

**MEETING MINUTES
Dolores County
Board of County Commissioners**

October 17, 2022

A regular meeting of the Dolores County Board of County Commissioners was held at the Public Service Center in Dove Creek, Colorado on October 17, 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 Shayla Oliver.

The meeting began with everyone reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests

Lonny DuFrene, Lacy DuFrene, DC Treasurer via Zoom, DC Extension Via Zoom.

Payroll for October 14, 2022

The following is a list of total payrolls by Department:

County Commissioners:	\$ 7,836.26	6 Employees		
County Clerk:	\$ 3,101.34	3 Employees		
County Treasurer:	\$ 2,861.29	2 Employees		
County Assessor:	\$ 4747.79	4 Employees		1 Temp
GIS:	\$ 1,235.14	1 Employee		
County Maintenance:	\$ 1,662.53	1 Employee	1 Part Time	
County Sheriff:	\$14,592.67	10 Employees	2 Part Time	
County Coroner:	\$ 420.77	1 Employee		
EMA:	\$ 1,202.13	1 Employee		
Extension:	\$ 1,355.52	2 Employees		1 Temp
DCTV:	\$ 1,374.32		3 Part Time	
Veterans Office:	\$ 499.46		1 Part Time	
Fair Board:	\$ 277.05			1 Temp
Senior Services:	\$10,111.68	2 Employees	15 Part Time	
Health & Nurse:	\$ 4,698.47	2 Employees	1 Part Time	
Mandatory Weed:	\$ 2,164.47	2 Employees	1 Part Time	
R&B Administration Other:	\$23,810.51	18 Employees	1 Part Time	
Social Services:	\$ 6,852.90	4 Employees	2 Part Time	
TOTAL:	\$88,804.30	59 Employees	27 Part Time	1 Temp

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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

Presented for approval were the regular BOCC minutes from the September 29, 2022, and October 3, 2022 regular BOCC Meeting.

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

Expenditures

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

Meetings and Updates

Commissioner Garchar requested a recommendation letter to continue to serve on the Southwest Resource Advisory Council (SWRAC). It is a board he currently serves and feels important for Dolores County to be involved. Commissioners Cook and Kibel agreed to the request and executed the recommendation letter.

Commissioner Kibel provided an update regarding Triple A, noting the current personnel issue is being handled. A regular meeting will be held on November 2, 2022 along with a personnel committee meeting for evaluations.

Commissioner Kibel also attended the Senior Advisory Board meeting. She noted that things are going well. They raised around \$1,800.00 with their recent fundraiser. The Senior Center is still waiting on the landscaping work to begin, with the contract for that work signed in September 2022.

Commissioner Cook gave an update regarding Emery Telecom, stating the fiber build from Monticello to the State Line is complete, but there are still significant delays on the Colorado side. Emery continued to negotiate with CDOT in an attempt to continue to the buried fiber route. However, the negotiations failed, requiring Emery to build the route aerial from the State Line to Dove Creek. That build contract was awarded to Emery's subcontractor FiberTel, and construction should begin in approximately 3-4 weeks. They will be constructing the fiber route along Highway 491, and then building the distribution to the homes identified in Dove Creek Reconnect 1. Emery were also awarded a USDA Reconnect grant 2 funds for a second phase build to Lewis and Egnar. Commissioner Garchar stated he missed the TPR meeting so he was unable to talk to CDOT about this, but will call for updates in regard to the meeting, as well as Emery Telecom and Dollar General.

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Commissioners Comments regarding the Anonymous Letters

Commissioner Cook wanted to address the current issue of two anonymous letters written within the county, one to all three commissioners and one hung in businesses around town. The commissioners wanted to make it known that there is an open-door policy, and the anonymous author should have taken the time and had the integrity to come in and ask questions, discuss issues, and get real answers with all three commissioners present. It was also stressed that it takes all three commissioners to make any and all decisions, and minutes of all meetings are public and viewable online or in the Commissioner's office at any time. They asked that in the future if anyone has questions or concerns to have the honesty and integrity to come to them, and or at least sign the accusations they write.

Commissioner Cook closed the BOCC meeting and opened a meeting of the Board of Health

OWTS Regulations Change Public Hearing

A Public hearing was held to consider and possibly amend OWTS regulations, to require, in part, engineered designed septic systems. The new regulations would require landowners to file a permit within the County and then contact an outside licensed engineer to do the soils testing and design the system. Once the system is in place, but prior to covering the system, the engineer and the Dolores County inspector will do a final inspection. There was much discussion about how it would affect the residents, how repairs would be managed, and what changes might come in the future.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion to accept the regulation changes to the OWTS regulations, requiring engineered systems.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Cook Closed the Board of Health Meeting and reopened the BOCC Meeting.

DuFrene/Lueng Final Approval for Boundary Adjustment

Lonny and Lacy DuFrene presented a completed plat map for final approval for a boundary adjustment between the DuFrene's and Derek Lueng, in which Mr. Lueng is selling five acres from his 35-acre parcel to Lonny and Lacy DuFrene. This does not require a subdivision exemption due to the fact the property will adjoin Dufrene's existing neighboring property and no new 35 acre or less parcels will be created.

Commissioner Kibel made a motion approving the Final Boundary Adjustment.

Commissioner Garchar seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

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USFS Update

USFS Recreation Director Tom Rice attended via zoom with updates regarding upcoming controlled burns. He had no other updates.

Mr. Rice asked for the annual support letter for Grant Proposals to the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Motorized Trails Program. All three commissioners signed the letter.

Administrator Daves and Mr. Rice discussed expenditures at Cabin Creek Canyon Campground. Mr. Rice requested an invoice and also reminded the County that the USFS would not pay for materials like lags and bolts to repair the benches and picnic tables. Any expense regarding that would be at Dolores County's expense.

New Business

Resolution: #10-22-07 ELC Reimbursement Grant Fund to Public Health.
Unanimously passed.

Resolution: #10-22-08 OPHP Reimbursement Grant Fund to Public Health
Unanimously passed.

Resolution: #10-22-09 Clara Ormiston Fund Transfer
Unanimously passed.

Executive Session:

Attorney Golbricht requested an executive session pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) to provide an update regarding ongoing litigation. It was his opinion that the matters constituted privileged attorney communications and therefore no minutes or recordings would be kept. The executive session began at 11:35am and ended at 11:49am.

Commissioner Cook adjourned the meeting.



Chair to the Board of County Commissioners



Deputy Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

