

YUMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

April 15, 2019

Minutes¹

On April 15, 2019 at 8:00 a.m., the Yuma County Board of Commissioners met in regular session. Commissioner Trent Bushner, Commissioner Dean Wingfield, and Administrator Andrea Calhoon were present throughout the day. Chairman Wiley was not in attendance.

The Commissioners reviewed and signed accounts payable and discussed various meetings attended throughout the prior month.

Department of Human Services

The Board of County Commissioners convened as the Board of Social Services at 3:00 p.m. Human Services Director Kara Hoover, Child Welfare Supervisor Hollie Hillman, Eligibility Supervisor Dalene Rogers, and Receptionist Robin Barnhardt were present.

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened at 4:00 p.m.

Road and Bridge

Road & Bridge Supervisor JR Colden joined the meeting at 9:30 a.m. to provide the department updates.

Current Projects

- *Current Road Work* – Colden reported current work on Road Y in the north end of the county and on CC north of Highway 34 and K.
- *Culvert* – Colden discussed a low spot at county road CC and 11 and presented a recommendation to install a culvert to assist with runoff flow. The group decided an 18” culvert would be most appropriate.
- *Fairgrounds Equipment* – Colden discussed various topics associated with equipment at the Yuma County Fairgrounds including damage to a tractor and the use of Road & Bridge mowers to mow the grounds. The group discussed maintenance requirements for the tractor and appropriate uses as well as strategies for efficient mowing of the fairgrounds.
- *Equipment Purchases* – Colden presented pricing on various replacement equipment and the group discussed priority equipment purchases and budgetary constraints. **Commissioner Wingfield moved to approve the purchase of a John Deere 772 Motor Grader with Trade of the 2012 772 Motor Grader from Wagner Equipment for an amount not to exceed \$206,400 to be paid out of Fund 2. Commissioner Bushner seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
- *DEF Coding* – Colden discussed the coding of diesel exhaust fluid expenditures into his budget. The group concurred that DEF is a fuel additive and not a repair and the expense should be considered a fuel expense.
- *Salary Authorizations* – **Commissioner Wingfield moved to approve signature on the salary authorization for new Equipment Operator/Truck Driver William Braz as of April 15, 2019 at G5/C1/L6. Commissioner Bushner seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.**
Commissioner Bushner moved to approve the salary authorization for Mike Taylor for increased production as a blade operator as of May 1, 2019 at G5/C1/L14. Commissioner Wingfield seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Darlene Carpio, Senator Cory Gardner's Office

The Commissioners were joined by Darlene Carpio of Senator Cory Gardner's Office at 10:30 a.m. to hear federal legislative updates. Carpio reviewed estate tax and veteran's work that Senator Gardner is currently focused on and recent local relationship building with local Veteran's Service Officers. Carpio also discussed that the Akron

¹ Minutes prepared by Andrea Calhoon are a summary of discussions, not a verbatim account.



research station has been removed from a list of locations subject to funding cut closures. Carpio provided updates on other regional news including regional recipients of USDA grant monies as well as an upcoming Taxpayer Advocate Service Problem Solving Day for local constituents to be held May 1, 2019 at Quintech in Yuma and current FSA coverage for hemp farmers during the transition of implementation of the current Farm Bill.

The Commissioners expressed considerable concern over the lack of a trade deal with China and the impact on local wheat farmers and the overall wheat market. Carpio discussed recent work from Senator Gardner's office regarding trade and tariffs and the impacts on multiple agriculture markets. The Commissioners also discussed the E15 ethanol requirements and the practicability and reality of implementing the blending requirements and gaps in the proposed regulation.

Bev Wenger, Yuma County Clerk & Recorder

At 11:30 a.m. the Commissioners met with Yuma County Clerk and Recorder Bev Wenger to discuss pending legislation anticipated to impact business operations for Colorado County Clerks. Wenger requested a letter of opposition from the Board of County Commissioners for HB19-1278 modifying uniform election code. The County Clerk's Association has taken a position of opposition due to the undue burden and significant expense increase that will be required of local County Clerks' Offices. Wenger reviewed the requirements that would be placed upon her office as well as the current voting availability and challenges with securing election judges. **Commissioner Wingfield moved to approve signature on a letter of opposition for HB19-1278 proposing modification to uniform election code. Commissioner Bushner seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Land Use

Yuma County Land Use Administrator/GIS Coordinator Colten Yoast was heard at 1:00 p.m. to review Land Use and GIS business and to conduct Land Use Hearings.

