

**STATE OF COLORADO
COUNTY OF ROUTT**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK
May 7, 2019**

Commissioner Timothy V. Corrigan, Chair Pro Tem, called the regular meeting of the Routt County Board of County Commissioners to order. Commissioner Douglas B. Monger, Deputy County Manager Dan Weinheimer, County Manager Tom Sullivan and Tegan Anderson, Planning, were also present. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Helena Taylor recorded the meeting and prepared the minutes. Commissioner Beth Melton was absent from the morning session.

EN RE: WARRANTS

Commissioner Monger moved to approve and authorize the Commissioners to sign the Warrants Sheets that included:

Accounts Payable Check- Cycle Date:	04/29-05/03/19	\$492,773.74
Accounts Payable Check: Manuals	-	\$
Accounts Payable Wires:	-	\$
Total:		\$492,773.74
Payroll Checks- Cycle Date:	04/29-05/03/19	\$506,804.27
Payroll Checks- Manuals	-	\$
Payroll – IRS & State Income Tax	04/29-05/03/19	\$207,308.99
Total:		\$714,113.26
Total Disbursements Approved:	04/29-05/03/19	<u>\$1,206,887.00</u>

Commissioner Corrigan seconded.

Mr. Sullivan advised of the 2019 Accounts Payable items of note for run date May 2, 2019.

Vendor	Amount	Department
AVIATION SERVICES SUPPLY CO INC	\$2,424.65	Building & Plant Budget: Shelving for the container for Interim Evidence Storage

CHALLENGE TECHNOLOGIES INC	\$42,732.00	IT Pool/Comm Pool: UPS unit for CLEF Comm Center
DUCKELS CONSTRUCTION INC	\$51,831.44	Road & Bridge Infrastructure Pool Budget: BUTLER CREEK BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION to 01/15/19:
DENVER INDUSTRIAL SALES & SERVICE CO	\$3,600.00	Road & Bridge Equipment Rental – Trailer mounted Crack Seal melting pot
HAYDEN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. RE 1	\$12,500.00	Human Services Budget: CMP Collaborative Management (state funds)
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	\$23,026.06	Comm Pool Budget: Purchase 3 APX Consoles and Radio Communication Equipment
HANNAH MECHANICAL	\$8,429.34	YVRA – Replacement AC Units for Passenger Terminal
SOUTH ROUTT SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-3J	\$12,500.00	Human Services Budget: CMP Collaborative Management (state funds)
TUCK COMMUNICATION SERVICES INC.	\$11,060.00	Facilities Management Budget: Mitel Telecom Services – 2 years prepaid through June 30, 2022
CDW LLC	\$3,718.00	IT Pool Budget: Controllable Replacements: 26 monitors,
TETRA TECH INC	\$12,812.73	Emergency Management: 43.5% completion of Routt County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
2019 AP Run Date May 2 - Total	<u>\$356,679.09</u>	

The motion carried 2-0.

EN RE: ITEMS OF NOTE FROM PREVIOUS DAY'S WORK SESSION

Commissioner Corrigan stated updates were received from the County Manager, the legal department, human resources, emergency management and communications, and the Sheriff.

EN RE: CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were presented for consideration, approval, and signing on the consent agenda:

- A. Approval of County Commissioners Minutes: Regular Meeting of April 9, 2019;
- B. Approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment Four of the CDHS Early Childhood contract;
- C. Approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Resolution P2019-015, adopting Amendments to the Zoning and Subdivision Regulations.

MOTION

Commissioner Monger moved to approve items A, B and C on the consent agenda and authorized the Chair to sign the related documents.

Commissioner Corrigan seconded; the motion carried 2-0.

EN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were present for comment.

EN RE: CLERK AND RECORDER / KIM BONNER

Barbara Houston, Deputy Clerk, was present.

SPECIAL EVENTS LIQUOR LICENSE FOR HAYDEN HERITAGE CENTER INC.

Ms. Houston stated Hayden Heritage Center will be holding a Special Event at the Granary in Hayden on May 18, 2019, between 8am and 5pm. She added they have already obtained a liquor license from the Town of Hayden.

