Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners Meeting, held on June 29, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Chambers, Alamosa County Services Center, 8900 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO 81101.

Members Present: Darius Allen, Chair
Marianne Dunne, Vice-Chair
Mike Yohn, Commissioner
Gigi Dennis, County Administrator
Jason Kelly, County Attorney
Beline Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

Call the Meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Approval of the Agenda

Addition of Acceptance of two vans from Arapahoe County to be discussed under Board Staff Updates

m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to approve the Agenda of June 29, 2016 with addition
Motion was approved unanimously

Approval of Minutes

m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to approve June 15, 2016 Regular Minutes and June 22, 2016 Special Meeting Minutes
Motion was approved unanimously.

Approval of Bills/Obligations

m/s Dunne/Yohn motion to approve Bills/Obligations
Motion was approved unanimously.

Public Comment

John Stump who resides at 9577 Vanlwarden Drive spoke. He usually takes the Airport Road and turns on S109, then 109.5, head toward subdivision, and there is Johnson Road. It is very dangerous to turn off 285 off the railroad tracks. He got rear ended there once. He depends on taking the Airport Road and S109 but recently there was a grader that extended to Curricule property and went to highway. The grader scraped deep but did not put road base. He can’t even use the road now he has to take the highway. This morning he spent ½ hour cleaning the mud off his car. Has always avoided it when it rains or snows. Right now he is forced to use Highway 285.

Commissioner Allen stated he saw the blade but didn’t think it was a County blade. They will speak with the Road & Bridge Supervisor and advise him to contact you.
Robert Vance who is with Public Works for the City of Monte Vista spoke. He thanked the Board, Gigi, and the Road & Bridge crew for assistance of taking care of their tree limb problem. It was extremely nice for them to come in and do the mulching of the limbs. They had 22 inches of snow accumulated that broke a lot of tree limbs more than ever seen. Rio Grande helped them remove the limbs and suggested to contact Tim DeHerrera if they could use their Hogzilla shredder. The Commissioners allowed him to do so. They have more mulch than they can handle. He is opening it up to the public if anyone wants the mulch, free of charge. They appreciate Alamosa County helping the City of Monte Vista.

The Commissioners stated they were glad to assist.

**Consent Agenda**

*SLV Housing Coalition DOLA Grant*
*Core Purchase of Service Contract – Rocky Mountain Counseling Group*
*Core Purchase of Service Contract – Mary Hennessey*
*Core Purchase of Service Contract – Carol Chrysler, LPC, BC*
*Core Purchase of Service Contract – La Puente*
*Core Purchase of Service Contract – Intensive Mentoring Services SLVBHG*
*Core Purchase of Service Contract – Rocky Mountain Youth Center/Youthtrack Inc*
*Nurturing Parenting Program – Rocky Mountain Counseling Group*
*Core Contract for Services – Center for Restorative Programs*
*Contract for Services Administrative Assistant for Adult Protection – Kathy Stoebel*
*Regional Behavioral Health Contract – Sex Offender Services*
*SLV Behavioral Health Services*
*SLV Behavioral Health – Substance Abuse Services*
*Signal Behavioral Health Substance Abuse Treatment Service Agreement*
*Contract for Services – Carolynn Heltzel*
*Department of Health Care Policy & Finance Agreement Amendment No 2 – Incentive Program*
*Clerk & Recorder’s Report for May 2016*

Jason Kelly stated these are standard contracts we do with DHS each year with different service providers. He did have some questions on the SLV Housing Coalition Grant so he would like that pulled from the Consent Agenda.

**m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to approve Consent Agenda minus the SLV Housing Coalition Grant**

**Motion was approved unanimously.**

Jason Kelly stated he had questions on page 26. The boxes were not checked.

Dawn Melgares was present. With that particular page they have them not marked yes because it is for each individual basis for each individual home so they are not aware at this time. The State had them not check them.

Jason Kelly stated one section is marked and the others are not. He wonders why that is.
Dawn Melgares stated it asks for the home or apartment is for five or more living units. This is for single occupied residence so they cannot have this.

Commissioner Yohn stated we want to support this but one of his concerns is the County payback. The intent is to improve the relationship if the Board continues to support their sponsorship.

Dawn Melgares stated the money is available at this time. The Division of Housing said if we don’t apply for this grant with the County’s sponsorship then the funds would have to be used for the grant without a sponsor. If Commissioners sponsor then they would allow the funds to be used to pay the County back. The plan is if approved today on July 14th they would vote and approve to pay back the County.

Commissioner Yohn stated he is not also understanding the financial obligation to the County narrative.

Dawn Melgares stated in the budget we added a County Administration fee for $4000 for the term of the grant. The way they work it is it gets divided by twelve every time we close a loan. They added into the audit cost for the portion of County Audit plus work the County staff does.

Jason Kelly stated October 1st is the end of the grant cycle.

Commissioner Allen stated ever since you have been involved things have gone better.

Commissioner Dunne stated we need good housing and need upgrades. It is for individuals that can’t get regular official loans and help them be good homeowners.

*m/s Dunne/Yohn motion to approve SLV Housing Coalition DOLA Grant Motion was approved unanimously.*

**Public Hearing**

*Land Use Department – Building Code Adoption*

Ken Vanlwarden and Rachel Baird were present.

Commissioner Yohn stated this has been presented to them at the prior meeting and it would be good to get Alamosa current.

Commissioner Dunne stated it is a lot of detail work and she appreciates it. Trying to keep up with the State and Federal Regulations is a lot of detail work and continually updating. She thanked them for all their work.

Commissioner Yohn questioned table B for outside consultant costs of how that was determined.

Ken Vanlwarden stated when they feel the plans are outside their capability of making good decisions then they would refer to outside consultants to get their views. We have done this primarily in commercial projects.

Commissioner Yohn asked if this is in cooperation with the applicant.

Ken Vanlwarden stated yes. The new courthouse being built is outside their expertise so they have advised Mr. Schreiner to hire outside consultants. We only charge what their charges are.
Jason Kelly stated at the 1st hearing they had many changes and deletions. This is what is put forward before you. You are amending Ordinance No 15. He sent a copy of the Resolution this morning. It amends Ordinance No 15 to delete certain provisions, adopts the new codes, and exceptions Ken made.

Ken Vanlwarden stated from time to time when they go through the codes such as in the 2012 codes it states all residential codes must have sprinkler systems. They deleted this because it would be impossible to mandate them to do this. This will be ongoing to make changes to it so it is flexible.

Commissioner Allen stated one size does not fit all.

List of Exhibits

1. Staff report presented at previous meeting
2. Today’s Staff report.

Commissioner Allen asked if they received any response from the public or contractors.