- *Pending Land Use Activity* – Yoast reported no permit applications received for April. Yoast reported on two permits received so far, one Administrative Land Use and one Exemption from Subdivision, that will be heard in May 2019.
- *Floodplain Update* – Yoast reported on continued work on drafting a floodplain permit for Yuma County.
- *Land Sales* – Yoast reported on having set a closing date on the sale of a parcel of land to John Schaffner. Closing will be held on April 30, 2019 at 11:30 a.m.
- *Correspondence* – Yoast reported on correspondence received including activity notices received since the last meeting and meetings he has held on various projects that have not yet been associated with land use applications.

GIS

- *Mapping* – Yoast reported working on updates for the master map and continues work on Road & Bridge and Emergency Management maps.
- *Boundary Annexation Survey* – Yoast reported on material completion of the County boundary annexation survey for the Census Bureau.

Russell Tencer, United Wind Energy

At 4:30 p.m., the Commissioners met with Russell Tencer of United Wind Energy to discuss current activities and local implications. Tencer reported that primary activities are focused around 25 kWh wind projects, primarily in the agriculture sector. Tencer initiated a conversation on tax assessment topics related to local projects. Tencer reported that turbines installed are owned by United Wind Energy and leased to property owners on 20-year leases so combining the lease expense with the estimated property taxation of approximately \$900 total life of the turbine would almost directly offset the economic benefit of installing the turbine.

Roger Brown, Yuma County Emergency Manager

At 1:45 p.m. the Commissioners heard updates from the Yuma County Emergency Manager, Roger Brown. Brown reported on recent projects and office updates including work on agriculture disasters, primarily focused around pork production. Brown reminded the group that the Threat and Hazard identification Risk Assessment (THIRA) is due for renewal this year and provided updates on the progress related to that project. Brown reported that we are awaiting award information on the FEMA grant application to pay for the Hazard Mitigation plan review.

Marilyn Wagner, CTSI

Marilyn Wagner of Colorado Technical Services, Inc. joined the meeting at 4:00 p.m. to present loss statistics for the prior year. Wagner presented reports on 2018 casualty and property and workers' compensation loss rates for the last 4 years running as well as overall pool statistics. Wagner also presented on mitigation efforts related to trending loss statistics and available training and courses offered through CTSI.

Administrator's Report

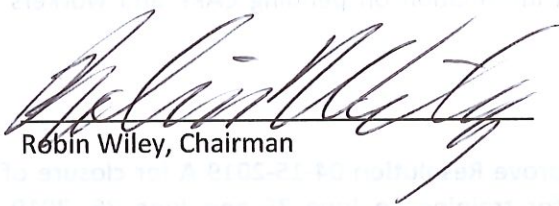
Administrator Andrea Calhoon reviewed calls, correspondence, and presented the following for action:

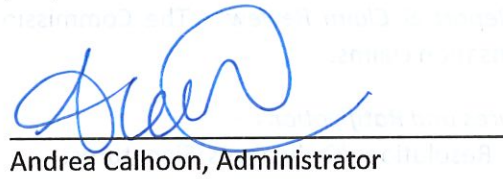
- **Minutes** – The Commissioners reviewed the minutes from the previous BOCC meeting. **Commissioner Wingfield moved to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2019 Board of County Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Bushner seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
- **CAPP Report & Claim Review** – The Commissioners heard information on pending CAPP and workers' compensation claims.
- **Signatures and Ratifications** –
 - Resolutions/Ordinances/Signatures:
 - **Commissioner Wingfield moved to approve Resolution 04-15-2019 A for closure of the Yuma County Treasurer's Office for training on June 25 and June 26, 2019. Commissioner Bushner seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
 - **Commissioner Bushner moved to approve resolution 04-15-2019 B amending Resolution 02-28-2019 A for closure of the Yuma County Clerk's Office for May 8, 9, and 10, 2019 for training. Commissioner Wingfield seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.**
 - Invoices/Finance Requests:
 - **Commissioner Wingfield moved to ratify signature on the CCOERA forfeiture check for \$1,574.60 from Fund 1, \$1,857.80 from Fund 2, and \$6.08 interest from Fund 1. Commissioner Bushner seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
 - Grant Updates – The Commissioners reviewed information regarding pending and submitted grant applications including the DOLA Administrative Planning Grant for Yuma County Economic Development and Phillips County Economic Development for a joint housing study and the Ag Innovation Center GOCO grant for an expansion of the fairgrounds beef barn.
- **Department Reports** – The Commissioners reviewed the Murphy Brown 2018 Q4 monitoring report, the Seaboard 2018 Q4 monitoring report, the Murphy Brown 2018 Annual Air Report, the March 2019 Treasurer's Reports, the March 2019 TV System Maintenance Log, and the 2018 County Health Pool audit report. **Commissioner Bushner moved to approve payment of the 2019 Q1 Public Trustee payment of \$1,760.08. Commissioner Wingfield seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