Commissioner Corrigan asked why the Heritage Center needed to obtain two liquor licenses. Commissioner Monger stated the reason for the two licenses is because the Granary property sits both in the Town and the County.

MOTION

Commissioner Monger moved to approve and authorized the Chair Pro Tem to sign a Special Events Liquor License for Hayden Heritage Center Inc. for an event to be held at the Hayden Granary at 198 E Lincoln Ave., Hayden, CO 81639, on May 18, 2019, from 8am to 5pm.

Commissioner Corrigan seconded; the motion carried 2-0.

EN RE: HUMAN SERVICES / KELLY KEITH

Ken Davis, Director of Northwest Colorado Community Health Partnership (NWCCHP), was also present.

NORTHWEST COLORADO COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP DISCUSSION

Commissioner Corrigan welcomed Mr. Davis. The Board invited Mr. Davis to discuss the Health Partnership and specifically its role in the medically aided treatment program.

Mr. Davis stated he would be transitioning from the executive director role as of June 1st and Stephanie Monahan would be assuming that role. Mr. Davis will be going back to clinical care.

Mr. Davis gave the Board an overview on the Community Health Partnership. The Health Partnership started in 2006 under the umbrella of Northwest Colorado Health, formerly Visiting Nurses Association (VNA). In the beginning, how health information was going to be shared, was the premise for why the Health Partnership was formed. The Health Partnership is a coalition of medical centers, medical offices and other professionals in the neighboring counties.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if most of the clients they see are under Medicaid. Mr. Davis stated yes, most under the Core Care are under Medicaid. The Partnership does not provide direct services but does provide community-based coordination. Meaning they assist with referrals, transportation and even housing; depends on the individual needs. Often times the clients have mental health issues; 80% of individuals in care-coordination have mental health issues and significant numbers have substance abuse. Most of them without money or insurance. For the past 6 years, through a grant from Connect for Health, the Health Partnership was receiving funds. The funds have been used to hire individuals across the region to help their clients enroll in health insurance. They are also the pass-through entity receiving funds that then get distributed to the different providers across the region. They currently serve five counties in Northwest Colorado.

Mr. Davis stated in 2015, conversations were had about Health Partnership becoming its own entity and get out from under the umbrella of Northwest Colorado Health.

Commissioner Monger asked if the reason for Health Partnership to become its own entity, was because they were bringing in the hospitals and other medical providers. Mr. Davis stated the reason for the separation was because under the umbrella of Northwest Colorado Health, Health Partnership was not able to leverage some of the collaborative relationships that was necessary to be as effective as a stand-alone entity. It also allowed the opportunity to hire a director, have that person create a stronger foundation for Health Partnership, versus it being a program under Northwest Colorado Health. Their main funder is Rocky Mountain Health Plans, and they were very supportive of Health Partnership becoming its own entity. He added that

Rocky Mountain Health Plans allows Health Partnership the flexibility to not only serve clients under Medicaid/Medicare, but also clients that have insurance.

Mr. Davis provided an overview on how they hire the care-coordinators in Routt County but contract with different agencies to provide care-coordination in the other four counties. They bring in money but then distribute the funds depending on the program. Health Partnership has a contract with each of those agencies that are distributing the funds. They use this same method for care-coordination, outreach enrollment for insurance purposes, and also have taken on a role on food insecurity in the region.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if the three efforts just described were the main three things that Health Partnership does. Mr. Davis stated their four strategic pillars are organization health, employee engagement, partner relationships and individual experience. They roughly have a \$1.8 million budget, to date they have raised \$305,000 with \$150,000 in outstanding funding requests. Out of the \$1.8 million budget, \$500,000 is distributed back to the community partners.

Mr. Davis broke-down the three areas Health Partnership works in: access, education and wellness. He then provided the Board with an overview of the different programs within the three categories.

