

**SAGUACHE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR SESSION MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2019**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Ken Anderson, at 9:00 A.M., with the following members present:

Ken Anderson, Commissioner, Board Chair  
Jason Anderson, Commissioner  
Tim Lovato, Commissioner  
Wendi Maez, Co-County Administrator  
Glen Simpson, County Administrator  
Ben Gibbons, County Attorney  
Dominique White for Trish Gilbert, Clerk to the Board

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Board Chair, Ken Anderson, invited those in attendance to join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:**

1. Tim suggested postponing Mammoth Land Holdings, LLC application decisions until there is a sight visit.
2. Ben Gibbons requested to go into Executive Session for Personnel during his time.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA AS AMENDED  
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Reading and Approval of Minutes:**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE  
MAY 7, 2019 REGULAR SESSION MEETING AS AMENDED**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Review of Mail and Other Correspondence: 05/21/2019**

1. **Coordinator for the Home Lake Veterans Cemetery location for Wreaths Across America** sent a Thank You Letter for the approval of the Sales Tax Grant to help purchase wreaths for the veterans. (Received 5/6/19)

2. **Enterprise Committee Meeting** sent a Tentative Agenda for a meeting on May 9, 2019 in Salida Colorado. (Received 5/8/19)
3. **Bureau of Land Management** sent a letter stating they have conducted an assessment report to identify areas of concern and is planning to develop project actions to address and improve conditions. (Received 5/10/2019)
4. **The National Association of Counties** sent a memorandum about Election of NACo officers and voting policy. (Received 5/13/19)
5. **Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District Board of Directors** sent an agenda for a regular meeting on Tuesday May 21, 2019 from 1:00 P.M. to 3:45 P.M. at Lake City Fire Station. (Received 5/13/19)
6. **Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District** sent an agenda for a regular meeting May 21, 2019 from 4:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. at Lake City Fire Station. (Received 5/13/2019)
7. **Colorado Department of Transportation** sent a letter for CDOT Region 5 invites to the 2019 county meeting on Tuesday May 21, 2019 at 2:45 P.M. in Saguache County Board of County Commissioner Meeting Room. (Received 5/14/19)
8. **Rio Grande Water Conservation District** sent 2019 Ground Water Table Measurements. (Received 5/16/19)
9. **Marvin Reynolds, SLV Colorado State University Extension** sent a notice of Amy Henschen, SLV 4-H Extension Agent, who is retiring at the end of May 2019. An open house will be held Tuesday May 21, 2019 to wish Henschen well. (Received 5/16/19)

Introduction of Guests:

Sandia Belgrade

Allen W Greene

May Enquist- SLVEC

Christine Canaly- SLVEC

Alexander Aldren- SLVEC

Nancy Hood- Royalty Trust

David James- Royalty Trust

John Judson

Patricia Reigel- Town of Moffat

Tristram Post- US Forest Service

Iris Garcia- Town of Saguache

Jim Jammet- Town of Saguache

Hew Hallock- SLVTR

Julie Constan- CDOT

Kevin Curry- CDOT

David Vialpondo- CDOT

Sidney Zink- CDOT

Public Comment:

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS:**

**Jason Anderson**

5/8- Spoke via email with the SLV Youth Diversion Council, finalizing details for a state proposal for a youth program in the valley.

5/14- Attended the Commissioner Work Session.

5/15- Attended the Moffat/ Saguache schools Athletics Awards Ceremony.

5/16- Spoke with the coordinator of the Rocky Mountain BLM concerning RAC appointments.

**5/18-** Attended the Town of Moffat 5k Run, still sore.  
Drove up to look at North Crestone Creek and runoff.

**5/20-** Spoke with Erin Minks with Senator Bennett's office concerning the possibility of catastrophic flooding in Hinsdale County.

### **Tim Lovato**

**5/9-** Reviewed and approved the Saguache County Courthouse Security Grant request submitted by Sheriff Dan Warwick for the single point/courtroom security in the amount requested of \$89,000.00.

**5/10-** Received a call from Shane Temple with L Cross Ranches on the flooding across County Road 42; spoke with Commissioner Ken Anderson to see if he could check on the situation. Received a call from Jim Kint from Sargents on the muddy conditions of the roads in the Town of Sargents.

