

TWENTY-SIXTH MEETING

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Fremont, State of Colorado, met in Regular Session on December 27, 2022, 615 Macon Avenue, Room LL3, Fremont County Administration Building, Cañon City, Colorado. Chair Pro Tem Kevin Grantham called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Debbie Bell	Commissioner	Absent
Kevin Grantham	Commissioner	Present
Dwayne McFall	Commissioner	Present
Justin Grantham	Clerk & Recorder	Present
Brenda Jackson	County Attorney	Present
Tammy Childs	County Manager	Present
Daniel Victoria	Planning & Zoning Director	Present

INVOCATION

Cristal Canady, Vineyard Canon City

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes /
2. Approval of Bills for \$1,096,846.50
3. 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. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

ADMINISTRATIVE & INFORMATIONAL

Ref. Fremont County BOCC Meeting 12/27/2022 – 3:14

1. Staff / Elected Officials:
 - a. County Manager Report, Tammy Childs, County Manager

County Manager Childs notified the public that the County will be closed next Monday to observe the New Year's holiday.

- b. Sales & Use Tax Report, Shawn Sutton, Budget & Finance Officer

Budget & Finance Officer Sutton gave the Sales & Use Tax Report, which can be found in its entirety at www.fremontco.com.

Commissioner Grantham pointed out that Lodging Tax and Auto Use Tax reflect the abnormal numbers from 2021, but accounting for previous years the figures are still on track.

Commissioner McFall mentioned how the 2023 Budget was approved at the last meeting and spoke on the wisdom of budgeting conservatively.

The Board thanked Budget & Finance Officer Sutton for his report.

Commissioner McFall wished everyone a Happy New Year and talked about fire safety.

Commissioner Grantham mentioned the Board's attendance at the Colorado Counties Incorporated (CCI) Conference in Denver with other Commissioners from around the State. He said they discussed various topics, especially regarding how legislation will affect local government.

Commissioner McFall added to a point Commissioner Grantham made regarding a ballot initiative that was passed on mushrooms and specified how it was passed with few restrictions.

Commissioner Grantham pointed out that the ballot initiative for marijuana had more restrictions than the one just passed.

Clerk Grantham spoke on the implementation of park passes in 2023 and specified that people must clarify whether they want to opt out. He clarified that reimbursement is done directly through the Department of Wildlife, not through Division of Motor Vehicle.

Commissioner Grantham noted that these park passes will become effective within the next couple of weeks.

Clerk Grantham explained that the pass is issued per vehicle by license plate number, not per person.

Commissioner McFall asked if the DMV would remind folks.

Clerk Grantham said his intent is that staff will remind people, but the bill reads that the person registering must choose to opt out if they do not want it.

Commissioner Grantham added that the fees will be ongoing.

Clerk Grantham said the State hasn't decided if when a person opts out, they will be automatically opted out continuously. He put in that all excess fees collected above \$32 million will go to Division of Wildlife.

Commissioner Grantham suggested the Board might continue to remind folks throughout the year.

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

OLD BUSINESS

1. There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Ref. Fremont County BOCC Meeting 12/27/2022 – 31:13

1. Pathfinder Regional Park Policies and Fee Schedules
Representative: Tammy Childs, County Manager

County Manager Childs explained that they chose to adjust the fees on the policy to better reflect the costs of the facility. She also mentioned the next phase of construction on the arena is starting within next couple of weeks. She read a list, provided by CSU Extension Director Jeramy McNeely, of types of events that the park accommodated then requested the approval and adoption of fee schedule.

Commissioner McFall thanked County Manager Childs for her work on the fee schedule. He pointed out that though the adjustment has made the fees more expensive, the County doesn't want to undercut any local private businesses while continuing to be a feasible option.

Commissioner Grantham agreed that the County doesn't want to be destructively competitive with local businesses. He thanked County Manager Childs and the staff who have worked on it.

Commissioner McFall observed that the document is subject to change in the future.

Commissioner McFall moved to approve the Pathfinder Regional Park Policies and Fee Schedules. Commissioner Grantham seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Grantham, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

2. Colorado Department of Early Childhood CCCAP County MOU
Representative: Wanda Embrey/Vicki White

Wanda Embry explained that because childcare is no longer under the authority of the Colorado Department of Human Services but provides childcare services through the Early Childhood Department of Human Services, the County is required to have a separate MOU. She specified some details of the MOU.

Commissioner Grantham pointed out that the state hasn't gotten involved and only does for the most extreme situations.

Commissioner McFall moved to approve the Colorado Department of Early Childhood CCCAP County MOU effective between January 1, 2023, and June 30, 2025. Commissioner Grantham seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Grantham, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. None Scheduled.

Commissioner Grantham adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.


Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

