

**STATE OF COLORADO
COUNTY OF ROUTT**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK
June 25, 2019**

Commissioner Beth Melton, Chair, called the regular meeting of the Routt County Board of County Commissioners to order. Commissioner Douglas B. Monger, Commissioner Timothy V. Corrigan, Deputy County Manager Dan Weinheimer and County Manager Tom Sullivan, were also present. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Deanna Sanchez recorded the meeting and prepared the minutes.

EN RE: WARRANTS

Commissioner Monger moved to approve and authorize the Commissioners to sign the Warrants Sheets that included:

Accounts Payable Check- Cycle Date:	6/17-6/21	\$1,022,573.14
Accounts Payable Check: Manuals	6/17-6/21	\$
Accounts Payable Wires:	6/17-6/21	\$
Total:		\$1,022,573.14
Payroll Checks- Cycle Date:	6/17-6/21	\$
Payroll Checks- Manuals	6/17-6/21	\$
Payroll – IRS & State Income Tax	6/17-6/21	\$
Total:		\$
Total Disbursements Approved:	6/17/2019-6/21/2019	\$1,022,573.14

Commissioner Corrigan seconded.

Mr. Weinheimer advised of the 2019 Accounts Payable – Run Date June 17, and June 21.

Vendor	Amount	Department
ADVOCATES	\$6,610	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
ALPINE AGGREGATES	\$6,552.65	PW Gravel
ROUTT COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING	\$11,250	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
COLORADO DIVISION OF FIRE	\$1,158.94	General Fund – Fire Suppression

PREVENTION AND CONTROL		
CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE COMPANIES	\$11,539.98	GF – Detention Center, Health Care
INTEGRATED COMMUNITY	\$6,000	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
DUCKELS CONSTRUCTION	\$340,304.25	PW – Infrastructure
KILGORE COMPANIES (ELAM CONSTRUCTION)	\$10,946.06	PW Gravel
GRAND FUTURES	\$3,750	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
LIFT UP OF ROUTT COUNTY	\$5,000	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
NW COLORADO VISITING NURSES DBA NORTHWEST COLORADO HEALTH	\$12,500	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
PRECISION EXCAVATING, INC.	\$41,481.63	PW Gravel
PLANNED PARENTHOOD	\$3,750	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
PARTNERS IN ROUTT COUNTY	\$15,440	TANF (\$10k); General Fund – Community Services, HRC (\$5,440)
ROUTT COUNTY SEARCH AND RESCUE	\$20,350	GF- Community Services, Public Safety
ROCKY MOUNTAIN YOUTH CORPS	\$11,000	General Fund – Community Services, HRC \$6k); TANF (\$5k)
STEAMBOAT ARCHITECTURAL ASSOCIATES	\$2,400	Building and Plant Pool
COLORADO WEST REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH INC DBA MINDSPRING HEALTH	\$7,500	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
TOTALLY KIDS	\$5,000	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
ROUTT COUNTY UNITED WAY	\$15,750	General Fund – Community Services, HRC \$3,750); TANF (\$12k)
YAMPA VALLEY AUTISM PROGRAM	\$3,500	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
SOROCO BASEBALL-SOFTBALL	\$2,500	General Fund – Community Services, HRC
RESOURCE EXPLORATION LLC	\$30,000	GF – BCC
SLATE COMMUNICATIONS	\$2,563	GF – BCC, communication
BEAR COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$26,096.60	Communication Pool
LITTLE LAMBS, LLC	\$15,000	First Impressions
ULRICH SALZGEBER	\$1,000	GF – Community Services
2019 AP Run Date June 17 – Total	\$1,022,573.14	

Motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: ITEMS OF NOTE FROM PREVIOUS DAY'S WORK SESSION

Commissioner Melton stated updates were received from the County Manager, legal, Yampa Valley Regional Airport, environmental health, Clerk and Recorder, public health, planning department, and human services.

EN RE: CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were presented for consideration, approval, and signing on the consent agenda:

- A. Approval of County Commissioners minutes: special meeting of May 16, 2019;
- B. Approval of and authorization for the Board to sign the CCI legislative priorities for 2020;
- C. Approval of and authorization to ratify the Chair's Signature on a letter of support for Yampa Valley Electric/Luminate Broadband to submit a grant to the broadband fund for the deployment of broadband service in rural North Routt County;
- D. Approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign a resolution acknowledging the Holderness Granary move to a new location and rescinding resolution 2016-090.

