

**Dolores County
Board of County Commissioners**

May 3, 2021

A regular meeting of the Dolores County Board of County Commissioners was held at the Courthouse in Dove Creek, Colorado on May 3, 2021. Present for the meeting were Commission Chairperson Floyd Cook, Vice Chair Julie Kibel and Commissioner Steve Garchar, Attorney Dennis Golbricht, County Administrator Margret Daves and Deputy Clerk to the Board Jody Gardner.

The meeting began with everyone reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests

Trail of the Ancients Scenic Byway Susan Thomas, Ride of the Ancients Representative Diana McBride, Dolores County School District Representatives Ty Gray, Roxanne Guynes and Jenny Smith, Montezuma County Representatives Rachel Marchbanks and Shak Powers, Congresswoman Boebert's Assistant Devin Camacho, 9Health 365 Comprehensive Representatives Katherine Hauff and Amy Friel, Sheriff Wilson, Town Ordinance Office Miranda Elliot, Senior Services Director Julie Bigham, Social Services Director Malynda Evans, HR and Payroll Director Malynda Evans, Mapping and Addressing Director Amber Fisher, Assessor Berna Ernst, Emergency Manager Keith Keesling, Dove Creek Press Owner Kathleen Keesling, Chamber of Commerce Representative Kendra Cook

Payroll for April 30, 2021

The following is a list of total payrolls by Department:

County Commissioners:	\$7,761.93	7 Employees		
Commissioner Other	\$535.35		1 Part Time	
County Clerk:	\$3,100.20	3 Employees		
County Treasurer:	\$2,769.84	2 Employees		
County Assessor:	\$4,050.18	4 Employees		
GIS:	\$1,206.83	1 Employee		
County Maintenance:	\$1,414.98	1 Employee		
County Sheriff:	\$13,508.51	10 Employees	3 Part Time	
County Coroner:	\$371.30	1 Employee		
EMA:	\$1,430.68	1 Employee		
Extension:	\$1,242.90	2 Employees		
DCTV:	\$1,433.55		6 Part Time	
Veterans Office:	\$480.22		1 Part Time	
Fair Board:	\$174.54			1 Temp
Senior Services:	\$8,231.86	3 Employees	14 Part Time	
Health & Nurse:	\$3,228.33	2 Employees		1 Temp
Mandatory Weed:	\$2,058.41	2 Employees	1 Part Time	
R&B Administration Other:	\$28,520.47	19 Employees	1 Part Time	
Social Services:	\$5,304.65	4 Employees	1 Part Time	
TOTAL:	\$86,824.73	62 Employees	28 Part Time	2
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Agenda

Commissioner Garchar made a motion to accept the agenda.
Commissioner Kibel seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Minutes

There were no minutes presented for approval.

Expenditures

Commissioner Garchar made a motion approving the expenditures.
Commissioner Kibel seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Vehicle Shelter Bid Opening

L&L Construction was the only company represented at the mandatory pre-bid meeting and also the only entity to submit a bid for the project. Their bid total was in the amount of \$177,340.85.

A CDOT grant was received in 2020 in the amount of \$84,000.00. With the bid numbers received, a rough estimate of how much of the project that can be completed is known, as well as how much funding is needed for project completion. Ms. Bingham will pursue more CDOT grant funding in the immediate future. Attorney Golbricht will be drafting a two-phase contract for services.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving acceptance of the bid from L&L Construction.
Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Secure Rural Schools/Federal Forest Funds Distribution Discussion and Resolution#05-21-01 Adoption

RE-2J School District Superintendent Ty Gray was present via Zoom to discuss the amounts received from the US Federal Forest Service and in what manner the funds should be split between the County and School.

In accordance with the U.S. Federal Forest Service - Forest Payment and Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act the treasurer reported receipt of \$265,610.30 from the US Federal Forest Service. Title III funds of 7% totaling \$21,873.79 dispersed. The remaining funds were split 60% to the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$159,366.18 and 40% to Dolores County School District in the amount of \$106,244.12.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving Resolution #05-21-01 and dispersing the funds as above.
Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Social Services Update

Social Services Director Malynda Evans presented for approval the Record of Proceedings for May 3, 2021, as well as the Reconciliation Statement and Budget versus Actual and Expenditures for the period ending on March 31, 2021.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving the above-mentioned documents.
Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

The State Finance Audit will change reporting for the Department of Social Services. Majors and Haley is not willing to absorb the new required duties. The cost allocation to meet the requirements will be approximately \$4,000.00 more than currently required which Ms. Evans can absorb knowing that the funds should come back through the allocations for full time employees. A company called MGT Consulting had been contacted and is familiar with the requirements.

Commissioner Garchar made a motion authorizing the additional \$4,000.00 expenditure contingent upon contract approval with MGT Consulting.
Commissioner Kibel seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

As of last Friday, three applications had been received for the open Case Worker position.

