



Rob Oquist - Commissioner Dist. 1
John Hostetler - Commissioner Dist. 2
Jim Baldwin - Commissioner Dist. 3
Amy White-Tanabe - County Administrator
Nathan Shultz - County Attorney

Office of the Commissioners

AGENDA

June 14, 2021

- 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 Approval of Bills and Payroll**
 - 5.2 Land Use Appointments, Bay & Thompson**
 - 5.3 Resolution 2021-06 Concerning redistricting and the drawing of two rural districts in Colorado.**
 - 5.4 La Junta Rural Fire District Ambulance Permits**
- 6.0 Other Business**
- 7.0 Departmental Reports**
- 8.0 Commissioners Report**
- 9.0 Discussion**
- 10.0 Announcements**



May 24th, 2021

The Board of County Commissioners now meets pursuant to adjournment.

Present:	Jim Baldwin	Chairman
	John Hostetler	Member
	Rob Oquist	Member
	Amy White-Tanabe	Admin
	Lyn Scott	Clerk

Guests in attendance via phone/zoom: Anne Boswell, Lorie Lopez.

In Person: Jolly Rose, Danelle Berg, Adrian Hart, Betty McFarland, Dee Leyba, Kristin Carpenter, Alex Rivera, Caitlyn Tibbles, Dawn Grocowski, Sylvia Rocha, Kenneth Tibbles, and Donna Rohde.

An announcement was made by Donna Rohde, DHS Director that Leap has been extended to June 1st, applications will be accepted until end of day.

Chr. Baldwin called the meeting to order and asked for approval of the minutes from May 10th, 2021. Co. Hostetler motioned to approve. Co. Oquist seconded. Motion carried.

Dee Leyba and Kristin Carpenter presented Communities that Care Youth Recognition. Admin. White-Tanabe read the narratives aloud and Commissioners Hostetler and Oquist help hand out the awards. The first award was: You Can't Get It Done, If You Don't Show Up, it was for the young person who can be counted on to show up, it went to Alex Rivera. The second award was: Creativity Award, this was for creativity in art, music, multi-media, and creative thinking, it went to Caitlyn Tibbles. Brayan Garcia-Cruz won the Random Acts of Kindness award, and Qierra Vigil won the Youth Positivity Award.

Lorie Lopez of the Pueblo Health Department gave a presentation on the Opioid Response Programs. The Health Resources and Services Administration Planning grant (HRSA). The Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) has a strategic plan to help with opioid addiction. Some of the things they are working on is coalition development, strategic & action planning, Addict to Athlete is a support program implemented in April 2021, also in April Narcotics Anonymous was started in Rocky Ford, CO. The Rocky Ford PD, the La Junta PD and the Otero County Sheriff's Office now has Narcan for use if needed. They are working with schools for education on opioids.

Chr. Baldwin asked for approval of the bills and payroll for May 1st through May 15th, 2021. Co. Oquist motioned to approve the bills and payroll. Co. Hostetler seconded. Motion carried.

Admin. White-Tanabe presented the sales tax report. We are up 24.61 % cumulative change, and we are up 62.57% monthly change. The county is doing well.

Chr. Baldwin presented an opposition statement for signature, concerning the application of the City of Colorado Springs acting through Colorado Springs Utilities for approval of conditional appropriative rights of exchange in the Arkansas River and its Tributaries. Otero County is joining the court case that is already in motion as opposers to changing the use of water from ag to municipal. Co. Hostetler motioned to approve signature. Co. Oquist seconded. Motion carried.

Danelle Berg presented that the CEDS meeting went well, several projects were submitted. The projects that made the cut should have the best chance to be approved; she will be bringing in a report soon. She is also working on questions for the American Relief Act. The Economic Developers in all 6 counties are getting together to figure out how to use the money for projects in the region.

Clerk Scott reported that she and Shannon will be attending a conference in Ft. Collins in June.

Admin. White-Tanabe reported that she has been looking at the allocation of the American Rescue Plan, there is a 4-year time-limit to use the money so she wants to spend it well. There was a meeting with the Agriculture Commissioner sponsored by CCI, the Pause Act, Resolution 16 is still out there, and they are tracking it.

