

**Dolores County
Board of County Commissioners**

April 18, 2022

A regular meeting of the Dolores County Board of County Commissioners was held at the Public Service Center in Dove Creek, Colorado on April 18, 2022. Present for the meeting were Commission Chair Floyd Cook, Vice Chair Julie Kibel, 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

Public Health Nurse Mary Randolph, Resident Amber Fisher, Road and Bridge Supervisor Steve Davis, DCADMIN, Dolores County, CSU Extension Agent Gus Westerman, USFS Representative Tom Rice, Tres Rios Field Manager Connie Clementson and DWCD Manager Ken Curtis

Payroll for April 15, 2021

The following is a list of total payrolls by Department:

County Commissioners:	\$8,691.90	7 Employees		
Commissioner Other	\$367.46		1 Part Time	
County Clerk:	\$3,098.79	3 Employees		
County Treasurer:	\$2,861.29	2 Employees		
County Assessor:	\$3,943.64	4 Employees		
GIS:	\$1,265.56	1 Employee		
County Maintenance:	\$1,570.45	1 Employee	1 Part Time	
County Sheriff:	\$15,360.76	11 Employees	2 Part Time	
County Coroner:	\$420.77	1 Employee		
EMA:	\$1,202.13	1 Employee		
Extension:	\$1,388.13	2 Employees		1 Temp
DCTV:	\$1,472.97		4 Part Time	
Veterans Office:	\$374.59		1 Part Time	
Fair Board:	\$290.90			1 Temp
Senior Services:	\$8,454.08	2 Employees	13 Part Time	
Health & Nurse:	\$5,480.39	2 Employees		1 Temp
Mandatory Weed:	\$2,164.47	2 Employees	1 Part Time	
R&B Administration Other:	\$23,722.87	19 Employees	1 Part Time	
Social Services:	\$8,664.03	6 Employees	2 Part Time	
TOTAL:	\$88,352.73	64 Employees	26 Part Time	3 Temp

Agenda

Commissioner Kibel made a motion to accept the agenda with the deletion of the Sales Tax Fact Sheet discussion and the addition of the Public Health Mobile Home Contract discussion.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Minutes

Presented for approval were the regular meeting minutes from April 4, 2022.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving the above-mentioned minutes.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Expenditures

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving payment of the expenditures.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Executive Session for Contract Negotiations Regarding Possible Land Purchase

Commissioner Garchar questioned the need for the discussion to be held in an Executive Session. Attorney Golbricht used the opportunity to explain that the need for Executive Sessions is at the BOCC's discretion except with HR issues. The BOCC chose to hold the discussion in an open meeting.

Administrator Daves provided the BOCC a handout with possible sale terms listed. Attorney Golbricht discussed the terms of the potential sale. A decision to purchase was postponed. Road and Bridge Supervisor Steve Davis will work with Attorney Golbricht to negotiate a contract with the town for water availability to fill the future pond prior to moving forward with contractual decisions. A feasibility study is scheduled for April 19 with Colorado Division of Water Resources Representative Marty Robbins. The item will be on a future agenda when more detailed items have been determined.

Commissioner Garchar again made mention that he and his wife are willing to provide land for pond construction to the county. Commissioner Cook discussed the location factor of the existing offer as well as the availability of water more often to fill the reservoir.

Public Health CDC Workforce Contract

Attorney Golbricht stated that upon further review of the contract he had no issues with signing the contract.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving signing of the Public Health CDC Workforce contract.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

BLM Update

Tres Rios Field Manager Connie Clementson discussed the Black Snag road and culvert issue. The BLM's engineer was unable to attend the previously scheduled meeting. A new meeting is scheduled for May 10. Road and Bridge Supervisor Steve Davis and Mapping and Addressing Specialist Amber Fisher asked about rerouting the road. Ms. Clementson said the existing route would need to be reclaimed. The existing routes gravel could be transferred to the new route. Seeding would be required. If a low water crossing were implemented as suggested by the BLM and USFS, Supervisor Davis has concerns that everything around the concrete would be washed away. The Army Core of Engineers will need to be contacted for a 404 permit for a culvert install. A hydrologist may be needed to do a wetlands study as well. Ms. Clementson said she will need a final proposal to request possible funding assistance.

Forest Service Update

USFS Representative Tom Rice joined the meeting. The Forest Service has begun opening gates to campgrounds and in locations where road conditions are acceptable. The Bradfield Bridge side will be opened on Thursday, including Cabin Day use facility and Ferris Campground.

Timber hauling projects are starting again. A new aspen sale project will start in the Groundhog area.

The Boggy Draw control burn will be soon, conditions permitting.

The USFS is planning on having the office front desk opening on May 2, 2022.

DWCD Update

DWCD Manager Ken Curtis shared that a special meeting would be held on May 5. Runoff started early this year with a slight improvement from prior years. Irrigation water will be available in the Hovenweep area beginning May 2. The canal will be burned as soon as possible. The MVI project and Ute water users have begun the irrigation season.

New Business

The New Business agenda item was postponed.

Old Business

Implementation of a Possible Countywide Sales Tax Discussion: Administrator Daves reminded everyone that the next Sales Tax Forum workshop would be Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 6:00p.m. at the Public Service Center.

Implementation of Possible Lodging Tax: Attorney Golbricht is researching information regarding a possible lodging tax.

Proceedings to the BOCC Meeting on April 18, 2022

AAA BioDome Letter of Participation Denial: The Area Agency on Aging (AAA) BioDome project has been of grave concern by the Senior Advisory Board as they are not interested in the scale of the project and are unable to fund the maintenance costs associated with annual operation of the project.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving the Senior Services letter of participation denial. Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion. All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

Commissioner Cook adjourned the meeting.

Chair to the Board of County Commissioners

Deputy Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners