



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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TO: Board of County Commissioners  
Jeff Huntley  
FROM: Eva Henson  
RE: Work Session Meeting of May 22, 2018  
DATE: May 22, 2018

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**Attendees:**

Elected Officials: Dan Gibbs, Thomas C. Davidson, and Karn Stiegelmeier – Commissioners

Staff: Jeff Huntley, County Attorney; Sarah Vaine, Assistant County Manager; Thad Noll, Assistant County Manager; Julie Sutor, Director of Communications; Scott Hoffman, Chief Building Official; Jeff Flynn, Building Inspections; Tom Gosiorowski, Public Works Director; Robert Jacobs, Road and Bridge Director; Eric Cottingham, Road and Bridge and Eva Henson, Administrative Manager.

Guests: Deepan Dutta, Craig Gaskill, Tom Daugherty, James Phelps, Michelle Eddy, Mark Mathews, Geoff Buchheister, Kevin Burns, Patrick Chavez, Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Staff.

**I. Discussion of Electrical Fees and Adoption of 2017 National Electrical Code Series (Building Inspection)**

The Building Department recently received notification from the State of Colorado Electrical Board that they have reduced electrical fees – per Colorado Revised Statutes, Section 12-23-117 Permit Fees. The State Electrical Board is a statutorily designated board organized under the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) Division of Professions and Occupations. Permit Fees are reviewed for adjustment each year by the State in response to actual expenditures and permit volume.

Colorado law requires permit fees to be adjusted to cover the costs of administering the inspections program, while avoiding both deficit and excess balances for the program. The decrease took effect on April 15, 2018 is deemed necessary by the State to maintain sufficient program revenue to support costs as required by statute, while not collecting more fees than actual expenditures.

About 15 counties in Colorado provide electrical permitting services for citizens including Summit County. However, when the Electrical Board reduces or raises its fees because of its own statutory mandate, the counties that provide their own electrical permitting services are also forced to adjust their fees due to the statutory provision above, whether or not the counties have seen the same variations in permitting fees as the state has.

Additionally, DORA requires that all counties performing local electrical inspections adopt the 2017 National Electrical Code (NEC) and begin enforcement by July 1, 2018. Summit County has been in the process of transitioning to the 2017 NEC since the beginning of 2017.

In order to comply with state statutes, the Summit County Building Department is required to reduce its electrical permitting fees. Scott Hoffman noted that he will continue to be reactive to DORA's fee structure changes as mandated by Colorado Revised Statutes. This is on the Consent Agenda for approval at this afternoon's Regular Meeting.

Additionally, Summit County is required to adopt and enforce the 2017 NEC as published. This is also on the Consent Agenda for approval at this afternoon's Regular Meeting.

## **II. Road and Bridge Update on Summer Projects**

Robert Jacobs gave a brief update on the 2018 Road and Bridge construction projects. He highlighted the projects, the priorities and construction cost estimates.

- Summit Cove Loop Phase 3 (Whispering Pines to North of Causeway)
- Little Beaver Trail Culvert
- Soda Creek Culvert
- Boreas Pass Road CR 10 (Culvert or Paving)
- Swan Mountain Road Treatment
- Heeney Road Treatment

The question arose, due to the high demand for construction work, would the costs for postponing projects until next year make the costs even higher? Tom Gosiorowski noted that Road and Bridge saw about a 10 percent increase from last year's costs for this year and anticipates similar cost increases for next year. Especially with the increase of fuel prices.

The Commissioners discussed the projects, gave comments and inquired on the specific work needed on each project. The Board gave direction to staff to put the projects out to bid and then come back with a possible budget amendment.

## **III. Managers' & Commissioners' Issues**

### **IV. Senior Management and the Commissioners gave various updates on topics including but not limited to:**

- Wildfire Prevention and Chipping Program Campaigns for this summer
- Entrance signs moving forward this fall
- Wildfire Scenario Tabletop Exercise on June 21<sup>st</sup>
- Keystone Owners' Association Meeting on July 3<sup>rd</sup>
- North Fork Gravity Sewer Construction Project issues resolved pertaining to the sewer alignment – minimizing landscape disturbance and road impacts. Still working on parking issues.
- Annual Pharmaceuticals and Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Event on Saturday was another success!
- Commissioners reviewed schedules and upcoming calendar events

**V. CDOT Quarterly Meeting**

- Update on Transportation Funding
  - i. SB 2018-01
  - ii. SB 267
  - iii. Other
- Hwy 9 Gap Project in Frisco
- Traffic Study Updates
  - i. Exit 203/205 and Dam Road
  - ii. Hwy 9 South through Blue River
  - iii. Hwy 6 in Keystone
- Transit Development Plan Project Priorities for Summit County
- Summer Project Update
- CDOT Trailer Park Property in Frisco
- Closeout and Update on Winter Operations

Respectfully submitted:



Eva Henson, Deputy Clerk



Approved by:



Dan Gibbs, Chair