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1/19/2021

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**MINUTES**  
**January 12, 2021**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Rio Blanco County**

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The Board met at 11:03 a.m. in regular session at the RBC Courthouse, 555 Main St., Meeker, CO. Chairman Jeff Rector, Commissioner Gary Moyer, Commissioner Ty Gates, Board Assistant Vicky Edwards, Attorney Todd Starr, Budget Director Janae Stanworth, Clerk to the Board Boots Campbell and Road & Bridge Supervisor, Dave Morlan were present.

**Call to order – Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting began with the pledge of allegiance.

**AGENDA CHANGES** -

**Approval of the January 12, 2021 agenda**

Commissioner Gates moved to approve the January 12, 2021 agenda including any changes. Commissioner Moyer seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

**CONSENT AGENDA – Approval of the January 12, 2021 consent agenda**

Chairman Rector asked if there was any item on the consent agenda that needed to be added or subtracted at this time.

- BOCC Meeting minutes of December 22, 2020, January 5, 2021 and January 7, 2021.
- Assessors Quarterly Abatement Report for December, 2020.
- Financial Management Report December 2020.
- DHS EBT Register and Warrant Register December 2020.
- Motor Vehicle Report December 2020.

Commissioner Moyer moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Gates moved to approve US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management renewal of Right-of-way Grant, Serial Number COC-77467-01 for County Road 73 bridge replacement work areas. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Moyer moved to appoint Alden VandenBrink to the Colorado River District for a three year term. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Outlay Report and Request for Reimbursement for Airport Constructions Programs, Grant # 3-08-0047-013-2019 to FAA - Denver ADO for the period of 8/1/2020 to 11/30/2020, in the amount of \$962.23. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

Commissioner Moyer moved to approve Federal Financial Report to Federal Aviation Administration - Denver ADO, Federal Grant #3-08-0047-013-2019 for the Period 7/29/2020 to 11/30/2020. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Request for Reimbursement #7 for the Rangely Airport, Federal Grant #03-08-0047-013-2019, State Grant #19-4VO-01, in a total amount of \$1,069.95, FAA reimbursement of \$962.23, CDOT Reimbursement of \$53.50 and Sponsor Commitment of \$54.23. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

Commissioner Moyer moved to approve Request for Reimbursement #14 for the Meeker Airport Coulter Field, Federal Grant #03-08-0041-013-2018, State Grant #18-EEO-01, in a total amount of \$6,875.00, FAA reimbursement of \$6,187.50, CDOT Reimbursement of \$343.75 and Sponsor Commitment of \$343.75. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Request for Reimbursement #2 for the Rangely Airport, Federal Grant #03-08-0047-014-2020, in a total amount of \$101,195.94 FAA reimbursement of \$101,195.94. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

Commissioner Moyer moved to approve Final Contractor Settlement with Western Gravel Constructors for the 2020 Rio Blanco County Bridge Maintenance Project, in an amount not to exceed \$3,965.19. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to ratify an Application for Transportation and Utility Systems and Facilities on Federal Lands for RBC Road 5 Stockpass 3 Project. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

Commissioner Moyer moved to approve the promotion of a current employee to Operator III, not to exceed the appropriated budget. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

Commissioner Rector moved to appoint Commissioner Moyer as the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners for 2021. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Abstain.

Commissioner Moyer moved to appoint Commissioner Rector as the Chairman Pro-Tem of the Board of County Commissioners for 2021. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Abstain, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve the setting of regular meeting days for board meetings as the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesdays of the month with the 2nd and 4th Tuesday meetings held at the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 3rd Floor, commissioner's hearing room, located at 555 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado and the 3rd Tuesday meeting held at the Rio Blanco County Annex, located at 17497 State Highway 64, Rangely, Colorado. Special board meetings will be held as necessary. The designated official posting locations of tentative agendas will be at the main bulletin board at the Clerk and Recorder's office in both Meeker and Rangely, and the community bulletin boards located outside the Meeker U. S. Post Office and the Rangely U. S. Post Office. Tentative agendas will be posted 24 hours before the regular scheduled meeting. A copy of a tentative agenda will be placed in the Rio Blanco Herald Times and on the Rio Blanco County website as practical. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

Commissioner Rector moved to appoint Commissioner Moyer and Commissioner Gates as the Representative and Alternate(s), respectively, to the AGNC Board for 2021. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Moyer moved to appoint Commissioner Rector as the County Investment Policy Committee Member for 2021. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Abstain, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

