

**GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
September 21, 2021**

The September 21, 2021 meeting was held in the Board of County Commissioners' meeting room located at 200 E. Virginia Avenue, Gunnison, Colorado. Present, either in person or via Zoom, were:

Jonathan Houck, Chairperson [ABSENT]
Roland Mason, Vice-Chairperson
Liz Smith, Commissioner

Matthew Birnie, County Manager
Melanie Bollig, Deputy County Clerk
Others Present as Listed in Text

GUNNISON COUNTY LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY:

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Mason called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

PUBLIC HEARING; LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER; COLORADO LIQUOR RETAIL LICENSE APPLICATION; HARMEL'S OPERATIONS LLC DBA HARMEL'S RANCH RESORT: The public hearing for the Liquor License Transfer, Colorado Liquor Retail License Application was opened by Commissioner Mason at 8:30 am. No public or applicants were present in the room or via Zoom for comment. Gunnison County Clerk Kathy Simillion was present to answer any questions from the Board. She confirmed the public notice and explained that the application for transfer will go to the State for review, they will make any amendments, and when it is ready, the Board would see it again to approve the final transfer license. Deputy County Attorney Emilee Gaebler noted there were several minor inconsistencies on the application, and GC Clerk Simillion affirmed that this would go to the State for amendments. With confirmation that there had been no ex parte communication, no correspondence received, and no questions from the Board, Commissioner Mason closed the public hearing at 8:35 am.

Commissioner Smith **moved** to authorize the acting chair's signature on the Liquor License Transfer, Colorado Liquor Retail License Application for Harmel's Operations LLC dba Harmel's Ranch Resort. Commissioner Mason seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING; LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER; COLORADO FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE APPLICATION; HARMEL'S OPERATIONS LLC DBA HARMEL'S RANCH RESORT: The public hearing for the Liquor License Transfer, Colorado Fermented Malt Beverage Application was opened by Commissioner Mason at 8:36 am. No public or applicants were present in the room or via Zoom for comment. Gunnison County Clerk Kathy Simillion was present to answer any questions from the Board. She confirmed the public notice and noted that the State process would be just the same for this application. With confirmation that there had been no ex parte communication, no correspondence received, and no questions from the Board, Commissioner Mason closed the public hearing at 8:37 am.

Commissioner Smith **moved** to authorize the acting chair's signature on the Liquor License Transfer, Colorado Fermented Malt Beverage Application for Harmel's Operations LLC dba Harmel's Ranch Resort. Commissioner Mason seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE #26-34997-0000; TRE AMICI CORP DBA GARLIC MIKE'S; EFFECTIVE DATES 9/14/21 – 9/14/2022: **Moved** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mason to approve the alcohol beverage license for Tre Amici Corp dba Garlic Mike's. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN: Commissioner Mason adjourned the Gunnison County Local Liquor Licensing Authority meeting at 8:38 am.

GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING:

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Mason called the Gunnison County Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting to order at 8:38 am.

AGENDA REVIEW: Commissioner Smith needed no changes; Commissioner Mason elected to switch Unscheduled Citizens with Commissioner Items, and to pull the 9:55 am item, "Scheduling; 2022 Strategic Planning Retreat," in order for Chairperson Houck to be present for discussion at a later date. **Moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the agenda with the noted changes. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULING: No adjustments were needed for the schedule.

CONSENT AGENDA: With no questions or concerns by the Board, it was **moved** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mason, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Acknowledgment of Deputy County Manager's Signature; Cooperative Law Enforcement Annual Operating Plan & Financial Plan; Gunnison Co Sheriff's Office; USDA Forest Service, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison Nation Forest; CY2021; \$5,500 Annually
2. Second Lease Amendment Agreement; Williams Drilling Co. Inc; Term of Lease extended to March 31, 2022
3. Acknowledgment of County Manager's Signature; Stimulus Funding Application; Colorado Department of Agriculture; Gunnison County Fairgrounds; \$15,000
4. Memorandum of Agreement; US Army Corps of Engineers; Colorado State Historic Preservation Office; Colorado Stone Quarries, Inc; regarding the Colorado Stone Quarries, Inc Yule Creek Relocation Project
5. Grant Application; Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment; Expand Program for Harm Reduction Services in Gunnison County; October 2021 award date
6. Letter of Intent; Deere & Company; Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport; Purchase and delivery of a John Deere 1585 Terrain Cut & attachments; Sourcewell Contract 031121-DAC; \$44,124.76

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORTS: County Manager Matthew Birnie was present for an update.

