

**STATE OF COLORADO
COUNTY OF ROUTT**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK
February 8, 2022**

Commissioner M. Elizabeth Melton, Chair, called the meeting of the Routt County Board of County Commissioners to order. Commissioner Tim Redmond, Commissioner Timothy V. Corrigan, County Manager Jay Harrington, and Executive Assistant Jennifer Parent were also present. Samantha Pearce prepared the minutes.

**EN RE: APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, MANUAL WARRANTS, AND
PAYROLL**

Mr. Harrington presented accounts payable for a total of \$1,868,606.47.

MOTION

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve and authorize the accounts payable, and payroll as presented by the County manager.

Commissioner Redmond seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A.** Approval and Authorization for the YVRA Director to Sign and Submit Two (2) Grant Applications to the FAA for YVRA's Terminal Area and General Aviation Development Plans and for the Purchase of Two Replacement Plow Trucks.

MOTION

Commissioner Redmond moved to approve items A on the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Corrigan seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment presented to the Board.

EN RE: PLANNING – TWIN ENVIRO PL20210002

Mr. Goldich reviewed that this item had been tabled from the prior week to allow staff time to create the Certificate of Designation (CD) document. He stated that an updated legal description of the landfill site has been submitted and has been processed by GIS. The CD document contains the correct legal description and is now ready for approval. Mr. Goldich noted that because the CD references the Special Use Permit, which has not yet been issued, the CD will not be issued until the SUP is issued.

Commissioner Melton asked about the term of the CD. Mr. Goldich said that the SUP dictates the term. The CD for the landfill is required by state statute.

MOTION

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve and authorize the Chair's signature on the Certificate of Designation for the Twin Landfill, as presented.

Commissioner Redmond seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: PURCHASING

Julie Kennedy, Purchasing Agent, requested the Board approve the purchase and authorize the County Manager to electronically sign the purchase order for two (2) new, model year 2022 Bottom Dump Trailers for the Routt County Road and Bridge Department D3 Shop utilizing the Trail King Sourcewell Contract No. 121918-TKI from Transwest Trailers in the amount not to exceed \$108,213.02.

The Colorado State Purchasing Office has negotiated the Sourcewell Trail King Contract for all government agencies to utilize in the purchase of Trail King Trailers. The County has received the pricing discount from Transwest Trailers for the purchase of two (2) Bottom Dump Trailers to replace the Road and Bridge current units 140 and 142 that are being retired.

The original quote included \$6,000.00 delivery FOB Steamboat Springs; the Road and Bridge Department requested that this be removed from the quote to keep the purchase within the 2022 budgeted amount. Trail King offers full one-year warranty on this equipment.

MOTION

Commissioner Redmond moved to approve the purchase and authorize the County Manager to electronically sign the purchase order for two (2) new, model year 2022 Bottom Dump Trailers for the Routt County Road and Bridge Department D3 Shop utilizing the Trail

King Sourcewell Contract No. 121918-TKI from Transwest Trailers in the amount not to exceed \$108,213.02.

Commissioner Corrigan seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: ROUTT COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Lieutenant Joseph Boyle requested a consideration for approval and authorization for the Chair to sign a contract between Routt County Sheriff's Office (Jail) & Axis Health Group.

Axis Healthcare Group has been selected to provide the Routt County Jail with Telepsychiatry and Teletherapy for the inmate population. Mental health has been a progressively more important topic of conversation across the nation, especially in correctional facilities. The demand for better mental health services within correctional facilities has increased dramatically, as we are seeing and becoming more aware of the severity of mental illness that is present in the Routt County's inmate population. Because of the rural location, lack of providers, and the increase in mental health services needed for the community, the Jail has struggled to have consistent counseling and psychotherapy for the inmate population. This is a problem for a number of reasons. First, it's morally and ethically unfair to the individuals who are suffering from mental illness and in Routt County Jail's custody and trying to navigate the criminal justice system. Second, it's the Routt County Jail's legal responsibility to provide adequate and consistent care for individual's in custody both medically and mental health. Not having a consistent provider opens the Jail and County up to liability and possible litigation.

Axis Healthcare Group is guaranteeing to provide both one on one counseling and psychotherapy for the inmate population using telehealth equipment that is already available at the Jail. Their services will be funded through the JBBS grant that was secured and was confirmed through the Office of Behavioral Health.

Commissioner Corrigan asked what it looks like inside the jail for mental health help to the inmates. Lieutenant Boyle replied that with the use of a portable telehealth cart, they are able to provide care depending on the inmate's needs. For nonviolent inmates treatment would be in a non-recorded but monitored room called the attorney room, or for violent inmates, they will be in a secured cell while receiving help. Commissioner Corrigan asked for further explanation of how prescriptions that would be prescribed by Axis healthcare would be administered. Lieutenant Boyle explained that there is a nurse practitioner part-time onsite that would administer any prescribed drugs.

Commissioner Melton asked what resources the jail has for inmates transitioning out of the jail. Dr. Jude Alexander from Axis Healthcare Group replied that Axis Healthcare Group's parent company Mindoula Health, Inc. operates in the country and are working with mild to moderate mental illness in a virtual capacity. Between Mindoula's capabilities and processes and Axis Healthcare's ability to directly care for patients, their goal is to continue outpatient therapy with inmates after they have been released.

MOTION

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve and authorize the Chair to sign a contract between Routt County Sheriff’s Office and Axis Health Group.KA

Commissioner Redmond seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: HUMAN RESOURCES

Kathy Nelson, Human Resources Director, requested a consideration to approve the adjusted Skycap Pay Scale.

This role is responsible for providing airport passenger support and customer service duties at the Yampa Valley Regional Airport. This position was reviewed during the compensation study, but the recommended wage appears to include tip earnings vs. a base hourly wage before tips. Airport Director, Kevin Booth, has requested an updated pay scale since all pay scales for tipped positions at YVRA are based on an hourly wage before tips. In determining the salary for this role, Human Resources reviewed Employers Council 2021 data and benchmarked the position against a Hotel and Guest Services Bell Person. To create the pay scale, Human Resources used the Employer’s Council survey average for this role and “aged” it by 4.7% to reflect the Routt County cost of living increase. The County Manager has reviewed this request and approved placing this request on the agenda for the Board to review and consider approving.

MOTION

Commissioner Redmond moved to approve the Skycap Pay Scale.

Commissioner Corrigan seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

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

Jenny L. Thomas, Clerk and Recorder

M. Elizabeth Melton, Chair

Date