



YUMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
November 15, 2022
Minutes¹

On November 15, 2022 at 8:00 a.m., the Yuma County Board of Commissioners met in regular session. Chairman Trent Bushner, Commissioner Scott Weaver, Commissioner Mike Leerar, and Administrator Andrea Calhoon were present throughout the day.

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

Road and Bridge

Road & Bridge Supervisor Tom Andersen and Blade Foreman Justin Lorimer joined the meeting at 8:30 a.m. to provide department updates.

- *Surplus Equipment* – The group reviewed a list of equipment recommended for surplus and evaluated against the overall fleet management strategy and the necessary reserves. The group discussed the various services available to assist in selling equipment and upcoming equipment auctions. **Commissioner Weaver moved to declare as surplus the following items and approve them for sale at Miller Auction: a 1978 Chevrolet C30, a 1999 GMC 2500, a 1993 Ford F350, a 2006 Chevrolet 2500, a 1995 gooseneck trailer, a 1995 Ranco belly dump trailer, and a 1995 Trail Right pintle hitch trailer. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.**
- *Mowing Updates* – Andersen reported the anticipated conclusion of mowing operations within the next few weeks.
- *Staffing* – Andersen presented for approval new hire equipment operator Mike Bargeon. **Commissioner Leerar moved to approve the salary authorization for new hire Equipment Operator Mike Bargeon as presented. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.**
- *Financials* – The group reviewed current financial reports and year-to-date expenditures. Fuel prices and the cost of equipment repairs were specifically reviewed.

Human Services

The Board of County Commissioners convened as the Board of Social Services at 9:30 a.m. Human Services Director Kara Hoover, Child Welfare and Adult Protection Supervisor Hollie Hillman, and Eligibility Supervisor Dalene Rogers were present. Detailed minutes of the Board of Social Services are maintained separately by the Department of Human Services. The Board of County Commissioners reconvened at 10:35 a.m.

Land Use

County Land Use Administrator Andrea Calhoon was heard at 1:00 p.m. to review Land Use and GIS business.

- *Pending Land Use Applications* – Calhoon reported no land use applications scheduled for hearing in the month of November.
- *Proposed Land Use Code Change* – Calhoon provided updates on recent discussions related to Yuma County land use code.

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



- *Staffing* – Calhoon reported on the status of recruiting for the vacancy at Land Use Administrator/GIS Coordinator.

GIS

- *Current Projects* – Calhoon provided updates on recent GIS activities conducted by contracted GIS Coordinator Colten Yoast.

County Sheriff, Todd Combs

At 1:30 p.m. County Sheriff Todd Combs joined the Commissioners to discuss interoffice relations and financial processes.

Executive Session

At 3:20 p.m., **Commissioner Weaver moved to enter into executive session under CRS 24-6-402(4)(e) for matters subject to negotiations and to instruct negotiators. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.** Present for executive session were Chairman Trent Bushner, Commissioner Scott Leerar, Commissioner Mike Leerar, County Attorney Ken Fellman, and County Administrator Andrea Calhoon. Executive session ended at 3:52 p.m. No action was taken following executive session.

Administrator's Report

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


- *Minutes* – The Commissioners reviewed the minutes from the previous BOCC meetings. **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve the minutes from the October 31, 2022 regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners and the November 7, 2022 special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Leerar 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 Leerar moved to approve the ESRI GIS mapping software renewal quote for 2023 as presented. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.**
 - **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve signature on the Cobalt Cattle Structure Agreement as presented. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.**
 - **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve payment issuance for the previously approved contribution to the South Fork River Restoration Project for \$15,000. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
 - The Commissioners reviewed the proposed contract with Garry Moore Amusements for provision of a carnival at the 2023 Yuma County Fair. Consideration of the contract was tabled for further negotiation of contract terms. **Commissioner Weaver moved to cancel the carnival for the 2023 Yuma County Fair. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion. The motion was tabled definitely to the November 30, 2023 meeting.**
 - **Commissioner Leerar moved to approve signature on the IRS Tax Agent form as presented. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.**




- **Commissioner Leerar moved to approve payment of \$3,500 for the Colorado Coroners Standards and Training Board New Coroner Institute for Javan Jones. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
- Grant Updates:
 - The Commissioners reviewed information regarding pending and submitted grant applications including a proposed grant for the Yuma golf course.
- *Department Reports* – The Commissioners received various department reports including a progress on Yuma County's recent appointment as the administrative agent for the Eastern Transportation Planning Region with CDOT and updates from the Yuma County EMS Council.
- *Prior Meeting Follow-Up* – The group discussed project updates on the status of properties in Eckley and reviewed a draft resolution for the 13th Judicial District Attorney's Office to opt out of the Colorado FAMLI Leave Act.
- *Correspondence* – Calhoon presented correspondence received since the last meeting including updates on various board vacancies.
- *CDL Testing Unit* – Calhoon provided updates on the status of the Yuma County CDL testing unit and the planning of an Entry Level Driver Training community education program recently established with Northeastern Junior College.
- *IT Updates* – Calhoon presented updates on various IT-related topics including the status of the VOIP phone transition.
- *Maintenance Updates* – Calhoon reported on various facilities maintenance topics. **Commissioner Weaver moved to increase rent in County-owned houses not occupied by road grader operators to \$650 per month effective July 1, 2023. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**
- *HR Updates* – Calhoon reported updates on county Human Resource topics including recruitment and retention, the impending implementation of the Colorado FAMLI Leave program, and the status of year-end policy work. **Commissioner Weaver moved to approve the issuance of \$50 holiday gift certificates to local grocery stores for employees. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.**
Commissioner Weaver moved to approve year-end bonuses of \$2000 per full time employee with at least 6 months' longevity to be issued after the December payroll. Commissioner Leerar seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m. and the Commissioners entered into a 2023 budget work session. The next regular meetings of the Board of County Commissioners will be on November 30, 2022 and December 15, 2022.


 Trent Bushner, Chairman


 Andrea Calhoon, Administrator

ATTEST: 
 Beverly Wenger, County Clerk

