

**CROWLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

**MAY 23, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on May 23, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Blaine Arbuthnot at 8:30 a.m. The following were present:

Blaine Arbuthnot-----Chairman  
Roy Elliott-----Vice Chairman  
Terry McMillian-----Member  
LaShelle Benbow-----Deputy Clerk to the Board

Audience: SECWCD representatives are Kevin Karney, Jim Broderick, Lee Miller, Leann Noga and Bill Long. Zak Aldulaimi and Eddy Foira.

**SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT (SECWCD)**

Several members of the Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District provided an update on the Arkansas Valley Conduit. Construction of the conduit between Pueblo, Boone and Avondale is set to begin in late 2022. SECWCD would like to see the development of a governance committee to oversee the conduit in the southeastern region. The committee would consist of nine representatives from the six-county region, and possibly the two homerule cities. They are reaching out to the various entities to consider appointing a representative for the committee.

**EDDY FOIRA AND ZAK ALDULAIMI**

Eddy Foira and Zak Aldulaimi introduced themselves to the Board of County Commissioners. They are part of the Casa Verde marijuana grow.

**MONTHLY PRISON MEETING**

The board conducted the monthly prison meeting with representatives of Crowley County Correctional Facility and Arkansas Valley Correctional Facility. Those in attendance were:

Commissioners: Arbuthnot, Elliott and McMillian  
Deputy Clerk to the Board: LaShelle Benbow  
CCCF Warden: Barry Goodrich  
AVCF: Warden Mark Fairbairn, Joe Gonzales, and Tracy Coleman

CCCF is continuing to hire for open staff positions. Vacancies are at 50%. Beds are at 1,480.

AVCF is also continuing their recruitment efforts. They have been visiting some of the local schools. Education classes are not happening due to staffing shortage, but external programs are occurring.

No further business appearing the meeting was recessed.  
Minutes taken by LaShelle Benbow.

ATTEST:

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Melinda Carter, County Clerk

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Blaine Arbuthnot, Chairman