

September 22, 2015

EIGHTEENTH MEETING

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Fremont, State of Colorado, met in Regular Session on September 22, 2015, 615 Macon Avenue, Room LL3, Fremont County Administration Building, Cañon City, Colorado. Commissioner Chairman Edward Norden called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Edward H. Norden	Commissioner	Present
Debbie Bell	Commissioner	Present
Tim Payne	Commissioner	Present
Katie Barr	Clerk and Recorder	Present
Brenda Jackson	County Attorney	Present

Also present: George Sugars, County Manager and Matt Koch, Planning and Zoning Director.

The Invocation was given by Joe Garkovich, First Christian Church.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Payne moved to approve the Agenda with the addition to New Business of item #3. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Payne, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye; Commissioner Norden, aye. The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes / September 8, 2015
2. Approval of Bills September 22, 2015 / \$950,340.79
3. Schedule Public Hearing on October 13, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.
 - a. Proposed Modification to the Solid Wastes Service Charges

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Payne seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Bell, aye; Commissioner Payne, aye; Commissioner Norden, aye. The motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE/INFORMATIONAL

1. Staff / Elected Officials:
 - a. County Sales & Use Tax Report, Sunny Bryant, Assistant County Manager / Budget & Finance Officer

Sunny Bryant reported for the month of July the Retail Sales Tax Collections were \$413,073; Lodging Tax was \$3,945; and Sheriff Retail Sales Tax was \$275,382. In the month of August, Auto Use Tax Collections were \$78,675, Construction Use Tax was \$17,035, Sheriff-Auto Use Tax was \$52,450, and Sheriff-Construction Use Tax Collections were \$1,174.

Commissioner Bell and Commissioner Norden thanked all those involved in planning and executing the events of the past weekend at the Fremont County Air Show and Florence Pioneer Days.

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Commissioner Payne reported on a luncheon he had attended with the Fremont Retired School Employees Association. The 52 members had accumulated 6,662 hours of volunteer service from September 2014 through May 2015.

2. Citizens Not Scheduled

Lisa Hyams reported going to the Governor's Tourism Conference. She found that the reason international visitor groups will not stay overnight in Fremont County is the lack of a 4-star hotel in the area. She would like to see all the groups in the area have a meeting to brainstorm a way to bring in a 4-star hotel to encourage international visitors to spend more time in the area.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request: Transfer of SRU 06-007 Northwest Fremont EMS to Tallahassee Volunteer Fire Protection, Inc.
Request approval of a transfer of ownership and name change of Special Revue Use Permit, Department file SRU 06-007 Northwest Fremont EMS from Northwest Fremont EMS to Tallahassee Volunteer Fire Protection Station 2 (Fire Station). The property is located at 56 Chris Crossover and is parallel to County Road 2 (aka Tallahassee Road) in the Canyon Springs Ranch Subdivision. The current operation consists of a building that houses two (2) fully equipped ambulances; one (1) being advanced life support and the other basic life support. The new file name will be SRU 06-007 Tallahassee Volunteer Fire Protection Station 2 (Fire Station)
Representative: Greg Cook

Greg Cook reported that Tallahassee Volunteer Fire Protection had acquired the building formerly housing Northwest Fremont EMS, and has made improvements to the building to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy. The volunteer group will be housing a First-Responder Truck, a Type-6 Brush Fire Truck, and a Type-3 Water Tank Truck in the building.

Director Koch confirmed that compliance had been met for the SRU, except a new deed showing the property transfer needs to be filed with Planning & Zoning. The application and transfer are straightforward.

Chairman Norden moved to approve the transfer of SRU 06-007 Northwest Fremont EMS to Tallahassee Volunteer Fire Protection, Inc. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Norden, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye; Commissioner Payne, aye. The motion carried.

2. In consideration of the 2016 Holiday Schedule
Representative: George Sugars, County Manager

Manager Sugars explained that the same holidays as 2015 will be observed for 2016.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the 2016 Holiday Schedule. Commissioner Payne seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Bell, aye; Commissioner Payne, aye; Commissioner Norden, aye. The motion carried.

3. Request: 6-Month Extension of Contingency Deadlines for SRU 13-003 Ark River EMS aka Arkansas Valley Ambulance-Texas Creek Ambulance Station (Fire Station)
Representative: Jay W. DeMay

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Jay DeMay said the response time from the facility in 2014 averaged 11.33 minutes, which is down from the 45 minutes of previous years. The County's requirements for the SRU are expensive, and with the lawsuit that was pending, the previous board had been reluctant to spend money on the building. Now that the ruling on the lawsuit is final, the new board of directors would like to move forward with the building. Mr. DeMay assured the Board of County Commissioners that a 6-month extension should be more than sufficient to comply.

Director Koch reported the original deadline for compliance was September 24, 2013, but two extensions have been granted. The eight contingencies for the SRU have not yet been met with the most important being the Certificate of Occupancy for the building.

Commissioner Norden expressed his concern that the organization has been operating under two extensions without a Certificate of Occupancy concerning the living quarters.

Commissioner Payne moved to approve the 6-Month Extension for SRU 13-003 Arkansas Valley Ambulance-Texas Creek Ambulance Station. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Payne, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye; Commissioner Norden, no. The motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED FOR 10:00 A.M.

None.

Chairman Norden adjourned the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

Clerk and Recorder