Commissioner Monger asked that some of the programs are already being provided by Routt County's Human Services Department, what is the role of Health Partnership in those instances. Mr. Davis stated in the case of SNAP, with the funding from the Federal Government, Health Partnership is partnering with Ms. Keith, Human Services Director, and helping increase the outreach of the program in Routt County. Ms. Keith added as a sub-grantee, her department receives a grant in the amount of \$15,000, most of that funding then is provided to Lift Up; Lift Up uses the funding to pay for their satellite offices. Mr. Davis hired a part-time person to do the Hunger Free outreach in order to enroll more people into the SNAP program. Additionally, Ms. Keith added that her department is the only entity that can process SNAP applications but they cannot use any of their State allocations to do outreach work, so the person that Mr. Davis hired is the one doing the outreach.

Mr. Davis stated that SB 17-074 was started in order to bring resources to our region to treat people with opioid use disorder.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if Routt County was chosen because statistically it had a high rate of opioid abuse. Mr. Davis stated Routt County was in the top ten percentile of the State. He also added that many counties do not report that type of information. But, in 2016, Routt County had high rates of opioid abuse. Since then, with the work being done in the region by Health Partnership, that rate has decreased significantly. It went from 19 to 1 opioid overdose death in 2018; that is a 95% reduction in two years. The information is based on Routt County's Coroner report. The data might be incomplete since opioid overdose deaths are not always identified as such.

Mr. Davis discussed the different grants Health Partnership has received and how it is distributed in the region.

Mr. Davis stated he is a proponent of working collaboratively with Sustainability Council and the Economic Development Council. He would like to work more collaboratively within these areas.

Commissioner Monger stated the County's concern is making sure there isn't duplication of services being provided by the different agencies. He noted on the lack of information of the services being provided and to whom.

Commissioner Corrigan wanted to know with all the different collaborative efforts in the community, at which point does the different efforts actually translate to better health outcomes. Additionally, he wanted to know if Mr. Davis saw an opportunity for the system to work better and how would he go about doing it. Mr. Davis stated there wasn't a better example of an improved outcome than the reduction in opioid overdose deaths; in two years reduced by 95%. Commissioner Monger wanted to know if this would be sustainable. Mr. Davis stated that Health Partnership has done a lot of education with health providers and he believes they have changed the way they have been prescribing opioids. He sees a big reduction in medicine being prescribed that could be considered lethal. Law enforcement are discussing doing MAT in the jails; this was unheard of just two years ago. There are more resources in the communities and that offers hope for the sustainability of a lower rate than the national average for opioids related deaths.

Commissioner Corrigan shared the Board's frustration that today was the first time the Board is hearing about what Health Partnership is doing in the community. Mr. Davis stated clinical services, community resource services, and social driver services are all very complex services to navigate through. He discussed how all the different entities in the community are doing their own programs. Health Partnership hopes to bring all the different entities to the same table and have discussions so that there isn't duplication of services. But the effort will have to come from a collaborative system like a public health agency.

Mr. Davis discussed the price-point of doing health service in rural communities.

Mr. Davis hopes Health Partnership could help bring to the table the different entities and discuss how best to provide services to the community.

Commissioner Corrigan stated Mr. Davis provided good information to the Board on what Health Partnership is. Next he would like to hear more on the MAT Grant (SB17-074); how the money is being used and what services are being provided.

Mr. Davis stated Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention which Robert (Rob) Valuck is president of, was formed as a statewide initiative that goes after grant funds related to opioid abuse disorders and figuring out how to get those funds into the communities. Mr. Valuck reports directly to the Governor. Their offices are primarily housed in Denver.

Mr. Davis discussed how Health Partnership worked with the Colorado Consortium to be part of the pilot program once SB 17-074 passed. Both Routt and Pueblo counties signed on to participate. He went on and detailed the Pilot MAT Program.

Commissioner Corrigan asked how much funding came into Routt County from the pilot program. Mr. Davis stated roughly \$125,000. Commissioner Corrigan assumed from that funding, Mountain Medical got only a portion of the funding, not all of it. Mr. Davis didn't think they received all of the funding. He added that Mountain Medical responded to the RFP that was submitted by the Consortium. He believed Mind Springs also responded. But doesn't have details.

