

FOURTH MEETING

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Fremont, State of Colorado, met in Regular Session on February 22, 2022, 615 Macon Avenue, Room LL3, Fremont County Administration Building, Cañon City, Colorado. Chair Debbie Bell called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Debbie Bell	Commissioner	Present
Kevin Grantham	Commissioner	Present
Dwayne McFall	Commissioner	Present
Justin Grantham	Clerk & Recorder	Present
Brenda Jackson	County Attorney	Present
Sunny Bryant	County Manager	Present
Mica Simpleman	Planning & Zoning Director	Present

INVOCATION

Joe Garkovich, Mercy Today Ministries

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those present cited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Grantham moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner McFall seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Grantham, aye; Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes / February 8, 2022
2. Approval of Bills for \$3,105,905.99
3. Ratification of Chairman's Signature on the Agreement for Legal Services 2022 for Kaitlin Turner
4. Schedule Public Hearings: None.

Commissioner McFall moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Grantham seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Grantham, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

ADMINISTRATIVE/INFORMATIONAL

1. Staff / Elected Officials:
 - a. Sales & Use Tax Report, Kristine Cowan, Budget & Finance Officer

Kristine Cowan gave the Sales & Use Tax Report, which can be found in its entirety at www.fremontco.com.

Commissioner McFall spoke about the Legislative Conference that he and Commissioner Bell attended in Washington D.C.

Commissioner Grantham talked about proposed State bills, particularly about a bill on collective bargaining and another regarding the employment of county coroners.

Commissioner Bell discussed a National Resolution regarding agriculture and climate-change that she proposed. She also notified the public about the option to register for the Frecom911 service, which provides community emergency alerts. To register visit www.fremontco.com, follow the

“Frecom911 (Alert Fremont)” link under **Other Resources**, and Register for Frecom911 Alert. She added that landlines are already registered for the service.

2. Citizens who wish to address the Commissioners on a matter not scheduled on the agenda.
 - a. There were none.

OLD BUSINESS

1. None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Nomination of Carol McNew for Outstanding Civic Leader of Fremont County
Representative: Lisa Studts, Museum Director

Gerry Colette recognized Carol McNew’s character and recommended her for Outstanding Civic Leader of Fremont County.

Cinde McPhail recalled Carol’s dedication to history and the projects she worked on.

Gloria Stultz is the Chair of the Historical Society and spoke on Carol’s professional character and leadership role. She also presented a book of community comments regarding Carol and her passing for the Board’s consideration.

Mark Peacock spoke about his interactions with Carol at Pueblo Community College’s Senior Mini College, where Carol taught various classes on the history of Fremont County.

Margaret Storm asked whether anyone will read the letter that was written and the list of consolidations that signed it.

Commissioner Grantham read Carol McNew’s letter of recommendation for the award, which is attached below.

Commissioner Bell spoke about Carol’s relationship with the Commissioners’ Office and about her historical and institutional knowledge. She also thanked the community for the nomination.

Commissioner McFall also thanked the community for their nomination and pointed out how admirable Carol was.

Commissioner Grantham said Carol was an encouragement to him and that her knowledge was astounding.

Commissioner Bell noted that they will be adding her name to the plaque upstairs.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the nomination of Carol McNew for Outstanding Civic Leader of Fremont County. Commissioner McFall seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Bell, aye; Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Grantham, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

2. Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America, Royal Gorge Lodge #2866 is requesting approval of a Special Events Permit for Malt, Vinous, and Spirituous Liquor for an event at the Canon City Recreation District Building 575 Ash Street Canon City, CO 81212 on March 13, 2022 from 12:00pm to 5:00pm.
Representative: John Carochi

John Carochi clarified that they will only be serving alcohol between 2:00pm and 4:00pm. He noted that they’ve held the event 7 or 8 times before and this is the first time it will be held at the Recreation Center. Mr. Carochi said everyone serving alcohol is certified by the State.

Clerk Grantham reported that the application was reviewed by the County Attorney and that the Sheriff's Office and Health Department recommend approval. He added that proof of posting was submitted on February 11, 2022.

Commissioner Bell asked Mr. Carochi how they plan on making sure nobody under 21 will be served alcohol.

John Carochi said they will have two people at the front of the building who collect money and check IDs. No one under the age of 21 will be allowed entrance.

Commissioner Bell asked Mr. Carochi about event information and tickets.

John Carochi said information on the event can be found posted around town, online, and on social media. He explained that his phone number is on the postings as well.

Commissioner Grantham moved to approve the issuance of a Special Events Permit for Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America, Royal Gorge Lodge #2866 for an event at the Canon City Recreation District Building 575 Ash Street Canon City, CO 81212 on March 13, 2022 from 12:00pm to 5:00pm. Commissioner McFall seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Grantham, aye; Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

John Carochi had permission to speak about Carol McNew. He commented that his dad, who was Mayor of Florence, worked with Carol on charitable organizations.

