



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2022

LAND USE HEARING

The Board of County Commissioners did not hold a Land Use Hearing this week.

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2022

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS MEETING

The Board of County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with Linda Hoffmann, County Manager. Chair Stephens presided. Commissioner Kefalas and Commissioner Shadduck-McNally were present. Also present were Austin Harvill, Commissioners' Office, and Deirdre O'Neill, Deputy Clerk.

Chair Stephens opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT: The following members of the public addressed the Board: Tasha Carr spoke about having an independent review of the COVID-19 policy outcomes and to discuss what procedures worked and which ones did not. Eric Sutherland spoke about tax increment financing, Katie Cassis had questions on the location of the quarantine shelters for the homeless. Lisa Maclean via email also stated she would like to see an independent review of COVID-19 policies and procedures.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2022:

MOTION

Commissioner Shadduck-McNally moved that the Board of County Commissioners approve the minutes for the week of February 28, 2022.

Motion carried 3-0

3. REVIEW OF THE SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 14, 2022: Mr. Harvill reviewed the upcoming schedule with the Board.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

ABATEMENTS:

PETITION FOR ABATEMENT OR REFUND OF TAXES: Luke and Joan Roberts, R1592933, Tax Years 2020-2021; Richard and Mary Pekar, R1632420, Tax Years 2020-2021; David J Phillips Living Trust and Westpark Management LLC, R1642155, Tax Year 2020.

AGREEMENTS:

- 1. IMMEDIATE NEEDS GRANT AGREEMENT WITH BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF LARIMER COUNTY**
- 2. GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN IMMEDIATE NEEDS GRANT SUB AWARD**
- 3. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES PAYMENTS FOR JANUARY 2022**
- 4. AMENDMENT TWO TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN LARIMER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND UABACO LLC**
- 5. STATE OF COLORADO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**
- 6. WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITIES MASTER LICENSE AGREEMENT**
- 7. JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) AGREEMENT/AWARD #2020-DJ-21-06-14-1**

APPOINTMENTS:

- 1. RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENTS TO THE FAIR BOARD:** Jay Crouse, Melinda Deal, Logan Lenz, and Deborah Sherman

LIQUOR LICENSES:

1616 Champa LLC-Findings and Order-Tavern-Drake; Hill Top General Store and Antiques LLC-Transfer of Ownership-Retail Liquor Store-Red Feather Lakes

MISCELLANEOUS:

- 1. PERPETUAL EASEMENT ON WHITTIER PROPERTY TO CPW-21-066 CONCURRENCE LETTER REQUEST**

RESOLUTIONS:

1. FINDING AND RESOLUTION DENYING THE TUCKER SHORT-TERM RENTAL ADMINISTRATION SPECIAL REVIEW

MOTION

Commissioner Shadduck-McNally moved that the Board of County Commissioners approve the Consent Agenda for Tuesday, March 8, 2022.

Motion carried 3-0

5. COMMISSIONERS GUESTS: Mark Miller with Rocky Mountain Flycasters Trout Unlimited. Mr. Miller spoke about the organization stating that they are an all-volunteer organization which works to meet the mission to conserve, protect and restore Northern Colorado's cold-water fisheries and watersheds for current and future generations. He is here today to present County Manager Linda Hoffmann with a Certificate of Appreciation for her many years of service and involvement with natural disasters including the High Park and Cameron Peak Fires. Ms. Hoffmann's professionalism and level headedness throughout these natural disasters and her ten years of service to Larimer County is greatly recognized and appreciated. Ms. Hoffmann thanked Mr. Miller for the kind words and mentioned that they are reflective of the hard work and dedication of the various watershed coalitions.

