

**MEETING MINUTES
Dolores County
Board of County Commissioners
September 3, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Dolores County Board of County Commissioners was held at the Dolores County Courthouse, Dove Creek, Colorado on September 3, 2024. Present for the meeting were Commission Chair Steve Garchar, Vice Chair Linda Yellowman, Commissioner Floyd Cook, County 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

In Person – Sheriff Don Wilson, Social Services Director Malynda Evans, Senior Services Director Alisa Schultz, Eduardo Rossi, Pete Johnson, DeWayne Neal, Elaine Rockwell, Beverly Pilon, Margaret Webb, Holly Aarons, Gloria Klein, Elaine Wilson, Nadine Funk, and Cindy Gersch

Zoom – Paula Stewart, Justin Spring, Christopher Henkel, and DC Weed District Supervisor and Extension Office Oma Fleming

Payroll for August 29, 2024

The following is a list of total payrolls by Department:

County Commissioners:	\$ 8,259.60	6 Employees		
County Clerk:	\$ 3,055.68	3 Employees		
County Treasurer:	\$ 2,511.15	2 Employees		
County Assessor:	\$ 3,468.09	4 Employees		
GIS:	\$ 1,135.64	1 Employee		
County Maintenance:	\$ 1,950.54	1 Employee	1 Part Time	
County Sheriff:	\$ 16,064.63	10 Employees	1 Part Time	
County Coroner:	\$ 377.25	1 Employee		
EMA:	\$ 1,434.52	1 Employee		
Extension:	\$ 1,485.54	2 Employees	1 Part Time	
DCTV:	\$ 815.54		3 Part Time	
Veterans Office:	\$ 600.27		1 Part Time	
Fair Board:	\$ 000.00			
Senior Services:	\$ 10,225.33	2 Employees	11 Part Time	
Health & Nurse:	\$ 6,008.23	3 Employees		
Mandatory Weed:	\$ 3,268.18	2 Employees		1 Temp
R&B Administration Other:	\$ 22,562.57	19 Employees		
Social Services:	\$ 10,494.43	8 Employees	1 Part Time	
TOTAL:	\$ 93,717.19	66 Employees	20 Part Time	3 Temp

Agenda

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

Expenditures

Commissioner Cook made a motion to accept the Expenditures.
Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Minutes

Presented for approval were the July 15, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes.

Commissioner Cook made a motion to approve the above-mentioned meeting minutes.
Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Public Comment

Scott Ramsey with the West Fork Fire Department attended the meeting to discuss the water well at the Dolores County Shop at West Fork. The Fire Department has requested the availability to tap into the County well for the Fire House for potable water. The well has been tested and is more than sufficient to service both buildings. The Dolores County Road and Bridge Department will dig and install the water line from the County Shop to the Fire House.

Social Services Update/Malynda Evans

Social Services Director Malynda Evans presented for approval the Record of Proceedings for September 3, 2024, as well as the financial documents through July 2024.

Commissioner Yellowman made a motion to approve the Record of Proceedings for September 3, 2024 as well as the financial documents through July 2024.
Commissioner Cook seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.
Mrs. Evans informed the BOCC that she had met with Alisa Schultz, Senior Services Director to discuss possible options to help replace some of the home healthcare funding previously available that is no longer in place.

Dunton Land Acquisition

Eduardo Rossi and Christoph Henkel owners the Dunton Hot Springs, along with Justin Spring and Pete Johnson from the Conservation Fund visited with the BOCC regarding the land acquisition of the two pieces of property being sold by Dunton Hot Springs to the Conservation Fund. There is an 80-acre parcel and a 320-acre parcel. Both parcels have been taken from Ag Status to vacant land and are not

accessible by motor vehicle. The funds from the sale will be reinvested into the Dunton Hot Springs, one of the largest employers in Dolores County. Justin Spring from The Conservation Fund has requested a letter of support for the property sale. The Conservation Fund feels this will help funding to purchase the property. If the Conservation Fund acquires the property, it will then be transferred to the USFS.

Commissioner Cook made a motion to support the Dunton properties land acquisition.
Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Senior Services SJBAAA Contract and DC Senior Services Triple A Board Discussion and Possible Action

Senior Services Director Alisa Schultz presented to the BOCC the revised San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging Contract, which was modified through negotiation with Attorney Golbricht. Upon first submittal there were some provisions that needed to be addressed before approval.

Ms. Schultz also requested discussion with the BOCC regarding the DC appointed San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging Board Member Linda McCart. Mrs. Schultz stated that the last few months Ms. McCart has not been working in the best interests of the Senior Center, including demonstrating a lack of communication and transparency with the other board members and the Senior Services Director. Ms. Schultz requested Ms. McCart be removed from her position and any pertinent information she holds regarding Triple A, its Board, and Senior Services needs to be turned over to the Board. Ms. McCart was provided an opportunity to respond to the allegations. There was significant discussion regarding the need to support the recommendations of Ms. Schultz as Senior Services Director. Members of the Senior Advisory Board also spoke in support of Ms. Schultz.

Commissioner Yellowman made a motion to remove Linda McCart from the San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging Board.
Commissioner Cook seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

New Business

Flood Risk Study Phase II Memorandum of Agreement was presented for approval. In a previous workshop the Colorado Water Conservation Board, along with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and their contractor, AECOM, have been working with Dolores County to conduct a flood risk study update. Phase 1 of the project has already been completed. During the Phase 2 meeting, discussion on areas to be studied in detail was determined and the project will be ready to move forward. The Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is to document the selected scope of work, choice modeling methodology, and inform all study partners of expectations while working together. The MOA serves as an agreement with the communities regarding where detailed flood studies will take place, who will be working on the project and how and when the studies will take place. This project will take multiple years to complete, so it is important to have a record of key decisions and coordination.

Commissioner Cook made a motion to approve the Phase 2 Flood risk Study Memorandum of Agreement.

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Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion.
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

CCI Designation Form : CCI has requested the Legislative Committee Commissioner Designation for Dolores County. This is for the 2025 Legislative Priorities.

Commissioner Cook will stay as the Dolores County CCI Designee until January 2025.

Clerk to the BOCC Shayla Oliver will be the Dolores County Alternate.

Commissioner Garchar adjourned the meeting.

Chair to the Board of County Commissioners

Deputy Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

Approved October 7, 2024