Ken Vanlwarden stated no they didn’t but when he works in the field he would explain to them what they were doing. Most thought it was a good idea that they are flexible.

Commissioner Allen asked if the rest of the Counties are in line with this.

Ken Vanlwarden stated most are at 2009, the city is adopting the 2009 soon.


Motion was approved unanimously.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALAMOSA COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO: 2016 – G - 14

RE: A RESOLUTION AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 15 REGARDING THE COMPREHENSIVE BUILDING REGULATIONS OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMOSA, COLORADO.

Commissioner Dunne moved for the adoption of the following Resolution. Commissioner Yohn seconded the motion.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for Alamosa County, pursuant to §C.R.S. 30-28-201, is authorized to adopt building codes for the unincorporated portions of Alamosa County; and
WHEREAS, on November 9, 2005, the Board of Commissioners for Alamosa County, adopted Ordinance No. 15 adopting certain building codes for the unincorporated portions of Alamosa County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for Alamosa County, pursuant to §C.R.S. 30-28-204, is authorized to amend said building codes after public hearing which notice of said hearing is provided by publishing notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation fourteen days prior to said hearing; and

WHEREAS, a notice for public hearing on the amendments to Ordinance No. 15 was ordered by the Board of Commissioners for Alamosa County at a regularly scheduled meeting on May 11, 2016; and

WHEREAS, notice was published in the Valley Courier, stating that a public hearing on the proposed amendments would be held before the Board of Commissioners for Alamosa County on June 29, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held before the Board of County Commissioners of Alamosa County on June 29, 2016, after said notice was published, for the consideration of the amendments to Ordinance No. 15; and

WHEREAS, the Building Official for Alamosa County has recommended that Ordinance No. 15 be amended as follows:

1. “Section 1 Adoption” of said Ordinance No. 15 shall be deleted in its entirety and shall be replaced as follows:

Section 1 – Adoption: Pursuant to C.R.S. § 30-28-201, there is hereby adopted by reference the 2012 International Building Code with certain exceptions; the 2012 International Residential Code with certain exceptions; the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code. The subject matter of the International Building Code, International Residential Code and International Energy Conservation Code relates primarily to comprehensive building regulations for the County. The purpose of the Ordinance and the Codes adopted therein is to provide a system of building regulations consistent with state law and generally conforming to similar regulations throughout the state and the nation. Copies of the International Building Code, the International Residential Code and the International Energy Conservation Code, with exception noted herein, are now filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Alamosa, Colorado, and may be inspected during regular business hours.

2. “Section 2 Deletions” of said Ordinance No. 15 shall be deleted in its entirety and shall be replaced as follows:
Section 2 – Deletions: The 2012 International Building Code; the 2012 International Residential Code; and the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code are adopted as if set forth fully herein except as follows:

The 2012 edition of the International Building Code is adopted in its entirety excepting the following provisions:

- Chapter 27
- Chapter 29
- Appendix A, D, H

The 2012 edition of the International Residential Code is adopted in its entirety excepting the following provisions:

- Chapter 11 shall be removed and replaced by the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code
- Chapters 25 through 27
- Chapters 30 through 32
- Chapters 34 through 40
- Chapter 43
- Appendix E, F, I, K, L, P

The 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code is adopted in its entirety excepting the following provisions:

- None

3. “Section 3 Additions or Modifications” of said Ordinance No. 15 shall be deleted in its entirety and shall be replaced as follows:

Section 3 – Additions and Modifications: The 2012 International Building Code; the 2012 International Residential Code; and the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code are amended as set forth below:

The 2012 edition of the International Building Code is amended as follows:

A. SECTION 101: GENERAL

1. 101.4 Referenced Codes: The other codes listed in sections 101.4.1 through 101.4.6 and referenced elsewhere in this code shall be considered part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference.

2. Section 101.1 Title: These regulations shall be known as the Building Code of Alamosa County, hereinafter referred to as “This Code”.
3. **Section 101.4.1 Gas:** Delete section. Add “All references to the provisions of the international Fuel and Gas Code shall not apply unless specifically adopted by the appropriate governing body.”

4. **Section 101.4.3 Plumbing:** Delete section. Add “All references to the provisions of the international Plumbing Code shall not apply unless specifically adopted by the appropriate governing body.”

5. **Section 101.4.4 Property Maintenance:** Delete section. Add “All references to the provisions of the international Property Maintenance Code shall not apply unless specifically adopted by the appropriate governing body.”

6. **Section 101.4.5 Fire Prevention:** Delete section. Add “All references to the provisions of the International Fire Code shall not apply unless specifically adopted by the appropriate governing body.”

7. **Section 101.4.6 Energy:** The provisions of the International Energy Conservation Code shall apply to all matters governing the design and construction of buildings for energy efficiency.

8. **Section 101.4.7 Mechanical:** The provisions of the International Mechanical Code which cross over to this code and specific provisions of this code which reference mechanical installations shall be enforced as provided in this code.

B. **Section 104.10.1 Flood Hazard Areas:** All development in areas prone to flooding shall comply with the Alamosa County Floodplain Regulations as adopted by the Alamosa County Board of County Commissioners through Resolution No. 2014-G-002, and all subsequent amendments, additions, revisions of the same. In any case where there is a conflict between the provisions of this code and the provisions of the Alamosa County Flood Damage Prevention Regulations, the Alamosa County Flood Damage Prevention Regulations shall prevail and shall supersede the provisions of this code.

**B. SECTION 103: DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING SAFETY**

1. **Section 103 and subsections 103.1 through 103.3:** are hereby deleted in their entirety and the following section and subsections are hereby substituted therefore:

2. **Section 103.1 Creation of enforcement agency:** There is hereby established the Alamosa County Department of Building Safety which shall be under the administrative and operational control of the Building Official. The **Section 103.2 Appointment:** The Building Official shall be appointed by the Alamosa County Board of County Commissioners.

3. **Section 103.3 Deputies:** In accordance with the prescribed procedures of Alamosa County and with concurrence of the Board of County Commissioners, the building official shall have the authority to appoint technical officers, inspectors, plans examiners and other staff persons. Such persons shall have powers and authority as delegated by the building official.