1. Update on the Airport Project. CM Birnie reported steel framing was being erected, and the West Parking Lot pavement was making good progress. He explained that they had hoped to have the entire hold room completed in time for ski season, but that this would not be possible; however, they hoped that by January 2022, they would be back on target with a Fall 2022 completion date still expected. CM Birnie added that he would be working with the Tourism and Prosperity Partnership (TAPP) Board to get the word out to travelers regarding the construction during ski season.
2. Update on the Library construction. CM Birnie informed the Board that the steel erection crew had all come down with COVID-19; however, they were cleared to come back to work last week, and the steel framing was once again proceeding.
3. South 14th Street Housing Project. CM Birnie informed the Board that, within a few days, they should be receiving responses to a County Request for Proposal.

DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT AND PROJECT UPDATES: Deputy County Manager Marlene Crosby was present for discussion.

1. Memorandum of Agreement; Western Colorado University; Gunnison County match of US Forest Service Grant Award; for Collaboration, Share-information, Data-gathering; \$11,500. DCM Marlene Crosby informed the Board that she had sent an updated agreement to the Board on September 20th for their review, and noted that the update by White River National Forest District Ranger Kevin Warner included the agreeable addition of a portion of road from Marble to Crystal. She highlighted that this updated agreement had already been signed electronically by the Forest Service. DCM Crosby quickly outlined concerns for the document: a) listening sessions and public meetings needed to be more accurately outlined; b) there was no end date, but this might be alright to leave open because of the unknown timing for procurement of a facilitator by Western Colorado University; and c) the County Attorney's Office wanted a clause added for both governmental immunity and indemnification. She asked for two actions: 1) to approve a source of funding from the County's discretionary funds, and 2) approval of the Memorandum of Agreement before them. Deputy County Attorney Emilee Gaebler clarified that the County Attorney's Office had asked for: a) the governmental clause to protect the County's interests; b) an independent contractor agreement to keep this from being considered a joint venture, for labor law protection; c) an end of date in regards to when the County would want to receive the data findings from the study so that they could move forward; and d) clarification that the five hearings defined in the current contract were a combination of three listening sessions plus two public hearings. DCM Gaebler recommended that they not sign that day, but instead to make these alterations and send this to Western for review of the minor changes and clarifications. DCM Crosby asked how soon this could be accomplished, as it was critical to not delay this study for much longer. CM Birnie noted that this was a small dollar amount contract with time issues; perhaps they should go ahead and study this, but if the changes proved to be a huge barrier, then he could, upon approval from the Board, go ahead and sign a final document as quickly as possible. Commissioner Smith added her support to this idea and **moved** to approve the funding for the Memorandum of Agreement from the Board of County Commissioner's discretionary fund. Commissioner Mason seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.
2. Somerset small community water quality grant. DCM Crosby advised the Board that Public Works had been awarded a grant from Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE) for the \$320,000 that had been requested. She added that, along with this good news was a caution. Public Works had, quite a bit earlier, also applied for a grant from CDPHE to rework the water system already in place in Somerset, and this was needed as part of the project; however, they had not yet heard back from CDPHE regarding this part of the work.
3. Slate River Bridge grant application. DCM Crosby explained that last year she had applied for repairs to the Slate River Bridge on Gothic Road. This year, they would be applying for design funding for the bridge – \$266,000 with a county match of funds for approximately 20%. She added that the application submittal deadline was October 19th; she needed the Board's approval to work with SCH to prepare the application and then have CM Birnie sign, as she would not be present at the next meeting.
4. Household Hazardous Waste Event. DCM Crosby explained that this event scheduled for the first weekend in October had to be canceled due to the City of Gunnison not being able to contribute their share of the funding, as in previous years. She advised that this would be scheduled for the Spring,