MOTION

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve items A, B, C, and D on the consent agenda, noting that item D will be resolution number 2019-045, and authorized the Chair to sign the related documents.

Commissioner Monger seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were present for comment.

EN RE: USFS DISTRICT RANGER / TARA UMPHRIES

Ray DuBois, Public Works Director, was also present.

US FOREST SERVICE UPDATE

Ms. Umphries stated the Forest Service is trying to transition from winter to summer programs. She added that overall as an agency their priorities are timber, fuels, and trails maintenance. Due to the dead and down tree components of this region, trails maintenance is a target for our region. She noted the Regional Forester was allowing and then revoking use in wilderness areas. That was not something her team wanted to do, but there is a regional emphasis on getting trails cleared.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if the Regional Forester has the authority to waive the rule about mechanical devices in the wilderness area. Ms. Umphries replied that is true on a very temporary basis. However, her team opted out of that option because of the weather making the trails inaccessible.

Ms. Umphries stated their timber program has targeted 140,000 ccf forest wide for the Medicine Bow, Routt National Forests. Hahns Peak/Bears Ears has 8 active timber sales in various stages. She noted her team is very excited to still be executing the Good Neighbor Authority with the State of Colorado and Steamboat Front Project. This project is a timber and fuels reduction project. Thus far, there are 900 acres of fuels targeted with this project for 2019. She added her team had hoped to do some burning around that project, but the weather conflicted with being able to do so. There will be fall windows when they can do the burnings, but they will have to wait until then.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if there is a cutoff date for controlled burns, and what would happen if they did them now. Ms. Umphries replied the burns they were trying to do were in a brush fuel component, so with the green grass understory they would not be likely to get the fire to carry. Therefore, their objectives would not be met.

Ms. Umphries stated their Fire Program continues to subscribe to the Wildland Fire National Cohesive Strategy, which states to restore and maintain landscapes, support fire adapted communities, and provide response to wildland fire. To that end the Forest Service will have their wildland fire modules from Peak Fire Module. She added that her team is continuing to engage in multiple projects around wildland fire, such as Routt County Mitigation Planning and updating the Interagency National Fire Danger Operating Plan, which is in charge of Smokey the Bear education. Additionally, she noted they have continued to work with the City around Mount Werner with the watershed protection plan.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if Ms. Umphries agrees with shifting the focus on the Watershed Protection Plan from prevention to response. She confirmed so and noted the upper levels of the watershed sits in predominately spruce ecosystems. That is a very on and off fire prone ecosystem. The fuels and climates in the County currently make prevention, such as fuel breaks, ineffective.

Ms. Umphries stated our National Interagency Coordination's Center is predicting significant wildfire outcome potential forecasted as below to normal through the months until September. She noted her team and the public are eager to get summer outdoor recreational activities started. Her team is concerned for resource damage with the wet conditions and other issues that come along with the snow pack and moisture that we have had. She added that on June 18 we still had 72 inches of snow on Buff Pass.

Ms. Umphries stated her team is hoping to have another preliminary proposal for Mad Rabbit by the end of the month. The proposal will include conversation from the Mad Rabbit round table. She added her team is looking forward to transitioning to the Routt Recreation roundtable for a longer term strategic look at recreation.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if there will be a proposed plan of action from the Forest Service. Ms. Umphries confirmed so and noted the proposal will not go into the formal scoping phase yet. She wants to evaluate the feedback they got back first and have an environmental analysis (EA) done before the winter.

Commissioner Corrigan asked how long an EA takes.

Commissioner Monger asked if The Forest Service has decided on doing an EA (Environmental Assessment) or EIS (Environmental Impact Statement). Ms. Umphries replied they have not decided that yet. She explained the analysis itself will drive that decision.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if the City of Steamboat pays for EA's or EIS'. Ms. Umphries replied the City pays for the planning process.

Commissioner Melton asked what the considerations are for EA's and EIS'. Ms. Umphries replied there are conditions that measure if the project will have a significant impact on the area.

Commissioner Monger asked if Ms. Umphries makes the decision on EA's and EIS' or her boss does. Ms. Umphries stated she has the authority to sign EA's but not EIS'.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if Ms. Umphries feels there is an objective way to decide on EA's and EIS'. Ms. Umphries confirmed she does, and there is a bit of rigor and law around it.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if it is the City of Steamboat Springs building the trails or the Forest Service. Ms. Umphries stated the Forest Service and the City will be working together to build the trails.

