

# Herald Times



Spring forward ...



Daylight Saving Time begins at 2 a.m. this Sunday, March 13. Set your clocks forward one hour Saturday night.

## County has more funds in reserve than in several years

By JENNIFER HILL  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** At the start of March, the Rio Blanco County Board of Commissioners, comprised of Shawn Bolton, Jeff Eskelson and Jon Hill, announced that the account balance in the Rio Blanco County Capital Improvement Trust Fund is at its highest level since 1983, with \$19.9 million in the account.

The commissioners said they

expect the account will hit the \$20 million mark by early May.

The County Capital Improvement Trust Fund was created in 1982 with a deposit of \$20 million, given to the county by Federal Mineral Leasing receipts, provided to the county by the State of Colorado through the Oil Shale Trust Fund. The bulk of the interest generated from the account is given annually as grants to local taxing districts such as the schools or hospitals for capital improvement

needs.

In 2015, Rio Blanco County earned \$103,388 in interest and gave out \$102,784 in grants to entities including the Rangely and Meeker schools and to the town governments in Meeker and Rangely.

Commissioner Hill cautions that approximately \$2 million of the account is tied to a contingency plan for the Justice

Center, should grants promised by the state Department of Local Affairs not come through.

However, he describes that as an “unlikely scenario, because the state wants to see this project succeed,” and he said that even if that money were needed it would be replaced in the account within several month’s time.



According to Commissioner Shawn Bolton, the county had to make a conscious decision to revive the fund balance despite undertaking several large capital improvement plans, including county-wide Internet broadband access and remodeling the new county Justice Center.

Bolton said the commissioners accomplished this by putting “every penny of our severance tax dollars, every year, into the account.”

Commissioner Jeff Eskelson is proud that the county was able to fully restore the trust fund.

In addition to providing the local districts with more grant money benefiting the communities it “leaves us with a ‘just in case’ fund so we can protect our other funds should something happen.”

“We had the intention of raising that balance once we were elected,” Eskelson said. “We knew it was important.”

### BRIEF BLIZZARD...



SEAN MCMAHON

It took about 30 minutes for heavy snow to blanket Meeker on Monday morning before it warmed up and started to melt. The snow fell until about 1 p.m., but the warm temperatures were melting the snow faster than it was falling. Monday’s snow was the first major snow storm in roughly three weeks.

## Woodruff is frustrated with county commission, wants to be more open

By JENNIFER HILL  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Former Rio Blanco Sheriff Si Woodruff will be challenging incumbent Rio Blanco County Commissioner Jeff Eskelson for primary ballot access at the Republican County Assembly on Saturday.

Each candidate will need to receive at least 30 percent of the 55 delegate votes available to appear on the June primary ballot.

Woodruff expressed frustration with the current board of commissioners as a key factor in his decision to run.

“I think I can represent the people of this county how they want to be represented,” he said. “The commissioners we have seated now don’t act and respond to the public as elected officials. As commissioners, they need to communicate with the people, including the employees.

“Commissioners can and should be on different boards, but they need first and foremost to respond to the public who elected them,” Woodruff said. “Boards and meetings are neces-

sary if something is truly accomplished.”

Woodruff sites budgetary items he believes the commissioners have not completely discussed with the public.

“An example is the commissioners having trailer parking spaces installed at the fairgrounds,” he said. “Isn’t this competing with the local trailer parks?”

“Again, the commissioners need to communicate with the public,” Woodruff said. “How about let’s get off the race track and regroup after we complete these projects—the justice center, the courthouse, the social service building in Rangely and broadband?”

If elected, Woodruff describes a theme of maintaining current assets.

“I will maintain the infrastructure we have in place such as roads, buildings, equipment, services and employees,” he said.

“They also need to keep the employees informed, so they don’t have to read in the newspaper when their offices will be removed from the courthouse for the remodel, which happened. By all means attempt to



Si Woodruff

keep the public informed and if this means paying for newspaper space to explain what’s taking place, then we should do so.”

“We have the funds to hopefully maintain our infrastructure during these hard times if we spend wisely and don’t attempt to purchase our way into prosperity,” Woodruff said. “I’m for economic development, but decisions should be based on facts. We’re not buying blue sky.

“During the ‘80s, we hoped Lyn Mar Tool Co. would help Meeker,” he said. “Unfortunately, it didn’t; then it was a spa tub company. Again, unfortunately, it didn’t happen either.

“Although the intent was fantastic, the businesses couldn’t make it,” Woodruff said. “Let’s protect what we

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## Jon Hill wants to stay the course with county; Rector offers a choice

By REED KELLEY  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** In October 2015, by way of a letter to the editor, Rio Blanco County District 2 (West End) Commissioner Jon Hill announced his intentions to run for re-election this year.

Hill said last week that he is now quite anxious to see to completion the various projects that he has been involved in with the county.

Hill said that when he ran four years ago he didn’t see much need to change what the previous commissioners (he followed then-Commissioner Ken Parsons into office) had been doing.

Hill also said he never imagined getting into some of the work the commission has been doing lately.

He said he wants to enjoy the opening of the new Rio Blanco County Justice Center, carry through on the long-sought renewal of the County Courthouse and continue to pursue the build-out of the county



Jon Hill

broadband deployment.

Of everything he’s overseen as a commissioner, Hill says he’s proudest of their broadband project. Rio Blanco has become a leader in the state on providing rural broadband connection to its towns and rural residents.

He’s also enthusiastic about the work the county has pursued with Better City, LLC consulting to develop further economic development in Rangely, Meeker and the county as a whole.

Hill said it’s hard to predict what may happen over the next four years. He hopes that the county won’t stagnate economically and that the groundwork the county has laid through Better City LLC will pay off through diversifying and



Jeff Rector

improving the business climate for all parts of the county.

As for the challenge Hill is facing from Rangely’s Jeff Rector, Hill says he was surprised as he didn’t know about Rector’s decision to enter the race until Monday afternoon, one day prior to the Republican Party caucuses last week.

He pledged a calm, simple campaign that he hopes will properly reflect the person he is.

“Don’t expect the rancor and excitement we’re seeing on the national level,” Hill promised.

Rector said he doesn’t want to comment much and make a big deal of his challenge to Hill until he finds out

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## Eskelson wants to complete what county commissioners have started

By JENNIFER HILL  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** On Saturday, Republican delegates from across the county will gather in Rangely to vote on which or if both of the candidates for county commissioner from District 3 will gain access to the primary ballot in June.

Incumbent Commissioner Jeff Eskelson will be seeking re-election and has been challenged by former Sheriff Si Woodruff.

Eskelson says he’s hoping to continue serving the county as commissioner to finish what the board has been working towards.

