

August 24th, 2021

At a Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, Washington County Colorado, held at the Washington County Event Center in Akron, Colorado on Tuesday the 24th day of August, 2021, there were present:

Tony Wells, commissioner	present
Kent Vance, commissioner	present
Lea Ann Laybourn, chairman	present
Annie Kuntz, clerk to the board	present
Misty Peterson, county administrator	present

The Regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Laybourn 8: 03 A.M.

Approve Consent Agenda

1. Schedule of Bills for the County from the General, Road and Bridge, Health Care, TV Translator, Landfill, Capital Expenditure and Justice Center Funds payables in the amount of \$84,059.355.
2. Schedule of Bills for the Nursing Home in the amount \$44,557.68.
3. Schedule of Bills for the Pioneer Haven in the amount of \$840.00.
4. Minutes from Prior Meetings
August 17th, 2021

It was moved by Commissioner Wells and duly seconded by Commissioner Vance to approve the **consent agenda with the added Capital Purchase for the Sheriff's Office**. On roll call vote, all votes being yes, the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Vance and duly seconded by Commissioner Wells to **authorize the Board Chair to sign the IGA with the Arickaree School District and the Lone Star School District for the Coordinated Election**. On roll call vote, all votes being yes, the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Wells and duly seconded by Commissioner Vance to **authorize the Board Chair to sign the letter of intent for serving alcohol for the Gamma Omega dinner on October 9th 2021**. On roll call vote, all votes being yes, the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Vance and duly seconded by Commissioner Wells to **approve the Capital Purchase for the Sheriff's grille guard for \$949.50**. On roll call vote, all votes being yes, the motion carried.

The Regular meeting was recessed 8:29 A.M.

The Public Meeting for Wind, Solar and Transmission Lines was opened at 10:00 A.M.

Opening Statement from Chairman Laybourn:

“The following matter is a public hearing concerning proposed Washington County zoning regulations governing Solar Power Production Facilities, Wind Energy Conversion Systems, and Transmission Lines. The regulations have been reviewed by the Washington County Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners has received their comments. The Board of County Commissioners will consider adopting these regulations after hearing from the public at today’s public hearing.

It is our intent to take public comment during today’s public hearing. This is for public comments and will not be a question and answer session. After receiving public comment, we will take the matter under consideration and consider adopting the regulations at our regular Washington County Board of County Commissioners August 31st meeting.

Each individual wishing to speak during the public hearing will be given up to three minutes to make a comment. If you wish to speak, please sign in on the sign-in sheet. Speakers shall come to the podium, use the microphone, and identify themselves prior to speaking. Speakers are asked to avoid making repetitive comments made by other speakers. Instead we request that you please note the speaker’s agreement with previous comments.

Please direct your comments to the Board. The Board, at its sole discretion, may refer a question to staff to provide the information requested by a speaker during the public hearing.

Members of the public who do not follow proper conduct after a warning in a public meeting may be barred from further participation or removed from the Board Chambers.

The Public Hearing for Solar, Wind and Transmission Lines is now open.

We will now take public comment from those individuals who have signed up to speak. Each individual will be allowed 3 minutes. The first speaker is Chris McGowen from Sacred Horizons. He is representing multiple clients, so he will be allowed 15 minutes to speak.”

The Board of County Commissioner heard comments from the following:

Chris McGowen with Sacred Horizons

Carrie Colby- Washington County Citizen

Steve Gray- with Tri-State

Steve Diamond- Washington County Citizen

Kristin Crumley- Washington County Citizen

Kim Harman- Washington County Citizen

Henry Harman-Washington County Citizen

William Harman-Washington County Citizen

Bob Simkavitz- Washington County Citizen

Suzy Sweney-Washington County Citizen

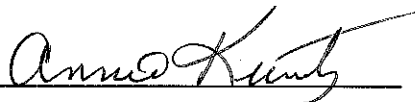
Ray Strand- Washington County Citizen

Le Roy Maggard- Washington County Citizen
Mike Cochran- Washington County Citizen
Lacie Harman- Washington County Citizen
Dena Palser- Washington County Citizen
Riley Strand- Washington County Citizen
JoNell Mollohan- Washington County Citizen
Brooke Mollohan-Washington County Citizen
Tim Mollohan- Washington County Citizen
Jordan Willeke- Washington County Citizen
Carol Slusser- Washington County Citizen
Rob Slusser-Washington County Citizen
Greg Brophy- with Western Way
Wyatt Harman- Washington County Citizen
Brian Christensen- Washington County Citizen
Janet Hill- Washington County Citizen
Amber Declus- Excel Energy
Anthony Schaffert- Washington County Citizen
Rodney Palser- Washington County Planning and Zoning
Jennifer Herron- Washington County Citizen
Sally Strand- Washington County Citizen
Gisele Jefferson- Washington County Citizen
Mark Bradney- Washington County Citizen
Hilary Clark- American Clean Power (Zoom)
Christina White- Engie (Zoom)

Chairman Laybourn closing statement:

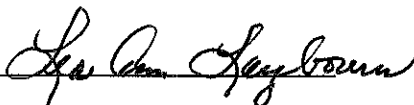
“Thank you to everyone for participating in today’s public hearing. The Board of County Commissioners will take the matter under consideration and will take the matter under consideration and will reconvene to consider approving the proposed regulations during the Board’s new regular meeting on August 31st at 10:00 A.M. The public hearing is therefore continued to that date and time.”

The Public Meeting for Wind, Solar and Transmission Lines was closed at 11:47 A.M.



Annie Kuntz,

Clerk to the Board



Lea Ann Laybourn,

Chairman Board of County Commissioners