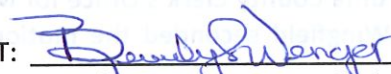


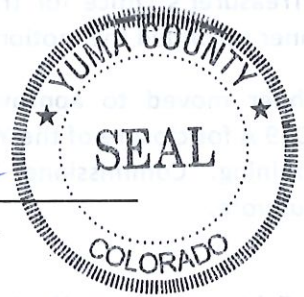
- **Prior Meeting Follow-Up** – Calhoon provided updates on ongoing projects including the implementation of new accounting software.
- **Correspondence** – Calhoon presented correspondence received since the last meeting including:
 - A fairgrounds use request to hold a lamb camp.
 - A letter to the WY Communications Center regarding a review of operations.
- **Oil & Gas Updates** – Calhoon reported on oil and gas updates since the last meeting Senate Bill 19-181 related to oil and gas drilling.
- **IT Updates** – Calhoon presented updates on various IT issues.
- **Maintenance Updates** – Calhoon reported on various facilities maintenance topics.
- **HR Updates** – Calhoon reported updates on County Human Resource topics including recruitment efforts for County employment vacancies and pending HR issues.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m. The next regular meetings of the Board of County Commissioners will be on April 30, 2019 and May 14, 2019.


Robin Wiley, Chairman


Andrea Calhoon, Administrator

ATTEST: 
Beverly Wenger, County Clerk



**RESOLUTION OF
THE YUMA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION #04-15-19 A

Closing of Treasurer's office for Staff Training

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Yuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called regular meeting of said Board of Count Commissioners, held on the 15th day of April 2019, and:

WHEREAS, the BOCC may change hours of opening and closing per C.R.S. 30-10-109;

WHEREAS, the Yuma County Treasurer requires the Treasurer's office to be closed Tuesday, June 25 and Wednesday June 26, 2019 for employees to attend training sessions being held at the annual summer conference in Sterling Colorado,

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the commissioners of the County of Yuma, Colorado, the office of the Yuma County Treasurer's office will be closed for regular business on June 25th and June 26th, 2019.

ADOPTED, this 15th day of April, 2019

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF YUMA, COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO

Robin Wiley, Chairman
Dean Wingfield

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Trent Bushner

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ATTEST:
Beverly A Wenger

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Yuma County Clerk and Recorder



**RESOLUTION OF
THE YUMA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION #02-28-19 A
Amended Resolution #04-15-2019 B**

Closing of Clerk's office for DRIVES and Election Training

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Yuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called regular meeting of said Board of Count Commissioners, held on the 15th day of April 2019, and:

WHEREAS, the BOCC may change hours of opening and closing per C.R.S. 30-10-109;

WHEREAS, format and certification requirements have changed for MV and Elections;

WHEREAS, Resolution 2-28-19A was nullified due to weather related cancellation of training;

WHEREAS, the Yuma County Clerk and Recorder requires the MV, DL and Recording offices to be closed Wednesday May 8, Thursday May 9 and Friday May 10, 2019 for employees to attend trainings in DRIVES and Election classes for certification;

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Commissioners of the County of Yuma, Colorado, this resolution rescinds and replaces Resolution #2-28-19A, the offices (including Motor Vehicle, Recording, and Driver License) of the Yuma County Clerk and Recorder's office will be closed for regular business on May 8th thru May 10th.

ADOPTED, this 15th day of April, 2019

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF YUMA, COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO

ATTEST:


Beverly A Wenger
Yuma County Clerk and Recorder




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