



YUMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

June 30, 2021

Minutes¹

On June 30, 2021 at 8:00 a.m., the Yuma County Board of Commissioners met in regular session. Chairman Trent Bushner, Commissioner Robin Wiley, Commissioner Scott Weaver, and Administrator Andrea Calhoon were present throughout the day.

The Commissioners reviewed and signed accounts payable and discussed various meetings attended throughout the prior month.

Public Comment

The Commissioners heard public comment from Mr. Bruce Courtney regarding the unincorporated community of Laird and various land use processes.

Financial Reports

Finance Officer Sarah Carwin joined the meeting at 8:30 a.m. to provide financial updates and reports. Carwin presented financial information for the WY Communications Center, updates on retirement deductions for an employee,

Road and Bridge

Road & Bridge Supervisor Tom Andersen, Blade Foreman Justin Lorimer, and Truck Foreman Jeremy Lund joined the meeting at 8:30 a.m. to provide department updates.

- *Chip Seal Eckley Road* – Andersen reported on the completion of the Eckley Road chip seal and the planned fog seal and striping to finalize the project.
- *Porta Pots* – Andersen presented a proposal for the purchase of two trailers to make two portapots into new mobile units that can be moved to project locations.
- *Road Use Agreement* – Andersen presented a road use agreement for the previously approved construction of a transmission line through the County.
- *CR 56.5 Weight Limit* – Andersen presented information on challenges in maintaining County Road 56.5 due to overweight feed trucks and livestock trucks running along the road.
- *Salary Brackets* – The group discussed work on the salary assessment for the department.
- *Road Reports* – Lorimer presented road reports and updates on road maintenance projects. Maintenance efforts are currently focused on roads in the Abarr area patching holes in the sandy areas following damage after heavy spring rains.
- *Fuel Tanks* – Andersen presented a bid for the construction of a fuel tank bunker to install the previously purchased fuel tanks for the Wray shop. **Commissioner Wiley moved to approve the bid by Ritchey's Redi-Mix for the installation of a new fuel tank bunker at the Wray Shop as presented. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.**
- *Staffing* – **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve the job description and salary authorization for new hire Anthony Booth. Commissioner Wiley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
- *Permits* – Andersen presented for approval two overweight permits. **Commissioner Wiley moved to approve two overweight permits for Osmus & Sons trucking as presented. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

¹ Minutes prepared by Andrea Calhoon are a summary of discussions, not a verbatim account.

Human Services

The Board of County Commissioners convened as the Board of Social Services at 10:00 a.m. Human Services Director Kara Hoover, Child Welfare and Adult Protection Supervisor Hollie Hillman, Eligibility Supervisor Dalene Rogers, Bookkeeper Melanie Fisher, and new hire Tammy Zeiler were present. Detailed minutes of the Board of Social Services are maintained separately by the Department of Human Services.

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened at 9:50 a.m.

CSU Extension

At 11:00 a.m. the Commissioners met with Joy Akey and Travis Taylor of CSU Extension to hear office and program updates. The group discussed program accomplishments and upcoming programming for Golden Plains Extension since the last meeting and over the upcoming summer months. Also discussed was a recent water roundtable held between the Yuma County Water Authority, the Republican River Water Conservation District, and the Colorado Department of Agriculture. CSU Extension was invited to participate in those conversations moving forward.

Facilities Maintenance

The Commissioners met with Brad Rockwell and Maintenance Supervisor Travis Dinsmore at 11:30 a.m. to discuss capital project planning including the planned courthouse re-roof following hail storm damage. The re-roof project is scheduled to begin July 19 and the group discussed coordination of the roofing project with the replacement of the rooftop HVAC unit for the jail. **Commissioner Wiley moved to approve the tree trimming/removal bid from Thompson's Tree Service as presented. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.**

Land Use

Land Use Administrator Colten Yoast was heard at 1:00 p.m. to review Land Use and GIS business and conduct Land Use Hearings.

- *Land Use Applications* – **Commissioner Wiley moved to approve signature on Resolution 06-30-2021 A approving the lot line adjustment for Grant and Amanda Weiser in Sec 7, T5S, R45W. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.**
- *Land Use Code* – Yoast reported updates on research conducted regarding a community request in Laird and the replat of the unincorporated community of Idalia.