Ride of the Ancients Public Hearing

Ride of the Ancients Representative Susan Thomas handed out a packet containing ride information to the BOCC. Attorney Golbright shared the details from the Planning Commission and with the decision to recommend approval to the BOCC.

There are three organizers of the event. All individuals are non-profit. Two routes will be available for participating riders; the shorter route is 30 miles and will remain in Montezuma County, the longer route is approximately 95 miles and will enter into Dolores County. The long route will have a 7200' elevation change.

Volunteer efforts for assistance will be staged throughout the ride. Signage will be posted along the route. Trash receptacles will be stationed at eight locations throughout the route. Participation is capped at 200 participants. This is not a race. It is a ride. The history of the ride route was shared. While some volunteers for the event will be members of Montezuma County Search and Rescue, they will not be in that official capacity when in Dolores County.

Commissioner Cook opened the meeting up for public comment.

Commissioner Garchar said he would have liked for the packet to include "share the road information".

Emergency Manager Keith Keesling was very pleased with the packet and presentation and supports the event.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving the ROTA Special Event application.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioner voted in favor of the motion.

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Recovery and Resiliency Presentation Grant Letter of Support

Montezuma County Manager Shak Powers and Recovery and Resiliency Representative Rachel Marchbanks were present to discuss a DOLA Resiliency and Recovery Roadmap grant that would provide a fully funded consultant to facilitate the development of a data-informed focused economic recovery action plan.

Common pillars between Montezuma and Dolores Counties are Kinder Morgan production and income, agriculture, tourism, joint health care, education and the drought. In 2020, we found out that our economies were not resilient. Our region is technically in the middle of nowhere but also centrally located. We are naturally a disaster free location. A common goal is to strengthen and diversify our economies.

Commissioner Kibel discussed the need to capture funding from the users of Dolores County's natural resources without occurring the financial and maintenance burdens from the visitors.

A tri-county grant would be pursued. Mitigation for tree removal saving water resources was mentioned. Possibly bringing in manufactured home companies was also discussed.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving the Regional Community Team Recovery and Resiliency Presentation Letter of Support.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

9Health – 365 Comprehensive

9Health 365 – Comprehensive Representative Katherine Hauff and Amy Friel shared a power point presentation herein attached.

New Business

PAUSE Act Opposition Discussion: Neighboring Counties have voiced opposition in regard to the PAUSE Act, however a resolution has not been implemented elsewhere as the issue is not a legislative issue; it is a potential ballot issue.

Attorney Golbricht will draft a letter opposing the PAUSE Act as Dolores County is an agriculturally focused county that will later be presented for approval.

Cresto Ranch Liquor License Application Renewal Approval: the application was presented for review. Sheriff Wilson was previously contacted and had no concerns with the renewal request.

Commissioner Garchar made a motion approving the renewal of the Cresto Ranch Liquor License renewal.

Commissioner Kibel seconded the motion.

All three Commissioner voted in favor of the motion.

Colorado Court Security Grant Letter Discussion and Approval: County Manager Margret Daves discussed the Court Security Grant reimbursement has enhanced the safety of the court and courthouse tremendously over the last few years. The funding has been used to hire a court security deputy that is present for security screenings and provides courtroom security as well as courthouse security at the main entrances. The creation of this much needed position has allowed a patrol deputy to perform normal duties.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving the submittal of the Colorado Court Security Grant reimbursement request.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

West Dolores Cemetery District (WDCD) IGA with Dolores County: Attorney Golbricht discussed the Intergovernmental Agreement between Dolores County and the West Dolores Cemetery District. A copy of the IGA will be attached with the minutes.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion to move the IGA forward to the WDCD.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioner's voted in favor of the motion.

Petition for Refund of Taxes

Assessor Berna Ernst explained the details of a petition for refund of taxes on a protested homestead exemption act in the amount \$235.96.

Commissioner Garchar made a motion approving the refund of taxes.

Commissioner Kibel seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Approval of Senate Bills 21-245 and 21-249 Wild Pass Letters of Support

Emergency Manager Keith Keesling requested that the BOCC consider drafting letters of support for SB 21-245 and SB 21-249. Senate Bill 21-245 is a bill for an act concerning backcountry Search and Rescue services in Colorado. Representative Marc Catlin backed SB 21-245.

Senate Bill 21-249 is a bill for an act concerning the creation of an optional discounted parks and public lands access pass that is purchased at the time a motor vehicle is registered, and, in connection therewith, using the pass fees to finance a number of Parks and Wildlife related to increase conservation of, safety at, and access to state parks and public lands.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving a letter of support being drafted thanking Rep Catlin for supporting 21-245.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

Commissioner Cook adjourned the meeting.

Floyd H. Cook

Chair to the Board of County Commissioners

Joseph Gardner

Deputy Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

