

SAGUACHE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION MEETING
9:00 A.M. AUGUST 5, 2014

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Joseph at 9:02 a.m., with the following members present:

Linda Joseph, Chair
Ken Anderson, Co-Vice Chair
Jason Anderson, Co-Vice Chair
Wendi Maez, Co-Administrator
Lyn Lambert, Co-Administrator
Ben Gibbons, County Attorney
Staci Burkhart, Acting Secretary to the Board

II. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

1. Michael Spearman will be in around 11:00 am to go over Leach Airport infrastructure, leases and general information.
2. Attorney Gibbons requested an Executive Session under his time.
3. Director of Social Services selection under Administration time.
4. Board of Equalization Resolution.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

III. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JULY 22, 2014

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE REGULAR SESSION
MINUTES OF JULY 22, 2014 AS AMENDED**

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

IV. REVIEW OF MAIL AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

1. Lonny Bagley sent a letter inviting the Board of County Commissioners to participate as a cooperating agency in formulating a Plan Amendment/Environmental Impact Statement that sets form effective strategy for conserving Gunnison Sage-grouse habitat on BLM-administered public lands. (7/23/14)

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE PARTICIPATING AS A COOPERATING AGENCY IN FORMULATING A PLAN AMENDMENT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT THAT SETS EFFECTIVE STRATEGY FOR CONSERVING GUNNISON SAGE-GROUSE HABITAT ON BLM ADMINISTERED PUBLIC LANDS

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2. **Robert J. Thomas** sent a letter thanking the Board of County Commissioners for the opportunity to address concerns regarding certain gates on public roads in Saguache County. (7/24/14) A work session day will be scheduled to view roads in question.
3. **The Board of County Commissioners** was sent an invitation to the great Sand Dunes National Park Quarter Launch and Coin Exchange September 4, 2014. (7/30/14)
4. **Tom Peterson** sent a letter to the Board of County Commissioners in regards to the bidding process for the Town of Center and the Saguache County Road and Bridge Department. (7-30-14). Will address under Road & Bridge time.
5. **La Puente** sent the summer 2014 pamphlet. (8/4/14)
6. **Therese Garcia**, Saguache Town clerk sent notice stating that any grant requests submitted by the Town will be sent with a letterhead signed by the Town Trustees showing that they have reviewed and support the grant. If a grant is sent without a letter, the Town requests the grant not go forward since it was sent without Town Board approval. (8/4/14)
7. **Frank Muniz** sent a spreadsheet for the Veterans Transportation Network for fiscal year July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014 for the six San Luis Valley Counties plus Huerfano, as Animas, Pueblo and El Paso. (8/4/14)
8. **Kate Vasha** sent notice that Downtown Saguache is now a National Historic District. (8/4/14)
9. **Michael D. McVaugh**, Region 5 Traffic and Safety Engineer sent a form to identify up to five highway intersections for Saguache County that should be considered for their traffic study. A written response must be sent to CDOT by August 20, 2014. (8/4/14)

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Matie B Lakish – Crestone Eagle

Mark Perkovich – Bonanza

Collette Jurgens

Peggy Godfrey-RGWCD

Travis Haby-BLM

Chris Ivers – RGWCD

Toshiko Luckow – Saguache Medical Officer

Janet Nelson-Cox – self

Michael Spearman

Perry Sheffield

Andrew Archuleta-BLM

Dave Johnson-BLM

Kimberly Bryant – SCPH

Dom Spillane – private

Randy Collister

Kent Palmgren – RGWCD

Leigh Espy-BLM

Steve Vaudin-RGWCD

Lynnea Rappold – ACPHD

VI. COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Joseph:

1. July 24 - Worked with Vivia Lawson and Mark Talbot on the Tourism Website redesign.
2. July 25 - Had a phone conference with Jenny Nehring and Elinor Laurie, for updates on Gunnison Sage Grouse conservation and meetings.
3. July 28 - Received a call from Tom Hess of AAA's travel publication, interested in the Alfred Packer Festival; connected him with Caroline Irwin who is organizing this and other local events she is sharing with him.
4. July 29 Attended the Commissioners Work Session
5. July 30 - Reviewed the Property Tax Protest packets received on the 29th.
6. July 31 - Board of Equalization, petitioners hearings
7. August 1 - Board of Equalization, petition review and decisions
8. August 4 - Board of Equalization, notices and documentation
9. Conversations with:
 - Rebie Hazard, Andrew Archuleta and Tess Beneduce regarding Cochetopa citizens' existing issues and scenic byway application concerns.
 - Tom Dessain, clarifying the Sales Tax grant awarded to Crestone Performances, Inc.
 - Jim Spehar, who worked with Saguache County previously, when with Sonoran Institute. He is working on lobbying for PILT; connected him with Commissioner Jason Anderson who is working on this issues at NACo (National Association of Counties).
10. Correspondence with Marv Weidner, Managing Results about whether a phone consult is needed on August 12; Commissioners prefer time to get further in Strategic and Implementation Plan work.
11. Correspondence to schedule Wildlife & Habitat Strategic Committee Meeting and develop the Agenda; August 11, 1-4pm in the Road & Bridge Meeting Room.