“The current board of county commissioners has implemented business-friendly policies and procedures to assist, rather than hinder, any individual needing services from Rio Blanco County,” Eskelson said. “We, as a team, along with our great county employees have developed and implemented unprecedented strategies solving rural broadband issues. We have also made great strides in tackling the amorphous and difficult task of trying to level the economic

highs and lows of being an energy extraction-dependent county.

“These projects and relationships all take a tremendous amount of time and energy to implement,” he said. “Put simply, I want to finish what we’ve started.”

Eskelson credits the cohesiveness and hard work of the current board for the success they’ve seen.

“As a team, we have better, more in-depth state and federal representation than at any time in the county’s history,” he said. “We have sought and acquired more than \$10.8 million in additional project funding just from the (state) Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) alone. These are dollars that would not have been introduced to this county without diligence, great external relationships and hard work.”

Eskelson also gives credit to partnerships with the private sector.

“We have completed a land use rewrite from top to bottom,” he said. “During this process, WPX Energy was a partner both financially in supplying a well-qualified consultant, but also in developing policies that help rather than hinder business



Jeff Eskelson

while protecting the constituents to the best of our ability.

“And we are not just statewide but nationwide leaders in solving the rural broadband issues, as well as developing leading edge economic development strategies,” he said.

Eskelson said he is excited about what the future may hold for Rio Blanco County, and he believes that the broadband project will play a large role in county growth.

“I see continued growth of our non-petroleum job base not only with up-to-date broadband, but with increased outdoor recreation opportunities as well as creating an identity attracting small, more lively manufacturing companies to move here and capitalize on the ready-made branding we have for all things out-

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■ **Science Friday with Doc Bob.** Fridays from 10-11 a.m. at the Meeker Public Library.

■ **Holy Family Catholic Church's annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner** on Sunday, March 13. Come enjoy a chicken/turkey and homemade noodle dinner complete with all the fixings from 3:30-6 p.m. at the Fairfield Center. Scrumptious pies and cakes to be auctioned!

■ **The Meeker Arts and Cultural Council** will meet on Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the Old West Heritage Culture Center at 517 Park St. in Meeker. MACC now shares offices with the Heritage Cultural Center and is participating in the economic development projects available through heritage and agri-tourism, which are among the top economic development engines in Colorado. Meeting topics will

include Meekerpalooza and summer performing arts events.

■ **The Meeker Library Book Club** meets at 1 p.m. the second Monday of each month (excluding holidays). The next meeting will be March 14. We will be discussing "Calling Me Home" by Julie Kibler. All interested readers are welcome. Stop by the Meeker Library for details.

■ **Garden Workshop #1,** 6:15-7:30 p.m. at the Meeker Recreation Center March 14. Gardeners 8 years old and older are invited to attend these informative meetings to get a jump start on their 2016 gardens! 970-878-3403.

■ **Children's Story Hour.** Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Meeker Public Library.

■ **Quilting Group.** Tuesday evenings 6-9 p.m. at the Parker Mall. Bring your sewing machine and project.

■ **St. Patrick's Pool Parties.** Join us throughout the day March 18 for a variety of different pool parties for all youth. Call 970-878-3403 or visit [www.meekerrecdistrict.com](http://www.meekerrecdistrict.com) for more information.

■ **4-H Movie Night** on Wednesday, March 30 at 6 p.m. in the 4-H Building.

Scholarships now available for Rangely small business owners

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY** I Rio Blanco County, the Town of Rangely, private investors and Rangely Chamber of Commerce are offering scholarships for business owners interested in attending an intensive workshop to help small business owners transform their businesses and their community into a destination location.

Scholarship applications are due March 14.

Business owners will attend the Jon Schallert Destination Bootcamp Community Reinvention Program, based in Longmont, from April 19-21.

Information on the program can be found at [www.jonschallert.com](http://www.jonschallert.com), and scholarship applications are available by contacting Katelin Cook, Rio Blanco County economic development coordinator, by phone at 970-878-9474 or by email: [katelin.cook@rbc.us](mailto:katelin.cook@rbc.us).

BENEFIT FOR BUFORD SCHOOL ...



The Buford School, located just south of the town of Buford along County Road 17, which turns right off County Road 8 at Lake Avery, will be the benefactor of the 12th annual Buy-Fly Fishing Tournament, set for Saturday and Sunday. Funds raised at the June annual Buford School Fish Fry will be caught this weekend as 12 teams compete for prizes for the biggest fillets and biggest fish. One of the teams will be from Project Healing Waters of Grand Junction, a four-member team of special-needs military veterans.

SEAN MCMAHON

Buford School benefit fly-fish tourney this weekend

By SEAN MCMAHON  
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**MEEKER** I The 12th annual Buy-Fly Fishing Tournament will be held Saturday and Sunday to catch the fish that will be used in June to benefit the Buford School through the annual Buford School Fish Fry.

Buford School dates back to May 5, 1889, and served the towns of Buford, Elk Creek and Marvine. Today it stands a short distance off County Road 8, along County Road 17, not far from the Lake Avery turnoff, and is located just south of the town of Buford.

In 1961, folks from the community formed the White River Community Association, which continues to host the fishing tournament and to be the caretakers of the Buford School.

In 2005, members of the association decided to host a buy-fly fishing tournament, focusing on white fish in the White River. The fish caught provide the main dish for the club's annu-

al fish fry, which has three purposes: raise money for the upkeep of the historic Buford School, secure the white fish for the annual community fish fry in June; and provide a fun, competitive opportunity for the community.

Mark Scritchfield initiated the plans and worked with the group to put on the inaugural tournament.

There is only room for 12 teams to compete, so entrants are urged to sign up quickly.

As of Monday, there were already teams signed up from New Mexico, Nebraska, Colorado's Front Range and other areas of Colorado.

Also this year, a team of military war veterans from Project Healing Waters out of Grand Junction will be taking part, and they are being sponsored by Mountain Valley Bank.

The cost is \$400 per team, payable upon submission of the entry form, and there is a maximum of four persons on a team for the two-day event. The entry fee entitles fishermen to use two personal flies of choice per day with the

option to purchase the use of a third fly or a fourth fly for \$25 each, each day.

The two-day event this year will be Saturday and Sunday. Hours will run from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Check-in for teams and judges will be Saturday at 7 a.m. at the Buford School. On Sunday contestants will meet at the teams' fishing holes.

First- through third-place prizes will be awarded. First-place prize is Tenkara handmade fishing rods, second-place prize is backpacks fully loaded with fishing supplies and third-place prize is backpacks.

An individual prize will also be awarded for largest fish. While prizes overall are based on the total weight of the white fish fillets caught for a two-day total, the individual award for largest fish will go to the person with the heaviest fish, which must be weighed in before being filleted. All fillets will become

the property of the association for use in the June fish fry. Each team will have a judge with them.

Lunch will be provided on Saturday, and there will be a chili dinner on Sunday, immediately following the weigh-in along with the awarding of the top prizes.

