



YUMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
December 15, 2022
Minutes¹

On December 15, 2022 at 8:00 a.m., the Yuma County Board of Commissioners met in regular session. Chairman Trent Bushner, Commissioner Scott Weaver, Commissioner Mike Learer, 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.

Road and Bridge

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

- *Fuel Prices* – The group discussed fuel pricing for the second quarter of 2023 and the desired price point for contracting.
- *Inclement Weather* – The group discussed management of inclement weather and road opening as well as efforts to manage roads during highway closures earlier this week.
- *Equipment Sales* – Andersen presented an update on the recent sale of equipment at Miller Auctions.
- *Road Report* – Lorimer provided updates on current and future road projects including the completion of work on County Road 51 and the move to County Road G and 4 for the rest of this week. Next week’s work will commence with approximately 4 miles of County Road 58.

Human Services

The Board of County Commissioners convened as the Board of Social Services at 9:30 a.m. Child Welfare and Adult Protection Supervisor Hollie Hillman, Eligibility Supervisor Dalene Rogers, and Human Services Director Kara Hoover 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 10:15 a.m.

County Clerk and Recorder, Bev Wenger

Yuma County Clerk and Recorder Bev Wenger joined the Commissioners at 10:30 a.m. to review expense quotes and a pending grant application for election security equipment and to discuss long-standing office infrastructure projects.

2023 Budget Hearing

At 3:00 p.m., Chairman Bushner opened the hearing to accept public comment on the proposed 2022 budgets for Yuma County, Yuma County Landfill, Yuma County Water Authority, and the Yuma County Water Authority Public Improvement District. The Commissioners reviewed the budget documents. No member of the public was present to make comments. The hearing was closed at approximately 3:10 p.m. **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve the 2023 Yuma County Budget, the 2023 Yuma County Landfill Budget, and the 2023 Yuma County Water Authority Budget as presented. Commissioner Learer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

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

- **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve Resolution 12-15-2022 A setting Yuma County's Mill Levy for the year 2022 to defray costs for the 2023 budget year. The total Yuma County Mill Levy is set at 21.714 mills with the General Fund receiving 16.685 mills, with no abatement of mills. Road and Bridge is to receive 2.529 mills; Human Services 1.000 mill; Insurance Fund 0.500 mill; and Recreation Fund 1.000 mill. The total tax revenue expected to be collected for all County Funds is \$6,762,517. The 2022 County Assessed Valuation, as certified with the County Assessor is \$311,435,790. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.**
- **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve Resolution 12-15-2022 B to adopt the 2023 budget which summarizes expenditures and revenues for each fund and adopts a budget for the County of Yuma, Colorado, for the calendar year, beginning the first day of January 2023 and ending on the last day of December 2023. Total Expenditures approved \$26,623,145. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
- **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve Resolution 12-15-2022 C which appropriates sums of money to the various Yuma County funds and spending agencies for the 2023 budget year. Commissioner Leerar seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.**

Commissioner Weaver moved to set the 2022 mill levies as presented. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Administrator's Report

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

- *Minutes* – The Commissioners reviewed the minutes from the previous BOCC meetings. **Commissioner Leerar moved to approve the minutes from the November 30, 2022 regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
- *CAPP Report & Claim Review* – The Commissioners heard information on pending CAPP and workers' compensation claims.
- *Signatures and Ratifications* –
 - Resolutions/Ordinances/Signatures:
 - **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve the updated funding request for the purchase of new radios by South YW Ambulance Service following research into competitive bids. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.**
 - **Commissioner Leerar moved to approve signature on Resolution 12-15-2022 D opting Yuma County out of the Colorado FMLI Leave Act. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
 - **Commissioner Weaver moved to ratify the approval of expenditure for the purchase and installation of a new pump for the Department of Human Services building HVAC system. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.**
 - Grant Updates:
 - The Commissioners reviewed information regarding pending and proposed grant applications.
- *Department Reports* – The Commissioners received various department reports including an update on the administration of the Eastern Transportation Planning Region and discussion of business undertaken by the 911 Authority Board. **Commissioner Leerar moved to approve the 2023 ambulance service licenses for Yuma Ambulance Service, Idalia Ambulance Service, and**

South YW Ambulance Service as submitted. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.