- and she would allocate more to the budget for this in 2022. Commissioner Smith asked whether DCM Crosby knew if the City would be budgeting for this, and she stated that they had indicated yes to her.
5. **Brush Creek intersection Public Hearing.** DCM Crosby advised the Board that this would be held at the Elevation Hotel on Thursday, Oct 7th from 4:30-7:30 pm. This time was an attempt to try and catch people as they commute to and from work. There would be a 15-minute presentation at 5 pm, 6pm, 7 pm, with table maps and visuals. Notices were put into the paper and on the County website, and the social media was invited to be there. The consultant’s website had added a page for project updates and to take in comments from the public, as well.
 6. **Road conditions on Kebler Pass.** Commissioner Mason told DCM Crosby that he had received a citizen complaint regarding the road conditions after magnesium chloride was put down. DCM Crosby let him know this was actually only water being added right now as a dust suppressant; the Magnesium Chloride application was scheduled for later, possibly this week. She added that any application of dust suppressant does make for muddy, soupy, slippery conditions, noting that the extra traffic this year had really been taking a toll on road conditions.

CHANGE OF AGENDA: Chairperson Commissioner Mason elected to move to the Petition for Abatement Hearing scheduled for 9:00 am, and then to go back to the Vouchers and Transfers Reports and the Treasurer’s Report immediately following the hearing.

HEARING; PETITION FOR ABATEMENT OF REFUND OF TAXES; PROPERTY TAX YEAR 2020; R011147; 20094 STATE HWY 149, POWDERHORN, COLORADO; TYLER J AND HANNAH C HANSON, OWNERS: Commissioner Mason opened the Hearing at 9:50 am. The petitioners, Tyler and Hannah Hanson, were not present for the hearing. Notice of the meeting was confirmed to have been given to the petitioners. Commissioner Mason asked Gunnison County Appraiser Chris Nutgrass to present his findings on the property for the 2020 tax year. He explained that their petition was straightforward, due to their property being classified as residential rather than agricultural. He confirmed that the petitioners had shown they were an agricultural producer and had deeded water rights for 2020. Appraiser Nutgrass had also performed a physical inspection of the property and confirmed it was agricultural; he recommended to the Board that there be an abatement of \$151.06 in taxes, and that the classification be changed to agricultural for the 2020 tax year.

Commissioner Mason confirmed that there was no ex parte communication and asked for public comments. As there were no comments, Commissioner Mason closed the hearing at 9:09 am.

With no further questions from the Board, it was **moved** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mason to approve the Assessor’s recommendation to abate taxes for \$151.06 and to change the classification to agricultural for tax year 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORTS: County Treasurer Debbie Dunbar was present via Zoom for any questions from the Board. With no questions from the Board, it was **moved** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mason to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented and authorize the signature of the Acting Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

VOUCHERS AND TRANSFERS: Chief Financial Officer Juan Guerra and Senior Accountant Kelly Weak were present to answer any questions the Board might have.

1. **September 2021 Accounts Payable Report:** **Moved** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mason to approve the Accounts Payable vouchers in the amount of \$5,800,036.29. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **July 2021 Purchase Card Report**
3. **August 2021 Cash Transfer Report:** **Moved** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mason to approve the Cash Transfer for \$5,527,830.72. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **Sales Tax – Local Marketing District Tax Reports**

BREAK: As an item on the agenda scheduled for 9:10 am was canceled, Commissioner Mason elected to wait for the next item to begin at its scheduled time, and he called a break from 9:14 am to 9:20 am.

LAND USE RESOLUTION AMENDMENTS; AND

1. RESOLUTION; A Resolution Amending the *Gunnison County Land Use Resolution:*

Community and Economic Development Director Cathie Pagano was present for discussion. Commissioner Mason opened by stating that these amendments had already been discussed in three joint meetings with the Commissioners and the Planning Commission, and in a Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing. He noted that they were that day looking at the final format, with a just a few minor last changes that were basically administrative.

