

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS 1

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Morgan County Board of Social/Human Services
Minutes of Meeting
September 17, 2024

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The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met on Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 9:04 a.m. with Chairman Mark Arndt, Commissioner Jon Becker and Commissioner Gordon Westhoff in attendance. Chairman Arndt asked Morgan County Sheriff, Dave Martin to lead the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

At this time, the Board convened as the Morgan County Board of Social/Human Services. Arndt noted that Jacque Frenier, Morgan County Department of Human Services Director, and Accounting Manager Susan Nitzel were present.

Consideration of Approval –DHS Minutes dated August 20, 2024

Chairman Arndt presented for review and approval the Department of Human Services Minutes dated August 20, 2024. A motion was made by Commissioner Westhoff to approve the minutes as presented with Commissioner Becker seconding the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Consideration of Approval – DHS WARRANTS – July 2024

Susan Nitzel, Accounting Manager presented to the Board for their review and approval of the Department of Human Services Warrants for the month of July 2024. Ms. Nitzel summarized the operating warrants as being a total of \$933,911.21 for operating costs and direct deposits for payroll were \$206,547.42, which totaled \$1,140,458.63 Ms. Nitzel stated that from June to July there was an extra \$625,000 transferred back to the county as well as \$26,000 more in program costs and \$23,000 more in contracts.

Commissioner Becker made the motion to approve the warrants as presented for July 2024 in the amount of \$1,140,458.63 as presented and authorized the Chairman to sign with Commissioner Westhoff seconding the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Consideration of Approval – DHS CERTIFICATION OF PROVIDER AND VENDOR BENEFIT AUTHORIZATIONS – July 2024

Susan Nitzel, Accounting Manager presented to the Board for their review and approval the Department of Human Services Certification of Provider and Vendor Benefit Authorizations for July 2024. Ms. Nitzel summarized the Certification of Provider and Vendor Benefit Authorizations indicating the monthly total of \$1,476,031.59. Ms. Nitzel stated that from month to month there was an increase of \$532,000 with the majority of it in the school food stamps program of \$585,000. There was also a decrease of \$68,000 for in OAP due to a special payment. From last year, there was an increase of \$252,000 with the majority of the difference being in PEBT Food stamps. There was also an additional \$25,000 for foster care. Overall there was an increase of \$252,000 from last year.

Commissioner Becker asked if the school money was different last year. She noted that it was more split out throughout the year, last year. Chairman Arndt noted that the program was federal money that is basically a pass through.

Commissioner Westhoff made the motion to approve the Certification of Provider and Vendor Benefits as presented for July 2024 in the amount of \$1,476,031.59, as presented and authorized the Chairman to sign, with Commissioner Becker seconding the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Jacque Frenier, Morgan County Department of Human Services Director thanked the public for their patience with the parking lot situation. She also stated that the Low Energy Assistance Program will start soon with applications being available soon. She noted that the State Board of Human Services visited several locations and were very impressed. She noted that this was due to collaboration within the county.

There being no further business, the Board stood in recess at 9:08 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Strauch
Clerk to the Board

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MORGAN COUNTY, COLORADO**

s/ Mark A. Arndt
Mark A. Arndt, Chairman

s/ Jon J. Becker
Jon J. Becker, Commissioner

s/ Gordon H. Westhoff
Gordon H. Westhoff, Commissioner

s/ Jacque Frenier
Jacque Frenier, Human Services Director

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

s/ Kevin Strauch
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The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 9:12 a.m. Chairman Mark Arndt, Commissioner Jon Becker, and Commissioner Gordon Westhoff attended.