- *Prior Meeting Follow-Up* – The group discussed project updates on the status of properties in Eckley and the discussion of sale of county-owned properties.
- *Correspondence* – Calhoon presented correspondence received since the last meeting including updates on various board vacancies. **Commissioner Weaver moved to appoint Phil Riggleman to the Yuma County Economic Development Board. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.**
- *CDL Testing Unit* – Calhoon provided updates on the status of the Yuma County CDL testing unit and the planning of an Entry Level Driver Training community education program recently established with Northeastern Junior College.
- *IT Updates* – Calhoon presented updates on various IT-related topics including the status of the VOIP phone transition.
- *Maintenance Updates* – Calhoon reported on various facilities maintenance topics. The group discussed the overall staffing model for the Facilities Maintenance team and goals for 2023.
- *HR Updates* – Calhoon reported updates on county Human Resource topics including recruitment and retention and the status of year-end policy work. **Commissioner Weaver moved to enter into executive session at 9:00 a.m. under CRS 24-6-402(4)(f) for personnel matters. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.** Present for executive session were Chairman Trent Bushner, Commissioner Scott Weaver, Commissioner Mike Leerar, Administrator Andrea Calhoon, and Finance Clerk Brandi Ritchey. Executive session ended at 9:21 a.m. No action was taken following executive session.

Commissioner Weaver moved to enter into executive session at 1:50 p.m. under CRS 24-6-402(4)(f) for personnel matters. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote. Present for executive session were Chairman Trent Bushner, Commissioner Scott Weaver, Commissioner Mike Leerar, Maintenance Sergeant Travis Dinsmore, Custodian Heidi Dinsmore, Administrator Andrea Calhoon, and Finance Clerk Brandi Ritchey. Executive session ended at 2:15 p.m. No action was taken following executive session.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m. and the Commissioners entered into a 2023 budget work session. The next regular meetings of the Board of County Commissioners will be on December 30, 2022 and January 10, 2023.


Trent Bushner, Chairman


Andrea Calhoon, Administrator

ATTEST: 
Beverly Wenger, County Clerk





**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF YUMA, STATE OF COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. 12-15-2022 D**

**A RESOLUTION DECLINING ANY AND ALL EMPLOYER
PARTICIPATION IN THE COLORADO PAID FAMILY AND
MEDICAL LEAVE INSURANCE PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Yuma County, State of Colorado, convened at a duly and lawfully called regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners on December 15th, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, in November of 2020, Colorado voters approved Proposition 119, codified in Part 5, Article 13.3 of Title 8, Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), establishing the Family and Medical Leave Insurance (“FAMLI”) Program, a state insurance plan providing paid leave for Colorado workers during certain life circumstances; and,

WHEREAS, under the FAMLI Program, employers and their employees are both responsible for funding the program and may split the cost 50/50; the premiums are set at 0.9% of the employee’s wage, with 0.45% paid by the employer and 0.45% paid by the employee; and,

WHEREAS, the premiums required for FAMLI will be collected starting January 1, 2023, and benefits will begin January 1, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, as a local government as defined by C.R.S. 8-13.3-503(14) and 29-1-304.5(3)(b), Yuma County may decline to participate in FAMLI following a public hearing and of its governing body pursuant to C.R.S. 8-13.3-522; and,

WHEREAS, should Yuma County decline to participate in FAMLI, its employees will still have the option to participate in the program and remit premiums to the State; and,

WHEREAS, at a public meeting held December 15th, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on the decision whether to participate in FAMLI;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF YUMA, STATE OF COLORADO:

1. The Board of County Commissioners finds and determines that, with regard to the public hearing on the decision of whether to decline participation in FAMLI, notice was given and the hearing was conducted in accordance with the regulations adopted by the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment and codified at 7 CCR 1107-2.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, acting by and on behalf of Yuma County declines any and all participation in the FAMLI Program.
3. The Yuma County Commissioners further direct its staff to bring the matter of revisiting the decision to decline participation in FAMLI before a future Board no later than eight (8) years from the date of the vote on this Resolution.


MOVED, READ AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Yuma, State of Colorado, at its regular meeting held on the 15th day of December, 2022. The



above and foregoing Resolution was, on a motion duly made and seconded, adopted by unanimous vote of the Board of Yuma County Commissioners.

ADOPTED this 15th day of December, 2022.

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF YUMA COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO**



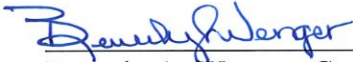
Trent Bushner, Chairman

Scott Weaver



Mike Leerar

ATTEST:



Beverly A. Wenger, County Clerk





Yuma County Board of County Commissioners

Trent Bushner
District 1

Scott Weaver
District 2

Mike Leerar
District 3

Andrea Calhoon
County Administrator

December 15, 2022

Re: Yuma County Government Opt-Out FAMILI

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as formal notice that the Yuma County Board of County Commissioners has formally voted to opt out of participation in the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program (FAMILI) as per resolution passed on December 15, 2022.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact our office at 970-332-5796 or administrator@co.yuma.co.us.

Sincerely,

Andrea Calhoon,
County Administrator



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