

# ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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## REGULAR MEETING

May 5, 2020

LIVE AUDIO WILL BE AVAILABLE BY CALLING 1 (669) 900-6833.  
MEETING ID: 522 308 0487  
PASSWORD: 522

The Routt County Board of Health or Board of Commissioners may enter executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal advice related to specific legal questions concerning Routt County's COVID-19 response.

1. **10:30 A.M. CALL TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, MANUAL WARRANTS, AND PAYROLL**
3. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda to allow the Board of County Commissioners to spend its time and energy on more important items on a lengthy agenda. Any Commissioner may request that an item be "PULLED" from the consent agenda and considered separately. Any member of the public may "REQUEST" any item to be "PULLED" from the consent agenda.

**A. APPROVAL OF THE STATE HUMAN SERVICE ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$135,088.56 THROUGH FEBRUARY 2020.**

"Executive session may be requested under C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(c) for matters required to be kept confidential by federal or state laws, rules or regulations.

Citations: 10 CCR 2506-1, Colorado Rules & Regulations, Volume 4, Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, 4.050, C.R.S. 19-1-303 (1), and C.R.S. 19-1-307."

4. **CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**
5. **RIVER DISTRICT FUNDING**  
Discussion with Andy Mueller and Zane Kessler on River District Funding Issues

Documents:

[BCC AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS FORM WATER DISTRICT.PDF](#)

6. **COVID-19 WORK SESSION**

The Commissioners will address critical items for regular county and emergency operations related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Action may be taken and direction to staff may be given in relation to any of these items.

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## **7. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment will be heard on any item except quasi-judicial land use items. County Commissioners will take public comment under consideration but will not make any decision or take action at this time.

**1. DUE TO THE CURRENT PANDEMIC, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REQUEST CITIZENS ATTEND THE MEETINGS VIA PHONE.** Because public access to the Courthouse has been curtailed we request public comment be submitted in writing to [bcc@co.routt.co.us](mailto:bcc@co.routt.co.us). Public comments will be entered into the record. Please indicate in the subject line of your message that it is public comment and reference the agenda item to which it relates.

Documents:

[LETTER TO THE COMMISSIONERS.PDF](#)

## **8. 1:00 P.M. MEETING ADJOURNED**

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## AGENDA COMMUNICATION FORM

ITEM DATE: 05/05/2020	ITEM TIME: 11:10 a.m.

FROM:	Laurie DePaolo
TODAY'S DATE:	04/17/2020
AGENDA TITLE:	CRWCD Funding Issues

CHECK ONE THAT APPLIES TO YOUR ITEM:

ACTION ITEM

DIRECTION

INFORMATION

**I. DESCRIBE THE REQUEST OR ISSUE:**

Discussion with Andy Mueller and Zane Kessler on River District Funding Issues

**II. RECOMMENDED ACTION (*motion*):**

none

**III. DESCRIBE FISCAL IMPACTS (VARIATION TO BUDGET):**

PROPOSED REVENUE (*if applicable*):

CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT: \$0.00

PROPOSED EXPENDITURE:

FUNDING SOURCE:

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET NEEDED: YES NO

**IV. IMPACTS OF A REGIONAL NATURE OR ON OTHER JURISDICTIONS (IDENTIFY ANY COMMUNICATIONS ON THIS ITEM):**



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**V. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

**VI. LEGAL ISSUES:**

**VII. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:**

**VIII. SUMMARY AND OTHER OPTIONS:**

**IX. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS:** Supplemental Budget Request  
NONE

## COVID-19, Public Health and Individual Rights

“Thank You!” Routt County Commissioners and state officials for instituting protective measures including social distancing, business closures and mask use (in businesses and confined spaces). The evidence is now clear that masks protect both the public and the wearer (updated CDC recommendations); the experiences of other countries also show that masks combined with other measures are among our most effective actions.