Commissioner Corrigan wanted Mr. Davis to address the controversy that medically aided treatment may not be the best way to go, certainly doesn't work as a stand-alone treatment without robust counseling therapy to go along with it. Mr. Davis stated the standard of care medically assisted therapy is never to be a stand-alone treatment; it's always in conjunction with a counseling aspect to it. This is what Mountain Medical provides.

Commissioner Monger asked if this means people don't just go to Mountain Medical, get their medicine and go home without further care. Mr. Davis stated that is right, there is an on-going therapeutic relationship that goes on; there is group sessions and individual sessions.

Commissioner Corrigan stated when he and Commissioner Melton visited Mountain Medical, and Nancy Smith Meste stated the success rate of the center was 95%. Commissioner Corrigan was hesitant in believing such high success in curing individuals with opioid addiction. Mr. Davis stated the national average is 10%; 1 in 10. Relapse rates for substance abuse disorder is 50%, compared to diabetes, 70%, or asthma, 80%. He does not know how Ms. Smith Meste is calculating the 95% success rate. Maybe, if an individual comes in and get medicine, then that same individual comes back in and gets urine and drug tested; which is typical. If that individual tests negative for any elusive substances in their urine, free of substances for a month, then that is considered a success; month to month, long term, the rate is different.

Mr. Davis discussed the measurement of people being treated, but there wasn't data on long term success. He added the program has only been in existence a short amount of time. Also, he shared that only 1-10 people that need treatment, get treated.

Mr. Davis talked about the insurance industry and how they decide who receives treatment and who doesn't. Also, those with Medicaid/Medicare only, have less resources.

Mr. Davis discussed the **medicine** that individuals with chronic pain need in order to get some relief. Ms. Smith Meste has gotten push-back from the medical community when she prescribes **this medicine**. He added that Mountain Medical is not under Health Partnership, they do have a contract with the Center of Nursing. Ms. Smith Meste has partnered well with the detention facilities; Routt and Moffat counties.

Commissioner Monger expressed his appreciation for Mr. Davis coming in and providing the information to the Board.

Mr. Davis stated the program will be expanding not only to other counties, but with additional funding for Routt County to sustain the existing programs.

Commissioner Corrigan wanted to know, moving forward, who the Board should communicate with in order to have information on the MAT Program. Mr. Davis stated he would be able to communicate with the Board on the program.

Commissioner Melton joined the afternoon session.

EN RE: PLANNING / CHAD PHILLIPS

PL-17-153; STEAMBOAT SPRINGS AREA COMMUNITY PLAN ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Phillips stated the Area Plan Coordinating Committee (APCC) has tasked staff to discuss and prioritize the Action Item Progress Report listed in the Steamboat Springs Area Community Plan (SSACP).

Commissioner Melton is still trying to understand what the duties of this committee are. She is the County's representative on the committee and will finish reading the resolution and IGA to familiarize herself with duties of the committee prior to tomorrow's meeting.

ROUNDTABLE

Commissioners discussed how to move forward with the review of the Action Item and Status List. Commissioners wanted to know what the current role of the APCC is. Mr. Sullivan stated the IGA is the guiding document.

Mr. Phillips hoped to have a prioritized list to provide the committee and have the committee work on what would be the County's top priorities.

The Board discussed why the committee makes recommendations to the Board, when there is a Board member on the committee.

Mr. Sullivan summarized the processes the committee goes through based on what is written on the IGA.

The Board tabled this item for future review.

EN RE: PUBLIC WORKS / RAY DUBOIS

Mike Mordi, Assistant Public Works Director, was also present.

TEMP CLOSURE OF CR 18 NEAR STAGECOACH DAM TO PLEASANT VALLEY

Mr. Mordi stated he is requesting the seasonal closure of County Road 18, approximately 2 miles, to prevent the roads from being significantly damaged due to use while they are thawing or wet during the period of transition from winter to spring. This is a yearly closure.