Rain, snow or sunshine, the anglers will set out to catch the area's famous white fish. The fishermen will fillet their catch each day and bring them in for weighing and give them to WRCA members for freezing.

For more information contact Boots Campbell at 970-878-5677 or Dee Weiss at 970-878-0955.

WRCA president is Tony Weiss, vice president is Randy Forrest, Boots Campbell is secretary/treasurer and Dee Weiss is historian.

"We are really looking forward to this year's competition," Weiss said. "We are looking forward to the Project Healing Waters team taking part and we are looking forward to all of our anglers bringing in at least 200 pounds of fish for the fry."

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# Former state senator Al White wants to return to Senate seat

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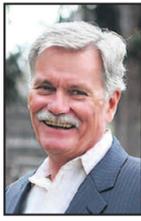
**RBC I** Former state senator Al White, an Independent, announced his intention to again represent Northwest Colorado in Senate District 8. If successful, White would be the first candidate registered as an Independent to ever win a seat in the state legislature.

White has always been viewed by his Capitol colleagues as a maverick. Regardless of his past legislative history, nobody saw last week's announcement coming.

White will be facing incumbent Randy Baumgardner, and Democratic challenger Emily Tracy.

White will be inducted into the Tourism Hall of Fame on March 9 after directing Colorado's Office of Tourism for the past five years. During his tenure, White managed his knowledge of running small businesses in Winter Park and 11 years serving Northwest Colorado in the Legislature. As tourism director, Colorado had more than one million tourists visits in 2014, which earned \$18.6 billion for the state, an all-time annual high. This also enabled the tourism industry to hire and retain new employees, fostering an estimated 155,000 jobs.

White said he has been receiving calls from supporters throughout Colorado urging him to consider a



Al White

run against incumbent, Randy Baumgardner (R). White reaffirmed that fact.

"I have been urged by supporters throughout Senate District 8 to run for my old seat," he said. "All of these folks worked closely with me during my time in the state House and state Senate. Over the past several months, I have realized many residents feel it is time for me to continue my public service."

In the Tourism Hall of Fame statement released Jan. 4, White is referred to as Colorado's "Reverend of Tourism." The release also mentions White's time in the State Senate.

"As a member of the Joint Budget Committee, he worked diligently to protect the tourism office's budget" and went on to proclaim, "No figure in the 21st Century has been more associated with Colorado tourism than Al White."

On Thursday, White said, "It is time we all look past party labels and ideologies. Instead of being forced by partisan leadership to vote in lock step with a specific party, our district deserves a senator that will vote on

each bill based solely on its merit.

"I know that without establishment support from the two major parties, a win will be unprecedented," he said. "That said, Senate District 8 is too important for me to not put up a fight. I can no longer let my family and the good people of my home district be poorly represented in the Senate. This is why I intend to bring a truly independent voice to our State Capitol."

White served Northwest Colorado in the House and Senate from 2001 to 2011. In addition to tourism-related initiatives, he has been part of legislation regarding coal mining and coal-fired electrical generation, environmental issues, oil and gas extraction, rural education, water law, job and housing development.

# Returning money flow to Rangely has Dillon running for council

By JENNIFER HILL  
Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** James Dillon, a 2004 Rangely High School graduate, is one of the 10 candidates running for one of the three open spots on the Rangely Town Council.

Dillon, who moved to Rangely from Chicago as a teenager, says he decided to run in hopes of serving the town.

"I figured I should try and do something to serve Rangely, so I am taking a crack at it," Dillon said.

Dillon, who earned a bachelor's degree in economics, said he wants to see diversification within the local economy.

"My overriding purpose, were



James Dillon

I elected to the town council, would be to get money flowing back into Rangely," Dillon said. "We're definitely hurting with what has happened to oil prices and the animus our government—

both in Denver and in Washington—seems to have towards the energy sector, and while I think that Rangely is an oil and gas and coal town through and through, we do have other means by which to help keep the economy afloat."

Dillon said he would describe himself as a fast learner, and he believes he can bring several personal attributes to the table.

"I try to be as even-handed and informed as possible when I make a decision," he said.

Dillon currently works at Rangely District Hospital as an electronic health records specialist and is studying information security and database programming with plans to get his associates degree in health information management.

His wife is also employed by Rangely District Hospital and they have a 15-month-old daughter.

Voters will get to make their choices for three of the 10 candidates in the Rangely Town Council election next month.

# CNCC Student Government hosts first juried art show

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** The Colorado Northwestern Community College Student Government will be sponsoring its inaugural juried art show at the Craig campus in April.

The Mountain Art Show will become a yearly showing of art created by students and artists in Northwest Colorado with separate categories for both groups. Each artist has the choice of submitting a two-dimensional piece such as paintings, photography, drawings or three-dimensional pieces such as pottery. Artists may also submit into both categories.

The Mountain Art Show will be juried by faculty, staff and students with prizes amounting to \$500. Beyond the prize money, this is a chance for new artists, such as students, to show their work and gain valuable experience in promoting their pieces.

CNCC students will be able to submit their art without the entrance fee and be able to compete in their own categories separate of non-students.

Artists from around Northwest Colorado will be able to submit their art for \$35 a piece with a maximum of three submissions, and compete

for prizes and recognition in their own categories.

CNCC Student Government at the Craig campus created this project to highlight and contribute to the world-class art that is currently on display.

Jennifer Holloway, co-advisor to Student Government, noted that this art show gives up-and-coming artists the chance to showcase their art and help build confidence for student artists.

The Mountain Art Show will have three awards for students and for Northwest Colorado artists, topping out at a \$500 prize.

A best-in-show award will go to the best artist in the entire show. Submissions are due on April 4, and information can be found on the CNCC website about how to submit your pieces.

An inaugural opening event will be held April 18 at the CNCC Craig campus, where the winners will be announced. The art will be on display for an entire year, and new submissions will take its place.

For more information on the Mountain Art Show please contact Jennifer Holloway at jennifer.holloway@cncc.edu or Kirstie McPherson at kirstie.mcpherson@cncc.edu

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FROM MY WINDOW...

Monday's snow was welcome; Thanks, Peyton! Open the ballot...

By SEAN McMAHON  
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Got up at 6 a.m. on Monday morning. At 7:20, I looked out the window and it was overcast, but that was all. By 7:21, there were light flurries. By 7:23, it was a blizzard at my house.

By 7:50, there was an inch and a half of snow on the back porch.

"It's back!" was all that was on my mind.

We had a heck of a winter beginning in November up until the second week of February. Then it stopped.

The sun came out, the winds were blowing, particularly in the high country and actually the 16-foot drifts worked their way down to about three or four feet in Meeker and Rangely. It was like a late Christmas present or early spring.

But we all down deep knew it wasn't going to last.

One couldn't help but wonder what happened to the El Niño forecast to inundate us with snow during February, March and April, but at least for the past couple of weeks, it has pretty much left us alone—until Monday morning.