Some individuals oppose mandatory health measures, citing economic impact and personal freedom. This is not new; since the earliest days of our republic, there has been tension between the individual freedom vs. the public good. For highly contagious lethal diseases, e.g. the 1901 smallpox epidemic and 1918 influenza, U.S. courts articulated a philosophy whereby individual liberty must take a temporary backseat to the public good, e.g., a US Supreme Court case (Jacobson versus Commonwealth of Massachusetts), which upheld the government’s right to use police powers and quarantine to manage epidemics. Current measures by our elected officials are in line with these wise precedents.

We strongly oppose any premature moves to reopen the economy and to eliminate enforcement of public health measures. We urge Commissioners to stay the course and protect both people and the future of the economy. Health policies must be driven by the science and the mathematics of pandemics, and not by those who feel inconvenienced or that their rights are infringed. Restrictions may be starting to work in Colorado, but the virus is far from eradicated, with plenty of reservoirs where the virus hides. Many infected individuals walk and work among us. Masks and other measures protect us. There will come a time when with adequate testing, contact tracing, and PPEs we will be able to gradually relax regulations, but that time has not yet come. The worst outcome for community health and for our economy would be for premature relaxation of the rules to result in a second COVID-19 wave (which the CDC says would inevitably occur, and already did in several countries), and which would result in more deaths, and a more extended shut down with prolonged restrictions on personal freedoms.

[The letter author, a physician-scientist, collaborated for many years with the Influenza Group at the CDC studying viruses that like Covid-19 cause Respiratory Distress Syndrome; cosigned by concerned Routt residents.]

Dave Lambeth MD, PhD

Melissa Hampton

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Mayling Simpson

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Paul Hebert

Joe Ghigla

Bill Latoza

Joanne Bauer

Jane Toothaker

Ben & Millie Beall

Nancy Porter

Nancy Schwanke

Tina Evans

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Lynn & Ira Dubinsky

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Dan Miller

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Diane R. Miller

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Marion Kahn

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Jean M. Whiddon

Mike & Hope Cook

Lynn Abbott

Jane Harris

Paula Cooper Black

Jenny Corrigan

Darrell & Louise Jansa

Dick & Lori Grant

Susan Richey

Libby Lukens

Meghan Lukens

Valerie-McLarrin-Clark and Steve Clark

Rodger & Leslie Steen

John Lanterman

Dorin Leigh Dougall MD

Jay Gallagher

Yvonne, Cory and Logan Truelove

David Ferry

Jodi & Jeremy Glaisher

Glenna and Tim Olmsted

Larry and Karen Desjardin

Deb Armstrong

Heather Gibbon

Brian & Laurie Edwards

Michael Abrahams

Mary Walker

Rob and Ellen Race

James De Francia

Matthew Kireker

Jonathan Harte, MD (Infectious Disease)

James Kissane

John Spezia & Diane Brower

Chris & Chan Young

Bob & Diane Capps

Leslie Lovejoy

Mary O'Brien

Catherine Carson

Marie Matta

Annette Seiler

Dan Hill

Karen Post

Denise Connelly

Jonathan Coles

Gretchen Donnan-Daley

Susan Collins & Jim Webster

Susan Mizen & Jeffry Troeger

Amy and Michael Stern

Linda Ferris

Judy McGinnis

Cat & Dan Schaffrick

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Millie Flanigan

Molly Wilson

Anne Mudgett

Mark Ensner

Sarah & Bob Woodmansee

Dona Steele

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Jim and Freddi Goodrich  
Hanni Schwanke  
Jay and Gail Fetcher  
James Klohr  
Linda Wright  
Avi Wortis  
Vanessa Woodford  
Susan Kelley  
Clay, Susan & Sam Ogden  
Patricia Moon  
Jon Quinn  
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Christopher & Suzy Godfrey  
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Stewart L Beall  
Ken & Audrey Kruse  
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The Kuelthau Family

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Dale Richey

Paulina Johnson

Gigi & Johnny Walker

Joanne & Stuart Churchill

Brian T. Kelly

Terry Huffington

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