Commissioner Corrigan asked about the funding for these trails. Ms. Umphries stated she does not have a line item in her budget for trail building for this specific project. Commissioner Corrigan asked if she will presumably be making a budget request for this component. She confirmed so and noted having the planning complete will allow for other funding sources. Commissioner Corrigan asked if included in that will be maintenance and enforcement ongoing cost. She replied the Endowment funds will help with those costs.

Commissioner Corrigan stated there is only one law enforcement officer for the Routt Medicine Bow, and he thought that would expand in light of the new trail development. Ms. Umphries replied she does not have any particular projections, but she guesses that The Forest Service will not receive funding for that anytime soon. Commissioner Corrigan expressed his opinion that if the Forest Service is building more trails and incentivizing more people to use the back country, then he suggests there be an increase in law enforcement.

Ms. Umphries expressed her excitement to partner with programs, such as Friends of Wilderness, Rocky Mountain Youth Core, Mountain Trails Access, and Adopt a Trail.

Ms. Umphries stated the Forest Service continues to support 60 allotments, 25 permittees, 30,000 sheep, and 2,500 cows. She noted the weather is causing difficulties for these range programs too. She added these programs are also working with the Weed program to remove the noxious weeds.

Ms. Umphries stated the Western Association Power Administration (WAPA) and Yampa Valley Electric Association (YVEA) are interested in doing maintenance for Routt County.

Commissioner Monger noted the County wants YVEA to do the wildland fire mitigation to protect their resources too. Ms. Umphries stated that is what YVEA is looking to do.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if WAPA and YVEA have to get permission from the Forest Service to clear around their power lines. Ms. Umphries confirmed so. She added YVEA has a permit and a right of way that allows them to do mitigation for a wildfire without much process. She noted YVEA will meet with the Forest Service to discuss this further.

Ms. Umphries stated the Colorado Division of Water (Division 6) sent out a notice requiring the installation of head gates and measuring devices. The Forest Service is working with them to safely and effectively implement that on Forest Service lands. The Forest Service has about 53 diversions they've made that they need to do some type of permitting for. Commissioner Corrigan asked if this is around the Hahns Peak/Bears/Ears or just the Yampa. Ms. Umphries replied it is the entire Yampa River Basin.

Ms. Umphries stated the Forest Service is working on the CMC Intern Program, Fish Program, Silver Fire Burned Area Emergency Rehabilitation, replacing the Hahns Peak lookout windows and damage that was done by vandalism, and Rabbit Ears Conservation Plan. She noted there are many other programs she is happy to discuss and asked if the Board had any specific questions.

Commissioner Corrigan asked about the relationship between the Hahns Peak district and the Yampa District. He asked if the Forest Service supervises the Yampa district in anyway. Ms. Umphries replied her team does not supervise the Yampa Ranger District. Her team has 6 districts under the Medicine Bow Routt Thunder Basin, 3 of which are in the Routt National Forest. She noted her team finds it efficient to work as zones and have independent rangers.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if Ms. Umphries has any input in the process of County Road 25 up to the Forest Service boundary potentially opening up for OHV. She replied that is a Yampa Ranger District Project. She added the person who was in charge of that project left, and was recently replaced.

Commissioner Melton asked what the Forest Service is looking at in terms of management for the impact on the Buff Pass campsites. She added the Board heard from someone recently who was working on that, but she could not remember his name. Ms. Umphries stated the Forest Service is working on the redesign of the Dry Lake Campground currently, but most likely the individual being referenced was doing an inventory of dispersed sites. She noted the 3 ranger districts are looking at dispersed camping as a whole.

Commissioner Melton asked when the Dry Lake Campground redesign will be done. Ms. Umphries stated it will most likely be next summer.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if Ms. Umphries had any ideas or thoughts on how to inform citizens and visitors in the winter that it is not worth driving up to the Dry Lake Campground. Ms. Umphries replied signage, web presence, and remote cameras were a few ideas that the Forest Service came up with. She suggested that this problem be brought to the Routt Recreation Roundtable.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Commissioner Monger, Commissioner Corrigan, Mr. DuBois, Ms. Umphries, and Commissioner Melton discussed the need to disperse the snowmobiling traffic.

Commissioner Monger and Mr. DuBois discussed how to utilize Forest Service Road 550.

Ms. Umphries stated there needs to be a larger discussion about this.