**C. SECTION 105: PERMITS**

1. **Sections 105.1.1 through 105.1.2:** are hereby deleted in their entirety and the following section is substituted therefore:

2. **Section 105.2 Work exempt from permits:** Exemptions from permit requirements of this code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this code or
any other laws or ordinances of Alamosa County, the State of Colorado or the United States of America. Permits shall not be required for the following:

a. One story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed two (200) square feet.
b. Fences not over six (6) feet high.
c. Oil derricks
d. Retaining walls that are not are not over four (4) feet in height measured from the lowest point of finished grade to the top of the wall, unless supporting a surcharge or impounding Class I, II, or III-A liquids.
e. Water tanks supported directly on grade if the capacity does not exceed five thousand (5000) gallons and the ratio of height to diameter or width is not greater than 2 to 1.
f. Sidewalks and driveways not more than thirty (30) inches above adjacent grade, and not over any basement or story below and are not part of an accessible route.
g. Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops trim work and similar finish work.
h. Temporary motion picture, television, and theater stage sets and scenery.
i. Prefabricated swimming pools that are installed entirely above ground and in-ground swimming pools which are accessory to group R-3 occupancy.
j. Shade cloth structures constructed for nursery or agricultural purposes, not including service systems.
k. Swings and other playground equipment accessory to detached one and two family dwellings.
l. Window awnings supported by an exterior wall that do not project more than fifty four (54) inches from the exterior wall and do not require additional support.
m. Moveable fixtures, cases, racks, counters and partitions not over eight (8) feet in height.

1. **Section 105.5 Expiration:** Every permit issued by the Building Official under provisions of this code shall expire one year from the date of issue.

   a. **Exceptions:**
      i. Demolition permits expire 180 days from the date of issue.
      ii. Re-roofing permits expire one year from the date of issue.

2. **Section 105.5.1 Renewal:** The building official is authorized to renew any permit for one additional year provided that a request for renewal from the permit holder and the appropriate renewal fee submitted to the building department prior to the expiration date. No permit may be renewed more than once.

   a. **Exceptions:**
      i. Demolition permits may not be renewed.
      ii. Re-roofing permits may not be renewed.
3. **Section 105.7 Replacement of Permit**: is hereby amended by adding the following sentence: Add “Replacement of a lost, stolen or damaged building permit card is subject to a fee pursuant to the Alamosa County Building Department Fee Schedule-Table B”.

D. **SECTION 109: FEES**

1. **Section 109.4 Work**: commencing before permit issuance. Any person who commences work on a building or structure before obtaining the necessary permits shall be subject to a penalty or additional fee, the amount of which is equal to the required permit fee, and shall be payable in addition to the required permit fee. Civil penalties may also be assessed pursuant Colorado Law, including but not limited to, Article 28 of Title 30, Colorado Revised Statutes as amended.

2. **Section 109.6 Refunds**: The building official will apply to the Alamosa County Finance Office for any refund only upon receipt of a written request for refund from the original permit applicant and not later than ninety (90) days after the date of fee payment. The building official is authorized to deduct from the fee payment of any expenses incurred by the building department for administrative costs or plan review time.

E. **SECTION 110: INSPECTIONS**

**Section 110.3.10 Final Inspection**: The final inspection shall be made after all work required by the building permit is completed and final inspections from a Colorado State Electrical and Colorado State Plumbing Inspector have been approved.

The 2012 edition of the International Residential Code is amended as follows:

A. **Section R101.1 Title**: Insert “Alamosa County”

B. **Section R102.7 Existing Structures**: Delete references to “International Property Maintenance Code and the International Fire Code.”

C. **Section R105.5 Expiration**: Delete Section and replace with “Notwithstanding provisions in the applicable Building codes to the contrary, permits issued under the County Building Codes are effective for a period of one (1) year. Upon a written request for an extension by the applicant, a permit may be extended for an additional one (1) year period. In order to renew action on a permit after expiration, the permittee shall pay one half of the original fee, except the Building Official may authorize one fourth the original fee where all rough inspections have been completed and approved under the expired permit. Up to two extensions may be requested, provided that in no event may a permit be valid for more than three years, or for more than two years following the adoption of a new edition of the applicable building code, whichever is less. For example, if a building permit is issued on January 15, 2016 and a new edition of the building code is adopted on June 1, 2016, the maximum date to which the permit can be effective, including the extensions, would be June 1, 2018.”

D. **Section R108.3 Building Permit Valuations**: Delete section and replace with “valuation shall be established using the procedures outlined in Exhibit A.” The fee schedule is based on the projected construction cost of the work to be done. Two
methods are used to determine this cost valuation: (1) a “per-square foot” factor based on the use and occupancy of the building and the type of construction involved or (2) the “Bid or Estimated Cost” factor based on the total accepted bid price for doing the work. The valuation is determined by including the value of the construction process, including both material and labor. It is important that a realistic valuation be determined for every project so that permit fees are applied fairly and accurately.”

E. Section R108.6 commencing before permit issuance. Any person who commences work on a building or structure before obtaining the necessary permits shall be subject to a penalty or additional fee, the amount of which is equal to the required permit fee, and shall be payable in addition to the required permit fee. Civil penalties may also be assessed pursuant Colorado Law, including but not limited to, Article 28 of Title 30, Colorado Revised Statutes as amended.

F. Section R 110.1 Use and Occupancy: Add: “Accessory buildings or a structure without habitable space or decks, porches, or minor remodels (remodels other than additions).”

G. Table R 301.2 (1): is hereby amended by adding the following information to the corresponding columns as Climatic and Geographic Design Criteria.

1. Ground snow load-30lb. Except in the Zapata Subdivision is 40 lb.
2. Wind speed-90 miles per hour (3 second gust).
3. Topographic Effects-No
4. Seismic Design Category-C
5. Subject to Damage by Weathering-Severe
6. Subject to Damage by Frost Line-36 inches
7. Subject to Damage by Termite-Moderate to Heavy
8. Subject to Damage by Decay-None to Slight
9. Winter Design Temperature-16° F
10. Ice Barrier Underlayment Required-Yes
11. Flood Hazards-FIRM (adopted June 1, 1978-amended March 12, 2014)
12. Air Freezing Index-3000
13. Mean Annual Temperature 43° F

H. Section R313-Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems: is hereby deleted in its entirety.

4. “Section 4 Penalties” of said Ordinance No. 15 shall be deleted in its entirety and shall be replaced as follows:

Section 4 – Penalties: Any person who violates a provision of this code shall be subject to a penalty or additional fee, the amount of which is equal to the required permit fee, and shall be payable in addition to the required permit fee. Civil penalties may also be assessed pursuant Colorado Law, including but not limited to, Article 28 of Title 30, Colorado Revised Statutes as amended.

