

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

JULY 31, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on July 31, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Terry McMillian at 8:30 a.m. Roy Elliott was absent. The following were present:

Terry McMillian-----Vice Chairman
Blaine Arbuthnot-----Commissioner
LaShelle Benbow-----Deputy Clerk to the Board
Audience: Michael Gott, Ray Odum, Roxie Smith, Fran Derby

DR. LISA SCHLOTTERHAUSEN, SOUTHERN COLORADO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INFORMATION ABOUT NEW BROADBAND OPPORTUNITY

Lisa talked about the Colorado Broadband Office's Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) program. The program goal is to connect 99% of Colorado households and fund programs that address our state's digital divide. Sugar City, Ordway, Crowley, Olney Springs, and some unincorporated areas are within the eligible area. The estimated cost for the broadband project for Crowley County is \$8,100,000. The grant would cover 75% of the cost with a 25% match. The match amount would be covered by SECOM, Crowley County, and the four towns. The grant application will open in late August. Arbuthnot mentioned that he is struggling with the cost of the project. He knows that the towns do not have money to meet the match, and the County would have to cover that. This is something the commissioners will consider. Lisa will reach out again in August to see if they are interested in applying for the grant.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8950

APPROVE 2024 PUBLIC HEALTH/ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH OTERO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to approve the 2024 Public Health/Environmental Services contract with Otero County Health Department.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8951

APPROVE SPECIAL PAYROLL, JULY 25, 2024

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to approve the disbursements for a special DHS payroll, July 25, 2024, and authorize transfer of funds in the following amount:

DHS Fund \$2,221.42

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8952

APPROVE SPECIAL PAYROLL BENEFIT DISBURSEMENTS, JULY 25, 2024

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to approve the special payroll benefit disbursements for July 25, 2024, and authorize transfer of funds in the following amount:

DHS Fund \$480.27

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8953

APPROVE DHS DISBURSEMENTS, JULY 25, 2024

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to approve the DHS disbursements for July 25, 2024, and authorize transfer of funds in the following amount:

DHS Fund \$23,493.32

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8954

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL GOTT AS THE CROWLEY COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to appoint Michael Gott as the Crowley County Veterans Service Officer effective July 31, 2024. Roxie Smith will continue to work with Michael for an unspecified time period. Arbuthnot requested that she develop a proposal for payment.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8955

APPROVE SPECIAL DISBURSEMENTS, JULY 26, 2024

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to approve the special disbursement for July 26, 2024, and authorize transfer of funds in the following amount:

General Fund \$180,000.00

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8956

APPROVE JULY 2024 PAYROLL

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to approve the disbursements for July 2024 payroll, and authorize transfer of funds in the following amounts:

General Fund \$91,727.18
Road and Bridge Fund \$23,356.59
EMS Fire Fund \$4,497.69
Ambulance Fund \$11,646.39
DHS Fund \$46,248.13
Conservation Trust Fund \$292.43

Total Disbursement \$177,768.41

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8957

APPROVE PAYROLL BENEFIT DISBURSEMENTS, JULY 31, 2024

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to approve the payroll benefit disbursements for July 31, 2024, and authorize transfer of funds in the following amounts:

General Fund \$73,041.34
Road and Bridge Fund \$17,769.72
EMS Fire Fund \$3,275.80
Ambulance Fund \$6,189.93
DHS Fund \$33,814.95
Conservation Trust Fund \$79.91

Total Disbursement \$134,171.65

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8958

APPROVE DISBURSEMENTS, JULY 31, 2024

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to approve the disbursements for July 31, 2024, and authorize transfer of funds in the following amounts:

General Fund \$83,199.73
Road and Bridge Fund \$27,448.19
EMS Fire Fund \$101.83
SERAHB Fund \$89,700.72
Ambulance Fund \$4,002.45
Water Fund \$1,148.88
DHS Fund \$320.00
Conservation Trust Fund \$8,914.40
SECOR Fund \$7,379.76

Total Disbursements \$222,215.96

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8959

APPROVE SECRETAC DISBURSEMENTS, JULY 31, 2024

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to approve the SECRETAC disbursements for July 31, 2024, and authorize transfer of funds in the following amount:

SECRETAC Fund \$6,250.00

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8960

APPROVE OEM DISBURSEMENTS, JULY 31, 2024

Motion by Arbuthnot, seconded by McMillian to approve the OEM disbursements for July 31, 2024, and authorize transfer of funds in the following amount:

EMS Fund \$74.42

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

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

OTHER BUSINESS OR DISCUSSION

Fran Derby stated that there is an evolving dump on Road H and it really needs to be cleaned up. The signs that the commissioners had put up are not preventing the dumping. Arbuthnot agreed that it needs to be cleaned up. Only one person has been caught dumping there, and they were made to remove all items that they had dumped. Arbuthnot mentioned getting a large dumpster to clean up the mess.

No further business appearing the meeting was recessed.

ATTEST:

Melinda Carter, County Clerk

Roy Elliott, Chairman