EN RE: DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER / DAN WEINHEIMER

RATIFICATION OF SIGNATURE - IGA BETWEEN ROUTT COUNTY & DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Mr. Weinheimer stated this is ratification of several agreements for program related to public health and agreements with the State of Colorado through CDPHE (Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment). The ratifications would be for the 3 agreements of Immunizations (contract number 20 FHHA 128230) for the amount of \$33,451, Local Core Public Health (contract number 18 FAAA 97494) for the amount of \$116,389, and Emergency Preparedness (contract number CT 2020*274) for the amount of \$26,956.

Mr. Weinheimer stated the intent of the Immunizations Contract is to subcontract that program through Northwest Colorado Health at this time and do an RFP in the future. The core immunization services are preventative measures that provide vaccines for children to prevent the spread of diseases. The program will work with schools and throughout the community to provide the immunizations.

Commissioner Melton asked if the focus of the Immunization Program is people with or without insurance. Mr. Weinheimer stated he believes it will be people without insurance, but there is a component for people with insurance where they could get a referral or some type of assistance. He noted the intent is the uninsured and to increase the number of immunized people. Commissioner Melton asked if this program is the same as the programs that do the vaccination clinics at Yampa Valley Bank and schools. Mr. Weinheimer confirmed so.

Commissioner Melton asked about the contract amendment number 2. She stated it does not match any of the items Mr. Weinheimer stated or say what it is an amendment to. Mr. Weinheimer stated the County has been getting a 5 year overarching agreement with annual renewals. There is a master agreement, which is changing the way we are doing contracting.

Mr. Weinheimer stated Emergency Preparedness and Response (EPR) is a local coordination grant. The County is working on an agreement to take over EPR and hire the EPR Coordinator. This is funding for local County and not regional. This focuses on public health preparedness, participation and coordination with other regional and emergency response functions, participation in drills and medical related issues planning, and maintaining the general preparedness and responsibilities in the County. The intent is that the County would have disease surveillance and reporting through Northwest Colorado Health, and the rest of the programs would be done through the County Public Health Director. He summarized the Public Health department would be in charge of assessment planning, managing

communications around the health assessment process in planning, health recruitment planning, setting goals on public health in the community, creating policies, and recording.

Commissioner Melton asked since Ms. Ladrow, Public Health Director, is taking on EPR, will that funding go towards her salary. Mr. Weinheimer stated that would be the intent for the local funding, and Ms. Ladrow would provide the emergency support function.

Commissioner Melton asked if a portion of the third contract funding will go to Northwest Colorado Health for their services, and if the remainder will support the Public Health Director Position. Mr. Weinheimer confirmed so.

MOTION

Commissioner Monger moved to approve and ratify the Chair's signature on intergovernmental contracts between Routt County and State of Colorado Public Health and Environment Office of Emergency Preparedness with the contracts ratified being 20 FHHA 128230 Immunizations in the amount of \$33,451, 18 FAAA 97494 Local Core Public Health in the amount of \$116,389, and CT 2020274 in the amount of \$26,956.

Commissioner Corrigan seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: DISTRICT ATTORNEY / BRETT BARKEY

Matt Karzen, Assistant District Attorney, was also present.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY UPDATE

Mr. Barkey stated his gratitude for the Board's support of him in the District Attorney's Office over the years he has worked there. He noted his support for Mr. Karzen taking over his position.

Mr. Karzen stated the budgets for 2020 will be done soon. The challenges that the DA currently faces are mental health and treatment services. They are long term priorities for the DA's Office. The immediate impact for the DA's office on July 1 will be Matt Tjosvold as the new Assistant DA. The Chief Deputy will be Kathrine Bowdel. For the first 2 months Mr. Tjosvold and Mr. Karzen will be rotating throughout the district to make sure each County office has one of them at least once a week. Mr. Tjosvold and Mr. Karzen will be on all the felony sexual assault cases. Anything involving a class 3 felony or higher will have Mr. Karzen, Mr. Tjosvold, or Ms. Bowdel on the case once they are set for trial. Amendments from the 2019 legislative session do not take effect until March 1 of 2020, and relatively low level of narcotic will become a misdemeanor. The levels being 4 grams of methamphetamine or less. Routt County saw 150-175 felony possession cases between 2015-current.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if the narcotics legislation relieves some pressure from the DA's Office. Mr. Karzen replied it would lower the workload, but the misdemeanors give less leverage for the DA's, and it may cause more trials. If there is a spike in trials, there may be strong pushback from Colorado Bureau of Investigations (CBI). Commissioner Corrigan asked if CBI bills the DA's Office. Mr. Karzen replied that they do not.