Commissioner Smith noted that she understood that not everyone will agree with these amendments, but overall felt this was a responsible way to address thoughtful growth to the community. She was in favor of the change to 5,000 square feet residential plus an additional 2,000 square feet, allowing plans for larger footprints to enter the minor impact review. Commissioner Smith then read a statement prepared in advance by Chairperson Houck, as he was unable to be present for that day’s meeting:

"I am sorry that I am not at today's meeting. I am spending 2-1/2 days with conservation partners and our local GPLI workgroup doing a series of site visits and meetings on the ground in support of our public lands protection efforts.

In my absence, I clearly cannot vote but I did not want to miss the opportunity to be very clear of where I am on the issue. After numerous public hearings with the planning commission, a public hearing with the BOCC and taking the time to read each and every piece of written testimony both for and against the proposed change to the LUR which would lower the square footage threshold that would require a residential application to enter the minor impact review process, I have solidly landed on my position. After reviewing the data, the history and hearing the public I am in firm support of establishing the threshold of 5000sf and 2000 additional sf as proposed and discussed after the closing of the BOCC public hearing. My duty as a commissioner is to weigh the opinions, the data and the will and values of the whole community and I feel moving the SF requirements back to levels that closely mirror the original LUR metrics is warranted and appropriate at this time."

Commissioner Mason noted that he had wanted a little larger square footage, but added that there will be another layer of review in the minor impact review for wildlife and water quality mitigation, and that those applying will be able to be approved through that process. He further stated that the LUR is a living document and was comfortable with these changes for now.

With no further discussion or questions, Commissioner Smith **moved** to approve the LUR amendments as presented and Resolution 2021-24: A Resolution Amending the *Gunnison County Land Use Resolution*. Seconded by Commissioner Mason. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION; MOBILE HOME PARK OVERSIGHT PROGRAM: Deputy County Attorney Emilee Gaebler was present in the room for discussion.

DCA Emilee Gaebler explained that this State oversight program was currently in the process of creating administrative rules for the program which comply with its statutory language. Because of the County's experience with Country Meadows Mobile Home Park, the County Attorney's Office wished to submit a letter containing necessary clarification comments to the oversight program for addressing inconsistencies in the statutes, and for suggesting changes to the language as they do the rulemaking.

Commissioner Smith stated that she had talked with County Attorney Matt Hoyt, and could see that the suggestions were very much needed for growing Gunnison and other counties in Colorado, as well. Community and Economic Development Director Cathie Pagano suggested this was an opportunity for the Board to lobby for changing some of that legislation, noting that there were no teeth in the legislation as it stood now for making corrective changes for the residents of these parks.

With the full support of the Commissioners, it was **moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the County Attorney's Office submittal of comments to the Mobile Home Park Oversight Program committee. Motion carried unanimously.

CHANGE OF AGENDA: As they were ahead of time for the 9:45 am agenda item, Commissioner Mason elected to jump ahead to the item scheduled for 9:50 am, which the County Attorney's Office was already present and able to discuss with the Board.

CONTRACT WITH CONSERVATION LAW, P.C. TO PROVIDE CONSULTATION SERVICES IN RELATION TO THE MOUNT EMMONS MINING COMPANY MINE SITE: County Attorney Matt Hoyt was present via Zoom for discussion. He outlined that, while the Town of Crested Butte and Gunnison County both had strong teams of lawyers, they had come to the conclusion through these complicated negotiations that both teams lacked the legal expertise to do complex conservation easements of this size and scope. Therefore, the Town of CB and Gunnison County had researched who in Colorado might have the expertise necessary to provide those services, and Conservation Law, P.C. was the firm chosen. CA Hoyt went on to explain that the expert lawyer from this firm, Jessica Jay, would represent both the Town of CB and Gunnison County equally; in cooperation, the Town and County would split the costs of her services. CA Hoyt stated his recommendation for this contract and asked for the Board's approval of the engagement letter and to authorize CA Hoyt to execute the agreement on the Board's behalf.