**5/12-** Received a call from Saguache County Emergency Manager Bobby Woelz, that Hinsdale County had requested help on anticipated flooding; Mr. Woelz could be gone for 7-14 days. Mr. Woelz was placed on standby.

**5/13-** Drove several county roads on the northern part of Saguache County and they are in good condition.

**5/14-** Attended the work session in Saguache hearing reports from the Clerk and Recorder, possible sale of water from the commercial well at Leach Airport. The commissioners also received a report from Richard Nagley, from the San Luis Valley Veterans Coalition on services provided and changes to veterans on health care.

**5/15-** Mr. Glen Simpson, Saguache County Administrator, and I attended the meeting with Rio Grande County Commissioners, the Center Conservation District, members from the Rio Grande Weed District and Kayla Malone, Weed Supervisor for Chaffee County. The discussion was on the possibility of contracting for services to spray the weeds along Saguache County roads that are not already being sprayed by the BLM. It was a good discussion and it was determined that there had been a lack of communication with the Center Conservation District and the commissioner on mapping and reports that should have been given to us.

Drove County Road 42 north of Road G and took pictures of the damaged culverts.

**5/16-** Met with a couple of constituents on concerns about services that are no longer being given to them from Social Services. Spoke with Social Services Director, Linda Warsh, and brought it to her attention.

**5/19-** Received a call from Emergency Manager Bobby Woelz that he has been deployed to Hinsdale County as Situation Unit Leader and would probably be gone for 7-10 days.

**5/20-** Attended the San Luis Valley All Hazards Meeting in Alamosa. There were enough members present that we had a quorum and could conduct business. Bylaws are being revised but have not yet been presented to the Board for approval.

### **Ken Anderson**

**5/10-** Spoke with Shane Temple concerning Co. Rd. 42.

Drove County Road 42 and it has flooded and was a mess.

The graders are out and doing a good job.

Not all the roads are paved so we are going to have problems with them.

**5/14-** Attended the Commissioners Work Session.

Attended the Seniors meeting in Alamosa, they are worried about money coming from the state because it is running late. They are cooking all the meals out of Monte Vista. They have received a lot of good comments about the meals.

Attended a DRG and COG meeting.

Visited with Wendi Maez about some greenhouses.  
Spoke with Joe Gilbert at Road and Bridge.

**Back from break at 9:40 A.M.**

BEN GIBBONS, COUNTY ATTORNEY

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL PER C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f)(I)**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Back in session from Executive Session at 10:03 A.M.

LINDA WARSH, DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES, Report Attached

Linda presented the expenditures that the state has spent on behalf of the clients, based on the work that Social Services does for the month. There are two bids for the security wall in the Center office. Valley Lock and WSB submitted bids for cameras at the Center office and the DSS office in Saguache. WSB's bid was incomplete.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM JOHN LUJAN CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1674.80 FOR A SECURITY WALL PENDING THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF THE SECURITY GLASS AND DOORS**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO APPROVE THE BID FROM WSB IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,503.89 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SECURITY CAMERAS IN THE CENTER OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 1**

**VOTES AGAINST: 2**

**MOTION FAILED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM VALLEY LOCK**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 2**

**VOTES AGAINST: 1**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR CONFIDENTIALITY PER C.R.S. 24-6-402(c)**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

EVAN SAMORA, HOUSING DIRECTOR, Report Attached

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO GO INTO THE BOARD OF HOUSING  
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO COME OUT OF THE BOARD OF  
HOUSING**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

DAN WARWICK, COUNTY SHERIFF

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO RELEASE THE FIRST QUARTER  
FUNDS OF THE 1.5% SALES TAX APPROVED BY THE VOTERS FOR THE 2019 YEAR  
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO MAKE THE WAGE INCREASES  
REQUESTED EFFECTIVE MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

RANDAL ARREDONDO, SUPERVISOR, ROAD AND BRIDGE, Report Attached

Christine Canaly gave an update of the landfill. There were three clean-up days at the Saguache County Landfill, totaling 180 cubic yards.

Arredondo stated that the grader was damaged while removing snow on Doyle Ville Road.