The warmer weather has done a serious job on the snow/precipitation levels around the valleys in Rio Blanco County, but, more importantly, on the high mountain peaks in the area.

Just as an example of what has happened in a 27-day period, the Natural Resources Conservation Service reported that Buffalo Mountain, one of the relevant snow-fall stations to our area, reported a snow depth of 52 inches on Feb. 7, and by March 5, that depth had decreased to 38 inches.

I hate to say it out loud, but we do need the precipitation.

Monday's storm, and it is still snowing as I edit this in the afternoon, is not expected to be major, although my telephone tells me it should be snowing until 5 p.m.

today, which could bring a fair amount of snow. But hopefully the higher mountains will receive a good dumping because, again, my phone tells me we won't see any more snow until at least Tuesday.



I don't think anyone wants to see a repeat of the all the snow we had from November through mid-February, but hopefully we will have a good snow depth rebuild in the mountains, just not to the level of the 14-foot drifts and snow piles in downtown Meeker and Rangely.

Let's just hope for a good amount of snow and enough that the mountains will have a good runoff, that the forage stays good for the critters in the forests and that fire danger stays low.

Saturday is Assembly Day for the Democrats and Republicans in Rio Blanco County, with the Republicans meeting in Rangely and the Democrats meeting in Meeker.

Two races seem to stand out, and they are intra-party issues between the Republicans in the county commissioner races. Former Rio Blanco County sheriff Si Woodruff is challenging incumbent Jeff Eskelson in the Meeker district and Rangely businessman and family pioneer Jeff Rector is challenging incumbent Jon Hill in the Rangely district. It is Republican vs Republican.

One of the unique things about this election is that even though the commissioners represent certain areas, all county voters can vote for both commissioner positions in the general election.

Anyway, the GOP Assembly will decide which one of or if both candidates for both races will actually make it onto the June primary ballot, when, if things stay the same, will decide who the next commissioners

are because there are no Democratic candidates.

Therefore, without any opposition, and supposing that both candidates in both races make it onto the ballot, the winners of the GOP primary will be the next commissioners.

The question remaining is whether both candidates will make the primary ballot in each race.

The bet here is that they will.

The hope here is that they will.

Despite the differences between the candidates, particularly in the Woodruff-Eskelson race, it is only right that both sets of candidates get on to the ballot so that at least all the Republicans in the county can decide who will be the next commissioners instead of having just a couple hands full of delegates deciding for the rest of the party.

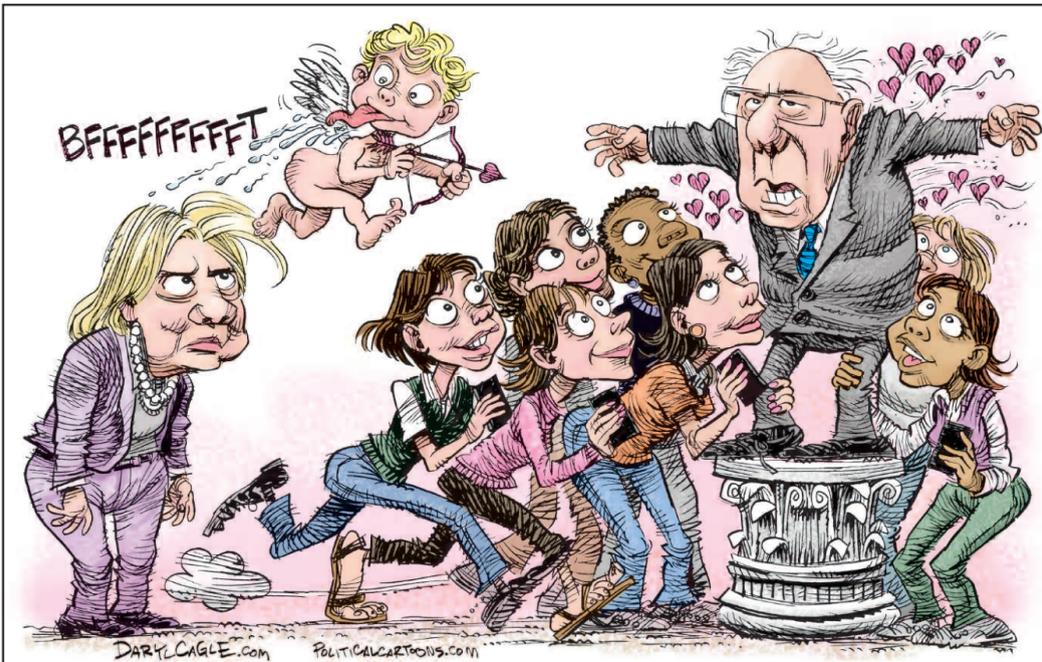
Who will be the best candidates come election time?

Yes I care; yes I have a preference; no I am not a Republican so I am not going to say. That is for them to decide.

There are certainly pluses for both sides of both races. All four of the candidates are intelligent and caring and want to see Rio Blanco County thrive. All four seem to have the future of Rio Blanco County foremost in their minds.

There are also questions regarding the candidates and whether they are the persons that can really lead us forward.

The only stated position I will offer is: If you like the way the county is headed and what the commissioners have done in the past four years, then you should vote for



Eskelson and Hill. If you don't like what they have done or even how they did what they have done over the past four years, one should vote for Woodruff and Rector.

Eighteen years, and No. 18 is now gone.

Peyton Manning formally called it quits on Monday morning.

Four years in Denver, four AFC West Division championships and one Super Bowl. Those accomplishments are pretty good in a four-year career. And that is just in Denver.

More than 70 individual records and more touchdown passes, more passing yards and several team records to boot, Manning has performed during his career like no other in the past in most cases.

He will be missed. He had a career of highs. He had some games of incredible lows as well.

But he leaves the Denver Broncos and an incredible career behind him, leaving as the reigning Super Bowl champions.

Congratulations, Peyton, and thanks for a great career and a lot of

wonderful memories for Colts fans and for Denver Bronco fans.

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell said, "Peyton Manning's extraordinary career was driven by his talent, an incredible work ethic and an unwavering desire to be the best."

Well said. Good luck, Peyton.

We want your news.

It is often the little things that mean so much, and it is and has been the desire of the *Herald Times* to report the big things, of course, but also the little things.

That is why we have started up a Community Calendar on Page 2A of the *Herald Times*.

We would like to be the go-to place in Rio Blanco County to find out the big and little things going on, and we are doing the newspaper and the communities a favor by including this information.

Whether you have a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous, a meeting of the Republican or Democratic men and women, a meeting of a church group or some other commu-

nity-minded organization or some special bake sale or car wash, we would like to know about it and include it weekly in our Community Calendar.

If your choir is meeting, your snowmobile or off-road group is getting together or if you are having a field trip of some kind and the public is invited to be there at the event or meeting, we want to know.

