YUMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
April 30, 2013
Minutes

At 8:00 a.m., the Yuma County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on the 30th of April, 2013, with
Chairman Robin Wiley, Commissioners Dean Wingfield and Trent Bushner present.

Administrator Linda Briggs was present throughout the day.
The commissioners reviewed with each other on affiliated meetings that each attended within the last two weeks.

Adam Srsen –
Adam Srsen, Chief of Police for the City of Wray, dropped in to inform the commissioners of the grant hearing
before the Division of Wildlife Grant Committee that he and Commissioner Wingfield attended. If grant funds are
received, improvements will be made to the gun range located on city property east of the airport runway. A grant
request was for $70,000 of the $100,000 project. The county has committed equipment and labor for making
berms.

Other discussion centered on interaction between the Sheriff’s department and the City’s police department; such
as emergency calls within the City of Wray to which both agencies respond.

Health and Human Services -
The commissioners conducted business with Dave Henson, Director of the Department of Health and Human
Services. Also present: Hollie Hillman and Dalene Rogers.

Road & Bridge -
In attendance from the Road and Bridge Department were: Supervisor Mark Shaw, Truck/Mining Foreman
Howard McGinnis. Road and Bridge personnel updated the commissioners on road department activities.
The following were discussed:

• The State Department of Transportation will be piling rock chips in the Deterding pit until needed for their
highway projects.
• Shaw reviewed where the road crew was working and where they would be moving to next.
• Gravel is needed on the streets of Idalia.
• Stults and Shaw will be attending the Gravel Roads Academy on May 8th and 9th being held at the Arapaho
County Fairgrounds.
• The Weis gravel pit is not uncovered.
• No sample drilling has been done as the drilling rig is being worked on.
• Shaw reviewed employee changes and where he is in hiring process.
• Shaw asked if a salvaged culvert could be sold to a resident that has not been able to find the size he needs
from the gas companies, the city, or the local suppliers. The Road and Bridge has a salvaged culvert the
size needed. Following a discussion, the Board decided the culvert can be purchased for the cost of
replacement at the current market.

Commissioner Bushner moved to approve the Underground and Utility Permits for Augustus Energy
Partners, LLC to install:

• a 3” water line under County Road 2 at 1/10 of a mile north of County Road 27.
• a 3” water line under County Road AA at 750’ north of County Road 27.
• a gas line under County Road T at 200’ north of County Road 36.

1 These minutes prepared by Linda Briggs are summarized discussions, not verbatim.
Commissioner Wingfield seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Dean Long -

Resident Dean Long said on a Sunday, April 14, the wind blew hard and the dirt from the field lying to the north of his home covered his yard. The weather station showed the wind at 70 mph. You could not see 10 feet out of the house. He wanted to report this as he was most worried about the people on the highway having an accident. Long lives in the first house as you turn west from Hwy 385 onto County Road 26, also known as the Vernon Highway. Long said he has talked to the local Conservation District Office of his concerns. The commissioners stated they were also concerned about the poor visibility conditions, but felt the current farmer of the land would be able to keep the ground from blowing.

Janelle Devlin -

Janelle Devlin, Executive Director for the Housing Authority of the Town of Yuma, informed the commissioners two bids were received for replacing the siding and windows of the Plains Manor V. H. Villa Townhomes. Following review and discussion, Commissioner Wingfield moved to accept the bid of $239,479 from Ravi Malhotra out of Lakewood, Colorado, contingent on the following: not being on the debarred list, proof of insurance, and bid performance payment. Commissioner Bushner seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Devlin stated they are expecting to start the project at the end of May.

Richard Birnie -

Richard Birnie, GIS Coordinator, informed the commissioners of recent meetings with representatives of Sidwell. The needs analysis with the various departments within Yuma County will take place within the next two weeks. The City of Wray will be purchasing two GPS units to start mapping the City. Rich stated that he would like to see the Road and Bridge follow the same track so that training can take place at the same time in early June.

Sid Fleming, the new Yuma City Manager, has been informed of the mapping proposal through Sidwell and was receptive of the project.

The Wray School District has requested their building blueprints to be scanned. The fee for this size of sheet is five dollars per sheet. This project would be $455. Birnie asked if there would be a discounted rate because of the project being for the school district. Discussion centered on the time it takes and use of the scanner. The commissioners felt there were some costs associated with the work; therefore, the fee could be discounted 50% for the school district.

Sheriff Chad Day –

Sheriff Chad Day presented an eight page statement which explained his position on the statements from Phillips County Sheriff’s Office for moving Phillips County inmates to the Logan County Jail instead of at Yuma County. Day stated he could never find a written with Phillips County relating to the housing of inmates. A request for the document was made to Sheriff Urbach; but a copy of an agreement was never received. Day reviewed and expanded on some of the points in the document.

