

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WELD COUNTY, COLORADO MONDAY, MARCH 22, 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, March 22, 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 (*arrived at 9:14 a.m.*)

Also present:

County Attorney, Bruce Barker  
Acting Clerk to the Board, Isabella Juanicorena  
Controller, Barbara Connolly

**MINUTES:** Commissioner James moved to approve the Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners meeting of March 17, 2021, as printed. Commissioner Buck seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

**CERTIFICATION OF HEARINGS:** Commissioner Freeman moved to approve the Certification of Hearings conducted on March 17, 2021, as follows: 1) ZPAG20-0033 – Rachel Crawford, 2) USR20-0032 – Mauro Ruiz, and 3) USR20-0038 – Barton Land and Cattle, Inc., c/o Brian and Denise Barton. Commissioner Buck 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 James seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously. (*Clerk's Note: Items #3 and #4 listed under 'Consent Agenda – Miscellaneous' were administrative replaced to amend Contract ID Numbers from #4535 to #4590, and from #4536 to #4591, and to account for a 3% annual inflation rate.*)

**COMMISSIONER COORDINATOR REPORTS:** Chair Moreno and Commissioner Freeman had nothing to report. Commissioner James stated the departments he coordinates are operating well and shared he testified at a Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) session regarding greenhouse gas and how it relates to funding. Commissioner Buck encouraged those who seek rental assistance to visit the Weld County website, and commented on recruiting for the Weld County Youth Conservation Corps. The Commissioners, in turn, thanked the supporters and sponsors of the Meat-In event, which gathered 2,500

to 3,000 members of the community, and encouraged the citizens of Weld County to continue to support the Agricultural industry.

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

1) NATIONAL AG DAY – MARCH 23, 2021: Chair Moreno read the proclamation for the record. The Commissioners, in turn, expressed Agriculture is extremely important to Weld County and provides approximately 8,000 jobs. They noted they are honored to support the proclamation, and are proud of the farmers and ranchers who provide important products to the economy and the citizens of Weld County. *(Clerk's Note: The Board gathered for a photo opportunity).*

**WARRANTS:**

1) GENERAL WARRANTS – MARCH 19, 2021: Commissioner Freeman moved to approve the General Warrants, as printed. Commissioner James seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

**BIDS:**

1) PRESENT BID #B2100064, ON-SITE MEDICAL CLINIC SERVICES – DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES: Rob Turf, Purchasing Department, stated six (6) bids were received and staff will make a recommendation on April 5, 2021.

2) PRESENT BID #B2100067, STEEL BID – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. Turf explained 26 suppliers downloaded the specifications, two (2) bids were received, and staff will make a recommendation on April 5, 2021.

3) PRESENT BID #B2100068, CATTLE GUARDS – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. Turf presented four (4) bids were received and staff will make a recommendation on April 5, 2021.

4) PRESENT BID #B2100070, TANDEM AXLE TRUCK WITH WET KIT (QTY 2) – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. Turf stated three (3) bids were received and staff will make a recommendation on April 5, 2021.

*(Clerk's Note: Commissioner Saine arrived at 9:14 a.m.)*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1) CONSIDER AGREEMENT FOR WELD COUNTY BRIGHT FUTURES PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN – NORTH COLORADO MEDICAL CENTER FOUNDATION, INC., AND THE WELD TRUST: Don Warden, Director of Finance and Administration, presented the Agreement for the Bright Futures Program and stated The Weld Trust will assume the administration of said program in replacement of Upstate Colorado Economic Development, and will draw from two (2) different channels: health grants for other matters and educational grants for the Bright Futures Program. He stated this transition will be beneficial for coordination purposes for the Weld County Bright Futures Advisory Board who will also serve as an advisory Board for The Weld Trust. The agreement also ensures the program cannot be changed without approval by the Weld County Board of Commissioners, allows for further investment opportunities to help support and sustain existing and future funds, and enhances fundraising efforts. The Commissioners, in turn, thanked Mr. Warden for his efforts to establish this agreement and agreed it will enhance the program. Commissioner Buck moved to approve said agreement and authorize the Chair to sign. The motion was seconded by Commissioner James and it carried unanimously.

2) CONSIDER STOP LOSS APPLICATION AND SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN AND SUBMIT ELECTRONICALLY – AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY: Patti Russell, Director of the Department of Human Resources, explained the Stop Loss Application and Schedule of Insurance is an addendum to the current contract with Aetna and increases the current stop

loss application amount to \$300,000.00 to ensure employees have sufficient health coverage. Commissioner Freeman moved to approve said application and schedule and authorize the Chair to sign and submit electronically. Seconded by Commissioner James, the motion carried unanimously.

3) CONSIDER CONTRACT ID #4567 AMENDMENT #1 TO CONTRACT FOR JAIL BASED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN AND SUBMIT ELECTRONICALLY: Sonja Kohlgraf, Sheriff's Office, introduced Stephanie Thornquist, Director of Inmate Services, and stated the amendment is for an additional \$37,500.00 to be utilized for the assessment and treatment of inmates for substance abuse disorders and access to resources once released into the community. Commissioner James moved to approve said amendment and authorize the Chair to sign and submit electronically. The motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Freeman, carried unanimously.

4) CONSIDER CONTRACT ID #4568 GRANT APPLICATION FOR CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING (CESF) PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZE ELECTRONIC SUBMITTAL: Ms. Kohlgraf presented the application for funds to help the department with resources to assist and protect inmates and staff in jails, and noted the grant amounts to \$71,085.00 to provide equipment, masks, gloves, and eye protection. Commissioner Freeman moved to approve said application and authorize electronic submittal. Commissioner James seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

5) CONSIDER CONTRACT ID #4561 STRUCTURE AGREEMENT FOR COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGE TO STRUCTURES WITHIN 200 FEET OF MINING ACTIVITIES AT PIERCE PIT AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN – C&H AGGREGATES, LLC: Clay Kimmi, Department of Public Works, explained the agreement, required by the Colorado Department of Natural Resources, Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, would hold C&H Aggregates, LLC, accountable for any damage to County roads or culverts as a result of mining activity. The motion to approve said agreement and authorize the Chair to sign was made by Commissioner James, seconded by Commissioner Freeman, and it carried unanimously.

6) CONSIDER TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CR 23 BETWEEN CR 8 AND SH 52: Amy Mutchie, Department of Public Works, requested temporary closure of County Road (CR) 23 from March 29, 2021, through April 3, 2021, for the re-deck and maintenance of Bridge 23/8A. She stated magnesium chloride will be utilized on all gravel road detour routes, and noted message boards will be placed seven (7) days prior to closure. Commissioner Freeman moved to approve said temporary closure. The motion was seconded by Commissioner James and it carried unanimously.

7) CONSIDER TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CR 62 BETWEEN CRS 41 AND 43: Ms. Mutchie requested temporary closure of CR 62 from March 24, 2021, through April 2, 2021, for the replacement of an irrigation culvert. She noted no dust control methods are necessary, because the detour routes are paved, and message boards will be placed prior to the temporary closure. Commissioner Freeman moved to approve said temporary closure. The motion was seconded by Commissioner James 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 9:28 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

ATTEST:

Weld County Clerk to the Board

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk to the Board

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Steve Moreno, Chair

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