CITIZEN'S COMMENT

There was no citizen comment provided.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of meeting minutes dated September 10, 2024.
2. Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval on **Memorandum of Understanding 2024 MOU 004**, Northeaster Junior College, Term of Contract August 15, 2024 through August 14, 2025.
3. Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval on **Memorandum of Understanding 2024 MOU 005**, Banner Health, an Arizona nonprofit corporation, dba East Morgan County Hospital, Term of Contract August 21, 2024 through August 20, 2025.
4. Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of Request for **Waiver of Rental Fees for the City of Brush**, signed September 16, 2024.
5. Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of Request for **Waiver of Rental Fees for the City of Brush**, signed September 16, 2024.
6. Ratify Chairman Mark Arndt's signature on Colorado Liquor License Renewal Application for **10 G, Inc. dba Wayward Wind Liquor Store** signed September 4, 2024.
7. Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of **Contract Amendment 2023 CNT 113 AMD1 NE Colorado Cellular, Inc. dba Viaero Wireless**, Term of Contract August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025.
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9. Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of **Contract 2024 CNT 100 Centennial Mental Health Center, Inc.**, Term of Contract July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.
10. Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of **Contract 2024 CNT 103 Scott Brindisi dba Duck Down Masonry**, Term of Contract September 5, 2024 through December 31, 2024.
11. Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of **Contract 2024 CNT 104 The JAMAR Company**, Term of Contract September 5, 2024 through completion of scope of work.
12. Ratify Chairman Mark Arndt's signature on **Morgan County Public Trustee July 2024 – August 2024 Report**, signed September 16, 2024

At this time, Commissioner Becker made a motion to approve items 1-12 as presented; Commissioner Westhoff seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

GENERAL BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Consideration of Approval – Agreement of Exempt Entity to Make Payment in Lieu of Taxes, Parker Water and Sanitation District

Kathryn Sellars, Morgan County Attorney presented to the Board an Agreement of Exempt Entity to Make Payment in Lieu of Taxes for Parker Water and Sanitation District. Ms. Sellars noted that the district owns property in Morgan County and offered to make a payment because of their tax exempt status.

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Commissioner Arndt asked if the district was required to do this. Attorney Sellars noted that they did not and it is voluntary.

Commissioner Westhoff made a motion to approve Agreement of Exempt Entity to Make Payment in Lieu of Taxes, Parker Water and Sanitation District as presented by Kathryn Sellars, Morgan County Attorney. Commissioner Becker seconded the motion and motion carried 3-0.

Consideration of Approval – Bid Tabulation and Award, RFP 2024-0811-001 Morgan County Comprehensive Plan Update

Morgan County Planning Administrator, Nicole Hay, presented to the Board for approval Bid Tabulation and Award RFP 2024-0811-001 Morgan County Comprehensive Plan Update. Ms. Hay explained she received five bids, a bid from NJTT Consultancy in the amount of \$375,500.00, a bid from Houseal Lavigne in the amount of \$238,135.00, a bid from SCJ Alliance in the amount of \$99,964.49.00, a bid from Electra Johnson Design & Planning in the amount of \$130,000.00 and a bid from Y2 Consultants in the amount of \$249,960.61. Ms. Hay noted that these funds come from a DOLA grant.

At this time, Ms. Hay recommended the bid be awarded to SCJ Alliance, who was the lowest bidder in the amount of \$99,964.49 as well as their work with Montrose County who shares several similarities with Morgan County.

Chairman Arndt noted that Montrose County is considered Morgan County's "twin" and that SCJ helps to get citizens involved in processes. Commissioner Westhoff noted that he noticed that that SCJ works in Colorado and has experience.

Commissioner Becker made a motion to accept the Bid Tabulation and Award RFP 2024-0811-001 Morgan County Comprehensive Plan Update to SCJ Alliance in the amount of \$99,964.49, as recommended by Morgan County Planning Administrator, Nicole Hay, with Commissioner Westhoff seconding the motion. At this time motion carried 3-0.

COUNTY OFFICIAL AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Sheriff Dave Martin noted that there will be hurricane force winds this afternoon and that citizens should prepare accordingly.

Planning and Zoning Director, Nicole Hay noted that she is looking for volunteers for the planning and zoning board for the Eastern area (East of Dodd Bridge Road).

Clerk and Recorder, Kevin Strauch noted that the ballots have been programmed and sent to the printer. He also noted the success of the "I Voted Sticker" contest and encouraged everyone to vote.

Commissioners reviewed the calendar dated September 13, 2024 through September 24, 2024 without changes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Strauch
Clerk to the Board

(Minutes ratified October 1, 2024)

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MORGAN COUNTY, COLORADO

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s/ Jon J. Becker
Jon J. Becker, Commissioner

s/ Gordon H. Westhoff
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