension of the closure through May 28, 2021, due to inclement weather delays. Commissioner Freeman moved to approve said extension. Commissioner Buck seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

4) CONSIDER REAPPOINTMENTS TO BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH: Commissioner James moved to approve said reappointments. Commissioner Buck seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

PLANNING:

1) CONSIDER PARTIAL VACATION OF USE BY SPECIAL REVIEW PERMIT, USR-1089, FOR OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION FACILITIES IN THE R-1 (LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) AND I-2 (INDUSTRIAL) ZONE DISTRICTS – BRIAN HARRELL, C/O EXTRACTION OIL AND GAS, INC.: Maxwell Nader, Department of Planning Services, explained Change of Zone, COZ20-0005, was approved on September 16, 2020, to correct a split zoning designation and place the entire property in the A (Agricultural) Zone District. He confirmed USR-1089 is no longer necessary and this partial vacation will satisfy Condition of Approval #1.A of COZ20-0005 and allow the plat to be recorded. Commissioner Freeman moved to approve said partial vacation. Commissioner Buck seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

2) CONSIDER REQUEST TO WITHDRAW A SITE SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND USE BY SPECIAL REVIEW PERMIT, USR-1656, FOR OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION FACILITIES (TWO OIL AND GAS WELLS – AND ANY ADDITIONAL WELLS ALLOWED BY THE COLORADO OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION DRILLED FROM THE SAME PAD, ALONG WITH A TANK BATTERY SITE) IN THE A (AGRICULTURAL) ZONE DISTRICT, AND RESCIND RESOLUTION #2008-2250, DATED AUGUST 20, 2008 – BRIAN HARRELL, C/O EXTRACTION OIL AND GAS, INC.: Mr. Nader explained USR-1656 was approved but never perfected, nor was the plat recorded. He stated Change of Zone, COZ20-0005, was approved to correct a split zoning designation, thus the entire property is now

zoned A (Agricultural) and the USR is no longer needed. Mr. Nader confirmed rescinding the original USR approval will satisfy Condition of Approval #1.B of COZ20-0005 and permit the plat map to be recorded. Commissioner Buck moved to approve said withdrawal request and to rescind Resolution #2008-2250, dated August 20, 2008. Commissioner Saine seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES: The resolutions were presented and signed as listed on the Consent Agenda. No Ordinances were approved.

Let the minutes reflect that the above and foregoing actions were attested to and respectfully submitted by the Clerk to the Board.

There being no further business, this meeting was adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

ATTEST:

Weld County Clerk to the Board

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk to the Board

Steve Moreno, Chair

Scott K. James, Pro-Tem

Perry L. Buck

Mike Freeman

Lori Saine