Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners Meeting, held on January 10, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Chambers, Alamosa County Services Center, 8900 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO 81101.

Members Present:
George Wilkinson, Chair
Mike Yohn, Vice-Chair
Darius Allen, Commissioner
Jason Kelly, County Attorney
Mark Garcia, Interim Administrator
Carol Osborn, Administrative Assistant
Belina Ramirez, Administrative Secretary

Call the Meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Approval of the Agenda

The addition of Treasurer Report under the Consent Agenda and the deletion of the Worksession

M/S Wilkinson/Yohn motion to approve the agenda of January 10, 2012 with changes.
Motion was passed unanimously.

Consent agenda Items:

Approval of General Business/Minutes

The Following Minutes were presented:
Regular Minutes-December 14, 2011
Public Hearing –Leroy Polkowske
Regular Meeting-December 21, 2011

M/S Wilkinson/Yohn motion to approve the Minutes of December 14, 2011 and December 21, 2011.
Motion was passed unanimously.

Approval of Bills/Obligations

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

Public Comment
Approval of Consent Agenda
Caterpillar Equipment Lease Purchase Agreement #1890803
Caterpillar Equipment Lease Purchase Agreement #1894884
Resolution 2012-G-011
Agreement for Services — Pre Trial Services Agreement (Jan-Dec)
Resolution 2011-F-2
County Clerk and Recorder Report
Amendment No 2 to Participant Agreement—Colorado Regional Health Information Organization
Physical Therapy Contract — Leanora Premeau
Agreement for Application Hosting and Technology Support Services

M/S Wilkinson/Yohn motion to approve Consent Agenda
Motion was approved unanimously.

Reorganization of the Board

M/S Allen/Yohn motion to approve Reorganization of the Board
Motion was approved unanimously.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALAMOSA COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO: 2012- G - 002

RE: 2012 REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Allen moved for the adoption of the following resolution. Commissioner Yohn seconded the motion.

WHEREAS:

To nominate **George Wilkinson** as Chairman of the Board of Alamosa County Commissioners.

To nominate **Michael Yohn** as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Alamosa County Commissioners.

That the Chairman and Vice-Chairman be authorized to sign checks, vouchers and other instruments on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners.

To nominate ____ **Tim Gallagher** ____ and ____ **Darius Allen** ____ as alternate to Alamosa Airport Board of Control.

To nominate ____ **George Wilkinson** ____ as Alamosa County’s representative to the San Luis Valley Development Resource Group Board of Directors.
To nominate **Michael Yohn** as Alamosa County’s representative to the Senior Citizen’s Board.

To nominate **Darius Allen** as Alamosa County’s representative to the Home Health Agency Professional Advisory Committee.

To nominate **George Wilkinson** as Alamosa County’s representative on the Alamosa County Family Preservation Plan Commission.

To nominate **Frank Muniz** as Alamosa County’s representative to Veteran’s Affairs.

To nominate **Wall Smith Bateman** as Alamosa County’s auditing firm.

To nominate **Alamosa State Bank, First Southwest Bank, Rio Grande Savings and Loan, San Luis Valley Federal Bank, Colotrust, Rio Grande Savings and Loan Association** to be designated as the official depositories for Alamosa County funds and **Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, Peaks Public Investment Advisors and Public Investment Consultants** as other banks/investment companies.

To nominate **Brittney DeHerrera** as Alamosa County Budget Officer.

To designate the Alamosa County Service Center and the Alamosa County Annex building per court order as the place to post the County Commissioner’s agenda and other meeting agendas.
To nominate THE VALLEY COURIER AND PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN to be designated as the newspaper of record for all legal publications by the County of Alamosa to be supplemented by Radio Stations KALQ/KGIIW/KRZA/KSPK where appropriate.

To nominate __________ George Wilkinson __________ as Alamosa County’s representative to the 12th Judicial Community Corrections Board.

