



Keith Goodwin - 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

July 27, 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 Abatement, Ken Hood
 - 5.3 Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District, Letter of Support
- 6.0 Other Business**
- 7.0 Departmental Reports**
 - 7.1 Fire Restrictions, Emergency Manager- Danny Chavez
- 8.0 Commissioners Report**
- 9.0 Discussion**
- 10.0 Announcements**

SEE ATTACHMENTS

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: *"The most difficult thing is the decision to act. The rest is merely tenacity."* – Amelia Earhart



July 20th, 2020

The Board of County Commissioners now meets pursuant to adjournment.

Present:	Keith Goodwin	Chairman
	John Hostetler	Member
	Amy White-Tanabe	Administrator
	Lynda Scott	County Clerk

Guests in attendance were: In person: Shawn Mobley, Jolly Rose, Danelle Berg, Cynthia Nieb and Sharon Jones. On phone: Jeffry Pruyn, Christian Burney, Anne Boswell, Co. Jim Baldwin and Marty Lee.

Chr. Goodwin called the meeting to order and requested approval of the minutes from July 13th, 2020. Co. Hostetler motioned to approve the minutes. Co. Goodwin seconded. Motion carried.

Cynthia Nieb with the City of La Junta presented an archeological assessment on a section of the proposed 16.5 mile trail system. Ms. Nieb would like to have signature on the assessment, to determine that history is saved and protected along the trail. Discussion was held. Co. Hostetler motioned to approve signature on the assessment. Co. Baldwin seconded. Motion carried.

Sharon Jones from the Treasurer's Office gave the semi-annual report, as of July 13, 2020 there was a county funds total of \$18,756,290.02 with undistributed treasurer funds of \$3,211.47 making the grand total \$18,757,526.71. Signature is requested on the report. Co. Baldwin motioned to approve signature on the report. Co. Hostetler seconded. Motion carried.

Admin. White-Tanabe presented the sales tax report for the month of May. Comparing the amounts from 2019 to 2020, sales tax is up by 13.45%. Overall she feels that we are doing well.

Chr. Goodwin presented for approval a letter of intent to the Clerk's office for possibly putting a question on the ballot for the general election in November. Co. Hostetler motioned to approve a letter of intent. Co. Baldwin seconded. Motion carried.

Sheriff Mobley reported that challenges about the mask mandate is very frustrating as he does not have the man power to enforce it. There is at present a large amount of calls that take up a lot of time, there is also increased overtime because reports are having to be done after the shift ends. The OCSO jail has one more bathroom repair to be done and then for the short term they should be able to house prisoners without sending them out.

Danelle Berg reported that she attended a SEBREA meeting that also was attended by Senator Larry Crowder. There was talk at the meeting about rural development grant implementation. Mr. Crowder talked about the Ark Valley conduit and the impact on rural economy. Ms. Berg also reported that there is a new donor on board for the enterprise grant project. She also attended a OPI meeting and there was a new loan approved in Las Animas County.

Admin. White-Tanabe spent the week working on the single entry project, and reported that the county took possession of the new backup generator for the Sheriff's office. Still looking at the possibility of a detention center, and looking at different avenues for grants to make that happen. Along with the Commissioners, she is working on a list of projects to prioritize. Discussion was held.

Co. Hostetler asked that we remember to care for and about each other during this time of need. He attended an OCLI meeting and the landfills are being used more because people are home and cleaning more. He attended a RESADA meeting and they are in the process of opening up a new building. He wanted to do a shout out for Amber Weber and the great job she is doing with the census. We are ahead of the numbers we had 10 years ago so that is good. He also sat in on some zoom meetings concerning the new legislation.

Chr. Goodwin also attended the SEBREA meeting and gave a presentation about the company that is looking at helping with the broadband difficulties.

With no further business, the board adjourned the meeting.

Next meeting will be Monday, July 27th, 2020 at 1:30pm.

Clerk

Chairman



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Colorado Water Conservation Board
Water Supply Reserve Grants – Arkansas Basin
1313 Sherman Street
Denver, CO 80203

Re: Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District's WSRF Headgate 199 Lateral Lining

Dear Colorado Water Conservation Board:

On behalf of the Otero County Commissioners, please accept this letter of support for Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District's WSRF Grant for lining of Headgate 199 under that Catlin Canal system.

Historically, Otero County Commissioners have a strong history of understanding the importance of water supply, quality, and preservation. We commend the work of the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District and appreciate their drive and creativity to assure success in preservation and water quality issues.

Otero County Commissioners support this progressive work in the county to better supply water for agricultural uses. Otero County sees this as an opportunity for similar projects in the area where seepage could be affecting households and agricultural seepage lands. This project is a great way to show the benefits of a material that could be used in the basin for years to come.

If you require more information about the Otero County Commissioners, please contact us via phone at 719-383-3000.

Regards,

Keith Goodwin, Chairman

John Hostetler

Jim Baldwin

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Mon Jul 27, 2020

12am - 12:45am Otero County/Gallagher - Prerenewal meeting

Where: Webex

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 / JB, JH, KG, NS

Where: Room 212

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

Where: Room 212

1:30pm - 2pm Land Use / JH, KG, JB, LN

Where: Room 107

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 Jul 28, 2020

9:30am - 10:30am Courthouse Security

Where: Room 107

11am - 1pm Health Board / JH, AT

2:30pm - 3:30pm DJ Beckwith Zoom (Office of Congressman Ken Buck)

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

Where: Room 212

Wed Jul 29, 2020

9am - 9:30am Health Dept Briefing

10am - 12pm 2021 Budget Kickoff and DH Meeting

Where: Room 107 or Virtual if Needed/Desired

1:30pm - 2:30pm Sheriff Shawn Mobley

Thu Jul 30, 2020

8am - 12pm COMCOR - JH

Where: Jodis