Commissioner Ken Anderson:

1. July 23-24 – Attended Board Meeting in Pueblo for the Rocky Mountain Farmers Union.
2. July 29 – Attended the BoCC Work Session.
3. July 31 – Board of Equalization hearings.
4. August 1 – Board of Equalization review and decisions.
5. August 4 – Board of Equalization notices and documentation.

Commissioner Jason Anderson:

1. July 23 – Attended a fundraiser at the Crestone Charter School for school lunches.
2. July 28 – Coffee with Greg Terrell, with the Town of Saguache. Concerns about Sales Tax Grants being submitted without Town approval, all Sales Tax Grants that have Town Board support will be on Town of Saguache letterhead.
3. July 29 – Attended the BoCC Work Session.
4. July 31 – Board of Equalization hearings.
5. August 1 – Board of Equalization review and decisions.
6. August 3 – Helped ScSEED with the pancake breakfast at the Crestone Music Festival.
7. August 4 – Board of Equalization notices and documentation.

BREAK

VII. CO-ADMINISTRATOR REPORT - WENDI MAEZ & LYN LAMBERT

1. Jaxine Collier called- Sam Pace is on the Saguache County Council on Aging, and Ms. Collier has asked to be placed on it. Jaxine has tried to contact Mr. Pace and is unable to reach

him. She is wondering if the county can make the motion for her to be added to the account so she can purchase items for the seniors.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO REMOVE SAM PACE FROM THE SIGNATURE CARD ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE SAGUACHE COUNTY COUNCIL OF AGING AND PLACE JAXINE COLLIER ON THE ACCOUNTS SIGNATURE CARD
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2. Mark Perkovich came into the administration office and requested to speak to the board regarding the Town of Bonanza. Mr. Perkovich is the only full time resident in the Town of Bonanza and is in favor of dis-incorporation. Referred to misinformation in May 7th newspaper article/letter circulated in the area. Although a meeting with the BoCC, as offered, was not pursued, seasonal residents connected with Mr. Perkovich, and concurred. Wants roads and the few street lights to be maintained by the County. The County, at its expense, has maintained for several years already and will continue to do so. Town finances came up; Commissioner Joseph reported the balance for the Bonanza's account is less than \$1,000.00. Has concerns over conservation easements, the easements would be held by Saguache County instead of the Town of Bonanza.
3. Discussion on BoCC scheduling.
4. Executive Session for personnel issues.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL ISSUES UNDER CRS 24-6-402 (4) (f) (I) AT 10:18 AM
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION MEETING AT 10:30 AM
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JOSEPH TO OFFER THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO LINDA WARSH POSITION STARTING JANUARY 2015
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR – WENDI MAEZ

1. Kinley R. Lee – Variance request for a structure older than 20 years to be placed on a tract of land containing 7.40 acres located within the NW1/4NE1/4 19-44-8. This request is to place a 30 year old Mobile Home on a tract of land located within the NW1/4NE1/4 19-44-8 containing 7.40 acres. The Saguache County Planning Commission recommended this

request as presented during their regular meeting on July 31, 2014. No comments received from any adjoining landowners and Construction and Sewage permit are on file with the Land Use office.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE VARIANCE REQUEST TO PLACE A STRUCTURE THAT'S 30 YEARS OLD ON A TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 7.40 ACRES WITHIN THE NW1/4NE1/4 19-44-8 BY KINLEY R LEE
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

2. Joyce Weiss – Baca Grande Chalet Unit I Lot 34 has requested that the Conditional Use permit for a commercial building back to residential. The original CUP was issued August 16, 2005.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO REVOKE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR JOYCE WEISS BACA GRANDE CHALET UNIT I LOT 34
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