5. “Section 9 Certification” of said Ordinance No. 15 shall be deleted in its entirety and shall be replaced as follows:
Section 9 – Permit Fees: Permit fees shall be in accordance with the Fee Schedules attached hereto identified as Exhibit A and Exhibit B respectively.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that the amendments to Ordinance No. 15 regarding such building codes, permit fees, and penalties should be adopted and enforced in the unincorporated area of Alamosa County that being all that of Alamosa County that are not embraced within the limits of any incorporated city or town; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Alamosa County hereby finds that the provisions of the 2012 edition of the International Building Code, the 2012 edition of the International Residential Code and the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code with the exceptions noted herein take into consideration the public health, safety, and general welfare; and the safety, protection and sanitation of dwellings, buildings and structures within the county.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Alamosa County that Alamosa County Ordinance No. 15, adopted on the 9th day of November, 2005, is hereby amended as set forth herein and any provision not amended herein remains in full force and effect as of the date of this Resolution. Amendments to Ordinance No. 15 shall become effective 30 days from the date of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Alamosa County hereby order that a copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the Alamosa County Clerk and Recorder and copies shall be made available for public inspection at the Alamosa County Land Use Office. The filing of this Resolution shall serve as notice of the description of the area subject to Ordinance No. 15 pursuant to §30-28-208 C.R.S.

Passed by roll call vote, three in favor, none opposed

Done this 29th day of June, 2016

DATED: This 29th day of June, 2016.

COUNTY
(Seal)

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALAMOSA

By: Darius Allen, Chairman
Majestic Valley Farms

Ted Heersink was present. They have a pellet farm. They are applying for a UDA Value-added Producer Grant and they would like support from Alamosa County. They had those wildfires so his neighbor and he talked about how they could help with land erosion. They got this idea to make pellets out of the beetle kill trees. He thought about using alfalfa. When you make the pellet it heats to 200 degrees so the seed doesn’t germinate. There is a lot of beetle kill so why don’t you make pellets. There is a good market for this. Organic and GMO (genetic modified organism) free alfalfa is hard to find he found out. He checked with vendors and companies who wanted to buy it. Someone from Golden has to buy pellets from Montana so she is interested in purchasing them here. To be classified as GMO free it has to be less than 8%. We cannot produce seed so it doesn’t cross-contaminate so this area is good to promote this. They added this into the Value-added Grant. Hopefully they can get the grant and move forward.

Gigi Dennis asked why it is important for it to be GMO free.

Ted Heersink stated there are just a lot of people who do not eat GMO and people want this for their animals too. They send a lot of alfalfa products to China and Japan and they have put a ban on anything with GMO. This is a good market or opportunity they can get into.

Commissioner Allen asked how many people do you employee.

Ted Heersink stated they haven’t produced a pellet yet. They should be starting in three weeks. Their projection is in 10 years they could have 10 people. They could bring another pellet online and double their production. It wouldn’t take long to employee 15 people.

Commissioner Dunne stated she was excited and hoped to get a tour.

Ted Heersink stated he is hoping in a couple weeks they could produce alfalfa pellets. They need to concentrate on getting the company set before going into production.

Commissioner Dunne stated she appreciate his entrepreneurship and the risk you took. She is concerned with the amount of alfalfa it will take. Do you have plenty?

Ted Heersink stated he does produce alfalfa. The plant will need more than what he can grow so he would have to buy from other farmers. When we get into foreign markets he doesn’t know what is required. There is a place in Kansas that is all they do is send their seeds to China. China is importing 60% more alfalfa than they have in past. I guess they are getting more animals. Their diet is changing. Also the lower grade alfalfa could be used as fertilizer they found out after sending a test sample. There are many products that can produce. Someone approached him about hemp.

Commissioner Yohn stated it is amazing the ideas around a kitchen table where it starts. It takes a lot of effort and commitment. You area able to do wood pellets now. What is the water consumption?
Ted Heersink stated there is lignent inside each plant so no water is needed. This lignent binds it together.

Commissioner Yohn asked if he has to be licensed.

Ted Heersink stated he understood no license is needed just Value-added.

Commissioner Yohn stated we haven’t seen the grant or application.

Jason Kelly stated you are just endorsing them.

Gigi Dennis asked for clarification if they already have a wood pellet system is it different for alfalfa.

Ted Heersink stated they use the same equipment just adding the Value-added product. Can also be used for land erosion and horse bedding.

**m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to write a support letter for the USDA Value-Added Product Grant for Majestic Valley Farms**

  Motion was approved unanimously.

**Alamosa County Assessor**

Sandra Hostetter was present. The Assessed values for Real Property, Personal Property, State Assessed, and Protests were presented.

Out of 67 appeals they have denied 37 and approved 30. They have adjusted the late filers. One owner had several properties so they didn’t have that many. She is fully staffed. She has gone out with the staff on some of these. We will be mailing out letter of determinations and they will have to July to appeal.

**Valley Human League**

Diana Hamilton was present. A report was presented. They have talked with the City and the plans are underway.

Ken Vanlwarden stated they were contacted by the City of Alamosa to talk about some problems with facility. Alpine vet clinic built a new facility. The old facility would be inadequate. Harry from the City discovered there is no bathroom so in addition they would have to put in a septic system. The Septic system design was by Reynolds Engineering. There is a lot of in-kind service. The City is doing the backhoe for the septic. This will cost $15,000. They had different options such as building a new facility which would cost $200,000. They looked at different locations but decided the best solution was to stay here.

Commissioner Allen stated he spoke with Dr. Ratzlaff. He would like to have a worksession with him, the City, Valley Humane League, and the County for everyone to be on the same page. They do want to help them.

Diana Hamilton stated this is temporary for only 5 years. They have never received a contract with the County.

Commissioner Dunne asked if she has a contract with the Sheriff.
Diana Hamilton stated no.

Commissioner Allen stated we will look into it.

Commissioner Dunne asked if the Vet will continue to service the animals at a good price.

Diana Hamilton stated they are going to meet again and discuss ideas. He said he would drop the rent but would have to pay for other bills such as electricity. He would still provide services at a reduced price.

Ken Vanlwarden stated the existing humane league does not have a septic system at all. All they had was water. They had a port a potty.

Gigi Dennis stated the old vet clinic was one option from the City was to move into that facility. Is that facility be turned down?

Ken Vanlwarden stated originally when they submitted the plans they were going to demo the old clinic. They have changed their mind. He is not sure what they are going to do with it. However the well they have is servicing the new clinic. They would have to build a new septic system for the humane league.

Gigi Dennis asked about the laundry facility.

Ken Vanlwarden stated he was not aware of this. The new facility has a quarantined unit.

Diana Hamilton stated she asked Harry with the City if they could do this and he said yes.

Gigi Dennis asked if they get donations from Walmart or Purina.

Diana Hamilton stated they get food at a reduced cost and she has to pick up in Colorado Springs. Wal-Mart has a policy to give to somewhere else. She will check on Purina. She knows Science Diet is too expensive.

**Department of Human Services**

Financial Statements were provided.

Ongoing Workload Summary Report was provided. It showed adult financial at 296 cases, Colorado works at 127 cases, Food Stamps/Food Assistance at 2098 cases, and Medical Assistance with 4185 cases.