The stolen Dodge was retrieved and the cost to repair the truck totaled in \$9013.50. The trailer and welder have not been returned.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE THE WELDER  
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,053.00 AND THE TRAILER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,765.00**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A CAT COMPACTOR WITH ROLLOVER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,000.00 PENDING THE DESIGNATIONS OF FUNDS IN THE ROAD AND BRIDGE BUDGET**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES AGAINST: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

LYNETTE GRANT, PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO GO INTO THE BOARD OF HEALTH**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Grant stated that Emergency Preparedness Response has given an additional fund. There are more contracts for OPPI that need to be signed.

**Back from lunch at 1:00 P.M.**

WENDI MAEZ, LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR:

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO POSTPONE ITEMS 1-4 MAMMOTH LAND HOLDINGS LLC IN CARE OF GREG THORSEN NORTHERN GATEWAY HOLDINGS LLC UNTIL A SITE VISIT IS CONDUCTED**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

1. Special Event request for John S. and Patricia A. Judson/Michael Briscoe (Rocky Mountain National Rendezvous) located at 26100 County Road 17-GG, Saguache Park area. This request is for a Fur Trapper/Trader encampment for historical crafts skills, hawk and knife throwing, primitive archery competitions, muzzle loading rifle and pistol competitions. All permits requirements have been received.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST FOR JOHN S. AND PATRICIA A. JUDSON/MICHAEL BRISCOE (ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL RENDEZVOUS)**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

2. County Owned lot bids received:

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO APPROVE THE LOT BID FOR STEVE BUCANNON IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,560.00 FOR LOT 600 BACA GRANDE CHALET UNIT I**  
**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM BRENT AND CHOLE FAHRBERGER FOR MINERAL HOT SPRINGS, LOTS 8 AND 9 BLOCK 12B IN THE AMOUNT OF \$825.00**  
**SECOND BY TIM LOVATO**  
**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

3. Discussion concerning county owned lots within Cool Valley 33. A gentleman has expressed interest in purchasing all county owned lots within Cool Valley 33. We have not put these lots out to bid due to Cool Valley 33 being an illegally created subdivision that was never given county approval nor is there a legal plat of this subdivision.

WENDI MAEZ, SAGUACHE COUNTY AIRPORT MANAGER:

1. Replaced the windsock at the main hangar with Jed Ellithorpe
2. One hangar is on the County Treasurer's held properties for back property taxes in the amount of \$134.20. Maez would like to request that the County Treasurer release that property to Saguache County.

GLEN SIMPSON, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE \$5000.00 DOLLAR MATCH FOR THE EASTERN SAN LUIS VALLEY TRAILS COALITION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT GRANT**  
**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**  
**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

Tourism Council Selection to replace Amber Wilson

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF TAMMY GRAVES AND BEN GERADE ON THE TOURISM COUNCIL AS A REPRESENTATION OF SAGUACHE COUNTY**  
**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**  
**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

Purple Air Pollution monitor device placement for Public Health

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE PURPLE AIR MONITOR INSTALLATION ON THE ADMINISTRATION/LAND USE BUILDING**  
**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**  
**VOTES IN FAVOR: 2**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**VOTES AGAINST: 1**

Air conditioner installation bids for the court system on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the courthouse

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO ACCEPT THE BID IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,962.00 FOR THE AIR CONDITIONING SUBMITTED BY TINKER  
SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON  
VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0  
MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC LANDS MONTHLY DISCUSSION:**

Tristram Post stated that there will be some vegetation projects scheduled through early summer, mostly removing beetle kill. The campgrounds opened on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Still looking to hire a range person. Will be working on some SRS funds this year.

**LINDA MORSCHAUSER, CDOT DIVISION 5, YEARLY DISCUSSION**

CDOT presented a PowerPoint demonstrating Saguache County's Transportation Plan.

Seeing no further business, Commissioner Ken Anderson adjourns the meeting at 4:15 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:



DOMINIQUE WHITE FOR  
TRISH GILBERT, CLERK & RECORDER

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: June 11, 2019



KEN ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER,  
BOARD CHAIR



JASON ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER



TIM LOVATO, COMMISSIONER



ATTEST  
TRISH GILBERT  
CLERK & RECORDER