3. Mr. Dwayne Jett has been into the office and spoke with myself and with Co-Administrator Lyn Lambert asking if the County would like to purchase his property for \$2000? Maez had staff prepare a statement for Mr. Jett for a subdivision exemption in the amount of \$655.45. Maez is not sure how to help Mr. Jett, because State Statute requires that any property purchased must have a reason for the purchase as a park of public use of some sort.
4. Bid received from Patricia A. Brown for Lazy KV Estates Block GG Lot 15C.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE BID FROM PATRICIA A BROWN FOR LAZY KV ESTATES BLOCK GG LOT 15C IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250.00
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

5. Discussion with Michael Spearman and BoCC on proposed Lease Agreement for Leach Airport. Aviation mechanic, generates own business, is interested in leasing building. Would put a consistent presence at the Airport. Applying for grant in fall to help build a new building for restrooms, place to eat, pilot rest, etc. The fuel tanks are still not installed as of today. Attorney Gibbons is still pursuing the existing lease agreements. The wells at the Airport need to be used or lose the ability to use.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO AUTHORIZE MICHAEL SPEARMAN TO CONTINUE LEASE PROCESS ON MAIN HANGER AT LEACH AIRFIELD
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

IX. COUNTY ATTORNEY - BEN GIBBONS

1. Executive Session

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR LEGAL PURPOSES UNDER CRS 24-6-402(4) (b) AT 11:20 AM

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION MEETING AT 11:45 AM

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

LUNCH

X. ROAD & BRIDGE SUPERVISOR – RANDY ARREDONDO

1. Collette Jurgens, Randy Collister and Perry Sheffield were in to address the BoCC about County Road T. They have concerns about safety issues with rocks shredding tires after grading pulls up base rocks. Been going on for over a year and numerous new tires have been ruined. Arredondo will be addressing County Road T, and adding 4 inches of decomposed granite (plating). Arredondo stated that they are dealing with washouts on the Bonanza Road now and as soon as that is finished, the Road & Bridge crew will be concentrating on County Road T. The BoCC directed Ms. Jurgens, Mr. Collister and Mr. Sheffield to follow-up once the plating of Road T is finished.
2. To address Tom Petersons' letter (mail item #4) the BoCC directed Arredondo to get the Board a copy of the IGA between Road & Bridge and the Town of Center, what work was done and at what price.
3. Paving for the season is complete and hot plant will be shut down by the end of the week.
4. Arredondo has been following up weekly with the status of the fuel tanks at the Leach Airport. Division of Aeronautics said drag racing at the Leach Airport could have effect on grants. There are two abandoned vehicles and the County can scrap them. The abandoned plane at the Saguache Airport is still there, awaiting Court order to remove.
5. Arredondo did check the road to Diamond Way per BoCC request, his opinion is natural drainage, caused by the amount of rain received this summer.
6. Arredondo once again asked the BoCC for money to remove tires from Landfill. The EDOP plan the Landfill has with the State requires that the tires be removed to remain in compliance. Tires would be shredded and compacted into usable bales, 278 bales would remove almost 16,000 tires, and cost is \$90.00 per bale.

XI. PUBLIC LANDS

BLM

1. Andrew Archuleta introduced Leigh Espy with the BLM and her team that will be working on the Gunnison Sage –Grouse Environmental Impact Study. The Gunnison Sage-Grouse Plan Amendment Project will have a MOU between the County and the BLM by the end of the week. Eleven different field offices looking at critical occupied and critical non-occupied habitat for the planning. A clear and sufficient plan with long term conservation sustainability will be done in two years. In scoping period now, ends August 22nd. The draft for formal reviews will be end of February.
2. The BLM office for area will now be in Monte Vista and will still be using the USFS office in Saguache as need be.
3. The Scenic By-Way Commission for the Cochetopa will tour in October, full nomination package in December and will go before committee in March/April.
4. The BLM received a formal requests from the Lunsford's, Kerber Creek area, to move the BLM road.
5. CDOT contacted BLM for use of materials from the Saguache County Landfill.

USFS

1. FIN project with Colorado Mountain College look at 12 different sites, took samples and field measurements of all 12 sites to determine if FIN site or not. Implications of a FIN site would affect grazing permits and monitoring of that location.
2. Willow Road and Willow trail, work on Nordic trail and restoration. Pipe line up Cave Creek complete. North Pass off Highway 114 is in the public comment time for closing road due to cut throat trout. No comments have been received by the BoCC.
3. Gulch fire above Crestone went really well with workers and residents. Smokey the bear turns 70 years old this month.
4. The Rio Grande National Forest is seeking to fill openings on the Upper Rio Grande and Saguache Advisory Committees (RAC). The Secure Rural Schools Act authorizes the use of RACs as a mechanism for local community collaboration with federal land managers in recommending Title II projects on federal lands or that will benefit resources on federal lands. The RAC supports the Rio Grande National Forest and participating counties in reviewing and recommending projects submitted for funding under Title II provisions of the Secure Rural Schools Act. The RAC consists of 15 members representing a wide range of interests.