Monthly Food Assistance Issuance Report was provided. It showed $534,580 for the month of May. For year to date it is $2,679,155.

Child Support Comparison Report was provided. This is a 19% increase. Recovery Collection Comparison report was provided. It showed $4,679.90 collected for May. It shows collected $3,267.84 from food stamps and $1,412.06 from public assistance for a total of $1 80,935.91 collected for the month of May.

They have received a C-Stat award. All counties are rated on this in every area in the department. They met the C-Stat guidelines in 10 measures. This is for the Calendar Year of 2015. The State has moved the standard higher than the federal standard so sometimes it appears they are not meeting the standards.
Gigi Dennis visited with Chris Frisell on adoption cases maybe you can give a report on this next time.

Catherine Salazar stated we have an adoption going on today. Some of these adoptions have to be subsidized.

Commissioner Dunne stated Mary Morine is doing a good job.

Catherine Salazar stated La Puente was able to obtain an El Pomar Grant that was turned over to DHS for adoption assistance.

**Victims Advocate**

Janice Holman and intern Cynthia Mote were present. A report was presented.

They estimated serving 150 victims and they already have served 97. They have served 480 indirect services which includes ongoing, follow-up, and going to court. At budget time she requested a part-time person and this was funded for her in January. She would like to fill this position now. With the VOCA grant she is going to request a full-time position but she won’t know about this until October. She needs to do succession planning. She has done this for 20 years.

Commissioner Allen asked if this position is less than 30 hours.

Janice Holman stated 20 hours.

Commissioner Allen asked where this will be funded from.

Janice Holman stated VALE Grant right now. They would share the office. Most of the time would be on call. With the VOCA Grant they are looking at purchasing new computers. She is looking at Surface Pros with docking stations.

Gigi Dennis asked she noted an increase in transient population, we are having a worksession on marijuana so wanting to know if this plays a part in this.

Janice Holman stated two big issues she is seeing that contributes to the increase which are the legalization of Marijuana and cheap property. We ran into a gentlemen with an advertising in Thrifty Nickel of property selling at $100 a month for 5 acres. People are coming in because they think they can set up property off grid. They don’t realize they need permits and infrastructure to set up and they don’t have the funds to do this. A lot are becoming victims because people are taking advantage of them.

Gigi Dennis asked if you cover the 6 counties.

Janice Holman stated Alamosa is responsible for Alamosa and Costilla. She can’t get primary funding for Costilla or volunteers from Costilla. A lot come in from the shelter or from the hospital. They have people with mental issues that think they can take marijuana instead of mental health medications. There is no housing here or resources are tapped out local so their next step is to get them back to where their support system is at. This is putting their resources tapped out.

Commissioner Yohn asked if Brandi can step in and do what you do or have a part-time in mind. Will this position turn into a full time position.
Janice Holman stated Brandi can but she hasn’t taught her everything and the State has put in new regulations. Everything is computerized. They have to report to the Feds now also.

Commissioner Dunne stated violence is increasing.

Janice Holman stated when she first started a homicide was a shock to happen here. Now unfortunately it isn’t anything new. They have to have extensive safety planning. They have to get people out of town. Before they used to just put people in a local hotel now they have to get them out of town.

Commissioner Dunne asked if the collaboration with Tu Casa is still good.

Janice Holman stated yes.

m/s Dunne/Yohn motion to approve part-time position for Victims Advocate
Motion was approved unanimously.

Alamosa County Sheriff’s Department

Employee Request for Physician Advisor/Nurse

Sheriff Robert Jackson, Della Cox-Vieira, Kristi Duarte, and Dr. Pat Thompson were present. We have done one session already. He would request approval of a part-time Physician Advisor and a full-time nurse. Public Health could help offset the costs. With his department they are looking at his outside housing line item to help cover the costs. One concern was getting deputies certified with QMAB to dispense meds. They have done this and 24 are certified now.

Della Cox-Vieira stated Public Health has been assisting sheriff office with activities that have lead up to this. Tammy Garcia went with them to visit Chaffee Detention Center. Policies and procedures were provided to the Sheriff. She would like to help with this. The supervision is best under the Sheriff. The nurse will be delegating to the jail staff. We would be happy to provide any training they provide for our staff for their nurse as well.

Pat Thompson stated he looks at it as where you are saving money for good appropriate medical care. The number of inmates brought in to the Emergency Room that could be managed by an in-house nurse would be a huge savings and help. He is not doing this for the money. This could relieve the Emergency Rooms because they are so busy.

Commissioner Yohn stated it is a benefit for the inmates to receive medical service there. They know it was needed but where was the funding going to come from was their concern. He appreciates Public Health assisting. We need to go forward with this. It is needed not only for the inmates but for the Emergency Rooms, the Community, and the time in transporting the inmates.

Commissioner Dunne thanked Dr. Pat Thompson and Della for help with funds. Will you be able to do this next year?

Della Cox-Vieira stated they talked about phasing it out in 3 years. They would look on how to save and look for other mechanisms. She cannot foresee supporting them permanently.
Commissioner Dunne mentioned the Stepping Up Program. Three Counties in Colorado are working on this. They are concerned with physical and mental health. They know many people are there because of behavioral problems. She hopes they can find a good nurse he can work with.

Commissioner Yohn asked if they are working on job descriptions.

Sheriff Jackson stated we are ready to go.

Commissioner Allen asked if there is any way you can go back for a year previous for costs for transporting the inmates back and forth,

Sheriff Jackson stated we do have some numbers. With their new records management system they can document how much time they spend on overtime. Most of overtime is for transporting inmates to the hospital. A Contract is needed for the Doctor position and the Nurse position would go with the regular hiring process.

m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to approve Physician Advisor/Nurse request
Motion was approved unanimously.

Alamosa County Administrator

Amendment 69

At the CCI conference in the Commissioners discussion they had discussion of opposing Amendment 69. The Government Health Care System would double the current State Budget at $27 billion as this would raise $25 billion through new taxes. A total of 6.7%. Employers would pay in and also comes from income of each employee, non-payroll items such as business income, interest and dividends from savings. They don’t determine any qualifications. They can also raise taxes anytime deemed necessary. In County terms this is too much too quickly. She requests the County to take position against Amendment 69.

Commissioner Dunne stated at CCI they presented both the pros and the cons. Although we are in favor of healthcare for everyone this is not the way to go yet.

Commissioner Allen stated at CTSI the County Health Pool took opposition to this and voted to oppose it as an organization.

Commissioner Yohn stated there are two sides for this and they were presented.

m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to oppose Amendment 69
Motion was approved unanimously.