3. Approval of resolution and letter of support with a \$3,000 funding commitment to participate in the Colorado Department of Higher Education's Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative

Commissioner McFall said the Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative (COSI) provides matching scholarships based on parents' FIFA scores on the FAFSA.

Commissioner Bell added that they have been participating in the program for many years.

Commissioner McFall noted that the money from the State has to come through a non-profit organization, which was previously Fremont Community Foundation and is now the Boys and Girls Club of Fremont County.

Commissioner McFall moved to approve Resolution #12 and letter of support with a \$3,000 funding commitment to participate in the Colorado Department of Higher Education's Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative. Commissioner Grantham seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Grantham, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Commissioner Bell told the community that there is a link for the reverse 911 page in the video chat of the BOCC Minutes on YouTube.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. None.

Commissioner Bell adjourned the meeting at 10:16 a.m.



Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

The Fremont County Board of Commissioners
615 Macon Avenue, Room 105
Fremont County, Colorado 81212

14 January 2022

Dear Commissioners:

The below listed organizations would like to posthumously nominate and recommend Carol McNew as the 2022 designated Outstanding Civic Leader of Fremont County.

We have known Carol for as little as three years to more than a decade and a half. She was one of those rare individuals who exhibited principles, expertise, and passion that are symbols of a responsible, committed citizen. She authenticated outstanding leadership in each organization by encouraging the use of historic preservation ideas, efforts, and practices to draft their plans and goals. She spearheaded many projects, such as the Prospect Heights Jail preservation.

One specific civic skill that has become important is technological capability. It provides organizations opportunities to create competitive advantages. One of the simplest forms is the flash drive and power point presentations we use to empower our slideshows.

We wish to honor our friend and colleague as one of those individuals with enduring records of accomplishments and who has demonstrated exceptional civic and charitable leadership.

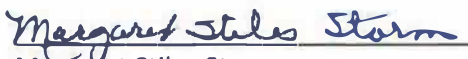
Sincerely,



Stephen Stultz
President, Cañon City Geology Club



Michael Madone
Chair, Cañon City Historical Preservation Commission



Margaret Stiles Storm
President, Florence Historical Archive, Inc.
President, Wetmore-Hardscrabble Genealogical & Historical Society



Betsy Young Denney
Chair, Fremont County Heritage Commission



Gloria Stultz
Board President, Fremont County Historical Society



Stacey Cline
Director, Museum of Colorado Prisons



Geraldine Colette
Board President, Friends of the Museum



Kathy Uhlrad
Chair, Greenwood Pioneer Cemetery Committee



Mark W. Peacock,
Dean, Pueblo Community College Fremont Campus /
PCC Senior Mini College Advisory Board



Dee Stubbs
Coordinator, Spirits of the Past

RESOLUTION NO. 12, SERIES OF 2022

**A RESOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP TO APPLY FOR AND DISTRIBUTE
MATCHING FUNDS FROM THE COLORADO OPPORTUNITY
SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM TO BENEFIT RESIDENTS OF FREMONT
COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado, through the Colorado Opportunity Scholarship (COSI) has provided an opportunity for local counties to apply for scholarship support for students post- secondary education; and

WHEREAS, COSI has required that matching scholarship funds awarded to any county be deposited with and administered by a local representative non-profit community foundation; and

WHEREAS, COSI has required that matching scholarship funds will only be awarded to a county in which the student participants are engaged in a rigorous student success support program; and

WHEREAS, the provision of additional scholarship support, to offset the cost of attending postsecondary education and a vigorous student success support are critical to the continued economic competitiveness of Fremont County; and

WHEREAS, the Boys and Girls Club of Fremont County serves as the non-profit fiscal agent to collect and disburse all monies secured locally in Fremont County for COSI scholarships; and

WHEREAS, a local committee of educators serves in an advisory capacity to the Boys and Girls Club of Fremont County for the purpose of reviewing and awarding scholarships to qualifying students attending Cañon City High School, GOAL High School, Florence High School, and Cotopaxi High School;

WHEREAS, the Fremont County Board of Commissioners agrees to support fiscal year 2022- 2023 COSI funding in the amount of \$3,000; and

WHEREAS, any community fundraising and donations for COSI Scholarship matching dollars will also be deposited with the Boys and Girls Club of Fremont County;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Fremont County that \$3,000 is contributed by Fremont County in initial matching funds and to be deposited with the Boys and Girls Club of Fremont County COSI Scholarship Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Boys and Girls Club of Fremont County will be responsible for the monitoring, distribution, and oversight of COSI scholarship awards. The scholarships to be awarded are for the post-secondary education of Fremont County high school graduates utilizing those county funds and any other community funds donated for the purpose of COSI scholarships.

Commissioner McFall moved adoption of the foregoing Resolution, seconded by
Commissioner Grantham and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Debbie Bell	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Kevin Grantham	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Dwayne McFall	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent

Date: February 22nd, 2022

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF FREMONT COUNTY**

ATTEST:

By: Debbie Bell
Chairman

By: [Signature]
Clerk to the Board

