



**MINUTES**  
**September 14, 2021**

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

The Board met at 11:00 a.m. in regular session at the RBC Courthouse, 555 Main St., Meeker, CO. Commissioner Gary Moyer, Commissioner Ty Gates, County Attorney Don Steerman, Board Assistant Vicky Edwards and Clerk to the Board Boots Campbell were present. Commissioner Rector was absent.

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

**AGENDA CHANGES** - none

**Approval of the September 14, 2021 agenda**

Commissioner Gates moved to approve the September 14, 2021 agenda including any changes. Commissioner Moyer seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

**CONSENT AGENDA – Approval of the September 14, 2021 consent agenda**

Meeting Minutes of August 24, 2021.

Special Meeting Minutes of September 1, 2021

DHS EBT Register and Warrant Registers for August 2021

Motor Vehicle Publication Report for August 2021

AP Management Reports for August 2021

Payroll Management Reports for September 3, 2021

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

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Ratification of Amendment #1 to the Agreement with Jessica Perkins for Eligibility Technical Services, amending Paragraph 4 of the required insurance provisions. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve the ratification of a renewal for the 2021CMIP053 Incentives Program supporting incentive based benchmarks related to the Rio Blanco County Department of Human Services. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Meeker Airport- Coulter Field 2021 Pavement Maintenance and Rangely Airport 2021 Pavement Maintenance and Runway Repair. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Application for Transportation and Utility Systems and Facilities on Federal Lands for a Right of Way on County Road 23. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve a letter to Governor Jared Polis and CDPHE requesting the hospitals located within Rio Blanco County be exempted from mandatory COVID 19 Vaccinations for staff members. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve a letter to A&S Construction, approving an extension of the Quinn Pit Lease, extending the expiration date from October 3, 2021 to October 3, 2021. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

**BID AWARDS - None**

**MOU'S, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS**

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Consulting Services Agreement with One Technology Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$9,980.00. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with Moffat County, Colorado, for Moffat County Sheriff to furnish inmate/detainee housing services to Rio Blanco. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye. Sheriff Anthony Mazzola and Undersheriff Jeremy Muxlow were present. Sheriff Mazzola gave a detailed account regarding the reason for the Agreement.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Service Agreement Renewal with Johnson Controls Fire Protection for service of Fire Alarm, Sprinkler and Suppression, in an amount not to exceed \$13,324.70. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement between Gateway to Success and Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office for behavioral health services. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve deny Contract Amendment No. 1 with Thin Air Communications, Inc., modifying the warranty terms for equipment and workmanship. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve State of Colorado Intergovernmental Agreement for funding to support workload at the end of the PHE, and to authorize DHS Director Tia Murry to sign agreement. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Gates-Aye, Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye.

Commissioner Gates moved to approve an Amended Intergovernmental Agreement Creating the Northwest Colorado Development Council. Commissioner Moyer seconded. Roll call vote: Rector-Aye, Moyer-Aye, Gates-Aye.

**RESOLUTIONS - None**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Road & Bridge Monthly Update – Scott Marsh**

Rangely crews have been cleaning culverts, doing flood cleanup, setting up road closed signs for the fire, hauling gravel in Meeker from the Piceance Creek Pit and putting mag on the last mile of the CR65, the Deserado Road.

Meeker crews have been doing corner widening, mowing, culvert repair, graveling CR17, moving gravel out of the Piceance Creek Pit, hauling rock off Cri and getting roads painted.

Engineering has been working on CR73 and SP3 and still have guardrail to do on this project, and the detour is gone. They've also been working on a cost estimate for paving in the Rangely area.

**Public Comment – None**

**Commissioner updates**

Commissioner Gates attended an endowment meeting with Senator Bennet to help oil, gas and coal impacted communities. Ty also had meetings with some staff members and had a discussion involving the County and Pioneers Medical Center regarding the Meeker Streaker being used for transportation during the Sheepdog Trials. He attended the NW Colorado Council and the AGNC Economics summit. Ty had calls with hospital CEO's regarding how the State Board of Health is supposed to be supporting rural hospitals.

Chairman Moyer attended Septemberfest in Rangely and visited with Representative Perry Will. He reported on an AGNC emergency call regarding the Parks & Wildlife CPW being removed from his position due to a candid discussion regarding wolves. The issue is in censorship of staff who should be allowed to speak their minds. Gary attended the Craig Basin Round Table and testified in opposition to the new redistricting plan for House Representative Districts with an I25 boundary and putting large cities in all Congressional Districts. He also mentioned voting for a nonpartisan redistricting group.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

  
Boots M. Campbell, Clerk to the Board

  
Gary Moyer, Chairman

