

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, TELLER COUNTY, COLORADO, JUNE 2, 2005. IN ATTENDANCE WERE:

BOB CAMPBELL, CHAIRMAN
BILL BUCKHANAN, COMMISSIONER
CHRIS BRANDT, COUNTY ATTORNEY
CHRISTI HEPPARD, DEPUTY CLERK & RECORDER

JIM IGNATIUS, VICE-CHAIRMAN
GREG WINKLER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

9:15 The Board of County Commissioners of Teller County convened in regular session in the Teller County Centennial Building in Cripple Creek with Chairman Campbell presiding. Mr. Campbell gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Ignatius.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

No minutes were available.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

ACTION: Mr. Ignatius moved and Mr. Buckhanan seconded that the Board **approve the accounts payable run of June 2, 2005 in the amount of \$161,183.75.** All commissioners voted yes.

BOARD REPORTS:

Mr. Buckhanan mentioned that a Walking and Biking workshop will be held on June 3, 2005. The workshops are part of the Steps to a Healthier Colorado program. He provided information regarding the new rental cabins at Mueller State Park, which were funded through the Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) program and lottery funds. He reported attending a meeting on June 1, 2005 in Fountain regarding the Fountain Creek Watershed study. Eleven government entities are involved in the study. Topics of discussion at the meeting included identifying the three main problems as flooding, erosion and sediment. He stated that the federal government has not provided sufficient funding for its portion of the study. Mr. Buckhanan reported that 174 miles of the creek and its tributaries were effected by the 2004 floods. He suggested that everyone contact their federal representative and senators regarding the need for full funding of the study.

Mr. Ignatius reported attending the Rocky Mountain Dinosaur Resource Center one-year anniversary. He provided statistics on the first year attendance and tour participants. Mr. Ignatius also supplied information on how the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is involved with the center and provided a brief overview of the DDA's funding criteria. He reported that he and Mr. Campbell gave a presentation to the City of Cripple Creek regarding workforce housing and accessible housing needs. Similar presentations have been conducted at various locations throughout the County. Mr. Ignatius stated that a needs assessment is necessary in order to pursue the project. The needs assessment will review income levels in three different areas of the County and available housing in those areas. He stated that grant funds are available through multiple sources, but that a 1/3 monetary match, equaling approximately \$15,000.00, is required to obtain those funds through the Department of Housing. Local entities have contributed the following amounts towards the required match: City of Woodland Park, \$3,000.00; Teller County, \$5,000.00; City of Victor, \$250.00; Help the Needy program, \$3,000.00; Teller County Homebuilders Association, \$1,000.00; Vectra Bank, \$500.00-\$1,000.00; City of Cripple Creek, \$2,000.00. A Request for Proposal is being drafted for the needs assessment. He reported that the final assessment report will provide demographics and mitigation suggestions.

Mr. Campbell reported that June 4, 2005 is National Trails Day. A fundraiser is scheduled along the walkway pass trail in the Hayden-Divide Park and a festival is planned along Loop trail. He mentioned that the Annual Kite Flight is also scheduled for June 4, 2005. Mr. Campbell reported that Sen. Allard has announced he will hold a town meeting in Cripple Creek on June 14, 2005 at City Hall. He also noted that the Colorado Counties, Inc. conference will be held the week of June 6, 2005. The conference will include meetings and seminars regarding legislation, mental health issues, justice matters and the CBMS computer system used by the Department of Social Services. District meetings will also be held. Mr. Campbell noted that Governor Owens and various high-ranking members of the legislature are scheduled to attend.

Mr. Winkler asked about the participants involved in creating the Request for Proposal in relation to the needs assessment for the workforce housing project. Discussion was held regarding the different needs of various regions and entities within Teller County.

9:31 TIME RESERVED FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND PUBLIC WITHOUT AN APPOINTMENT:

No one requested to speak.

9:32 EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS:

Mr. Campbell noted that Jim Coffindaffer, Deputy Sheriff, will be presented with a five-year service award.