MOTION

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve and authorized the Chair to sign Resolution 2019-016 pursuant to CRS 42-4-106 authorizing the seasonal closure of County Road 18, approximately 2 miles from Stagecoach Dam down to Pleasant Valley until roadway conditions improve for up to 90 days.

Commissioner Monger seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

IGA BETWEEN CDOT AND ROUTT COUNTY FOR CMAQ GRANT

Mr. Mordi stated the County was awarded a Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funding in 2010. The County was going to work on a project with the City of Steamboat Springs to realign County Road 44 after the City extended their airport runway. The idea was to pave County Road 44 with the CMAQ funds. Since the City placed the runway extension on hold, the County instead paved the parking lot of the Steamboat County Shop; this was back in 2015. The County and City had a verbal agreement to share CMAQ funds of which the City used their portion to purchase street sweepers. The City did stop purchasing the sweepers since these purchases did not meet the Buy American requirements. Other ideas being discussed were extending paving on County Road 36, and paving County Road 20. CDOT approached the City and the County for additional projects that could be done with CMAQ funds. From the County's perspective, the idea of paying for our Magnesium Chloride operations was provided to CDOT and they agreed that was an acceptable project. Based on the number of Magnesium Chloride applied in the air shed, the cost would be approximately \$50,147. CDOT's grant would fund 82.79% with a local match of 17.21% or \$8,831. By having CDOT pay for this portion of Magnesium Chloride, this frees up funds to look at and try additional Mag alternatives to help boost some of the County's more popular gravel roads.

Mr. Mordi stated he along with Mr. Dubois went to Mesa County in April and had a demo of a different product that their Road and Bridge department uses. The product was applied to a steep and winding gravel road and it held well, even with heavy traffic.

Commissioner Melton asked if the Mr. Mordi was comfortable in meeting the grant requirements. Mr. Mordi stated he was.

Mr. Mordi discussed the Buffalo Pass road and the current cost of maintaining that gravel road and the cost of applying Magnesium Chloride on that same road.

Commissioner Monger asked which entity developed the Steamboat air shed. Mr. Mordi stated it was Colorado Department of Health.

MOTION

Commissioner Monger moved to approve and authorized the Chair to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Routt County and Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) for the application of Magnesium Chloride on the gravel county roads within the Steamboat air shed, noting that a supplemental budget may be needed at a later time.

Commissioner Corrigan seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS (PDR) ADVISORY BOARD

Helena Taylor, Staff Assistant and Lynaia South, Assistant County Attorney, were present.

CONSERVATION EASEMENT AMENDMENT – PDR PROJECT 104 (WILHELM)

Ms. Taylor stated a request was received from Yampa Valley Land Trust (YVLT) to amend the conservation easement on PDR project 104, Wilhelm property. The project closed in 2000. In order to resolve some of the boundary issues that exist, YVLT and Mr. Wilhelm are proposing amending the existing 325-acre conservation easement by adding a 35-acre parcel, which Mr. Wilhelm owns, to the existing easement, making it 350-acre conservation easement and adding a 20-acre building envelope to accommodate the existing residence in its current location. The program would gain 15 acres of conserved land. Ms. South has reviewed the proposed amendment to the Deed of Conservation Easement along with the Title.

Ms. South stated she had several questions that YVLT was able to address and she doesn't have any concerns. She prepared a letter for the Board to sign giving their approval to move forward with the amendment.

Commissioner Corrigan questioned the motivation for adding the 35-acre parcel to the conservation easement, since it wouldn't add additional building opportunities. Ms. South stated that the current easement boundaries go through the current residence. This was the easiest way to fix the issue.

Commissioner Melton asked if there was any additional PDR funding for adding the additional acreage. Ms. Taylor stated there wasn't.

MOTION

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve and authorized the Chair to sign a letter approving the Amendment to Deed of Conservation Easement for the Wilhelm property, PDR Project 104.

Commissioner Monger seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

No further business coming before the Board, same adjourned sine die.

Kim Bonner, Clerk and Recorder

M. Elizabeth Melton, Chair

Date