Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners Meeting, held on June 24, 2015 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  
Brittney DeHerrera, Chief Financial Officer  
Belina Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

Call the Meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Approval of the Agenda

M/S Yohn/Dunne motion to approve the agenda of June 24, 2015.  
Motion was passed unanimously.

Consent agenda Items:

Approval of General Business/Minutes

The Following Minutes were presented:  
Regular Minutes-June 10, 2015  
Board of Health-Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Amendment

M/S Dunne/Allen motion to approve the Minutes of June 10, 2015.  
Motion was passed unanimously with Yohn abstaining being absent for some of the meeting.

Approval of Bills/Obligations

Check #114970-115088 and Check #29540-29568

M/S Yohn/Dunne motion to approve the Bills/Obligations  
Motion was passed unanimously.

Public Comment

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Approval of Consent Agenda

Business Associate Agreement-Mountain Home Medical
Business Associate/Chain of Trust Agreement-Strategic Healthcare Programs
MOU SLV Public Health Agencies 2015-Rabies

Jason Kelly stated he was concerned with the Business Associate/Chain of Trust Agreement. It starts out with Exhibit A but so he wanted to make sure nothing was missing. Also the Governing Law is out of California and he is not licensed in California so this is caveat. Also they need to make sure when they reference something they will comply with all agreements they have in terms of confidentiality.

M/S Dunne/Yohn motion to approve Consent Agenda without Business Associate/Chain of Trust to discuss further
Motion was approved unanimously.

Alamosa County Department of Human Services

Catherine Salazar was present.

The Ongoing Workload Summary Report for May 2015 was presented. It showed Adult Financial with 284 cases, Colorado Works 122 cases, Food Stamps/Food Assistance 2161 and Medical Assistance cases of 4181. In Medical Assistance if you compare April to May it is a 460 case difference. Back in 2010 Health Care & Policy contracted with a company called Maximus where they did Medicaid and CHP+ eligibility. They do this through an automated process and kick the cases over to the County they belong to. What they found out was the error rate was so high. So the state came back and said why not allow the Counties to process the applications. In May they transitioned the cases back to the Counties. They estimated Alamosa to get only 113 cases but that was not the case. They get 90% reimbursement for working this caseload. Maximus is stepping out.

Gigi Dennis questioned if these cases are ongoing cases or from 2-3 years before or within 2015. Ms. Salazar stated they are cases from this year. She finds this hard to believe. They are investigating how old these are. Hopefully they are from the last 3 to 6 months.

The Monthly Food Assistance Issuance Report was presented. It showed $547,002 was issued for May and $2,732,207 was issued year to date. Recovery Collection Comparison Report, Child Support Collection Comparison Report, and the Child Support Monthly Case Count was provided.

La Gente Contract
This contract is to provide services to assist TANF clients for budgeting, parenting classes, balancing work, and motivation. This in the hope to get them work ready and go out into the work world. This is for $25,000.

Commissioner Yohn stated he is on the Workforce board. They have an MOU with TANF. Does this come in play with the Workforce. Is this contract satisfy the workforce through
TANF. With the Workforce Investment Opportunity Act that is coming into play where this program gets them ready to get into the workforce. She is concerned that Workforce won’t have sufficient staff to provide these services because they provide to all six counties. She envisions this would be a component for them. This is an additional cost to the county. Cost sharing with Workforce she doesn’t know how it will look like when it goes into effect in July of 2016. This contract is in effect until June 30, 2016.

m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to approve La Gente Contract  
Motion was approved unanimously.

MOU State of Colorado DHS

Counties have the option of submitting a plan on various things they want to work on in terms of Child Welfare. There were four major items they could elect to ask for are Family Engagement, Permanency Roundtables, Kinship Supports, and Trauma-Informed Child Assessment. Alamosa County elected already for two year the Trauma-Informed Child Assessment.

m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to approve MOU State of Colorado DHS  
Motion was approved unanimously.

Additional Child Welfare Allocation Award

They were awarded for one position in the amount of $60,641. Now we have to say we accept the position and the dollars. We must fill by September 1st and this position is funded at 100% with no county dollars required. If the positions is not filled by November 30th the funds must be refunded back to the State. Her intent is to hire a Case Worker Supervisor position.

Commissioner Yohn stated they discussed if the funding continues this position continues and if it doesn’t then that position will be re-evaluated. That is corrected stated Ms. Salazar.

m/s Dunne/Yohn motion to approve Additional Child Welfare Allocation Award  
Motion was approved unanimously.

Reggie Bicha is planning to do a Strategic Planning forum in the San Luis Valley. We have been asked to host this meeting. It will be held on August 4th at 1:30pm.

Alamosa County Treasurer

Employee Vacancy Request

Gigi Dennis spoke for Lois Widhalm. She had an employee resign. It is with no additional cost to the department. She would not be coming in later for any supplemental.

m/s Dunne/Yohn motion to approve request of Employee Vacancy Request  
Motion was approved unanimously.
Alamosa County Public Health

Della Cox-Vieira and Samantha Escobedo were present.

