

**Commissioners' Meeting  
June 19, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Garcia followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners Gerald Cisneros, Ray Garcia and Max Vezzani were present.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve the minutes of June 12, 2018. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

10:01 A.M.-Public Comment

John Freeburg voiced his concerns in regard to the Sonic Bloom Event and whether there is a contingency plan in place in case of a disaster and that the Board should post the dates of the festival so that surrounding homeowners would be aware of when the event takes place.

10:09 A.M.-Public Comment

Jess Gries representing Sonic Bloom gave an after-action report to the Board and address any concerns or question about the festival.

10:20 A.M.

Chip Kraynyk representing Citizens of Huerfano County met with the Board requesting that the Board support Lease Deferment of the BLM parcels in Huerfano County until an environmental impact study and hydro-geologic research could be done. A presentation was given by Hydrologist Amos Mace and Jeff Briggs on the possible impact associated with fracking and drilling has on the wilderness, The Great Sand Dunes National Park and Huerfano County watershed.

10:44 A.M.

Jack Yule and Dave Wisecarver met with the Board with their concerns in regard to the "Rave" party that took place on County Road 541.

11:12 A.M.

Grant Howell met with the Board in regard to CUP #18-003.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve Conditional Use Permit #18-003 on behalf of Grant Howell for an indoor/outdoor marijuana cultivation facility with 1000' setbacks and the following conditions:**

- **All occupied structures must include a constant ventilation system, a smoke evacuation system and sprinkler system to meet the approval of the Huerfano County Fire Protection District.**
- **A four-hour fire system will be required for walls, a two-hour fire system will be required for ceilings and a 1.5 hour fire system will be required for doors.**
- **Applicant shall keep all state licenses current and ensure copies are received by the Huerfano County Land Use Department.**
- **A single sign shall be posted that includes the name of the business and a contact number and meets the Huerfano County Sign Regulations.**
- **Staff shall hold a compliance review annually. Applicant shall initiate the annual compliance review.**
- **Filtration system must be maintained in good operating condition.**
- **If any noxious weeds are found on site, they must be treated.**
- **Conformation of water source that water will be provided for**
- **Operation of the facility must begin within one (1) year of the CUP approval**
- **CUP is not transferable.**
- **10,000 gallon water tank solely for fire suppression is required on site.**
- **Fencing for the facility will meet current State regulations.**
- **Construction of the facility to begin within six (6) months of CUP approval. Any required road improvements must be completed prior to issuance of a building permit and must be designed by an engineer.**
- **51% of the annual payroll must be attributable to employees or independent contractors permanently residing in Huerfano County.**

- All exterior lighting will be only for security, directed toward the ground and equipped with motion detectors.
- A trip generation study must be completed utilizing the ITE Trip Generation manual, 9<sup>th</sup> Edition.
- Insurance policy must include the County and its representatives as insured parties and further indemnify them against claims by other parties as outlined in the Huerfano County Land Use Regulations, Section 18.03.06.
- All material safety data sheets shall be posted on-site and filed with the Huerfano County Office of Emergency Management.
- Odors must be mitigated to meet the requirement of Colorado State Regulation 5CCR 1001-4 and conform to any future odor restrictions adopted by Huerfano County.
- Applicant shall utilize organic pest control and farming practices.
- A marijuana Infused Product facility will not be allowed.
- The option to lease any acreage within the approved grow area to another entity is permitted with approval of a Secondary CUP.

11:05 A.M. Brian Trani with Matra Operating Partnership LLP met with the Board regarding right-of-way to establish a locked gate on County Road 114.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to allow a Revocable Permit For Use of Public Right Of Way on County Road 114 to Matra Operating to control access to their property and to establish a combination lock gate allowing the people who have legitimate business to call Huerfano County for the code. Matra Operating will need to furnish the County with the code and a sign that says this road is closed by County action and making it clear that this was not action to privatize the county road. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

11:33 A.M.-Chairman Garcia called for a 5 minute break.

11:37 A.M. Public Comment

Mary Jensen voiced her concerns in regard to the BLM leases and the impact on the county. She also asked the Board to please notify the public and Fire Department when Special Events are scheduled in her area.

11:46 A.M. Jess Gries continued his report on Sonic Bloom.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve the June 2018 payables. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to up the credit card limit for all Elected Officials to \$5,000.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve a credit card for Planning Director Vicki Koepsel with a limit of \$5,000.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve estimate from Wagner Cat to remove and install diesel particulate filter on Unit #311 truck in the amount of \$1,222.53 and possibly on Unit #312 truck in the amount of \$1,222.53 if needed. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to correct the minutes of June 12, 2018 on behalf of La Veta School Foundation Special Event from June 25, 2018 to June 26, 2018. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to send a letter to the Bureau of Land Management requesting a deferment for the 28 parcels in Huerfano County until they can obtain an**

**updated Environmental Impact Statement a Hydro geologic study. Motion passed by 2 to 1, Chairman Garcia voted no.**

County Administrator John Galusha and the Board reviewed action items.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to adopt RESOLUTION #18-50, A RESOLUTION SETTING REVISED RATES AND ASSESSMENTS FOR WATER, SEWER AND BULK WATER FROM THE GARDNER WATER AND SANITATION PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND ADOPTING REVISED RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR OPERATION OF THE DISTRICT, EFFECTIVE DATE IS JULY 1, 2018. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to sign the Agreement for Weed Control between Huerfano County and Custer County with pre-agreed upon schedule of cost. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to sign Letter of Release of Bond #B010776 on behalf of Dawson Geophysical Company in the amount of \$50,000.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve proposal from Roscoe Engineering, LLC for engineering design of reinforcement of the existing bridge on Huerfano County Road 360 over Wahatoya Creek in the amount of \$1,200.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve the budgeted funds of \$5,000.00 on behalf of the Huerfano County Fair Board. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve the proposal on behalf of Turner Roofing, Inc in the amount of \$850.00 for the Huerfano County Mining Museum. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve the replacement of the compressor for the chiller on behalf of Trane Building Services in the amount of \$11,848.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve the Road and Bridge Right of Way Permit #18-12(L) on behalf of San Isabel Electric for an underground line on County Road 421. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to waive the bond and the letter of credit on behalf of Mel and Judy Ott and to allow them to build a barn on their property in Blackhawk Ranch. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve the Letter to Citizens asking for consideration of a 1% sales tax question to be placed on the November ballot for the Judicial Center. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve water permit from the Gardner Sanitation and Water District on behalf of Kassandra Capers who owns a home at 310 County Road 542. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

County Administrator John Galusha and the Board reviewed correspondence.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M.



*Nancy C. Cruz*

Nancy C. Cruz, Clerk & Recorder  
Clerk to Board of County Commissioners

**Commissioners:**

*Edward R. Garcia*

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