We want to help get the word out to people who may be looking for something to do or somewhere to go and, therefore, possibly help these different organizations and groups to grow.

We would request that you email "calendar@theheraldtimes.com" by 5 p.m. Mondays with the name of the group, the day, time and location of the meeting, and perhaps a few words about the organization or what is on the agenda.

The calendar is published on Page 2A in each edition of the *Rio Blanco Herald Times*, and this is the place to put a free notice of the fact you are meeting and what your group is doing.

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# West states react strongly to stay of Clean Power Plan

By ELIZABETH SHOGREN  
HIGH COUNTRY NEWS  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Arizona's air pollution agency had planned a full schedule for its meeting Feb. 16 on President Obama's Clean Power Plan. Environmentalists, electric companies and others were gathering to discuss how the state should reduce greenhouse gases from its electricity sector.

But that agenda was jettisoned on the Tuesday evening before, when the U.S. Supreme Court made the extraordinary decision to stay the rule. Instead, "the Supreme Court stay (became) the central issue," said Eric Massey, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality's air quality division director. "Wow, this was not expected."

States across the West reacted abruptly to the surprising news that the federal rule was now on hold. While some cancelled efforts to devise state plans, others vowed to keep working. More than a dozen states (including Utah, Arizona, Wyoming, Montana and Colorado) and industries asked for the stay after a lower court had rejected a

request to stay the rule and scheduled arguments for June.

The Clean Power Plan, which seeks to reduce emissions from electricity generation by 32 percent by 2030, is the cornerstone of President Obama's effort to fight climate change. It was also the centerpiece of the U.S. commitment to reduce greenhouse gases that helped Obama lead the world to a new international climate agreement in Paris in December.

The courts' final say on the power plant rule likely will not come until a new president sits in the White House. But in the meantime, states' reactions varied widely. States with Democratic governors were more likely to commit to climate action and continue working on the rule, while states with Republican governors were more apt to ditch their efforts.

In Colorado, the Department of Public Health and Environment announced it would push forward to develop a blueprint for greenhouse gas reduction to "ensure that the state is not left at a disadvantage if the courts uphold all or part of the Clean Power Plan."

But Colorado Attorney General

Cynthia Coffman opposes the rule and was one of the officials from 29 states that had asked the Supreme Court for the stay. She said the decision shows the high court agrees with her that the "federal government is ignoring the limits on its own power."

In California, Gov. Jerry Brown, a Democrat, tweeted his disapproval of the high court's 5-4 ruling: "As the world gets hotter, these justices appear tone-deaf."

California laws compel action, including a 2015 law requiring that half of the state's electricity come from renewable power by 2030.

"California will not slow down our drive for clean air, renewable energy and the good jobs that come from investing in green technologies," said Mary Nichols, who chairs California's Air Resources Board.

Washington Gov. Jay Inslee, a Democrat, said his state is already suffering from the impacts of climate change, such as reduced snowpack and ocean acidification, and "cannot afford to wait any longer for federal action." And in Oregon, a committee of the state Legislature approved a bill that if adopted would double the state's renewable energy supply.

"There's a lot that's happening already outside of the Clean Power Plan," former Colorado Gov. Bill Ritter told High Country News. Ritter has been convening meetings of governors and utilities from across the West to help them understand and implement the Clean Power Plan.

But Ritter conceded that the Supreme Court decision takes the wind out of the sails of his multi-state effort that had brought opponents and supporters of the rule together. He expected to cancel a meeting planned for next month. He also predicted that all work on implementing the Clean Power Plan will stop in most Western states,

including Montana, Wyoming and Utah.

Montana Gov. Steve Bullock, a Democrat, announced he was putting the Clean Power Plan on hold because he thinks it's unfair to his state. But Bullock vowed to work to address climate change and shift to cleaner energy "on our own terms."

Utah announced it is suspending its sessions with stakeholders and cancelling three meetings planned for this spring. Wyoming said it would focus the energies of its Department of Environmental Quality elsewhere.

Idaho, which doesn't have any coal-fired power plants, wasn't required to make big reductions under the rule. But the state imports a lot of electricity from coal-fired power plants in other states, and state officials recently had been busy trying to assess the implication of the Clean Power Plan for that imported power.

"This rule is complex. It involves coordination among agencies that haven't had to work together," said Carl Brown, Idaho's air quality rules coordinator. "We'll do our best to go forward, but this is definitely a delay."

At its meeting on Wednesday, the Arizona agency got all kinds of feedback. Some utility representatives pushed the agency to stop all work, while some environmentalists urged it to continue full steam ahead. Although Massey said meetings with stakeholders will continue for now, he predicted the state likely will hold off on making decisions on the shape of its plan until after the

lower court and the Supreme Court rule.

"We have no long-term strategy at this time," Massey added.

Harvard law professor Jody Freeman, who worked in the White House early in the Obama presidency, advised states to keep working on their plans "so they're not behind the eight ball" if the courts uphold the rule.

She said that opponents to the rule are forecasting that the Supreme Court will eventually reject it because it's nearly unprecedented for the court to stay a federal regula-

tion when no court has yet ruled on its legality. But she said that's a premature conclusion, because no court has heard arguments.

If the Supreme Court does eventually reject the rule, she said it again will fall to Congress to deal with climate change.

"That's why the election is so important; it's not just the president but the Senate and all the rest," she said.

Elizabeth Shogren is HCN's DC Correspondent.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Good job done on Justice Center

Dear Editor:

I have lived in Meeker for 38 years and taught at the Meeker Elementary School for 28 years. I just want to say that the design of the new Rio Blanco County Justice Center, especially the original school, is well designed to serve the public for many years to come with comfortable, spacious, well lit courtrooms and offices.

The original part of the school is making history again, not as an educational center for children but a safe, welcoming place where we can observe, participate in or get help to navigate the justice system.

Many regulations (safety, structural, materials, etc.) are required in repurposing of any historical building, especially one over 75 years old.

I feel the Justice Center design—both inside and outside—was nicely done and will serve the people of Rio Blanco County for years to come.

The dispatch employees and others working in the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Department have to be over-

joyed with working in this building with windows and spacious rooms for offices and meetings.

The detention center has only the basics—food, clothes and shelter. There are no luxury items there, but superior safety features for the inmates, employees and the community.

I do feel sorry for the people who live behind the building who lost their view of Meeker, but I feel the fenced, two-block commons area in front of the courthouse and Justice Center will bring many enjoyable activities for all ages to the downtown area.

Thanks, Rio Blanco County, for saving a part of our history, helping our local economy during the construction, staying within the budget, completing it on time, installing energy-efficient heating, cooling and lighting and restoring historic buildings to be used for future generations.