Sage Contractors

Larry Schreiner was present. He provided a spreadsheet that broke down the fees for each firm.

Gigi Dennis asked if there was anything that stood out in the Cover letters or proposals.

Larry Shreiner stated Anderson-Hallas broke out everything. They went into more detail of its numbers. Everyone had the same package. One issue is Riley Johnson pointed out the security system. Neither of the other firms talked about this.
Gigi Dennis stated as far as community meetings did Riley Johnson bring this up.

Larry Schreiner stated they are well aware of this.

Commissioner Allen stated neither of the Commissioners have talked to any of the Architects and they have not talked to each other about it either.

Commissioner Dunne stated she thinks Riley Johnson didn’t bring this up because they already had community meetings so maybe it was not needed as much as the other Architects. All three Architect firms are open to changes from the original plan proposed. There is Community misconception of the designs presented at the beginning is what we are going to build. They don’t understand those were possible plans with what they could do with the funding. Riley Johnson is open to any changes. She thinks if you look at the quality of the firms and look at the fees Riley Johnson has more experience, excellent work, and existing relationship with the County. She is delighted all the bids came so close.

Commissioner Yohn stated this is the big project for us. We have spent a lot of time on this. We looked at qualification, experience, demonstration of projects, project approach, ability to meet deadline and their references. We had three firms. All are qualified firms. Each commissioner picked a different Architect in the voting during the Interviews. He is looking at reimbursables which would be for meetings. We want them to know what we want to design. What do we expect with reimbursables and what do we see in them changing.

Larry Shreiner stated the situation is maybe where they have to come more often. If we run into a situation we are unaware of such as for the jail. We don’t know what we are going to get into. In talking with Riley this would cover this well. If we have to have more public meetings they have a certain number of meetings so if have to have more they will have to. Riley Johnson has been done here for several years and he doesn’t see a lot of surprises from them.

Commissioner Allen stated during the interview process every firm was qualified. He was impressed with one of the firms more. With $50,000 less he is leaning towards SEH.

Commissioner Yohn stated he would go with Riley Johnson. We can dictate what we want from them and get a good quality product.

Commissioner Allen stated he is looking at the $50,000 less for the same product.

Commissioner Allen stated when you look at their reimbursable at $32,000 compared to Riley Johnson at $49,000. This would mean more of a presence here or community outreach.

Larry Schreiner stated a lot of reimbursable is lodging.

Commissioner Dunne stated $50,000 is a lot of money for the County but she knows Riley Johnson has a lot of experience in jails. A lot of trials and errors or designs with the jail would eat up more cost so this will be well worth it. We would be getting our money’s worth.

Commissioner Yohn stated we put a selection committee together of 16 and 9 members of this committee chose Riley Johnson.
Larry Schreiner stated remodeling the Detention Center with keeping inmates inside is going to take experience. We decided design build built and Riley Johnson agreed with this and the others wanted GM/GC.

Commissioner Allen stated he would prefer SEH but he would not vote against because he would like to go in cohesiveness for this type of project. All three firms were very qualified.

**m/s Dunne/Yohn motion to choose Riley Johnson as Architect**  
**Motion was approved unanimously.**

Larry Schriener stated we are in the process of the Environmental Study. They are finding things such as lead paint and material. It has to go to the lab and they will get results in a few weeks.

**Board/Staff Updates**

Arapahoe County sent a letter for two Ford E350 vans to donate. They are “as is”. The Sheriff is requesting approval to accept these two vans.

Commissioner Allen requested we send an appreciation note.

**m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to approve accepting two vans from Arapahoe County**  
**Motion was approved unanimously**

There has been a request for a Resolution in support for “Raise the Bar”. Gigi Dennis stated we did send the form in support of this.

**m/s Dunne/ Yohn motion for formal resolution in support of the “Raise the Bar”**  
**Motion was approved unanimously**

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting of the Board of Alamosa County Commissioners was adjourned.

**ATTEST:**

Belina Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

Darius Allen, Chairman

Marianne Dunne, Vice-Chair

Mike Yohn, County Commissioner
Minutes of the Public Hearing for Building Code Adoption was held on June 29, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Chambers, Alamosa County Services Center, 8900 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO 81101.

Members Present:
Darius Allen, Chair
Marianne Dunne, Vice-Chair
Mike Yohn, Commissioner
Gigi Dennis, County Administrator
Jason Kelly, County Attorney
Belina Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

Ken Vanlwarden and Rachel Baird were present.

Issue: Adopt 2012 International Building Code, 2012 International Residential Code and 2009 International Energy Conservation Code. Furthermore does the Board wish to adopt the Exhibit A: Permit Fee Schedule Tables “A” and “B” and Exhibit B: Building Valuation Data Table “C”.

Background: These codes will replace outdated codes including the 2003 International Building Code, 2003 International Residential Code, 2003 International Mechanical Code, and 2006 International Energy Conservation Code. This change keeps Alamosa County’s building codes up to the nationally accepted standards set by the International Code Council. These changes are minor and are not anticipated to create a hardship to contractors or homeowners. The change in Building Valuation Data Table “C” (Exhibit B) reflects the changes in market values. The format of Permit Fee Schedule Tables “A” and “B” (Exhibit A) has been revised but only the fees in Table “A” have increased.

Recommendation: That the Board of County Commissioners adopt the 2012 International Building Code, the 2011 International Residential Code, and the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code and appurtenant valuations and fees with an effective date of August 1, 2016.

Public Notice: Notice of the new Codes by reference was published in the Valley Courier on June 11, 2016. The Codes were not published in full but in accordance with State law, copies will be kept on file.

Conclusion: Approving these Codes will provide a system of building regulations consistent with State law and generally conforming to similar regulations throughout the state and the nation.

Commissioner Allen asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of or opposition to the Adoption of the Building Codes.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALAMOSA COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO: 2016 – G - 14
Commissioner __Dunne_____ moved for the adoption of the following Resolution. Commissioner ___Yohn________ seconded the motion.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for Alamosa County, pursuant to §C.R.S. 30-28-201, is authorized to adopt building codes for the unincorporated portions of Alamosa County; and

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2005, the Board of Commissioners for Alamosa County, adopted Ordinance No. 15 adopting certain building codes for the unincorporated portions of Alamosa County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for Alamosa County, pursuant to §C.R.S. 30-28-204, is authorized to amend said building codes after public hearing which notice of said hearing is provided by publishing notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation fourteen days prior to said hearing; and

WHEREAS, a notice for public hearing on the amendments to Ordinance No. 15 was ordered by the Board of Commissioners for Alamosa County at a regularly scheduled meeting on May 11, 2016; and

