



## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 28, 2024 at 10:00 AM

Commissioners Meeting Room - 401 Main Street, Suite 309, Walsenburg, CO 81089

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### 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Galusha called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, and Commissioner Sporleder were present.

### 2. AGENDA APPROVAL

**Motion to approve the agenda as presented**

**Motion made by Commissioner Andreatta**

**Second by Commissioner Sporleder**

**Voting Yes: Commissioner Sporleder, Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta**

**Motion Passes.**

### 3. CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented**

**Motion made by Commissioner Sporleder**

**Second by Commissioner Andreatta**

**Voting Yes: Commissioner Sporleder, Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta**

**Motion Passes.**

- a. Minutes for May 14th Meeting
- b. Minutes for the May 21st Meeting
- c. Colorado Justice Assistance Grant Acceptance
- d. Election Judges New Hire, Clerk and Recorder
- e. Purchase Order #254, CTSI Law enforcement deductible

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. **Jim Littlefield**- Expressed concerns about the progress of the Cuchara Mountain Park transfer.
- b. **Lorraine Vargas**- Expressed concerns about the Raymond Aguirre Community Center and the location of the restroom.

5. **APPOINTMENTS**

- a. Timothy O'Brien and Keith Siemsen – Huajatolla Canyon Co-Op - Discussion about the Huajatolla Canyon Co-Op.
- b. Sarah Jardis with Huerfano Tourism Board – Gave an update on the BOCC May 4th Gravel Social Ride and thanked the Road & Bridge Department.
- c. Ken Clayton with Panadero Ski Corporation wanted an update from BOCC about when to proceed & how to proceed with Cuchara Mountain Park Maintenance.

6. **LAND USE**

NONE

7. **ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Resolution #24-22, Appointing Frank Kirkpatrick to HBCA  
**Motion to approve Resolution #24-22 appointing Frank Kirkpatrick to Huerfano County Building Authority for a term expiring on 12-31-2025.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Second by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
  
- b. Resolution #24-23 Adopt a Roadway  
**Motion to approve tabling Resolution #24-23 for now, so that suggested changes can be made to it, before it is brought back.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Second by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Discussion: Carl Young, Administrator, stated that it was discussed in a study session to add in sections to this Resolution clarifying what safety items the county would provide, i.e. orange trash bags, vests, sunscreen, & grabbers, as well as, Cautions concerning animals & hazards of working on roadways.**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
  
- c. Strong Communities Planning Grant Acceptance  
**Motion to accept the award of DOLA Strong Communities Planning Grant in the amount of \$126,000.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Second by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**

- d. Panadero Ski Corp. Special Event Permit  
**Motion to approve the Panadero Ski Corp. One Day Special Event Liquor License for June 16, 2024.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Second by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
  
- e. Letter of Support for Signal Behavioral Health Network  
**Motion to approve the letter of support for Signal Behavioral Health Network Region 2 substance use prevention, treatment, and recovery services in Colorado.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Second by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
  
- f. Letter of Support for the Colorado Pacific Rio Grande Railroad Grant application  
**Motion to approve 2023-2024 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program Letter of Support.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Second by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
  
- g. Professional Service Agreement for Dee Lyons & Sheriff's Office  
**Motion to approve Healthcare Professional Service Agreement between Huerfano County Sheriff's Office and Dee Lyons, RN, MSN, FNP, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Second by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
  
- h. Professional Service Agreement for Celia Salazar & Sheriff's Office  
**Motion to approve Healthcare Professional Service Agreement between Huerfano County Sheriff's Office and Celia Salazar, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Second by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
  
- i. Blanca Morales Merit Increase, Treasurer's Office  
**Motion to table the Merit Increase for Blanca Morales.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Second by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**

- j. Professional Service Agreement between Natasha Reifschneider & Sheriff's Office  
**Motion to approve the Employment Contract MOU between The Huerfano County Sheriff, Bruce Newman and Natasha Reifschneider, Certified Addiction Specialist, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Second by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
- k. Professional Service Agreement between Nancy Winsor & Sheriff's Office  
**Motion to approve the employment Contract between The Huerfano County Sheriff, Bruce Newman and Nancy Winsor, RN, MSN JBBS Coordinator, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Second by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
- l. Professional Service Agreement between Caitlyn Young and HC DSS  
**Motion to approve the agreement for employment of Legal Counsel effective 5-30-2024 through 5-31-2025 between the Department of Social Services of the County and Caitlin A. Young, Esq. as a managing attorney for Law Office of Caitlin A. Young, LLC, "Attorney" or "Firm".**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Second by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
- m. Gobins Verticomm Phone System Proposal for DSS  
**Motion to approve Gobins Business Solutions to provide Verticomm phone system for the Huerfano County Department of Human Services in the amount of \$2,196.30 one-time charge and \$634.00 monthly, assuming there will be 30 phone lines.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Second by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
- n. Help America Vote Act Grant Application  
**Motion to approve staff to apply for the Help America Vote (HAVA) Grant, which will fund up to 100% of an application to assist in Election Administration.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Second by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**

- o. Local Planning Capacity Grant Application Approval  
**Motion to approve the DOLA Local Planning Capacity Grant to help the County advance housing projects in the amount of \$116,000 with a county match of \$20,000.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Second by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**
  
- p. Green Sheet Elizabeth Kohler  
**Motion to move Elizabeth Kohler back to full time status at a yearly salary of \$41,500.00, for Emergency Services Department, Dispatch.**  
**Motion made by Commissioner Andreatta**  
**Second by Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Voting Yes: Chairman Galusha, Commissioner Andreatta, Commissioner Sporleder**  
**Motion Passes.**

**8. STAFF REPORTS**

- a. County Administrator- Carl Young, reviewed Correspondence with BOCC
- b. County Attorney-NONE

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Senator Rod Pelton Newsletter
- b. Noxious Weed Department March through April 2024 Report
- c. Road and Bridge March through April 2024 report
- d. Leave Balances as of May 24th 2024
- e. CTSI Technical update, Suggested risk management jail intake and suicide prevention
- f. CTSI Technical update, Child Labor regulations

**10. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**NONE**

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

John Galusha made known, his intent to resign from his position as Chairman of Huerfano County Board of Commissioners, effective July 3, 2024.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**Chairman Galusha called for motion to adjourn  
Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Andreatta  
Second by Commissioner Sporleder  
Voting yes: Chairman Glausha  
Motion Passes.**

**11:15AM Meeting Adjourned**

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**Erica Vigil, County Clerk & Recorder  
Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners**

**COMMISSIONERS:**

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**John Galusha, Chairman**

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**Arica Andreatta**

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**Karl Sporleder**