GIS

- *Current Projects* – Yoast reported on various GIS topics including work with the WY Communications Center and annual software renewals.

Economic Development, Phil Riggelman

At 2:00 p.m. the Commissioners received a report from Yuma County Economic Development Director Phil Riggelman. Riggelman provided updates regarding his recent work and upcoming plans. The group reviewed a plan researched by Commissioner Weaver regarding potential local tourism options.

City of Wray, James DePue

At 2:30 p.m. the Commissioners met with Wray City Manager James DePue regarding traffic on County Road 35 near the Wray Junior High/High School complex. Also in attendance was Road & Bridge Supervisor Tom Andersen. The group discussed options for how to address traffic congestion along the



road outside of the school complex. Further information will be gathered by County and City staff and the conversation will be revisited.

Yuma County Fair Events, Cassidee Gleghorn

Yuma County Events Coordinator Cassidee Gleghorn joined the Commissioners at 3:30 p.m. to discuss planning for the Yuma County Fair Rodeo in future years. Gleghorn expressed interest in continuing in a significant role in the rodeo in future years. The group discussed expectations for rodeo management and goals for the rodeo in the coming years. **Commissioner Weaver moved to appoint Cassidee Gleghorn as the Yuma County Rodeo Chairperson effective as of the 2022 rodeo season. Commissioner Wiley seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.**

Administrator's Report

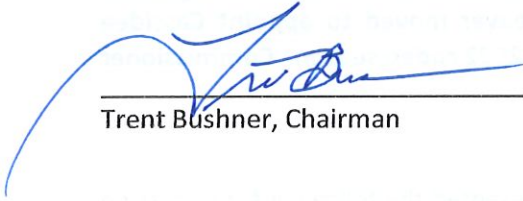
Administrator Andrea Calhoon reviewed calls, correspondence, and presented the following for discussion and action:

- *Minutes* – The Commissioners reviewed the minutes from the previous BOCC meetings. **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2021 regular meeting and the June 22, 2021 special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Wiley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with Commissioner Bushner abstaining due to absence from the meetings.**
- *CAPP Report & Claim Review* – The Commissioners heard information on pending CAPP and workers' compensation claims.
- *Signatures and Ratifications* –
 - Resolutions/Ordinances/Signatures:
 - **Commissioner Wiley moved to approve signature on the 2020 Yuma County Cost Allocation Plan as prepared by MGT Consulting. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.**
 - Grant Updates:
 - The Commissioners reviewed information regarding pending and submitted grant applications including: DOLA energy impact funds for chip sealing of the Eckley Road, a submitted Landfill recycling grant application, and a status update on Coronavirus federal funds.
- *Department Reports* – The Commissioners heard various department updates including updates on the transition of the WY Communications Center, updates on the dissolution of the Northeast Colorado Bookmobile, the June 2021 Veteran's Service Officer Report, a report on the expenditure of civil asset forfeiture funds by the Sheriff, the current delinquent possessory interest list, and a report of the current property valuation appeals.
- *Prior Meeting Follow-Up* – Calhoon provided project updates on the status of properties in Eckley.
- *Correspondence* – Calhoon presented correspondence received since the last meeting including Calhoon's appointment as the Eastern District representative for the Association of Colorado County Administrators and a report of no correspondence received for the County Board of Equalization, which convenes effective June 30.
- *CDL Testing Unit* – Calhoon provided updates on the status of the Yuma County CDL testing unit.
- *IT Updates* – Calhoon presented updates on various IT-related topics including a multi-day phone outage through CenturyLink and the impacts of related business interruptions.
- *Maintenance Updates* – Calhoon reported on various facilities maintenance topics.

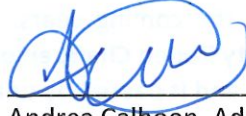


- *HR Updates* – Calhoon reported updates on county Human Resource topics including recruitment and retention, various job description updates, and potential changes to the CRA retirement agreement.

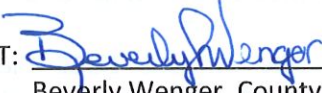
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m. The next regular meetings of the Board of County Commissioners will be on July 15, 2021 and July 30, 2021.



Trent Bushner, Chairman



Andrea Calhoon, Administrator

ATTEST: 
Beverly Wenger, County Clerk