1. Core Services Update
   a. Director was elected as a member-at-large to the board of the National Associate of City & County Health Officers for 2 year term, beginning 7/1/15.
   b. Vital Records
   c. Communicable Disease Prevention, Investigation, and Control
      i. Director & PHN’s to meet with Mosquito Control District next week in preparation for West Nile Virus season.
   d. Prevention and Population Health Promotion
      i. PH received a site visit from Temple Hoyne Buell Foundation last week to review progress on our Health Teen Sexuality Program with Alamosa Schools
   e. Emergency Preparedness and Response
      i. Regional EPR staff attended a Foodborne illness training last week and Joleen will be attending an Emergency Management Academy exercise at the State EOC Thursday & Friday this week
      ii. Samantha Escobedo spoke.
   f. Environmental Health
      i. Program met its 80% completion goal for FY 2014-105. Lynnea conducted 80% of all RFE inspections as scheduled, 100% of schools, and nearly 100% child cares this year
      ii. The first Food Service Advisory Group meeting was held 6/11/2015 with 5 community members in attendance from retail food, school food service, and child care. Next meeting October
   g. Administration and Governance: No updates

2. Home Health Program
   a. Director & Program Supervisor met with representative of a model program for physical therapy services expansion in the SLV 6/19/15 to discuss critical shortage of PT services in the SLV and within this agency.
   b. Current caseload: 226 active & pending patients in the month of May

3. Options for Long-term Care Program
   a. 463 clients currently on caseload in May

4. PCP Program
   a. 100 clients currently on caseload, with 2 pending

Business Association/Chain of Trust Agreement-Strategic Healthcare Programs

Della Cox-Vieira stated it is online services which is an information services to evaluate healthcare in general for HIPPA electronic requirements. Monitors benchmarks that provide real time assuring quality care. This agency is located in Santa Barbara, CA. HIPPA had tighter restrictions for electronic medical records.

Commissioner Yohn asked if there is an additional cost. No stated Ms. Cox-Vieira.
Mr. Kelly stated the question he had was it started off with Exhibit A so he wants to make sure they are not missing any pages. It is an addendum to the original contract stated Ms. Cox-Vieira.

**m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to approve Business Association/Chain of Trust Agreement-Strategic Healthcare Programs**  
Motion was approved unanimously.

**Alamosa County Land Use**

**Mosca General Improvement District Update**

Rachel Baird and Jinger Tilden were present.

On June 1, 2015 we received the review of the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) and Environmental Report (ER) from the USDA. Items to be addressed in revision include:

- Additional financial records including short-lived assets, financial status of existing facilities, a cost estimate of project engineering services, and O&M facility cost breakdown.
  - Engineering details including the mileage of the sewer system.
  - Modifications are needed to the Environmental Report to create a “standalone: document as well as additional information regarding wetlands and floodplain determination.
- Martin Reynolds informed us on June 23, 2015 that he already completed the revisions and he will be delivering the revised PER and ER by the end of the week.
  - After the revisions are reviewed and approved by the USDA they will release the SEARCH grant funds to reimburse the County for the $17000 we paid Reynold’s Engineering.
- The quarterly invoicing for Mosca will be sent out the first part of July. The invoice will include a memo updating the residents off the project’s status.
  - The memo also informs the residents that there will be a third town hall meeting on August 5, 2015 at 5:30 pm at the Alamosa County Administration Building.
  - They will be asking for citizens to notify Land Use rather than calling Weavers.
- We are moving along rapidly towards preparing the USDA loan application documents.
  - At the BOCC on June 10, 2015 we had some preliminary loan documents signed.
  - Today we are requesting that the Board sign three additional documents: Form RD 442,7 which is an operating budget, a letter to the SLV Council of Governments for intergovernmental review of the project and request for Federal assistance, and an eligibility certification.
  - These documents do not commit the County to any loan or funding mechanism. This process is intended to allow the USDA to determine our eligibility for loan or grant funding.
  - During this process they will also be trying to structure the funding in such a way that the Mosca Wastewater system will be able to become self-sufficient. The ultimate objective is that the citizens of Mosca will pay affordable monthly fees that cover both the operation and maintenance of the new system as well as debt repayment to the USDA.
Commissioner Yohn provided some information that Rick Grandell gave him.

Commissioner Dunne asked the other two meetings were held there but this meeting is going to be held here.

Ms. Tilden stated to meet grant requirements they must hold public meetings with minutes so this facility would work better for that. Also school isn’t in session so it might be difficult to get into the school and it is during harvest time.

Gigi Dennis asked when does it become out of the County’s hands or does it ever.

We have to maintain it for 10 years but the goal is to not infuse it with County funds.

Gigi Dennis asked if the facility will have capacity of growth.

Yes it does stated Mr. VanIwarden.

\textit{m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to sign application}  
\textit{Motion was approved unanimously.}

\textbf{Alamosa County Clerk & Recorder}  
\textit{Liquor License Renewal-Nagra dba Discount Liquor}

Melanie Woodward was present.

\textit{m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to approve Liquor License Renewal for Discount Liquor}  
\textit{Motion was approved unanimously.}

\textbf{Worksession}  
\textit{Top of the World Series Baseball}

\textbf{Veterans Affairs}

Frank Muniz was present.

Soldier Stone in Saguache County is a monument in Sargent Mesa. The forest service came to his office to see if they would be the caretakers of it. It was not intended for a tourist attraction. You go on about 16 miles on dirt road.

He got a couple of more grants which one includes a van for $48,000 and a homeless grant to help homeless veterans in need in the amount of $23,000.

The VA Clinic maybe in July they will have a doctor.

He would like to talk about having a SLV memorial in Alamosa. 
Activities for last year include 4917 calls, 640 public contacts, calls to homes 10, 94 letter writing, 22 power of attorney, loan guarantees 2, medical claims 32, state benefit claims 49, Military records 69, compensation 60, DIC 7, 16 pensions, 18 death pensions, insurance usually life, burial allowances 4, vocation rehab, homebound, upgrades, individual employability 8, 1 appeal, and miscellaneous 332.

Mr. Muniz requested a magnetic sign for the parades.

**Board/Staff Updates**

Jason Kelly stated he asked St. Mary Corwin if they would take half of the bill. They declined so would you like to pay that bill.

**m/s Yohn/Dunne motion to pay St Mary Corwin bill at Medicaid rate**

**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