



*Keith Goodwin* - Commissioner Dist. 1  
*John Hostetter* - Commissioner Dist. 2  
*Jim Baldwin* - Commissioner Dist. 3  
*Amy White-Tanabe* - County Administrator  
*Nathan Shultz* - County Attorney

**Office of the Commissioners**

# ***AGENDA***

***MARCH 09, 2020***

- 1.0 Call to Order/Approval of Minutes**
- 2.0 Guests**
- 3.0 Public Comment (Limit of 3 minutes)**
- 4.0 Old Business**
- 5.0 New Business**
  - 5.1 Resolution 2020-05 Loan Authorization
- 6.0 Other Business**
- 7.0 Departmental Reports**
  - 7.1 COVID-19 Update – Rick Ritter, Otero County Health Department
- 8.0 Commissioners Report**
- 9.0 Discussion**
- 10.0 Announcements**

***SEE ATTACHMENTS***

***THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: “You do not grow old; you become old by not growing.” The Spice of Life***



March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

The Board of County Commissioners now meets pursuant to adjournment.

Present:	Jim Baldwin	Chr. Pro-Tem
	John Hostetler	Member
	Lynda Scott	County Clerk

Guests in attendance were: Jay Scott, Marty Lee, Danelle Berg, Kevin Waggoner, Darren Garcia, Duane Gurule, Jolly Rose and Christian Burney.

Chr. Pro-Tem Baldwin called the meeting to order and requested to approve the minutes from February 24, 2020. Co. Hostetler motioned to approve the minutes. Chr. Pro-Tem Baldwin seconded. Motion carried.

Duane Gurule from Small Town Project a Community Development Program, presented a letter of support for Rocky Ford, on a Downtown Colorado Inc., that he would like the Commissioners to sign showing support for the program. This program would help develop a sustainable job plan, and help with community engagement. Discussion was held. Co. Hostetler motioned to approve signature on the letter. Co. Baldwin seconded. Motion carried.

Jay Scott the Otero County VSO was on hand to present a flag for the Courthouse from the American Legion Post 9 in La Junta. He also wished to ask for permission to use the Courthouse parking lot for a small dedication ceremony on March 29<sup>th</sup>, as that is Vietnam Veteran Day. Permission was granted for use of the parking lot.

Rick Ritter from the Health Department wished to give an update on the Coronavirus. In Colorado the risk is fairly low, so the best advice is to be prepared but do not panic. Many people who have it may not even know they have it, if you think you might have it, unless you are having life-threatening or time sensitive symptoms do not go to the ER. If it gets bad enough we will do social distancing, but at this time there is no reason for this. Discussion was held.

Chr. Pro-Tem Baldwin called for approval of the bills for February 16 through February 29, 2020. Co. Hostetler motioned to approve the bills. Co. Baldwin seconded. Motion carried.

Darren Garcia presented an IGA between The City of Rocky Ford and Otero County. This IGA is concerning the Rocky Ford Bike and Fitness Park. This will set out who is responsible for what and what is expected from each entity. Discussion was held. Co. Hostetler moved to approve and sign the IGA. Co. Baldwin seconded. Motion carried.

Kevin Waggoner with the La Junta Kids Rodeo presented a pledge letter for the Commissioners to approve the donation of \$10,000.00 to the Raise the Roof campaign. The La Junta Kids Rodeo has been running for 83 years. The Kids Rodeo would like to partner with the County on getting the roof on the grandstand. Discussion was held. Co. Hostetler motioned to approve the pledge and signatures. Co. Baldwin seconded. Motion carried.

Danelle Berg reported that she attended the Justice Center meeting to start the process of putting a bond issue on the November ballot. She also attended a meeting with the SECED where \$15,000.00 in grants were awarded. The five grants went to Swink, La Junta, Rocky Ford, Cheraw and Otero County.

Co. Hostetler attended the Courthouse security meeting, and the planning meeting along with the other commissioners. They were good meetings. He also attended the CDOT meeting about the passing lanes between Manzanola and Fowler. There will be detours from March 16 for 220 working days. He also attended the discussion on the flu pandemic at the Health department. Discussion was held.

Chr. Pro-Tem Baldwin along with Lex Nichols the Otero County Public Works Director attended the South East Transportation Planning meeting in Lamar. The only major project for this area is the passing lane project on Highway 50.

With no further business, the board adjourned the meeting.

Next meeting will be Monday, March 9, 2020 at 1:30pm.

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Clerk

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Chairman



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Otero, Colorado, that:

1. Otero County is hereby authorized to enter into a Loan Agreement among Country Manor, Inc., Otero County, Colorado, Bent County, Colorado, Crowley County, Colorado, and the 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney with regard to the loan referenced above.

2. That the Chairman Pro Tem of the Board of County Commissioners of Otero County, State of Colorado, and the Otero County Clerk and Recorder are hereby authorized to sign the Loan Agreement referenced above together with any ancillary documents necessary to effectuate the loan.

Adopted this 9th day of March, 2020.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF OTERO COUNTY, STATE OF  
COLORADO:

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Clerk & Recorder

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Keith Goodwin, Chairman

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Jim Baldwin, Chairman Pro Tem

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John Hostetler

**Mon Mar 9, 2020**

8am - 8:30am Administration / JH, KG, JB

Where: Room 212

9am - 9:15am Emergency Management / JH, KG, JB, DC

Where: Room 212

9:15am - 10am Public Works / JH, KG, JB, LN

Where: Room 212

10am - 11am County Attorney -- KG, JB, JH, NS

Where: Room 212

11am - 12pm Department of Human Services / JH, KG, JB, DR

Where: Room 212

1:30pm - 3pm Otero County Board of Commissioners Public Hearing / JH, KG, JB

Where: Room 107

3pm - 3:30pm Economic Development Coordinator / JH, KG, DB

**Tue Mar 10, 2020**

10am - 11am SECO Counts

2:30pm - 5pm Work Session / JH, KG, JB

Where: Room 212

5:30pm - 6:30pm Detention/Judicial Steering Committee

**Wed Mar 11, 2020**

11am - 2pm RESADA / JH, DR

Where: Las Animas

12:30pm - 4pm Ark River Basin Roundtable / JB, KG

Where: Pueblo

4pm - 5pm Historic Preservation

Where: Room 110A

**Thu Mar 12, 2020**

All day CCI Steering Committee Meetings

Thu Mar 12, 2020 - Fri Mar 13, 2020

4pm - 6pm OJC Ag Program After Hours

**Fri Mar 13, 2020**

All day CCI Steering Committee Meetings

Thu Mar 12, 2020 - Fri Mar 13, 2020

All day STAC / JB

Fri Mar 13, 2020