With both commissioners expressing their support for special counsel, it was **moved** by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to enter into a contract with Conservation Law, P.C. to provide consulting services in relation to the Mount Emmons Mining Company mine site, and to authorize County Attorney Matthew Hoyt's signature to execute the agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

CHANGE OF AGENDA: As the meeting was still ahead of schedule for the 9:45 am agenda item, Commissioner Mason elected to fill in time with Commissioner Items.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS:

Commissioner Smith

1. Early Childhood Education / Early Childhood Leadership Council. Commissioner Smith attended their meeting on September 14th, and found there was conversation at the federal level proposing funding of \$450 million to support early childhood education. This was tied to the American Families Plan, which would have profound effects. She noted further that this funding would overlay nicely with state

initiatives that were well underway, and concluded that this could be a big opportunity for early childhood funding in the valley.

CHANGE OF AGENDA: Commissioner Mason then returned to the 9:45 am item on the agenda.

JOHNSON COLORADO TRUST SUBDIVISION EXEMPTION PLAT; LOTS 1 AND 2 WOLF CANYON SUBDIVISION; LUC-21-00033: This was presented by Community and Economic Development Administrative Services Manager, Beth Baker. She explained that Johnson Colorado Trust applied in 2019 for a lot cluster which was granted by the Board, but then later decided they really wanted the original lot configuration, which really was a subdivision process. She asserted that they did have wells for both lots, which was a requirement for this exemption.

CM Birnie noted that this was a very rare circumstance, and advised the Board that it would be applicable to want to know why the reversal, as it would be a completely a discretionary decision.

Dan Stewart, representative for Johnson Colorado Trust, was present in the room, and he came forward. He stated that he was the contractor for the owners of Lot 1, and explained that when the lot owners picked out a spot for their cabin on Lot 1, they found the planned deck was going to encroach on Lot 2. The trust owned both Lots 1 and 2, and they gave permission to the owners of Lot 1 to go ahead and cluster these lots. Over the winter, the owners then decided to move the cabin back on Lot 2, and the deck no longer encroached onto Lot 2. The trust then asked to remove the cluster and put the two lots back like they originally were.

Commissioner Mason noted that these changes seemed to explain why the reversal, and felt that putting it back did not seem to be an overreach. When asked for the size of the lots by the Board, Mr. Stewart replied that Lot 1 was 11 acres and Lot 2 was 1.2 or 1.5 acres. CM Birnie noted then that if there was room for another building there, it would bring about Land Use changes. Community and Economic Development Director Cathie Pagano then asserted something like unique situation needed to be considered with great caution.

After some discussion looking at arguments for and against a subdivision of the lots, Commissioner Smith asserted that she was leaning toward leaving it a single cluster. Commissioner Mason also stated that he was also inclined to leave it a single cluster, as he favored fewer wells percolating into the aquifer. After considering other consequences, wherein others might see this had happened and would want to change their clustered lots, the Commissioners decided not to approve the subdivision exemption.

Moved by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to deny the application request by Johnson Colorado Trust for a subdivision exemption. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULING: 2022 STRATEGIC PLANNING RETREAT: Commissioner Mason elected to remove this item from the agenda because of the absence of Chairperson Houck.

APPOINTMENT; COMMISSIONER DESIGNATE/VOTING MEMBER; COLORADO COUNTIES, INC. (CCI) OCTOBER 8, 2021 LEGISLATIVE MEETING: Commissioner Mason noted that Chairperson Houck had, in the past, performed as the designated voting member, and had expressed that he would again be interested in this appointment. Commissioner Smith stated that Chairperson Houck had also expressed his interest in again being the designate/voting member at the upcoming CCI legislative meeting.