Co. Oquist thanked Danelle for all the work she has been doing for the CEDS meetings. He sat in on the SAGE and SEBREA meetings, they were very informative. CCI had a meeting about solar and electric energy, he is interested in how it will work in the rural areas as opposed to urban areas.

Co. Hostetler attended a meeting with Eagleview for the Assessor's office. He also sat in on the CCI meeting and attended the Lower Ark Conservancy meeting.

Chr. Baldwin talked about the 1041 meeting; they are still in negotiation with Arkansas River Farms LLC.

With no further business, the board adjourned the meeting.

Next meeting will be Monday, June 14th, 2021, at 1:30pm.

Clerk

Chairman

OTERO COUNTY PAYMENTS
MAY 16 THROUGH MAY 31, 2021

Check #	Vendor	Description	Department	Amount
122660	16TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT	16TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT	INTERGOVERNMENTAL	31,291.68
122661	OTERO PARTNERS, INC	16TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT	INTERGOVERNMENTAL	27,340.00
122662	25-7 MEDIA, INC	STEPP GRANT	HEALTH	1,125.00
122663	VOIDED CHECK			180.00
122664	A&G UPHOLSTERY	PARTS/SERVICE	R&B	130.00
122665	ACM DIESEL, LLC	PARTS/SERVICE	R&B	2,510.00
122666	AMERICAN ELECTRIC COMPANY	BUILDING MAINT/REPAIRS	G&B	149.40
122667	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	BLDG UTIL/MAINT - RF	HEALTH	248.99
122668	BRIGITTE BROWN	MED TRANS - OTERO	CSBG	198.00
122669	CAPITAL ONE TRADE CREDIT	PARTS/SERVICE	R&B	1,304.80
122670	CITY OF LA JUNTA	ANIMAL POUND CHARGES	ADMIN	750.00
122671	CITY OF LA JUNTA	DOLA COVID-19 - CVRF LA JUNTA	COVID GRANT	2,038.20
122672	CITY OF LA JUNTA - UTILITIES	UTILITIES	G&B/SHERIFF/R&B	6,683.57
122673	CITY OF ROCKY FORD	UTILITIES/DOLA COVID-19 - CVRF	COVID GRANT	5,753.01
122674	COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	CONCEALED HAND GUN PERMIT	SHERIFF	603.00
122675	COUNTRY CHIROPRACTIC, PC	DRUG TESTING & DOT PHYSICALS	R&B	100.00
122676	DEAN W CHASE	TRAVEL	CSBG/NEMT	452.00
122677	DEEP ROCK	OPERATING SUPPLIES	SHERIFF/JAIL	108.82
122678	DIGITCOM ELECTRONICS, INC	MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS	E911	5,280.00
122679	EASYFLOW FOR SAFE WATER	BUILDING MAINT/REPAIRS	JAIL	192.00
122680	ERIC'S ELECTRIC OF LA JUNTA	SHOP MAINTENANCE	R&B	2,539.68
122681	FALCON INDUSTRIES INC	PARTS/SERVICE	R&B	165.24
122682	GALLS, LLC	UNIFORMS	SHERIFF	121.24
122683	GOBIN'S INC	MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS	LAND USE/EM MGR/HEALTH	253.63
122684	GRAINGER, INC	PARTS/SERVICE	R&B	142.11
122685	GREAT AMERICA LEASING CORP.	CTC GRANT	HEALTH	84.16
122686	HIGH PLAINS AUDIOLOGY LLC	AAA GENERAL FUND	AAA	4,200.00
122687	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	BUILDING MAINT/REPAIRS	G&B	50.96
122688	JR THOMPSON	P & Z BOARD FEES	LAND USE	60.90
122689	LOCK MONKEY INC	BUILDING MAINT/REPAIRS	G&B/HEALTH	349.00
122690	MARDONA L MORELAND	TRAVEL	CSBG/NEMT	1,266.00
122691	MASTER'S TOUCH LLC, THE	PRINTING	ASSESSOR	1,430.87
122692	MOBILE RECORD SHREDDERS	DOCUMENT SHREDDING	VARIOUS	142.00
122693	OFFICE DEPOT, INC	OPERATING SUPPLIES	HEALTH	226.92
122694	OFFICE MAX INC.	OFFICE SUPPLIES	SHERIFF	172.90
122695	OTERO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	RENT	ADULT SERVICES	2,214.00
122696	OTERO COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES	OPERATING/RENT/SALARIES	VSO/ADULT SERVICES	7,522.07
122697	NOT A CHECK			-
122698	PITNEY BOWES, INC	MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS	VARIOUS	651.16
122699	PROGRESSIVE MICROTECHNOLOGY, INC.	SOFTWARE/HARDWARE RENTAL	SHERIFF	695.00
122700	PROWERS MEDICAL CENTER	JAIL BASED SERVICES (JBBS)	STATE GRANTS	271.00
122701	QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC	POSTAGE, BOX RENT, ETC	SHERIFF	50.00
122702	QUILL CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLIES	ADMIN/VSO	67.99
122703	RAM PRODUCTS, LTD	FLUIDS	R&B	605.00
122704	RICHARD L COX	TRAVEL	CSBG/NEMT	255.00
122705	ROBINSON PRINTING, INC	STEPP GRANT	HEALTH	1,350.00
122706	ROCKY FORD FOOD MARKET LLC	FOOD	JAIL	1,164.93
122707	ROCKY FORD MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE	RF MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE	ADMIN	200.00
122708	SHANNON CASILLAS	TRAVEL	CLERK	117.50
122709	SHELLY R BAUER	TRAVEL	CSBG	22.00
122710	SHULTZ LAW OFFICE LLC	CONTRACT SERVICES	LAND USE	840.00
122711	SIGNS & DESIGNS	SIGNS	ADMIN/R&B	115.00
122712	SOUTHEAST COLO WEED MGMT	WEED CONTROL	JAIL/R&B/ADMIN	6,230.00
122713	STATE OF COLO DPA ACCOUNTING	POSTAGE, BOX RENT, ETC	CLERK	1,824.43
122714	THE HOME DEPOT PRO	OPERATING SUPPLIES	JAIL/HEALTH	465.93
122715	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	SOFTWARE/HARDWARE RENTAL	SHERIFF	294.38
122716	TIMEMARK, INC	OPERATING SUPPLIES	LAND USE	50.07

