

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

MAY 20, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on May 20, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Blaine Arbuthnot at 9:00 a.m. Terry McMillian was absent. The following were present:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8888

APPROVE SPECIAL DHS DISBURSEMENT, MAY 10, 2024

Motion by Elliott, seconded by Arbuthnot to approve the special disbursement for May 10, 2024, and authorize transfer of funds in the following amount:

DHS Fund \$2,135.00

Upon motion duly made and seconded the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Arbuthnot-----Aye
Elliott-----Aye
McMillian-----Absent

RESOLUTION NO. 2024.8889

APPROVE A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT'S EFFORTS TO PROTECT AGRICULTURAL WATER RIGHTS IN THE ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

Motion by Elliott, seconded by Arbuthnot to approve the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION BY THE CROWLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SUPPORTING THE SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT'S EFFORTS TO PROTECT AGRICULTURAL WATER RIGHTS IN THE ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN.

WHEREAS, irrigated agriculture is integral to the history, economy, culture, and future of the Arkansas River Basin; and

WHEREAS, protecting the quantity and maintaining the quality of water in the Arkansas River is vital to maintaining irrigated agriculture in the Arkansas River Basin; and

WHEREAS, Crowley County has lands located within the Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District; and

WHEREAS, Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Aurora in October 2003, intended in part to settle litigation between Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District and Aurora, facilitate use by Aurora of Fryingpan-Arkansas Project facilities, and limit the future purchase and transfer by Aurora of water out of the Arkansas River Basin; and

WHEREAS, Aurora is proposing additional purchase of water in the Arkansas River Basin for transfer out of the basin.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Crowley County supports the Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District Resolution and efforts to assure compliance with the 2003 IGA.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Arbuthnot-----Aye

Elliott-----Aye

McMillian-----Absent

No further business appearing the meeting was recessed.

ATTEST:

Melinda Carter, County Clerk

Blaine Arbuthnot, Chairman