To nominate __________ Brittnay DeHerrera __________ as Alamosa County’s representative for the San Luis Valley Regional DRG Revolving Loan Fund.

To nominate Michael Yohn __________ as Alamosa County’s representative to the San Luis Valley Television.

To nominate __________ Pat Radford __________ as Alamosa County’s representative to the South Central Senior Citizen’s Board.

To nominate __________ Jason Kelly __________ as the designated County Attorney

To nominate Darius Allen __________ as Alamosa County’s representative to the San Luis Valley Regional Solid Waste Authority Board.

To nominate Walter Paulson and Michael Yohn as Alamosa County’s representatives to the San Luis Valley E-911 Telephone Authority Board.

To nominate Michael Yohn to the San Luis Valley All Hazards Committee.

To nominate George Wilkinson, Michael Yohn, and Darius Allen, Public Lands, Agriculture and Land Use, Health and Human Services for Colorado Counties Inc.,


To nominate George Wilkinson to the Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area.

To nominate Michael Yohn to Crossroads Turning Points Board of Directors.

The standard office hours for Alamosa County are 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday.

Roll call vote resulting in approval: Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Yohn; Commissioner Allen all in favor

DATED: January 10, 2012
Roni Wisdom was present.

She is here today to discuss their Application for Community Development Block Grant Business Loan Fund Application. The San Luis Valley Development Resource Groups has applied for this load for the last several years. They use it to recapitalize into the revolving loan fund. Rio Grande County has always been the liaison for this. They are seeking $750,000 this year. The propose spending $630,000 on loans for businesses and $120,000 for administration. They will match this with leverage funds. They estimate they will create about 16 jobs. They will be holding Public Hearings January 23rd and January 24th throughout the valley.

Mr. Garcia asked if they have heard of these funds not being appropriated. Yes stated Ms. Wisdom in future years they could be cut. This application is for a two year period.

M/S Allen/Yohn motion to approve application and support application for the CDBG
Motion was approved unanimously.

SLV Housing Coalition

Rachel Willis was present. They have changed their income guidelines for their programs. They are asking Alamosa County to sponsor their CDBG Applications.

The first is for their Down Payment Assistance Program for the 2012-2013 year. They are asking for $86100 from Division of Housing, $84,000 is for 7 new loans of $12000 each, $2100 would go to Administration. A maximum loan for down payment assistance is $12197. They can loan those out at 1-5% depending on customers repayment ability and their debt to income ratio credit score. It is a second mortgage so their customers have to be approved through a local lender. They do have a few requirements to meet which one is low to moderate income, this is their primary residence, they must have $5000 or less of cash assets, and they have to take a homeownership class. They have to put down $500 each on their own. In 2011 they disbursed $94673.79 to eight families. They have a total loan portfolio of 29 clients right now with total
assets of $194,524.91. They have been doing this since 1993. All payments go into the revolving loan fund and it is recycled to be lent out again.

For their Home Rehabilitation program they are asking for a bridge grant of $172,800. This will be from April 1st to October 1st. $144,000 will be divided into 8 Rehab loans, $14547 for Project Administration, and $14253 for Program Administration. Right now their portfolio is a total of 71 clients totaling $1,116,416.85. They did a rental rehabilitation at Adams Lane. These units were in disrepair. The units have been greatly improved. They did have to prioritize the repairs. They are getting a better quality of clients there because one of the problems were police were being called to these units often. Now they have to run CBI and credit reports for the tenants. Commissioner Yohn asked if they have all those units occupied. They do not because the homeowner is doing the last two units. This is being done as they can so those units are not filled. They also had illegal tenants living there and with this funding they cannot have this.

M/S Yohn/Allen motion to approve down payment assistance program
Motion was approved unanimously.

M/S Allen/Yohn motion to approve Rehabilitation Program
Motion was approved unanimously.

Break

Alamosa County Public Health

Julie Geiser was present. She introduced Amy Bervig the new OLTC Case Manager.

