

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GILPIN COUNTY, COLORADO

September 29, 2015

A special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Gilpin County was held on September 29, 2015, at the Gilpin County Old Courthouse. Chair Schmalz called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. In attendance were Chair Buddy Schmalz; Commissioner Gail Watson; Commissioner Linda Isenhart; County Manager Roger Baker; and Deputy Clerk to the Board Sharon Cate.

Appointment of Chair Pro Tem. Commissioner Schmalz informed Commissioner Watson and Commissioner Isenhart that he would soon undergo eye surgery and expected to be out of the office possibly until the end of October. The Board of County Commissioners discussed the need to appoint a chair pro tem for this period to sign official documents on behalf of the Board and to lead the Board meetings. Commissioner Watson nominated Commissioner Isenhart to serve as chair pro tem of the Gilpin County Board of County Commissioners for an undetermined period of time, during Chair Schmalz' absence. Commissioner Schmalz seconded the nomination, which passed by a vote of 3 to 0.

The Board then discussed certain committee and auxiliary boards on which Commissioner Schmalz serves, and how best to maintain representation during his absence; of particular concern was the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) Gaming Impact Committee hearings.

After further discussion, Commissioner Watson moved to appoint Commissioner Isenhart as Gilpin County's temporary representative on the Gilpin Ambulance Authority, during Commissioner Schmalz' absence. Commissioner Schmalz seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 3 to 0.

County Employee Security and Staffing Issues. County Manager Baker cited the need to conduct a work session with the County department heads and elected officials after the regular Board of County Commissioners meeting on October 6, 2015, to hear their input on staff security needs. He noted that recently several employees had expressed concerns about their safety while on the job and that he thought the topic needed to be explored prior to the 2016 budget hearings to consider any potential costs. At the Board's direction, County Manager Baker will survey County employees regarding their concerns and ideas on staff security.

Colorado Counties, Inc., Public Lands Proposals. Colorado Counties, Inc., (CCI), has proposed two alternatives for the Public Lands Committee budget and dues in a way that will facilitate discussion and decision making about the 2016 budget. Both alternatives centered on the question of whether or not to fund commissioner travel to conferences at which Public Lands issues are discussed and voted upon. The Board of County Commissioners discussed the benefits of paying the small amount of dues that would give Gilpin County a voice on the commissioners travel question, and on the policy of the Public Land committee in general. The consensus was that Gilpin County would pay either the \$466 or \$209 amount for dues and would accept either alternative proposed by CCI.

County Manager Status Report. County Manager Baker updated the Commissioners on the following items:

Community Development Monthly Departmental Report. County Manager Baker discussed the revenue chart illustrating the dramatic increase in building fees collected in the past three months. Director Tony Petersen was present and noted that the revenue would be down a bit from August to September and would continue to decrease through the season, but that the Community Development Department had processed 12 new home starts this year.

Board of County Commissioners Status Reports.

Notice of Public Meetings. The public meetings in the upcoming two weeks that could be attended by more than one Commissioner and at which public business may be discussed will include:

- Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) gaming impact committee hearings, September 30 & October 1, in Cripple Creek
- Nevadaville tour with the Historic Advisory Commission and a consultant regarding the recently completed historic survey of that area, October 3

Caring for Colorado Grant Opportunity. Commissioner Watson stated that she had learned of a new foundation—Caring for Colorado—established specifically for funding healthcare projects, and that she thought the Gilpin Connect healthcare transport service would fit perfectly into their scope of funding. She noted that her grant application would request \$25,000, and that the funding would not be continual. Gilpin County will continue to apply for funding from the Gaming Impact Fund.

Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Isenhart moved to approve the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Minutes for September 22, 2015. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 3 to 0.

Recommendation of Irene Shonle, PH.D., for Alton Scofield Award. Commissioner Watson said she would write a letter nominating Gilpin County's CSU Extension Agent Irene Shonle, Ph.D., for the prestigious Alton Scofield Award in recognition of the many projects and programs Dr. Shonle has initiated. Commissioners Schmalz and Isenhart said they would gladly sign the letter and wished her the best.

Recreational Sport Shooting Update. Commissioner Watson gave an update on the Northern Front Range Recreational Sport Shooting Management Partnership saying progress continues and that the group is spending money on Geospatial Information Systems (GIS) and that they want more mapping information.

Belvidere Theater. County Manager Baker informed the Board that progress had been made in the removal of the contents of the Belvidere Theater and that Gilpin County had not incurred any costs to date. He noted some difficulties in the logistics of the operation, but said he remained hopeful of the outcome.

Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Board, they adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Signed this 06th day of October 2015.