Janet Clark  
Meeker

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*Love the LORD thy God (3)*

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**THOU shalt love the LORD thy God. . . . And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children . . . (Deut. 6:5-7).** Love is not just an attitude, but also an action. It involves not only profession, but also proof. Our text, therefore, includes not only the meaning and magnitude of our love for God, but one more principle as well.

Third, the mandate of our love. We see here two critical directives that should flow from a true love for God:

(1) We constantly remind ourselves of these truths. God again emphasizes that **His words . . . shall be in [our] heart.** As before, the Hebrew behind heart (*lēbāh*), refers figuratively to the entire inner person and personality. How short memory can be sometimes! We are reminded, therefore, of Shakespeare's words concerning King Hamlet's death, "The memory be green," that is, the memory is still recent, still fresh. We do, indeed, need to keep the memory green, to prevent these things from turning brown and withering away with age.

(2) We continually **teach** these truths **diligently unto [our] children.** In a way, it is sad that parents drifted away from catechizing their children. This was standard, for example, among the Puritans. Matthew Henry wrote that not only would reading Scripture and "other good books contribute very much to family instruction" but also added: "You must also catechize your children and household. Let them learn some good catechism by heart, and keep it in remembrance; and by familiar discourse with them help them to understand it, as they become ca-

pable. It is an excellent method of catechizing, which God himself directs us to (Deut. 6:7)." As verse 7 goes on to say, teaching continues throughout the day.

Whichever method we use, however, it is critical that we **teach** our children the Truth, "for the church in the house is the nursery in which the trees of righteousness are reared," Henry went on to encourage. **Thou shalt teach them diligently** translates a single word in the Hebrew (*shānan*), "to sharpen or whet," which literally refers to sharpening swords and arrows (Deut. 32:41; Isa. 5:28) and so figuratively pictures either whetting or sharpening the words themselves as we apply them or using the words to sharpen our children, either of which is adequate. Just as words are chiseled into a stone tablet, so must God's Word be carved into the very hearts of our children. The world, the flesh, and the Devil will do all they can to fashion our children into the image of false gods, so we must be all the more diligent in shaping them into the image of Christ.

It is also worthy of note that verses 4-9 are known as the *Shema* ("hear") and were recited twice daily (morning and evening) as a creed by devout Jews. We would do well to imitate that.

**Scriptures for Study:** What do the following verses say about teaching our children: Deuteronomy 4:9; Psalm 78:4-6; Ephesians 6:4?

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## WOODRUFF: Experience counts

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have, then move forward.

"In the 1980s, we survived by cutting budgets, capital expenses and still served the public," he said. "We always balanced the budgets. Many people believe this could be much worse than the '80s, and, thanks to the forethought of previous elected officials, we have some serious funding to use if necessary."

Woodruff has been employed with the various law enforcements within the county and town of Meeker since 1977.

"I may have never been a commissioner, but they hadn't been either, nor were they a patrolman, a chief of police or sheriff," he said. "I'm accus-

tomed to working with town and county attorneys as we pay them for advice and to protect the county. The commissioners should listen and follow the instructions."

Delegates chosen from each of the Rio Blanco precincts will make their choice on Saturday. Should each candidate receive the minimum 30 percent of votes, they would each appear on the ballot, leaving the decision up to the county Republicans in the June primary since there are no Democrat challengers.

If candidates receive more than 10 percent of the vote but less than 30, they will still have the option of completing a petition process to get on the ballot.

## OBITUARIES

### Catherine Ann Thunder Eagle

Oct. 6, 1958~Feb. 29, 2016

Catherine Ann Thunder Eagle of Meeker died Monday, Feb. 29, 2016, in Grand Junction, Colo. She was born Oct. 6, 1958. She was a homemaker and wonderful mother.

Catherine is survived by: her husband, Don Thunder Eagle; a son, Justin Mortensen; two daughters, Sheena Meadows and Stephanie Castello; her parents, LeRoy and Dixie Sewell; and eight grandchildren.

Services will be held at a later date, and arrangements are under the direction of Grand Valley Funeral Home of Grand Junction.

### Stephen Ross Gibbon

Feb. 14, 1924~Jan. 30, 2016



Stephen Ross Gibbon

Stephen Ross Gibbon was born Feb. 14, 1924, and passed away Saturday, Jan. 30, 2016.

Ross was born in Mifflin, Wis., to Eugene and Nannie Gibbon. Stephen, also known as Ross, grew up in agriculture with his father being a farmer.

Ross started livestock judging in high school. He stated that livestock judging paid off big because he got to travel away from home to judging contests.

After being graduated from high school in 1941, Ross went on to attend the University of Wisconsin (UW) to study agriculture. After attending the University of Wisconsin, he went on to teach agriculture at Oklahoma State University.

While attending UW he met Shirley Johnson, and they were married on Nov. 3, 1956, in Wisconsin. Working in the agriculture field took Ross and Shirley to many places

across the Western United States before settling in Meeker, Colo. They had a son, Cleve Henry, in November of 1957. While in Meeker, Ross worked for the John R. Norton Cattle Co. for many years. Ross and Shirley divorced in 1981, after which Ross moved to Grand Junction, Colo., to be closer to Cleve and his wife, Beth.

After retiring, Ross moved to Delta, where he met Clara, his partner in crime. Clara and Ross went on many adventures traveling across the state and being there for each other

through hard times. In 2000, Ross moved back to Grand Junction to be closer to his granddaughters, Courtney and Alyssa. Ross loved going to soccer games, the Mesa County Fair and horse shows to watch the girls compete.

Ross is survived by: his son, Cleve, and his wife Beth (who in Ross's words liked "real well"); as well as his two granddaughters Courtney and Alyssa. Right before Ross passed away, he was asked what was the greatest thing he had ever done. Ross said, "...Live."

There has been a change to the funeral date due to a conflict with the VA cemetery. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Thursday, April 14, 2016, at Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado, 2830 Riverside Parkway in Grand Junction, Colo.

### RANGELY: Hill, Rector

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at Saturday's GOP Assembly for sure if he makes the ballot.

"I am running because I think the voters, even if they are all Republicans, deserve a choice when voting," he said. "I think I am quali-

fied through my experiences and would do a good job.

"I have nothing against Jon Hill; I think he is a fine, intelligent gentleman and I have no quarrels with him at all. I just think voters should have a choice and I think I would be a good choice."

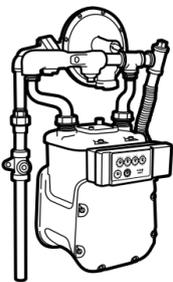
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One way to find food that is buried under the deep snow is to look up into the trees as these two mule deer does are doing at the intersection of Fourth and Park streets in Meeker. Deep snow throughout both ends of Rio Blanco County have the deer looking to trees and shrubs they can reach as anything sprouting from the ground remains hidden under feet of snow.

# No more cases of Vesicular Stomatitis in county, state

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** As of Friday, all Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) affected premises have been released from quarantine in Colorado.