The PCP program is struggling. The minimum wage was just raised. They have a CDASS program where clients get money directly to pay their own providers. This has affected their number of clients they get through their PCP program.

She is working with the hospital, Valley Wide, Mental Health and Adams State developing a huge grant and they have decided to address the issue of obesity. This is to make a difference in Medicaid and Medicare. They have asked for a full time Public Health Nurse under this grant. They won’t be hiring one it is just to pay for one of their nurses. One has already shared an interest in being a breast feeding consultant. This has been proven to prevent obesity. Adam State can train for a navigator/coach to help lose weight. They will be submitting a proposal for this. This grant is very competitive.

They have been doing some health education in the high school. All three Public Health nurses have taken turns.

They will be meeting with the principals and the superintendent to discuss CHAMP. They will discuss how they can make things better. They will be making some agreements to what they will responsible for and what the schools will be responsible for as well.
**Alamosa County Home Health**

They had a problem with their Home Health Supplies that weren’t tracked well. They purchased a scanner and put everything through their scanner that is in the storage. Now when someone takes anything they have to scan it and this way they know where the things are going.

Medicaid changes have been really hard. There is a new Medicare rule that if a person is admitted to the hospital and is readmitted again with the same diagnosis in the same month they will not get paid for that. We can really help with that.

The increase of minimum wage change they didn’t put this in the budget since they didn’t know they were going to do this. Commissioner Allen asked how many this will affect. Ms. Geiser stated some providers she will decrease hours to make up for the increase in pay.

She is looking to replace another Case Manager for Options for Long Term Care. They have right now 100 clients. They are not going to re-advertise because they just had applicants for a recent position so they are going to take someone from those applications.

**M/S Allen/Yohn motion to approve replacement of Options for Long Term Care**
**Motion was approved unanimously.**

**Alamosa County Road & Bridge**

Phil West was present. They are pouring cracks. They are building up on the 111 between Lane 8 and 10. Kyle with Caterpillar stated they can get training for their operators. When they got the machines they had someone come and train them on those a little bit. Commissioner Allen stated Gerald Ziegler has some material that they could use; it is already dug out. Commissioner Wilkinson stated Steve Burris had something also. It is probably all sand. Whatever it is they will take it stated Mr. West. Commissioner Wilkinson asked what hours they are working. Mr. West stated 8-4:30. The Commissioners want to get together to discuss what road projects they are going to do this year.

**Alamosa County Land Use**

Ken VanIwarden was present. He presented his Activities Report as followed:

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**County Interim Administrator Report**

Mark Garcia spoke. They are rescheduling the Department Head/Election Head Meeting for Tuesday, January 24th. He is working on the GIS/GPS Authority Agreement. They will be working on changing Juan Altamirano as Land Use Coordinator. He toured the Courthouse. He spoke with Judge Patty Swift about building a new Judicial Center. They are interested in the old Boyd School. He thinks it would be more costly to adapt it to their needs rather than starting from scratch especially with the county owning property.

**Board/Staff Updates**

Juan Altamirano spoke. They had a presentation to the Department of Interior. This was a discussion on introducing a SLV Regional Trail system along the Rio Grande corridor. Based on public comment received it was very positive. Everyone was on board to get a project like this going. They discussed possible funding within a 30-45 day period. If they could identify a scope of work and put out a RFP for a firm to develop a master plan for this 30-45 day period. They need to coordinate this with the SLV Commissioners Association. Commissioner Allen stated he has asked Deb Downs to be the facilitator for this. Charlotte Bobicki spoke that she believed Senator Bennet was awe struck at the attendance and how the community came together for this. He was impressed.

**Adjourn**

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

**ATTEST:**

Belina Ramirez, Administrative Secretary

Carol Osborn, Administrative Assistant

George Wilkinson, Chairman

Mike Yohn, Vice-Chair

Darius Allen, County Commissioner