With full support from both commissioners present, it was **moved** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mason to appoint Chairperson Houck as the commissioner designate/voting member for the CCI October 8th legislative meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION; WONDERLAND NATURE SCHOOL AND COVID IMPACTS: Commissioner Smith introduced this items presenter as Taryn Mead, Director of the Board for Wonderland Nature School, and full-time faculty at Western. Commissioner Smith also disclosed that she had been working closely with Director Mead, as she was a strong proponent for early childhood education opportunities in the County, and added that she especially felt investing in children was something our community would be interested in supporting.

With this introduction, Director Mead presented the new facilities remodel, and the challenges and needs for Wonderland Nature School, as outlined in her presentation and handout to the Board. She touched on difficulties in licensing, difficulty in finding housing for employees, qualifying workers for infant care, and low enrollment and loss of staff due to COVID-19 closures and vaccine mandates. She asked for funds in order to have enough time to qualify workers for their infant room, for monthly payments, and to enroll more pre-school children in their preschool program.

Commissioner Mason stressed that it was important for daycare to be available to our community, and that he was ready to look into stop-gap funding for Wonderland until they could get going with more staff and children. Commissioner Smith also emphasized that reliable daycare was crucial for working parents; otherwise, it was a huge stressor and impact for those parents trying to live here with their young families. CM Birnie informed the Board that they did still have available funds set aside in a COVID response fund.

With some further discussion on the amount needed to carry the school through the end of 2021, it was then **moved** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mason to issue a grant in the amount of \$60,000 to Wonderland Nature School out of the County allocated COVID relief funding. Motion carried unanimously. CM Birnie then affirmed that he would meet with the County Attorney's Office to arrange the transfer of funds.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS: Commissioner Smith picked up from where she had started earlier in the meeting with her Commissioner Items.

Commissioner Smith

1. Attended a Gunnison Basin Sage-grouse Strategic Committee meeting. Commissioner Smith reported that most of the group's focus centered around cheat grass and habitation restoration initiatives so critical to survival of the species. She reported that there was now urgency locally to attack the cheat grass issue before the situation became irreversible. Jess Young, an expert on the Gunnison Sage-grouse, had attended one of their recent meetings and stressed that, unless something was done in a concerted effort within a short time period, it would spell the end of the species. As a result, Commissioner Smith and the committee have been communicating with state legislators to see if a subcommittee could be formed in order to gather funding for this effort. She noted this was in its beginning stages, but Commissioner Smith promised to keep the Board updated on the collaborative effort and further funding opportunities.
2. Attended a Gunnison Basin Roundtable meeting. Commissioner Smith filled in for Chairperson Houck while he was away. She reported that they had received calls regarding Lake Powell, with some opinions that our sending water would slow the reduction, but would not help its increase overall. It was also uncertain what this means for subsequent years, as it is unclear still if the drought response is limited to this year only. The roundtable also had a good conversation with the Colorado Forest and Water Alliance, emphasizing the need for combined forest health and water reservoir health initiatives to go hand in hand. The mudslides on the I-70 corridor this summer brought this to the forefront.
3. Opioid Regional Settlement. Commissioner Smith advised that she was continuing to work closely with Montrose County Commissioner Sue Hanson in starting a regional group. They are also collaborating with the County Attorneys' Offices to put together an intergovernmental agreement and bylaws, with a timeline for information to come in. She commented that they are also hoping to get regional appointments made to the committee by next month. Commissioner Smith also met with HHS Director Joni Reynolds and Kari Commerford to gain insight on what would be needed for Gunnison County in terms of that representation. Each county will have two voting members sent to the regional group who will be guiding how a significant amount of funds from this settlement will be utilized in the best possible way over an 18-year period. Commissioner Smith then concluded by thanking County Attorney Matt Hoyt and the County Attorney's Office for their considerable assistance in putting together the group's bylaws and making sure they align with the state memorandum of understanding.