Ms. Debbie Evans presented Pam Elliott, Case Manager with Department of Social Services, with a ten-year service award.

9:36 ADMINISTRATION: CONSIDER APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF TELLER COUNTY COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN AS PREPARED AND PRESENTED BY THE TELLER COUNTY COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN COMMISSION:

PRESENTING: CURT GRINA, CHAIRMAN COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN COMMISSION

Mr. Grina stated that the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) Commission unanimously recommended approval of the plan. He stated that the plan must be implemented, not just approved, to be successful. He suggested that the Commission be reorganized and continued, and that the County pursue the proposed plan at the Federal level to enable federal participation.

Mr. Winkler added information regarding the need for federal participation. He suggested that the CWPP Commission is best equipped to pursue federal involvement since County offices do not have sufficient resources to dedicate to the effort.

Mr. Ignatius restated that the plan must be implemented, not just approved, and asked if the Commission should be reorganized to continue forward. Mr. Grina suggested that the current Commission meet to create a proposed charter for the reorganized Commission.

Mr. Grina noted that half of Teller County's land is held by private owners and noted that it is more difficult for government to conduct mitigation on private land. He suggested that incentives be offered to landowners in order to facilitate private landowner participation. He mentioned that \$500,000,000 dollars in grant funds are available nationwide for this purpose, but that private individuals have difficulty accessing those funds. Mr. Grina proposed that the Commission and the County work together to make those funds available to private citizens and organizations.

Mr. John Gomes, CWPP Commission member, added his comments and praised the work of the Commission, the community and the Board.

Discussion commenced regarding which municipalities and entities had accepted and signed the document. Although the process does not require formal endorsement from any entity except the Board, endorsement from municipalities and the fire protection districts within the County has been pursued. Mr. Campbell thanked all of the Commission members and those who had assisted the commission.

Mr. Ignatius spoke about the history of the process and how quickly the Commission developed this comprehensive plan. Mr. Campbell stated that the Healthy Forest Restoration Act was passed in 2002 and noted that the County is likely one of the first entities in the nation to establish and adopt a mitigation plan. Mr. Ignatius reported monetary figures resulting from the damage from the Hayman fire and the flooding that occurred as a result of the fire.

ACTION: Mr. Ignatius moved and Mr. Buckhanan seconded that the Board **approve and adopt the plan.** All commissioners voted yes.

9:55 COMMISSIONERS BUSINESS ITEMS:
PRESENTING: GREG WINKLER

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF SERVICE CONTRACT FOR COLORADO WORKS PROGRAM:

The contract is for \$5,000.00 and is to fund the DSS's portion of the workforce housing needs assessment costs.

ACTION: Mr. Ignatius moved and Mr. Buckhanan seconded that the Board **approve the contract subject to approval of the County attorney and authorize the Chairman to sign.** All commissioners voted yes.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LIMITED AMENDMENT #2, AMENDING THE CURRENT STATE TOBACCO EDUCATION AND PREVENTION PARTNERSHIP CONTRACT:

The amendment affords the County \$3,800.00 to provide tobacco education services.

ACTION: Mr. Ignatius moved and Mr. Buckhanan seconded that the Board **approve the contract and authorize the Chairman to sign.** All commissioners voted yes.

CONSIDER CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT FOR DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY MELANIE DOUGLAS:

CONSIDER CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT FOR DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY CARYN ADAMS:

CONSIDER CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT FOR CHIEF DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELIZABETH KIRKMAN:

ACTION: Mr. Ignatius moved and Mr. Buckhanan seconded that the Board **approve all three appointments.** All commissioners voted yes.

10:00 LEGAL MATTERS

No report was given.

Mr. Campbell noted that the next Board meeting will be held on June 23, 2005.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 10:01A.M.

APPROVED _____ ATTEST _____
Chairman, Board of County Commissioners Clerk & Recorder