There are currently no VS-affected premises under quarantine in the United States. The VS outbreak in the United States began in April 2015, with a total of 823 cases in eight states; of that, Colorado confirmed 441 premises in 36 counties, including Rio Blanco County and surrounding Moffat, Garfield and Routt counties.

"In 2015, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

de-listed Vesicular Stomatitis as a foreign animal disease in horses," State Veterinarian Dr. Keith Roehr said. "This greatly improved our ability to respond efficiently as private practicing veterinarians were able to collect samples and manage cases."

"Another benefit was that veterinarians could send samples to the Colorado State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory for a more timely response on test results," he said.

At this time, there are no commercially available USDA-approved vaccines for VS, but the USDA is working with a Colorado company

to approve the use of an experimental vaccine for use in cattle only. While rare, human cases of VS can occur, usually among those who have handled infected animals.

"The disease can be transmitted when animals are co-mingled at livestock events," Roehr said. "A good way to protect livestock is to prevent nose-to-nose contact with other animals."

"While this disease event is over, I encourage livestock owners to continue strict disease prevention practices such as minimizing the sharing of water and feed equipment and closely observe livestock for signs of disease," he said.

## Chamber hosts special district meeting

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** The Meeker Chamber of Commerce will be holding a special presentation on Wednesday titled "Investing in our Community," which will feature many of the area special government districts explaining what they do and where they are headed this year.

The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on March 16 at the Freeman E. Fairfield Center at 200 W. Main in Meeker. The public is invited.

"The Meeker Chamber of Commerce is excited about the many great activities and investments hap-

pening around our community, and we would like to help share this information with our citizens and businesses," chamber executive director Stephanie Kobald said.

Special districts fill a vital role in providing many of the basic services and public needs of the people, including fire and rescue services, water and wastewater treatment and delivery, parks and recreation amenities, hospitals, libraries and cemeteries.

"We are hosting a community meeting where a representative from each special district will present a brief update on their organization,"

Kobald said.

Those districts scheduled to take part include: the ERM Recreation and Park District, Meeker Regional Library District, Meeker Sanitation, Pioneers Medical Center, Re-1 School District, the Rio Blanco County Commissioners, Rio Blanco Fire Department, the Town of Meeker, the White River Conservation District and Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy.

There will also be a question and answer period included.

For further questions and information, please contact the Chamber of Commerce at 878-5510.

## Meeker ribbon cutting, wine tasting Friday

By SEAN McMAHON  
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**RBC I** A variety of activities are planned Friday in Meeker for the monthly TGIF celebration, featuring a ribbon cutting and wine tasting and the re-opening of a business that has changed locations.

TGIF is a monthly event, celebrating shopping, the arts, music, dining, business and community fun. It is a great time to stroll downtown shops and have a chance to be the

local shopper randomly chosen to win your receipt in Chamber Bucks.

The featured event is the ribbon cutting for Meeker's newest business, Blanco Cellars, at 3 p.m., and a wine-tasting event from 4 to 6 p.m. at its new home at 645 Main St. The wine tasting will feature the richness and peculiarity of four different white wine varietals from four different wine regions.

The afternoon will also be a good time to visit the new home of Turquoise Gypsy Boutique, which is

enjoying its new home in the Hugus Building, 590 Main St., where Meeker Video was previously located.

For those wanting to shop other locations in downtown Meeker, music will be broadcasted from speakers on Main Street. Meanwhile, there are shops on Main and Market streets that will be offering deals on special items, and one local shopper will be randomly chosen to win their total receipt in Chamber Bucks.

## County 4-H sheep/goat club names officers

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** The Rio Blanco County 4-H Sheep and Goat Club had its first meeting of the year on Jan. 15, and officers were chosen for the year.

As part of the bylaws for the club, members must attend 50 percent of the club's meetings and do a demon-

stration to show at the Rio Blanco County Fair this upcoming summer.

The club also voted to do the sheep lead or our community pride project, which the Meeker Classic donated money for

Chosen at the January meeting were the new officers for the year: President Allie Willey; Vice President

Eva Scritchfield; Secretary Melayni Wangnild; Treasurer Tatumn Kennedy; Council representatives: Trae Kennedy, Deana Wood, Nevaeh LeBlanc and Spencer Gates; Reporter Nevaeh LeBlanc; and Pledge Leaders are the first-year members.

The next meeting will be Tuesday at 6 p.m.







**Healthcare Scholarships are available.** Are you interested in a career in healthcare?

Pioneers Healthcare Foundation has several types of scholarships available to Meeker area **graduating high school seniors, continuing college students and post-graduate (masters, doctorate) students** pursuing degrees in healthcare. Applications can be downloaded from [pioneershealthfoundation.org/programs-events/](http://pioneershealthfoundation.org/programs-events/)

**Kris Borchard Strive for Excellence Scholarship Application NOW Available.**

This scholarship will be awarded to a **Meeker resident who has successfully completed his or her Associate's or Bachelor's Degree**; and is now pursuing a post-graduate level degree in a healthcare related-field. (i.e. Physician, Advanced Degree in Nursing, Anesthesiology, Physical Therapist, Speech Therapist, Occupational Therapist, Physician Assistant, Psychologist, Pharmacist, etc.). Recipients will receive up to \$4,000 as a \$1,000 annual-renewable scholarship to be paid out for up to 4 years. Recipient must maintain at least a 3.0 G.P.A. or a student in good standing to be eligible for renewal

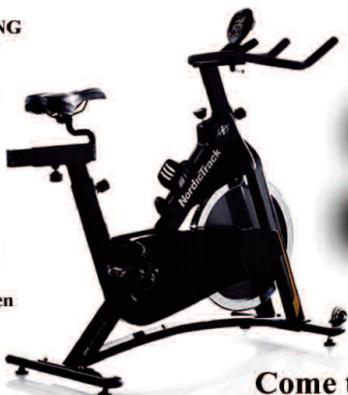
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# Taxpayers can aid Colorado wildlife with state tax checkoff

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Help threatened and endangered wildlife with a voluntary contribution to the “Non-game and Endangered Wildlife Cash Fund” on your 2015 Colorado tax returns through the income tax checkoff.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife diligently works to monitor and maintain these populations for the benefit of all wildlife in the state. The Non-game and Endangered Wildlife program supports species conservation for black-tailed, white-tailed and Gunnison prairie dogs, native cutthroat trout, bats, boreal toads, Gunnison sage-grouse, lynx, black-footed ferrets, Arkansas darters and dozens of other species.

“Non-game species are indicators of a habitat’s overall health,” said Reid DeWalt, assistant director of CPW’s Wildlife and Natural Resources branch. “CPW is vested in the long-term sustainability and balance of wildlife for future generations. Doing so is not without cost, and will be done only with the support of all outdoor recreationalists.”

