

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WELD COUNTY, COLORADO WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023

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, October 18, 2023, 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 Mike Freeman, Chair
Commissioner Perry L. Buck, Pro-Tem
Commissioner Scott K. James
Commissioner Kevin D. Ross
Commissioner Lori Saine

Also present:

County Attorney, Bruce Barker
Acting Clerk to the Board, Houston Aragon
Chief Financial Officer, Cheryl Pattelli

MINUTES: There being no corrections to the Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners meeting of October 4, 2023, as printed, Commissioner Ross moved to approve. Commissioner Buck seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CERTIFICATION OF HEARINGS: Commissioner James moved to approve the Certification of Hearings conducted on October 4, 2023, as follows: 1) USR23-0021 – Dave Weinmeister, c/o CBEP Solar 13, LLC, 2) USR23-0022 – Michael Morgan, c/o CBEP Solar 15, LLC, and 3) USR23-0023 – Thomas and Marjorie Brown, c/o CBEP Solar 27, LLC. Commissioner Buck seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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

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

WARRANTS:

1) GENERAL WARRANTS – OCTOBER 17, 2023: Commissioner James moved to approve the General Warrants, as printed. Commissioner Ross seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BIDS:

1) PRESENT BID #B2300179, CONSULTING SERVICES TO DEVELOP WELD COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE MASTER PLAN (REQUEST FOR QUOTE [RFQ]/REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL [RFP]) – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: Rose Everett, Purchasing Department, stated three (3) bids were received and staff will make a recommendation at a later date to be determined.

2) PRESENT BID #B2300186, NORTH JAIL HOT WATER GENERATOR AND WALL REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT – FACILITIES DEPARTMENT: Carolyn Geisert, Purchasing Department, stated two (2) bids were received and staff will make a recommendation on November 1, 2023.

3) PRESENT BID #B2300191, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WEEDS BUILDING INSULATION REPLACEMENT – FACILITIES DEPARTMENT: Ms. Geisert stated two (2) bids were received and staff will make a recommendation on November 1, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) CONSIDER CONTRACT ID #7468 AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT SERVICES AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN – HOPE’S PROMISE: Jamie Ulrich, Director of the Department of Human Services, stated this agreement allows for child placement agency foster care services. Commissioner James moved to approve said agreement and authorize the Chair to sign. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Buck, and it carried unanimously.

2) CONSIDER CONTRACT ID #7506 EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATION AND WORK PLAN FOR VARIOUS WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) PROGRAMS, AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN ELECTRONICALLY: Ms. Ulrich stated this is funding and a workplan for various Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) programs. Commissioner Ross moved to approve said expenditure authorization and workplan, and authorize the Chair to sign electronically. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Buck, and the motion carried unanimously.

3) CONSIDER CONTRACT ID #7505 PROGRAMMING AGREEMENT AND COLORADO SATELLITE PARTNER AND GRANT ADDENDUM FOR COOKING MATTERS PROGRAM AND NO KID HUNGRY CAMPAIGN, AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN – NOURISH COLORADO: Jason Chessher, Director of the Department of Public Health and Environment, stated this contract provides a health education program, with a term commencing October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024, for the amount of \$164,000.00. He indicated this program will remain at current staffing levels, and stated the County has received notification the funding for this program will no longer continue after this contract ends. Commissioner James moved to approve said agreement and addendum, and authorize the Chair to sign. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ross, and it carried unanimously.

4) CONSIDER CONTRACT ID #7522 OFF-SYSTEM BRIDGE PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR BRIDGE 60.5/49A REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SUBMIT ELECTRONICALLY – COLORADO COUNTIES, INC. (CCI): Michael Bedell, Department of Public Works, stated this application is for Bridge 60.5/49A, which was identified on the County’s five (5)-year Capital Improvements Plan (CIP). He further stated this bridge replacement project is estimated to cost a total of \$9.5 Million, and the application for grant funding is for \$2 Million, which is due for submittal no later than October 27, 2023. Mr. Bedell informed the Board that should the County be awarded; notification should be expected by December 2023. Commissioner Ross moved to approve said application and authorize the Department of Public Works to submit electronically. The motion, which was seconded by Commissioner James, carried unanimously.

5) CONSIDER EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CR 77 BETWEEN CR 100 AND SH 14: Amy Mutchie, Department of Public Works, requested to extend the closure from November 3, 2023, through November 22, 2023, due to weather delays. Commissioner Buck moved to approve said extension of temporary closure. The motion was seconded by Commissioner James, and it carried unanimously.

6) CONSIDER CONTRACT ID #7521 PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR WELD COUNTY STRATEGIC PLAN, AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN, AND TERMINATE AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO UNDER RESOLUTION #2022-0634, DATED MARCH 30, 2022 – STRATALYSTS, LLC: Cheryl Pattelli, Chief Financial Officer, stated the County has contracted services for Strategic Planning, and identified the current consultant that has been working on this project left Berry Dunn McNeill and Parker, LLC, and is now employed with Stratalysts, LLC. She requested the Board terminate the contract with the previous consulting company, and enter into this new agreement, which will allow the county to remain with the same consultant for consistency of the project. Commissioner James moved to approve said agreement, authorize the Chair to sign, and terminate the agreement entered into under Resolution #2022-0634, dated March 30, 2022. The motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Buck, carried unanimously.

7) CONSIDER EXPRESSION FOR OPPOSING PROPOSITION HH AND STRONGLY URGING DEFEAT: In response to Commissioner Saine, Bruce Barker, County Attorney, explained various County Attorneys have been trying to assist local governments to solve the exorbitant rise in property tax values through existing means, rather than the State dictating to the Assessor's Office how they will have to conduct appraisals. He indicated this reaffirms Resolution #2023-1559, dated June 5, 2023. After discussion, Mr. Barker agreed with Commissioner Saine for the addition of punctuation for clarification purposes. Commissioner Ross moved to approve said resolution, with the suggestions made by Mr. Barker. Seconded by Commissioner Buck, the motion carried unanimously.

8) CONSIDER CANCELLATION OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 15, 2023: Commissioner Ross stated a majority of the Board will be attending a conference and further moved to approve said cancellation of the Board of County Commissioners regular and land use meetings on November 15, 2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner James, and it carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1) Steve Teets, Greeley resident, offered his comments to the Board.

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 9:20 a.m.

These Minutes were approved on the 1st day of November, 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

ATTEST:

Weld County Clerk to the Board

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk to the Board

Mike Freeman, Chair

Perry L. Buck, Pro-Tem

Scott K. James

Kevin D. Ross

Lori Saine