Commissioner Melton asked if there is a drug court system in Routt County. Mr. Karzen stated the County does have a Recovery Court System. He noted there could be potential growth for that program, and he is eager to work with Judge O'Hara on the program.

Commissioner Corrigan asked about the purpose of the drug court system. Mr. Karzen stated it is a recovery program.

Commissioner Monger asked how the drug court system functions and has been doing. Mr. Karzen stated it is more popular in Moffat County. He noted one of the reasons it does not have the numbers it could in Routt County is because of the front end criteria. He explained if there is a gun involved, the defendant is not eligible. He added right now the biggest challenge is the desire for the defendants to want to put the work into recovering.

Commissioner Melton stated she learned about parallel courts from a conference for National Association of Counties on mental health in the justice system. She added this court addresses mental health issues to try to divert the defendants from the system. Mr. Karzen stated he has seen programs like that before, and he believes Judge O'Hara is in the early stages of a problem solving court. Mr. Karzen expressed his interest in serving at risk youth.

Commissioner Melton asked if the legislation that adjusted the DA's pay scale passed. Mr. Karzen stated it did not.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if Mr. Karzen had a sense that Grand and Moffat County are in a better position financially than before. Mr. Karzen replied he believes Moffat continues to struggle, and Grand has not changed much.

Mr. Barkey expressed his support for raising the pay of the DA. Commissioner Corrigan stated that Mr. Barkey was against raising the pay scale when it was discussed previously. Mr. Barkey replied he was against it because it was in the middle of the term, so it was not legal, but he believes it is important to maintain a strong position.

EN RE: PURCHASING AGENT / JULIE KENNEDY

Ray DuBois, Public Works Director, and Steve Faulkner, Maintenance, were also present.

RFP 638 CAMPUS SECURITY ASSESSMENT

Ms. Kennedy stated her request for approval and authorization by the Board of County Commissioners for the Chair to sign the Professional Services Agreement and authorization for the County Manager to electronically sign the Purchase Order to True North Consulting Group, LLC in the amount of \$29,200 for Campus Security Assessment services. This project is currently budgeted at \$17,000, because the original budget was \$37,000, and they allocated \$20,000 to Human Services Security reconfiguration of the front lobby. Due to the delays in the plans, the Purchasing team has decided to include the DHS lobby reconfiguration in the security assessment to receive the best value.

Commissioner Corrigan stated his understanding was the County is doing a security assessment for the whole campus and including DHS, yet the County has already done an architectural design to address the security concerns. Ms. Kennedy stated the proposal is for the review. Commissioner Monger noted the Board heard from the staff that they do not agree with this design.

Ms. Kennedy stated her team is looking for professional advice on the design, and she may need a supplemental budget. Her team would like to get this done in 2019. The Purchasing Team received 20 proposals. All of the proposals met requirements, but they were very varied prices. There was an evaluation committee that included Mr. Weinheimer, Mr. Faulkner, Deputy Hall, and Undersheriff Scherar. After the second round of interviewing the top 3, the committee chose True North Consulting Group. 87% of True North Consulting Group's clients are in similar government offices that require security and must be open and accessible to the public. They have also prepared assessments for 12 Colorado Mountain Campuses.

Commissioner Melton asked if True North Consulting Group will be onsite. Ms. Kennedy stated they will be onsite interviewing several key employees, evaluating both day and night, analyzing their data, creating a proposal, and presenting to the Board.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if the RFP properly expressed to the bidder that the County is not looking for a proposal that is out of the budget. Ms. Kennedy confirmed so.

Ms. Kennedy noted the goal is for the assessment to be done by August 15, 2019, so recommendations can be included in next year's budget.

MOTION

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve and authorize the Chair's signature on the Professional Services Agreement and authorize the County Manager to electronically sign the Purchase Order to True North Consulting Group, LLC in the amount of \$29,200 for Campus Security Assessment services.

Commissioner Monger seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR / KATHY NELSON

Kelly Keith, Human Services Director, was also present.

DHS ECONOMIC SECURITY ADMIN IV POSITION

Ms. Keith stated the Human Resources team's request to increase the 28 hour economic security technician (admin IV) to 40 hours a week and to keep vacant the Admin III position. There has been a vacancy for the Admin III Front Desk Tech since March. During that time frame the Human Services team has been piloting a model where the Admin IV Tech sits upfront and acts as the second person to the front desk. She noted restructuring this position saves the County about \$34,000. This number includes health insurance and benefits.