WHEREAS, notice was published in the Valley Courier, stating that a public hearing on the proposed amendments would be held before the Board of Commissioners for Alamosa County on June 29, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held before the Board of County Commissioners of Alamosa County on June 29, 2016, after said notice was published, for the consideration of the amendments to Ordinance No. 15; and

WHEREAS, the Building Official for Alamosa County has recommended that Ordinance No. 15 be amended as follows:

1. "Section 1 Adoption" of said Ordinance No. 15 shall be deleted in its entirety and shall be replaced as follows:

Section 1 – Adoption: Pursuant to C.R.S. § 30-28-201, there is hereby adopted by reference the 2012 International Building Code with certain exceptions; the 2012 International Residential Code with certain exceptions; the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code. The subject matter of the International Building Code, International Residential Code and International Energy Conservation Code relates primarily to comprehensive building regulations for the County. The purpose of the Ordinance and the Codes adopted therein is to provide a system of building regulations consistent with state law and generally conforming to similar
regulations throughout the state and the nation. Copies of the International Building Code, the International Residential Code and the International Energy Conservation Code, with exception noted herein, are now filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Alamosa, Colorado, and may be inspected during regular business hours.

2. “Section 2 Deletions” of said Ordinance No. 15 shall be deleted in its entirety and shall be replaced as follows:

Section 2 – Deletions: The 2012 International Building Code; the 2012 International Residential Code; and the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code are adopted as if set forth fully herein except as follows:

The 2012 edition of the International Building Code is adopted in its entirety excepting the following provisions:

- Chapter 27
- Chapter 29
- Appendix A, D, H

The 2012 edition of the International Residential Code is adopted in its entirety excepting the following provisions:

- Chapter 11 shall be removed and replaced by the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code
- Chapters 25 through 27
- Chapters 30 through 32
- Chapters 34 through 40
- Chapter 43
- Appendix E, F, I, K, L, P

The 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code is adopted in its entirety excepting the following provisions:

- None

3. “Section 3 Additions or Modifications” of said Ordinance No. 15 shall be deleted in its entirety and shall be replaced as follows:

Section 3 – Additions and Modifications: The 2012 International Building Code; the 2012 International Residential Code; and the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code are amended as set forth below:

The 2012 edition of the International Building Code is amended as follows:

A. SECTION 101: GENERAL
1. **101.4 Referenced Codes:** The other codes listed in sections 101.4.1 through 101.4.6 and referenced elsewhere in this code shall be considered part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference.

2. **Section 101.1 Title:** These regulations shall be known as the Building Code of Alamosa County, herinafter referred to as “This Code”.

3. **Section 101.4.1 Gas:** Delete section: Add “All references to the provisions of the International Fuel and Gas Code shall not apply unless specifically adopted by the appropriate governing body.”

4. **Section 101.4.3 Plumbing:** Delete section. Add “All references to the provisions of the International Plumbing Code shall not apply unless specifically adopted by the appropriate governing body.”

5. **Section 101.4.4 Property Maintenance:** Delete section. Add “All references to the provisions of the International Property Maintenance Code shall not apply unless specifically adopted by the appropriate governing body.”

6. **Section 101.4.5 Fire Prevention:** Delete section. Add “All references to the provisions of the International Fire Code shall not apply unless specifically adopted by the appropriate governing body.”

7. **Section 101.4.6 Energy:** The provisions of the International Energy Conservation Code shall apply to all matters governing the design and construction of buildings for energy efficiency.

8. **Section 101.4.2 Mechanical:** The provisions of the International Mechanical Code which cross over to this code and specific provisions of this code which reference mechanical installations shall be enforced as provided in this code.

B. **Section 104.10.1 Flood Hazard Areas:** All development in areas prone to flooding shall comply with the Alamosa County Floodplain Regulations as adopted by the Alamosa County Board of County Commissioners through Resolution No.2014-G-002, and all subsequent amendments, additions, revisions of the same. In any case where there is a conflict between the provisions of this code and the provisions of the Alamosa County Flood Damage Prevention Regulations, the Alamosa County Flood Damage Prevention Regulations shall prevail and shall supersede the provisions of this code.

B. **SECTION 103: DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING SAFETY**

1. **Section 103 and subsections 103.1 through 103.3:** are hereby deleted in their entirety and the following section and subsections are hereby substituted therefore:

2. **Section 103.1 Creation of enforcement agency:** There is hereby established the Alamosa County Department of Building Safety which shall be under the administrative and operational control of the Building Official. The **Section 103.2 Appointment:** The Building Official shall be appointed by the Alamosa County Board of County Commissioners.

3. **Section 103.3 Deputies:** In accordance with the prescribed procedures of Alamosa County and with concurrence of the Board of County Commissioners, the building official shall have the authority to appoint technical officers, inspectors, plans examiners and other staff persons. Such persons shall have powers and authority as delegated by the building official.

C. **SECTION 105: PERMITS**
1. **Sections 105.1.1 through 105.1.2:** are hereby deleted in their entirety and the following section is substituted therefore:

2. **Section 105.2 Work exempt from permits:** Exemptions from permit requirements of this code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this code or any other laws or ordinances of Alamosa County, the State of Colorado or the United States of America. Permits shall not be required for the following:
   a. One story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed two (200) square feet.
   b. Fences not over six (6) feet high.
   c. Oil derricks
   d. Retaining walls that are not are not over four (4) feet in height measured from the lowest point of finished grade to the top of the wall, unless supporting a surcharge or impounding Class I, II, or III-A liquids.
   e. Water tanks supported directly on grade if the capacity does not exceed five thousand (5000) gallons and the ratio of height to diameter or width is not greater than 2 to 1.
   f. Sidewalks and driveways not more than thirty (30) inches above adjacent grade, and not over any basement or story below and are not part of an accessible route.
   g. Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops trim work and similar finish work.
   h. Temporary motion picture, television, and theater stage sets and scenery.
   i. Prefabricated swimming pools that are installed entirely above ground and in-ground swimming pools which are accessory to group R-3 occupancy.
   j. Shade cloth structures constructed for nursery or agricultural purposes, not including service systems.
   k. Swings and other playground equipment accessory to detached one and two family dwellings.
   l. Window awnings supported by an exterior wall that do not project more than fifty four (54) inches from the exterior wall and do not require additional support.
   m. Moveable fixtures, cases, racks, counters and partitions not over eight (8) feet in height.

1. **Section 105.5 Expiration:** Every permit issued by the Building Official under provisions of this code shall expire one year from the date of issue.
   a. **Exceptions:**
      i. Demolition permits expire 180 days from the date of issue.
      ii. Re-roofing permits expire one year from the date of issue.