BREAK

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO CONVENE AS THE SAGUACHE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH AT 2:44 PM

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

XII. PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR-MARCY GARDUNIO

1. Core Services Update:

a. Assessment, Planning, and Communication

- July 14 SLV partnership meeting attended in Alamosa to add Saguache's voice in the priorities for grant spending that we share in
- July 16 coordinator for EPR meeting for instruction on compliance (emergency preparedness)
- July 17 meeting with regional epi to discuss partnering (
- July 22 Cathy White from the state visited to share the requirements for compliance
- Vital signs evaluated/education for Saguache Seniors
- July 23 Immunization Coalition meeting
- July 24 Healthy Communities Partnership meeting
- July 31 Prevention Programs/Child Welfare meeting
- Saguache Public Health employees gave time to Champs program (mass screening of students) to help with screenings for registration to Sangre de Cristo
- Meeting with Lyn Lambert regularly to discuss budget and HR issues
- July 28 first all-staff meeting to discuss policy changes:
 - Use of personal cell phones restricted to breaks and emergencies
 - All staff previously reporting to office manager will now report to director
 - All overtime will need to be authorized now
 - All training expenses (conferences, symposiums, etc.) will need to be authorized before booking
 - Dress code, no shorts, professional dress encouraged
 - Office manager and director to revenues and expenditures weekly together
 - All job descriptions reviewed, updated with input from employees and submitted to HR

b. Vital Records and Statistics

- no new updates

c. Communicable Disease Investigation, Prevention, and Control

- One case of chicken pox per provider and PH is monitoring food safety alerts from State

d. Prevention and Population Health Promotion

- Public Health Nurse to provide services to Mountain Valley School on Thursdays, superintendent contacted and informed director can provide emergency advice on days PHN is not available
- Behavioral Health contract in place/prevention grant
- vaccine administration increase/back-to-school

e. Emergency Preparedness and Response

- director registered for NIS classes in Alamosa for September
- EPR contract in force
- EPR plans being updated

f. Administration and Governance

- closing of PH offices on Fridays

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE CLOSING OF THE SAGUACHE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICES ON FRIDAYS STARTING SEPTEMBER 1ST

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

-Possible expansion of CHAMPS program to Center Schools

-PH will be using Crestone Telecom for internet services at a rate of \$74.95 per month, less than CenturyLink

g. PCP Program

-Medicaid clients total: 57 Private Pay: 0 No new PCP's

h. Financial

June: \$11,730.78 PH ex \$15,710.47 PH in

\$19,006.97 PCP ex \$21,644.01 PCP in Private pay 0

2. Dr. Luckow, Saguache County Medical Officer, was introduced to the BoCC
3. Kimberly Bryant and Lynnea Rappold presented an update on the new Environmental Health Program. Three of the main elements of the environment that are monitored include: the food we eat, the air we breathe, and the water we drink. Services provided by Environmental Health include: Regulatory services, schools and child care facilities, housing health, air quality, emergency preparedness, lakes, streams and ponds, land use department individual sewage disposal systems for home and businesses, state health department drinking water systems, and state laboratory services.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ADJOURN AS SAGUACHE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH AT 3:30 P.M.

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

XIII. CLERK & RECORDER – CARLA GOMEZ
COUNTY TREASURER – CONNIE TRUJILLO

1. Liquor License change for Tomichi Creek, from Retail Liquor Store to 3.2%

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JOSEPH TO APPROVE THE LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL FOR SAWTOOTH MOUNTAIN LODGE

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2. Executive Session

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION
FOR LEGAL PURPOSES UNDER CRS 24-6-402(4) (b) AT 3:40 PM
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION
MEETING AT 4:40 PM
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

XIV. BILL PAYING

XV. ADJOURN

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JOSEPH TO ADJOURN AT 4:40 PM
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0
MOTION CARRIED**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

STACI BURKHART ACTING SECRETARY TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES APPROVED AUGUST 19, 2014



Wendy P. ...
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Carla Gomez
**ATTEST
CLERK & RECORDER
CARLA GOMEZ**

Jason Anderson
COMMISSIONER

Ken Anderson
COMMISSIONER