Check #	Vendor	Description	Department	Amount
122717	TOM FEDDE	P & Z BOARD FEES	LAND USE	77.10
122718	TOWN OF CHERAW	DOLA COVID-19 - CVRF CHERAW	COVID GRANT	3,771.03
122719	T-SHIRT PALACE	OPERATING SUPPLIES	G&B	193.56
122720	VIAERO WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	VARIOUS	2,373.71
122721	VINCE TATUM	P & Z BOARD FEES	LAND USE	65.42
122722	WILLIAM C PIQUETTE	P & Z BOARD FEES	LAND USE	69.90
1077	FLOYD R WARD JR	TRAVEL	CSBG	364.00
1078	GT INDEPENDENCE	FMS CLIENT SERVICES	VDC	1,114.89
1079	LA JUNTA ASSOCIATED CHARITIES	LJ ASSOCIATED CHARITIES	ADMIN	200.00
1080	LISA M CONTY	MISCELLANEOUS	SHERIFF	200.00
1081	LYNDA SCOTT	TRAVEL	CLERK	117.50
1082	MEDINA'S TIRE SERVICE, LLC	PARTS/SERVICE	R&B	161.00
1083	MOLLIE BROWN	GRANT WRITING/PROJECT MANAGEMENT	SPECIAL PROJECTS	1,020.00
1084	OTERO COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL	PARKS & REC FACILITIES	ADMIN	211.00
1085	PEACOCK-LARSEN FUNERAL HOME, INC	AUTOPSY	CORONER	300.00
1086	ROBERT BLAIR	CSBG COVID FOOD	CSBG	44.10
				132,932.75

Fund Summary

010 - GENERAL FUND	88,913.42
020 - ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	13,323.87
040 - AAA FUND	5,870.32
070 - GENERAL HUMAN SERVICES	12,070.32
080 - HEALTH FUND	4,349.16
085 - CONSERVATION TRUST FUND	1,171.00
090 - CLERK HIRE FUND	1,954.66
095 - E-911	5,280.00
132,932.75	

STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss.
County of Otero)

At a Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for Otero County, Colorado, held at the Courthouse in La Junta, Colorado, on the 14th day of June, A.D., 2021, there were present:

- Jim Baldwin, Chairman
- Rob Oquist, Commissioner
- John Hostetler, Commissioner
- Lyn Scott, Clerk to the Board
- Amy White-Tanabe, County Administrator

when the following proceedings were had and done, to-wit:

Resolution #2021 – 06

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING REDISTRICTING AND THE DRAWING OF TWO RURAL DISTRICTS IN COLORADO

WHEREAS, Every ten years the State of Colorado needs to redraw all of the congressional districts to equalize population between them; and

WHEREAS, rural Colorado has unique interests that are sometimes contrary to the interests of Front Range communities; and

WHEREAS, Colorado is expected to receive an eighth congressional district through the reapportionment process; and

WHEREAS, the Western Slope has historically been considered a community of interest; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Plains and Southern Colorado is an easily defined community of interest; and

WHEREAS, agriculture is a primary driver of the economy in many rural counties; and

WHEREAS, energy production is a primary driver of the economy in many rural counties; and

WHEREAS, both agriculture and energy are historically considered a community of interest; and

WHEREAS, rural communities’ water interests sustaining agriculture and recreation are often counter to the water interests of urban/suburban communities; and

WHEREAS, Rural communities have unique infrastructure needs, including telecommunications, public transportation and utilities; and

WHEREAS, roughly one fourth of the population of the State of Colorado lives in these rural counties that rely on agriculture, energy production, and tourism to drive their economy; and

WHEREAS, drawing two rural districts allows the Congressional Redistricting Commission to better meet Constitutional requirements for compact districts with the remaining six congressional districts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Otero, Colorado, as follows:

- (1) That the Western Slope of Colorado is a community of interest that deserves to be made whole within one congressional district;
- (2) That the Eastern Plains and Southern Colorado is a community of interest that deserves its own congressional district; and
- (3) That we, the Commissioners of Otero County, encourage the Congressional Redistricting Commission to ensure Colorado's rural population is effectively represented through the creation of two fully rural (or as near as possible) districts.

Adopted this 14th day of June 2021.

ATTEST:

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

Clerk & Recorder

Jim Baldwin, Chairman

John Hostetler

Rob Oquist

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Mon Jun 14, 2021

9am - 10am Public Works / JH, RO, JB, LN, DG

Where: Room 212

10am - 11am Administration / JH, RO, JB

Where: Room 212

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

Where: Room 212

1:30pm - 2:30pm Department of Human Services

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

Where: Room 107

3pm - 4pm Economic Development

Tue Jun 15, 2021

10am - 11am County Attorney / JB, JH, RO, NS, SS

Where: Room 212

11am - 12:30pm USDA - Joey Gacnik

2pm - 3pm Axiom

Where: Zoom or Room 107

Wed Jun 16, 2021

All day SECAHB -- DC

Wed Jun 16, 2021

10:30am - 11:30am Lower Ark Water Conservancy -- JH

12pm - 1pm SEBREA -- RO, DB

2pm - 3pm SAGE -- RO

Fri Jun 18, 2021

12pm - 2pm CCI Legislative

Mon Jun 21, 2021

8:30am - 10:30am OPI/OCLI

11am - 12pm Emergency Management / JH, RO, JB, DC

12pm - 1pm Administration

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1:30pm - 2:30pm 1041 Permit Meeting

Tue Jun 22, 2021

9:30am - 10:30am Courthouse Security

1:15pm - 2:15pm SECOM Broadband

2pm - 5pm Work Session / JH, RO, JB

Where: Room 212

Wed Jun 23, 2021

8am - 10am Otero/RMMI

11am - 12pm SECOG/SECED - DB/JB

Fri Jun 25, 2021

All day AP Review

Fri Jun 25, 2021

Mon Jun 28, 2021

9am - 10am Public Works / JH, RO, JB, LN, DG

10am - 11am Administration / JH, RO, JB

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

1:30pm - 2:30pm Department of Human Services

1:30pm - 2:30pm Land Use

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

Where: Room 107

3pm - 4pm Economic Development