Discussion Items:

6. PRESENTATION OF THE MIKE GELSKI VOLUNTEER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD TO BILL HOWELL FOR HIS WORK ON THE CAMERON PEAK FIRE: Lori Hodges, Office of Emergency Management. Bill Howell, American Red Cross Volunteer, was nominated by several people in Larimer County for the Mike Gelski Volunteer Achievement Award through the Colorado Emergency Management Association. There have been multiple small and large disasters in which Bill and Judy Howell helped take the lead for care of evacuees. Be it fires, floods or manmade disasters, Mr. Howell is always ready to offer assistance. His dedication in supporting the public during multiple incidents across 2020, and 2021 including the Cameron Peak Fire, Lewstone Fire, East Troublesome Fires is a true example of what it means to truly stand for ones' community. Mr. Howell deeply cares about those who live, work, and play in Larimer County. Shayle Sabo, Emergency Management Coordinator, County Clerk and Recorder Angela Myers spoke about his tireless volunteer efforts and that we are truly grateful and appreciative of all he has done for Larimer County. Tony Suarez, Disaster Program Manager for Northern Colorado Redcross thanked Mr. Howell for humanitarian spirit and volunteerism.

The Commissioners each congratulated Mr. Howell on this award and are grateful for the work that he does in supporting others. Volunteerism is the fabric of our community especially during natural disasters.

The Board took a five-minute recess.

The Board returned to session.

1. REQUEST FOR FORMAL POSITON FROM THE LARIMER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON HB22-1259: Heather O'Hayre, Human Services Direcor, gave a brief presentation to the Board on HB22-1259-Modifications to the Colorado Works Program. The bill would potentially undermine our county and state's efforts to invest in the well-being of Colorado families by adjusting Colorado Works, Colorado's existing Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). Ms. O'Hayre stated that she would like to request a formal position from the Board of County Commissioners on HB22-1259. As introduced, the primary purpose of the bill is to increase the Basic Cash Assistance (BCA) payment at a rate that is fiscally unsustainable with an estimated annual cost to the County of \$8-9M-depleting our TANF county reserves(currently just under 3M) in a couple of years and using up our current TANF annual allocation of \$6M in a couple of years, just to cover the BCA increases, and this would undermine all the other employment related and supportive services for TANF participants For Larimer County, our program is a collaborative partnership with Larimer County Human Services and Economic and Workforce Development as well as many local employers. In addition to the monthly cash assistance payment, there are also many services provided for these families. On average, Larimer County serves approximately 650-700 families every year and has gone as high as 1,000 families in the last few years. Some of the services provided include transportation, housing issues, and job training to name a few. The TANF funds have also been used in the past for Natural Disaster Recovery and can be used to cover overspending with the Colorado Child Care Assistance (CCCAP) and TANF and help with kinship care of foster children. The concern with HB22-1259 is that certain provisions within the bill have significant changes to Colorado's program that would decimate the supportive services. For example, the bill requests significant increases to the monthly cash assistance payment and removes the 60-month timeframe and work requirements. The bill would therefore require counties to absorb the additional costs. The fiscal impact to Larimer County is estimated to be \$8-9M/year and to the state-150M/year.

The Commissioners did have some questions on the 60-month timeframe for those who may need assistance for a longer period. Ms. O'Hayre stated that the county already has the ability to approve this on a case-by-case basis. Ms. O'Hayre also stated that they are working with the bill sponsors and proponents on amendments to the bill such as linking the BAA increases to the cost-of -living increases in Colorado.

MOTION

Commissioner Kefalas moved to oppose HB22-1259 in its current form and direct staff to continue providing input and monitoring of possible amendments or replacement legislation.

Motion carried 3-0

9. COUNTY MANAGER UPDATE: Ms. Hoffmann updated the Board on this week's coordination meetings and upcoming projects and activities.

10. COMMISSIONER ACTIVITY REPORTS: The Board detailed their attendance at events during the previous week.

11. LEGAL MATTERS: Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S 24-6-402(4)(b) for conferences with an attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice regarding the demolition of Profile Rock Bridge and related notices of claims.

MOTION

Commissioner Shadduck-McNally moved that the Board enter into Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S 24-6-402(4)(b) for conferences with an attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice regarding the demolition of Profile Rock Bridge and related notices of claims.

Motion carried 3-0

With there being no further business, the Board recessed at 10:35 a.m.

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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CLERK AND RECORDER

ATTEST:

Deirdre O'Neill

Deirdre O'Neill, Deputy Clerk