Commissioner Mason

1. Attended a Transportation meeting for Counties & Commissioners Acting Together (CCAT). Commissioner Mason stated that part of the meeting centered on the Transportation Bill that was passed, regarding the reduction of greenhouse gases. As he noted that he was the only representative from the Western Slope at the meeting, he would also like to get Scott Truex with RTA involved, as they needed more input and issues regarding this side of the state. Commissioner Mason also noted that there would be some of the future meetings coming to Grand Junction.
2. Attended Gunnison Valley Regional Housing Authority (GVRHA) meeting. Commissioner Mason reported that the meeting centered on an ongoing conversation regarding the proposed hostel in Crested Butte – trying to see how the public/private relationship can work. The hostel plans to have 22 rooms and two apartments; most of the conversation was around master leases. Commissioner Mason noted that the timing is an issue, as the investors need this to be on a fast track, and government is trying to keep up with the schedule as they work through contractual language for the project. Commissioner Mason also highlighted another topic in the meeting concerned the issues with the Country Meadows Mobile Home Park. He agreed to sign on as the one Commissioner to come to their association's Wednesday evening meetings, remarking that the critical 90-day deadline would be up that week. He also noted that DCA Gaebler gave a presentation and language which could influence some rule-making, but it could not address the immediate changes needed there, and this was what they were still working on.
3. To attend the Region 10 meeting on Thursday, September 23rd. Commissioner Mason stated that he would be attending, and that he knew one of the main topics would center on Region 10 staffing. He was aware that the current staff had been under extreme pressure; during COVID, they had processed over 80 grants and there was a need to increase staff and salaries.
4. Attended a Lead King Loop Working Group meeting. Commissioner Mason outlined the topics covered at the meeting: approval of the Facilitation agreement for \$11,500, and a recap of what the traffic had been like in Marble this summer. He reported that some of those who had helped with gathering input and data were also at the meeting. They reported that traffic was bad this summer, though not as bad as the 2020. They did project that parking would be worse for 2022, with the quarry deciding their area can no longer be used for overflow parking, due to liability issues. Ideas were offered for alleviation of this, such as parking signage showing the parking lot is full, or possible reservation of parking spots. Commissioner Mason also highlighted the positive feedback received regarding the new Sheriff's Deputy in Marble, and for the new parking signage installed this year.

UNSCHEDULED CITIZENS: There were no unscheduled citizens.

ADJOURN: Moved by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adjourn the Gunnison County Board of County Commissioners. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

Jonathan Houck, Chairperson

Roland Mason, Vice-Chairperson

Liz Smith, Commissioner

Minutes Prepared By:

Melanie Bollig, Deputy County Clerk

Attest:

Kathy Simillion, County Clerk

GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TEXT INCLUSION INTO MINUTES

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO**

RESOLUTION NO: 2021-24

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE *GUNNISON COUNTY LAND USE RESOLUTION*

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Gunnison County Land Use Resolution ("the *Resolution*"), Section 1-113, details a process for initiation, review and Board of County Commissioner action on proposed amendments to the *Resolution*, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1-113, the Community Development Department and Planning Commission have initiated and completed review of proposed amendments as required by the *Resolution*; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission on July 23, 2021, forwarded its written recommendations to the Board regarding the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has conducted a duly noticed public hearing on these proposed amendments on September 7, 2021; and pursuant to Section 1-113 of the *Resolution* evaluated the proposed amendments using the following criteria:

- Consistency of the proposed amendments with any comprehensive plan that may be adopted by Gunnison County;
- Changed conditions, including the economy of Gunnison County;
- Effect of the proposed amendments on the natural environment;
- Community needs;
- Development pattern;
- Changes in applicable law;
- Public health, safety and welfare; and
- Compliance with any applicable intergovernmental agreements adopted by Gunnison County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Gunnison County, Colorado that the Board hereby adopts the following amendments of the *Gunnison County Land Use Resolution* as included on the attached "Exhibit A."

INTRODUCED by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mason, and adopted this 21st day of September 2021.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GUNNISON COUNTY

Houck – [ABSENT], Mason – yes, Smith – yes.

“Exhibit A” noted in Resolution 2021-24 is the
Gunnison County, Colorado
Land Use Resolution Amendments
2021

Please see Resolution 2021-24 and its accompanying Exhibit A on record at the
Gunnison County Clerk and Records Office