

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
August 13, 2019

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

Commissioner's Gerald Cisneros, Ray Garcia and Max Vezzani were present.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve the August 6, 2019 minutes. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

10:01 A.M. Public Comment

Al Meisman presented the Board with a handout.

10:05 A.M. Reid Pelegrin representing Compound Sound met with the Board regarding a Special Event that was submitted in June, prior to the moratorium that was put into place. This event is to take place at the Hummingbird Ranch on September 6-8, 2019.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve a job posting for the Building Department to fill a vacant position. The position is a full time Administrative Technician that will support both the Building Department and Planning/Zoning. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve resignation from Christina Crisp as a Detention Officer from the Sheriff's Office. Her last day was August 3, 2019. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to hire Billy Laporte to the position of a Sheriff's Deputy, effective August 16, 2019 at a salary of \$33,920.00 annually. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to add temporary duties/responsibilities for ground maintenance worker Ron Vigil to specifically care for Ball Field and Fiesta Park. This is a temporary assignment added to his regular duties in which he will be paid a lump sum payment of \$1,500.00 on his October 31, 2019 paycheck for performing these duties. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to amend Condition Use Permit application #19A/15-010, Condition #3, allowing transfer of ownership on behalf of Twin Peaks Joint Venture with an associated non-refundable transfer fee of \$5,000.00 and they would still have to come before the Board of County Commissioners for approval of transfer. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros allowing the Chairman to approve of any corrective action or termination for employees and having signature authority to sign for those kinds of actions. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to allow Chairman Garcia to sign Intergovernmental Agreement between Huerfano County Clerk & Recorder and the City of Walsenburg regarding the 2019 Coordinated Election Services. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to allow Chairman Garcia to sign Intergovernmental Agreement between Huerfano County Clerk & Recorder and the La Veta RE-2 School District

regarding the 2019 Coordinated Election Services. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

10:20 A.M. William Singleton spoke to the Board regarding County Road 671, stating that Lascar Road and CR 671 routed through his ranch many years ago but, was abandoned years ago and is not useable and that Google maps continue to show the connection of county roads, therefore, he is asking permission to take out three (3) gates and install one central gate allowing contiguous access to all properties.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded Commissioner Cisneros to allow County Administrator John Galusha to contact Google maps and correct County Road 671 on their mapping system and to allow Mr. Singleton to construct and lock the gate at the point indicated with the proviso that any necessary parties have access including the Fire Department, Sheriff's Office, County, San Isabel Electric and Emergency Services. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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 #19-24, A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2018-60 REGARDING A SALES TAX BALLOT QUESTION FOR COURTHOUSE AND JUDICIAL FACILITES FOR HUERFANO COUNTY, COLORADO. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to adopt RESOLUTION #19-25, A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE COLORADO NEW ENERGY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT TO CONDUCT ITS NEW ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, CALLED COLORADO COMMERCIAL PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY (C-PACE), WITHIN HUERFANO COUNTY ("COUNTY"). Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve Real Property Purchase Option Agreement between Savant Publishing, Inc. and Stanley K. Mann, Manager for The Walsenburg Company, LTD and Huerfano County. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve the purchase of four (4) signs from SCS (Safety & Construction Supply, Inc.) up to \$1,025.00. The signs will state "Magnesium Chloride Application Ahead". Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve the purchase of an 84" X 30' culvert with one flared end from Ace/Eaton Metals in the amount of \$8,884.96. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve rental fee waiver for the Raymond Aguirre Community Center on August 20, 2019 on behalf of Citizens for Huerfano County. A \$150.00 deposit is required. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve the Covenant Property Protection Agreement between the Department of Higher Education, History Colorado, the Colorado Historical Society, Colorado Preservation, Inc. and Huerfano County regarding the Courthouse Masonry Project #2020-01-027. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

10:35 A.M. Alan Wehe representing Jade Communications, met with Board regarding their fiber optic line that has been washed out on County Road 442, impacting cellular carriers and Community Anchor Institutions and also effecting people in the San Luis Valley. Commissioner Vezzani stated that the County will be willing to cooperate and help solve this problem on the portions of land that the County has control.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cisneros and seconded by Commissioner Vezzani to approve a \$10,000.00 grant application administered by the Colorado Tourism Office. There is a \$2,500.00 cash match which will come out of the Tourism Lodging Tax. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

10:50 A.M. Warner Smith from La Veta spoke with the Board regarding his CUP#19-018 for his welding workshop located at County Road 350 and East Moore Street.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to approve CUP #19-018 on behalf of Warner Smith for a 40 X 80 steel building to be constructed on his property in La Veta for his welding workshop with the following required conditions:

- **Applicant must provide a noxious week plan to Huerfano County, which must be approved.**
- **Adjacent property owner's use of property should not be infringed upon or affected in any manner.**
- **If a complaint is received about this operation, it will be investigated by the Land Use Office. Any violations of conditions are cause to either suspend or revoke the Conditional Use Permit.**
- **Signage must be complaint with Huerfano County regulations and be posted in an accessible location.**
- **Construction of the facility must begin within one year of the date of CUP approval.**
- **All material safety data sheets shall be posted on-site and filed with the La Veta Fire District.**
- **Applicant shall take all necessary precautions to reduce noise, fumes and other potential negative impacts from this operation.**
- **A one year compliance review of this application shall be undertaken by the Land Use Office.**

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 go into Executive Session with the County Attorney regarding the ballot initiative and the letter that was put into the paper by the D.A. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

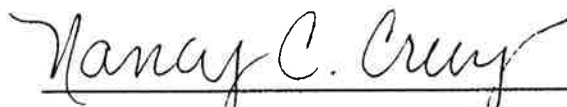
A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros come out of Executive Session and go into recess in order to visit with the Assessor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to come out of recess and back into regular meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vezzani and seconded by Commissioner Cisneros to extend the moratorium on Special Event Permits for an additional forty-five (45) days to allow the Huerfano County Land Use Office to finish final regulations and to appoint an advisory Committee. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:37 A.M.



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




Commissioners:



Edward R. Garcia, Chairman



Gerald A. Cisneros



Max Vezzani