The panic alarm system was installed yesterday so all of the buttons are operating. The ability to hit a key on the computer and phone messaging cannot be activated until a wire is installed from the basement where the control box is located. A service order has been submitted to do the work.
Day informed the commissioners that Tiffany Sprouse recently took maternity leave. She has informed him that she will not be coming back to work in the jail.

**Greg Etl / Division of Local Governments** –

Present: Sid Fleming, Manager for the City of Yuma, and Mark Shaw, Road and Bridge Supervisor, Greg Etl, Regional Representative for the Division of Local Governments, asked how the budget for the Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Grant for improvements to Kamala and County Road 39 near the City of Yuma should be revised because the grant awarded, in the amount of $445,000, is $25,585 less than the initial request. Discussion centered on how to include the engineering and testing of the project. Shaw stated the contractor had been contacted to see if there had been a change in his estimate. At this point, the costs estimate has not changed. The project budget was changed showing that Yuma County’s contribution would increase by $25,000. The commitment from the City of Yuma will remain at $100,000.

**Travis Dinsmore** –

Travis Dinsmore, tenant of the house at 311 Birch, informed the commissioners that he had insulated the ceilings, changed some electrical switches, installed some lighting in the attic, and fixed the garage roof. Options for insulating the side walls were discussed. Two estimates will be received for heat in order to remove the high cost electrical base board heat units. The block foundation has cracked. Dinsmore will consider the best option for fixing the cracks. Other projects listed were improvements to the back bathroom, replacement of windows, and yard improvements. Dinsmore presented a sheet showing a description of the work and hours spent on house improvements.

**Clerk Beverly Wenger** –

Clerk Beverly Wenger informed the commissioners of a call received from the Department of Local Affairs asking if the Pioneer Ditch District was dissolved. Wenger was told that a special district must hold an election prior to dissolving a special district. The commissioners listed individuals involved with the Pioneer Ditch that might be able to answer the question. The Yuma County Water Authority Public Improvement District purchased the water rights from individual owners but has nothing to do with the Pioneer Ditch.

**Mitch Witte** –

Mitch Witte asked the commissioners if there would be funds available to install an underground sprinkler system. Last year it took his wife and him three weeks of dragging hoses to water the park before Vernon Days. A quote was presented and discussed. The commissioners said there are conservation funds that could be used, but not enough to cover the estimate. The board recommended getting community involvement and check to see what a sprinkler system would cost that had fewer sprinklers that covered a larger area.

**Personnel** –

Commissioner Wingfield moved to enter executive session as outlined in CRS 24-6-402 (4)(f) for personnel matters. Commissioner Bushner seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. At 3:45 p.m., Commissioners Wiley, Wingfield, Bushner, Dillon Rose, and Linda Briggs entered into executive session, for the purpose of holding an employee exit interview. Through a duly made motion executive session ended at approximately 3:58 p.m.

**Administrator’s Report** -

Administrator Linda Briggs reviewed calls, correspondence, and presented the following for action:

A motion was made by Commissioner Bushner and seconded by Commissioner Wingfield to approve the minutes of April 15, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.
Commissioner Wingfield moved to pay $810.00 to the Chamber of Yuma for the 2013 membership renewal. Commissioner Bushner seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Bushner moved to approve Yuma County Permit Ordinance 1982-1 for the following Augustus Energy Partners Company wells:
- Deterding 23-35 2S45W
- Crossland 43-28 5N46W
- White 34-01 1S46W
- Taylor 13-26 4N47W
- NB Farms 22-01 1N46W
- Josh 21-02 4N46W

Commissioner Wingfield seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Commissioners signed a check for $1,731.58 for CCOREA Forfeiture Funds to be deposited in the General Fund 1.

Certification of Accounts Payable for April 30, 2013, drawn on Yuma County Funds, with check #53810 through # 53900 totaling the sum of $404,170.25 and Fund 16 W-Y Combined Communications check #6571 through # 6587, totaling the sum of $30,329.53 were approved and signed by Chairman Robin Wiley.

Certification of Payroll for April 30, 2013, drawn on Yuma County Funds, EFT system #34576 through #34703 and checks # 29698 through # 29725 totaling the sum of $216705.42 along with Fund 16 W-Y Combined Communication EFT system number # 4990 through # 5003, totaling the sum of $30,047.15 were approved and signed by Chairman Robin Wiley.

The commissioners made their routine inspection of the jail.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. The next meeting of the board will be May 16 and May 31, 2013.

A listing of meetings attended by the Commissioners during the month of April 2013 is attached.

Robin Wiley, Chairman

Linda Briggs, Administrator

ATTEST:

Beverly Wenger, County Clerk