2. **Section 105.5.1 Renewal:** The building official is authorized to renew any permit for one additional year provided that a request for renewal from the permit holder and the appropriate renewal fee submitted to the building
department prior to the expiration date. No permit may be renewed more than once.

a. Exceptions:
   i. Demolition permits may not be renewed.
   ii. Re-roofing permits may not be renewed.

3. **Section 105.7 Replacement of Permit:** is hereby amended by adding the following sentence: Add “Replacement of a lost, stolen or damaged building permit card is subject to a fee pursuant to the Alamosa County Building Department Fee Schedule-Table B”.

D. **SECTION 109: FEES**

1. **Section 109.4 Work:** commencing before permit issuance. Any person who commences work on a building or structure before obtaining the necessary permits shall be subject to a penalty or additional fee, the amount of which is equal to the required permit fee, and shall be payable in addition to the required permit fee. Civil penalties may also be assessed pursuant Colorado Law, including but not limited to, Article 28 of Title 30, Colorado Revised Statutes as amended.

2. **Section 109.6 Refunds:** The building official will apply to the Alamosa County Finance Office for any refund only upon receipt of a written request for refund from the original permit applicant and not later than ninety (90) days after the date of fee payment. The building official is authorized to deduct from the fee payment of any expenses incurred by the building department for administrative costs or plan review time.

E. **SECTION 110: INSPECTIONS**

**Section 110.3.10 Final Inspection:** The final inspection shall be made after all work required by the building permit is completed and final inspections from a Colorado State Electrical and Colorado State Plumbing Inspector have been approved.

The **2012 edition of the International Residential Code** is amended as follows:

A. **Section R101.1 Title:** Insert “Alamosa County”

B. **Section R102.7 Existing Structures:** Delete references to “International Property Maintenance Code and the International Fire Code.”

C. **Section R105.5 Expiration:** Delete Section and replace with “Notwithstanding provisions in the applicable Building codes to the contrary, permits issued under the County Building Codes are effective for a period of one (1) year. Upon a written request for an extension by the applicant, a permit may be extended for an additional one (1) year period. In order to renew action on a permit after expiration, the permittee shall pay one half of the original fee, except the Building Official may authorize one fourth the original fee where all rough inspections have been completed and approved under the expired permit. Up to two extensions may be requested, provided that in no event may a permit be valid for more than three years, or for more than two years following the adoption of a new edition of the applicable building code, whichever is less. For example, if a building permit is issued on January 15, 2016 and a new edition
of the building code is adopted on June 1, 2016, the maximum date to which the 
permit can be effective, including the extensions, would be June 1, 2018.”

D. **Section R108.3 Building Permit Valuations:** Delete section and replace with 
“valuation shall be established using the procedures outlined in Exhibit A.” The fee 
schedule is based on the projected construction cost of the work to be done. Two 
methods are used to determine this cost valuation: (1) a “per-square foot” factor based 
on the use and occupancy of the building and the type of construction involved or (2) 
the “Bid or Estimated Cost” factor based on the total accepted bid price for doing the 
work. The valuation is determined by including the value of the construction process, 
including both material and labor. It is important that a realistic valuation be 
determined for every project so that permit fees are applied fairly and accurately.”

E. **Section R108.6 commencing before permit issuance.** Any person who commences 
work on a building or structure before obtaining the necessary permits shall be subject 
to a penalty or additional fee, the amount of which is equal to the required permit fee, 
and shall be payable in addition to the required permit fee. Civil penalties may also be 
assessed pursuant Colorado Law, including but not limited to, Article 28 of Title 30, 
Colorado Revised Statutes as amended.

F. **Section R 110.1 Use and Occupancy:** Add: “Accessory buildings or a structure 
without habitable space or decks, porches, or minor remodels (remodels other than 
additions).”

G. **Table R 301.2 (1):** is hereby amended by adding the following information to the 
corresponding columns as Climatic and Geographic Design Criteria.

1. Ground snow load-30lb. Except in the Zapata Subdivision is 40 lb.
2. Wind speed-90 miles per hour (3 second gust).
3. Topographic Effects-No
4. Seismic Design Category-C
5. Subject to Damage by Weathering-Severe
6. Subject to Damage by Frost Line-36 inches
7. Subject to Damage by Termite-Moderate to Heavy
8. Subject to Damage by Decay-None to Slight
9. Winter Design Temperature-16° F
10. Ice Barrier Underlayment Required-Yes
11. Flood Hazards-FIRM (adopted June 1, 1978-amended March 12, 2014)
12. Air Freezing Index-3000
13. Mean Annual Temperature 43° F

H. **Section R313-Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems:** is hereby deleted in its entirety.

4. **“Section 4 Penalties” of said Ordinance No. 15 shall be deleted in its entirety and shall be 
replaced as follows:**

**Section 4 – Penalties:** Any person who violates a provision of this code shall be subject to 
a penalty or additional fee, the amount of which is equal to the required permit fee, and shall be 
payable in addition to the required permit fee. Civil penalties may also be assessed pursuant 
Colorado Law, including but not limited to, Article 28 of Title 30, Colorado Revised Statutes as 
amended.
5. “Section 9 Certification” of said Ordinance No. 15 shall be deleted in its entirety and shall be replaced as follows:

Section 9 – Permit Fees: Permit fees shall be in accordance with the Fee Schedules attached hereto identified as Exhibit A and Exhibit B respectively.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that the amendments to Ordinance No. 15 regarding such building codes, permit fees, and penalties should be adopted and enforced in the unincorporated area of Alamosa County that being all that of Alamosa County that are not embraced within the limits of any incorporated city or town; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Alamosa County hereby finds that the provisions of the 2012 edition of the International Building Code, the 2012 edition of the International Residential Code and the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code with the exceptions noted herein take into consideration the public health, safety, and general welfare; and the safety, protection and sanitation of dwellings, buildings and structures within the county.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Alamosa County that Alamosa County Ordinance No. 15, adopted on the 9th day of November, 2005, is hereby amended as set forth herein and any provision not amended herein remains in full force and effect as of the date of this Resolution. Amendments to Ordinance No. 15 shall become effective 30 days from the date of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Alamosa County hereby order that a copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the Alamosa County Clerk and Recorder and copies shall be made available for public inspection at the Alamosa County Land Use Office. The filing of this Resolution shall serve as notice of the description of the area subject to Ordinance No. 15 pursuant to §30-28-208 C.R.S.

Passed by roll call vote, three in favor, none opposed

Done this 29th day of June, 2016

DATED: This 29th day of June, 2016.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALAMOSA

COUNTY (SEAL)

By: Darius Allen, Chairman

ATTEST:
There being no further business, the Public Hearing for Building Code Adoption was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Belina Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

Darius Allen, Chair

Marianne Dunne, Vice-Chairman

Mike Yohn, County Commissioner