Commissioner Monger asked if this is the same pay scale as the other Techs get. Ms. Keith stated the Admin III is a lower pay scale and Admin IV is a little higher.

Commissioner Monger asked if this would be a supplemental budget. Ms. Keith stated it does not need to be supplemental, because it is already in the budget.

Commissioner Corrigan asked how these positions can be done by 1 person opposed to 2. Ms. Keith replied the Human Services team used to have 2 people at the front desk that were not trained to be Economic Security Techs, they were just Admins. When the vacancy happened the Human Services team realized it was a better model to have the Admin trained as a Tech, so the Admin would not have to be the middle man between the client and the Tech.

Commissioner Melton asked if 1 of the 2 individuals has left, because the form has 2 names on it. Ms. Keith replied 1 of the staff members did get promoted and left the Admin III position. Ms. Nelson noted the promoted staff member is only noted in the paperwork to show the vacancy.

MOTION

Commissioner Monger moved to approve and authorize the increase of 28 hour economic security technician (admin IV) to 40 hours a week, effective June 25, 2019, and to keep vacant the Admin III.

Commissioner Corrigan seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR / KELLY KEITH

DHS COLLABORATIVE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM MOU

Ms. Keith stated her request for approval and signature of the Collaborative Management Program (CMP) MOU. The CMP is funding from divorce fees that trickle down to the Counties. The Counties can manage them and spend them in the communities under the approach of Multisystem Involved Families. These are families that are involved in probation, child welfare, and other mental health based services. The County gets an \$88,000 allocation every year from the divorce fees. Sarah Gripa manages the funds so that \$55,000 goes to partner agencies, client services, and resiliency program. The MOU shows all the partner agencies involved.

Commissioner Corrigan asked if this item is an MOU with the State DHS. Ms. Keith confirmed so.

Commissioner Melton noted there are mandated and non-mandated partners that are part of the MOU. Ms. Keith noted all the partners sign the MOU.

MOTION

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve and authorize the Chair's signature on the Collaborative Management Program (CMP) MOU as presented.

Commissioner Monger seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

EN RE: ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR / SCOTT COWMAN

DOLA GRANT EXTENSION REQUEST FOR PHIPPSBURG LAGOON LINER REPLACEMENT

Mr. Cowman stated his request for consideration of the Board of Routt County Commissioners and signature from the Chairman of the Board on a letter addressed to the State of Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) to request an extension to the existing grant for a period of one year. He noted the County went out for bids and did not receive any. They went out for bids again, and there is a pre-bid meeting in Phippsburg on June 26. There is a narrow window for construction. The County is going to have to take 1 pond down and operate with 2 ponds while they are realigning the pond. There is some concern that this will not be done by November 1. After November 1 there is a risk of snow fall and freezes, and that would make this more expensive. Mr. Winkler, Regional DOLA Representative recommended extending the grant to next year. The deadline was going to be the end of this year.

Commissioner Monger asked if there are interested parties now and when the bids will open. Mr. Cowman stated there are interested parties, and he is unsure of when the bids will open. The bids are due the first week of July.

Commissioner Monger asked what the estimated construction time is. Mr. Cowman stated it is dependent on the amount of time it will take to pump the ponds and haul the sludge away. The County was going on the assumption that the lagoons have never been pumped out. Mr. Cowman just found out the lagoons were pumped in 2012, and there were not any significant leaks detected.

Commissioner Monger noted there is still an opportunity to have this done this year. The County is just ensuring that the money is still there to do the project if it does have to be pushed to next year. Mr. Cowman stated that is correct. He noted the questions the County is asking the contractors are if they can get this done this season, and if there is sufficient funding to complete the project.

Commissioner Melton asked if there would be any problem with DOLA granting us this extension. Commissioner Corrigan answered as long as we do our due diligence, we should be fine. Mr. Cowman agreed.

MOTION

Commissioner Monger moved to approve and authorize the Chair's signature on a letter addressed to the State of Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) to request an extension to the existing grant for a period of one year for the Phippsburg Waste Water Treatment Center.

Commissioner Corrigan seconded; the motion carried 3-0.

No further business coming before the Board, same adjourned sine die.

Kim Bonner, Clerk and Recorder

M. Elizabeth Melton, Chair

Date