Commissioner Moyer moved to appoint Commissioner Gates as the Representative to the Northwest Transportation Planning Commission. Commissioner Rector seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Abstain, Rector-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to appoint Laura Smith as the County Representative to the County Health Pool designated to receive billings and general correspondence. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Moyer moved to appoint Commissioner Gates as the e-911 Board Member for 2021. Commissioner Rector seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Abstain.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve a comment letter to the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commissioners regarding grey wolf Introduction. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

#### **BID AWARDS – none**

#### **MOU'S, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS**

Commissioner Moyer moved to approve ADS-B WAM Radio Site Facility and Tower Lease Agreement with L3Harris Technologies, Inc. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Contract Modification Order No. 01 with Pitt Roofing for the 2020 Rio Blanco County Rangely Roof Project, increasing the not to exceed amount by \$2,844.60 to \$77,984.60, and extending the completion date from November 6, 2020 to May 1, 2021. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

Commissioner Moyer moved to approve Maintenance Services and Support Schedule Agreement with ImageNet Consulting, LLC for County HP printers. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Resolution #2021-01, a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, Designating Banks as Depositories of Rio Blanco County Funds. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Moyer moved to approve Resolution #2021-02, a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, designating the Rio Blanco Herald Times as the official newspaper for County publications as required by law. Commissioner Gates seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Resolution #2021-03, a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, establishing County administration office hours for 2021. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

##### **Road & Bridge Monthly update – Dave Morlan Rangely**

Crews have been plowing snow on all pavement and gravel, cutting snow pack on pavement with graders, cleaning up snow around the yard and cleaning up in the shop. Rangely had several employees gone last month with Covid-19 and also due to quarantine.

##### **Meeker**

Crews have been cleaning cattle guards, cutting brush, pulling shoulders and plowing snow. They've also been hauling pit run to CR14, cleaning bays and washing trucks. They've mixed ice slicer at the pit and done airport clean-up of snow on the runway with the snow blower. They've cut ice on CR8, bladed CR5, hauled salt & sand to satellite buildings and landfill buildings. They've also fixed guardrails on CR5 from accidents.

**Landfill**

Dave reported the landfill is going smooth.

**December Updates**

Dave has been meeting with all landowners for stock pass #3. He met with BLM, Oil Shale Corp, Conoco, Puckett and others. Dave will be listening to a DOLA hearing Thursday. Commissioner Gates will be present for the DOLA hearing. After getting the hydrology calculations we'll be able to redesign after application. There should be about \$167,000 left that can be included in bridge maintenance projects this summer. Another letter was received from CDOT wanting to know what we're doing with the CR73 Bridge. The project will go to advertisement on January 14<sup>th</sup>.

Dave noted that "Terra" is bringing a rig into the basin and will be drilling 16 wells in about 4 to 5 months.

The "Welcome to Rio Blanco County" sign is gone from Hwy 13 but Scott Contracting who was working on the highway is making another sign and will put it up. The sign regarding regulations and zoning is still up.

**Public Comment – none****County Commissioner updates**

Commissioner Gates has been working on CTSI training last week and has new commissioner orientation the rest of this week.

Commissioner Moyer met with a group regarding the wolf issue and stated that Mike Clark has retained an attorney. Gary noted that the Governor is trying to expedite getting wolves on the ground. He also noted we have had some problems with towers, but Trevor took care of it.

Chairman Rector noted the towers are all OK and up and running today. Jeff was on a conference call with NACO regarding work forces looking into the future. He set in on a meeting with WIR regarding public lands updates. Jeff also mentioned legislative sessions where the Board of Health could be taken away from the Commissioners and also mentioned elk migration across a maintenance road for the mine. Jeff reported that RBC has entered into an IGA with Moffatt County and offered a DHS job to a lady from Oklahoma who should be here by February 1<sup>st</sup>. This person should be a great help to Barb and our DHS department.

Commissioner Rector moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to §24-6-402(4)(b) C.R.S. to conference with the Rio Blanco County Attorney, Todd M. Starr, for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions and §24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye. Attorney Starr noted that he, the 3 Commissioners, Vicky Edwards, Janae Stanworth, Laura Smith and Sheriff Anthony Mazzola would be in the Executive Session.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Attest:

  
Boots M. Campbell, County Clerk

  
Jeff Rector, Chairman

