



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021

LAND USE HEARING

The Board did not hold a Land Use Hearing.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS MEETING

The Board of County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with Lorenda Volker, Assistant County Manager. Chair Kefalas presided. Commissioner Shadduck-McNally and Commissioner Stephens were present. Also present were: Austin Harvill, Community Information Resident Technician, and Deirdre O'Neill, Deputy Clerk.

Chair Kefalas opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT: Chair Kefalas opened the meeting for public comment. The following members of the public spoke via telephone: Von Bortz and Mary Bedosky. Chris Eikenberg spoke in person.

Chair Kefalas closed public comment.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2021.

MOTION

Commissioner Shadduck-McNally moved that the Board of County Commissioners approve the minutes for the week of September 27, 2021.

Motion carried 3-0

3. REVIEW OF THE SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11, 2021: Mr. Harvill reviewed the upcoming schedule with the Board.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

AGREEMENTS:

1. LCBHS GRANT AGREEMENT 21-TP3-TURNP
2. LCBHS GRANT AGREEMENT 21-TP1-TMH
3. LCBHS GRANT AGREEMENT 21-TP6-ECCLC
4. LCBHS GRANT AGREEMENT 21-RES-FCLF
5. LCBHS GRANT AGREEMENT 21-TP6-ASPLC
6. CRISP INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

LIQUOR LICENSE: Me Oh My Coffee and Pie LLC-Tavern-LaPorte

MISCELLANEOUS: Request for two additional FTE for the Child Care Assistance Program.

POLICY:

1. SIGNATORY AUTHORITY AND DELEGATION OF SIGNATORY AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION:

1. CPW GRANT RESOLUTION FOR THE POUDRE RIVER REGIONAL TRAIL-WINDSOR TO TIMNATH FINAL CONNECTION

M O T I O N

Commissioner Stephens moved that the Board of County Commissioners approve the Consent Agenda for October 5, 2021.

Motion carried 3-0

5. **COMMISSIONER GUESTS:** The Commissioners did not have any guests.
6. **PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER 2021 AS LARIMER COUNTY LONG-TERM CARE RESIDENTS' RIGHTS MONTH:** Amber Franzel, Regional Ombudsman for Larimer County, joined by several members of Human Services and Collinwood Assisting Living residents and workers. Ms. Franzel spoke about Resident's Rights Month and explained that it is an annual event designated by the Consumer Voice and is celebrated in October to honor residents living in all long-term care facilities and consumers receiving services in their home or community. It is a time for celebration and recognition offering an opportunity for every facility to focus on and celebrate awareness of dignity, respect and value of each individual resident.

The 2021 Residents' Rights Month theme, "Reclaiming My Rights, My Home, My Life," acknowledges the impact of this past year on residents and highlights the need for residents' rights to be recognized, recovered, and reasserted. It emphasizes the recognition of the long-term care facility as the residents' home, and the importance of residents reclaiming their own lives. The theme focuses on raising awareness of federally mandated residents' rights while also underscoring the need for dignity and self-determination of all residents.

Weld and Larimer County Ombudsman programs are working on a collaborative project to celebrate this year's Residents' Rights Month, held in October. They asked residents to submit art that represents the theme of "Reclaiming My Rights, My Home, My Life" which will be turned into a yard sign to put out in front of facilities for the month. The winner Cathy King was also in attendance with her artwork and was presented a plaque. Ms. King is a resident at Collinwood Assisted Living.

The Commissioners and the Assistant County Manager each spoke of the importance of the important work of the Department of Human Services including the Office on Aging and thanked Ms. King for her beautiful, cheerful painting containing the Colorado State Bird. The Commissioners also thanked Weld County for their collaborative efforts. They each mentioned that everyone deserves to age with dignity and grace and have services provided to them for their contributions to society.

Commissioner Shadduck-McNally read the proclamation declaring October 2021 as Larimer County Long-Term Residents' Rights Month stating that Larimer County Ombudsmen, along with individuals and groups across the county, will be celebrating residents' rights month, acknowledging the impact of this past year on residents, and highlighting the need for residents' rights to be recognized, recovered, and reasserted.

MOTION

Commissioner Shadduck-McNally moved to approve the Proclamation to designate October 2021, as Larimer County Long-Term Care Residents' Rights Month.

Motion carried 3-0

The Board took a brief recess for photos with the winner as well as many members of both Larimer and Weld County Human Services.

The Board returned to session.

7. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION ADVISORY BOARD: Lorenda Volker introduced Shayle Sabo, Ricardo Perez, Kimberly Chambers and Sarita Reddy to speak about the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Board. A community support and equity advisory group was established as part of the Larimer Recovery Collaborative in the aftermath of the Cameron Peak Fire. This group has met on a regular basis to ensure that input on community recovery and resiliency is viewed through an equity lens. On August 2, 2021, a work session was held with the Board of County Commissioners to discuss the establishment of a new Commissioner-appointed Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Advisory Board to serve a similar advisory role as advisory to the Board of County Commissioners.

The establishment of this advisory Board is based on the recognition that structural barriers impacting members of Larimer County community experiencing inequity must be removed. The Board of County Commissioners further recognizes that as a direct result of these structural barriers, some communities experience inequitable impacts in health, safety, economic, educational, and other outcomes. The solutions to these challenges will necessarily involve assessment of and potential changes to the delivery of and access to county services, programs, and initiatives.

The role of the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Board is to advise the Board of County Commissioners, and county departments as guided by strategic planning put forth by the Board of Commissioners and the advisory board, in order to ensure that equity, diversity, and inclusion are central in the ways the county structures services, infrastructure, governance, and management of resources.

The advisory board will evaluate programs, policies, and initiatives and provide feedback and recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners about how to structure the opportunity, outreach, or service such that access is assured and the benefits of the effort can be experienced by all community members without regard to personal characteristics. All three Commissioners will serve in the role as Commissioner Liaison to the advisory board.

The Board of County Commissioners expressed their interest in having diverse representation on the advisory board. The Commissioners thanked everyone for their diligent work on this important subject of diversity and inclusivity. They look forward to this board having important conversations and impactful solutions. The Commissioners feel that this is an important step in the right direction and thanked everyone who participated in making this goal a reality. The Commissioners also thanked Lorenda Volker for helping craft the bylaws of the advisory board and for her support. The advisory board will represent the entire community.

Commissioner Stephens read the resolution establishing the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Advisory Board.

MOTION

Commissioner Stephens moved to approve the Resolution establishing and Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Advisory Board, authorizing the Board Chair to sign the Bylaws, appointing all three County Commissioners to serve in the role of “Commissioner Liaison” to this advisory board, and updating the 2021 board assignments chart contained in the Larimer County Board of County Commissioners Division of Responsibility Policy to reflect this joint assignment.

Motion carried 3-0

- 9. COUNTY MANAGER UPDATE:** Assistant Manager Volker 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 SESSION:** None requested.

With there being no further business, the Board adjourned at 10:50 a.m.


JOHN KEFALAS
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ANGELA MYERS
CLERK AND RECORDER

ATTEST:


Deirdre O'Neill, Deputy Clerk