Colorado’s outdoors is home to more than 750 vital species of wildlife that are categorized as “non-game” species or animals that are not hunted, fished or trapped. Some of the ongoing work and success of CPW’s conservation species program include: Innovative partnership with private landowners facilitated black-footed ferret releases at six separate sites in Colorado; Winter snow

tracking and camera traps in southwestern Colorado monitor the status of Canada lynx populations; Research, population monitoring and habitat management for greater sage-grouse; Investigations of survival rates, movements, and reproductive success of white-tailed ptarmigan in Colorado has resulted in stable and healthy populations; Management of sylvatic plague to protect all three species of prairie dogs (black-tailed, white-tailed, and Gunnison) in Colorado; Surveillance monitoring of Colorado’s bat populations to keep tabs on their health due to prevalence of white-nose syndrome nationwide, and the loss of over 5 million bats in northeastern U.S.; Protection and restoration of Colorado’s cutthroat trout,

including a new wild population of the state’s rarest, greenback cutthroat, and successful implementation of a conservation strategy for the Rio Grande cutthroat; Successful rearing and stocking of 13 species at CPW’s Native Aquatic Species Restoration Facility, bolstering existing populations and establishing new ones; and Establishing new populations of Colorado’s most endangered amphibian, the Boreal toad.

CPW recently submitted a Final Draft of the State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP) to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for approval. The SWAP identifies the top priority species and habitats that need conservation efforts in the state, as well as the potential conserva-

tion actions that can address the threats these species and habitats face. Learn more about CPW’s SWAP at [cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/StateWildlifeActionPlan.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/StateWildlifeActionPlan.aspx).

The “Non-game and Endangered Wildlife Cash Fund” checkoff box is located under the voluntary contributions section of the 2015 Colorado state income tax form 104A, line 50. Contributors specify the amount of their donation. Donations may be tax deductible.

In 2014, Coloradans contributed more than \$150,000 to help a variety of species through the tax check off. In 2013, approximately 11,000 taxpayers contributed an average of \$13.83.



COURTESY PHOTO

Meeker High School senior Nick Burri, right, is pictured with his soon-to-be college golf coach Jordan Dickson. Burri, who played on Rangely High School’s team for three years, has signed to play golf for Missouri Valley College in Marshall, Mo.

## Meeker’s Nick Burri will play golf at Missouri Valley College

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
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**MEEKER I** Nick Burri only played golf three years in high school, but his commitment to and passion for the game has earned him a scholarship to golf this fall at Missouri Valley College.

“I didn’t play my freshman year because my mom wanted me to

prove how committed to the game I was,” Burri, a senior at Meeker High School said. “So I stayed at the course every night until dark to prove I wanted to golf.”

Meeker High School has not had a golf program for several years, but Burri was so committed to the game that he played on Rangely High School’s team and qualified for the Colorado State

Golf Championships his junior and senior years.

Burri was thankful to his coaches, who included former Meeker golf pro Jim Cook, Rangely’s Eric Hejl in 2013 and Mark Skelton the past two years.

Burri said he will study conservation biology and forensic science at Missouri Valley College, which is located in Marshall, Mo.

## CNCC women’s softball opens conference play by winning three

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** The Colorado Northwestern Community College women’s softball team earned three wins and one loss over the weekend as the women opened conference play.

CNCC Women’s Softball Head Coach Ysidro Jimenez reported that the Spartans, who currently sport a 7-3 record on the season, went 3-1 in opening conference-play this past weekend against College of Southern Nevada, located in the Las Vegas suburb of Henderson.

The women split games 1-1 on Friday and picked up a pair of wins in games on Saturday.

On Friday, after a 32 day lay-off for the Spartans, it showed as they lost 17-2 in the opening game. The Spartans bounced back with a 6-4 win, as Taylor Reidhead led the offensive attack with two home runs and 5 runs batted in. She also earned the win from the pitching mound.

On Saturday, the Spartans scored a total of 28 runs in two games as they won 13-7 in the first game and 15-7 in the second.

The Spartans offense had themselves a weekend full of long balls and stolen bases, Jimenez said, adding that three Spartans sent five home runs soaring out of CSN Stadium, and the team also had a total of 15 stolen bases.

In the first game on Saturday CNCC produced back-to-back home runs from Taylor Reidhead and Whitnie Touhuni and a solo shot from Natasha Barker.

Kayla Durfey also had a great day on Saturday as she led the offensive attack with five hits, four steals and six runs batted in.

Reidhead was also chosen as The Scenic West Athletic Conference’s pitcher of the week. Reidhead was 10 of 14 at the plate, posting a .714 batting average and she scored seven runs, 11 runs batted in, two doubles and three home runs. On the mound, she posted a 3-1 record, having pitched 20.1 innings and posting 10 strikeouts.

## Free turkey hunt may be won by women novices

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Colorado Parks and Wildlife is accepting applications from novice women who wish to participate in a private land turkey hunt with experienced mentors.

The two-day event is offered in partnership with Encana and the Western Slope chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation. The hunt will take place on Encana’s private property near Parachute

Only novice women 18-and-older will be selected for the hunt. No experience or equipment is required; however, all applicants must have a valid Hunter Education card. Visit CPW’s Hunter Education page for more information.

The applications are due by 5 p.m.

on March 25 and can be found at Colorado Parks and Wildlife’s website at [www.cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/OutreachWomen.aspx](http://www.cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/OutreachWomen.aspx)

This is perfect for women who want to learn in a comfortable environment,” said CPW Education Coordinator Kathleen Tadwick. “No pressure, a fun time and learning something that you can do the rest of your life is what this is all about, so we encourage you to apply today.”

In addition to turkey hunting, the successful applicants will spend two days practicing a variety of skills, including firearms safety and turkey calling. Other topics include habitat, biology and turkey behavior.

Turkey hunting continues to grow in popularity across North America, attracting a wide variety of partici-

pants, including experienced hunters looking for a new challenge or inexperienced men, women and youth that prefer small game as their first step.

The opportunity is offered through CPW’s Hunter Outreach Program, dedicated to teaching novices and inexperienced hunters the knowledge, skills, ethics and traditions of hunting.

Through workshops, clinics, seminars and educational hunts, the program appeals to diverse interests, backgrounds, and levels of ability.

For more information about the Hunter Outreach Program, go to: [cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HunterOutreach.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HunterOutreach.aspx)

For more information about the turkey hunt, contact Kathleen Tadwick at 970-255-6181.

## Black Powder shoot is March 19

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** The Jim Harmon Memorial Black Powder Blanket Shoot will be held March 19, sponsored by the Meeker Sportsman’s Club for traditional muzzleloaders, black powder pistols and in-lines.

The event will be held at the Meeker Sportsman’s Club, located 4.5 miles south of Meeker on the east

side of Highway 13 (36684 Highway 13), with sign up at 9 a.m. and a shotgun start at 10 a.m.

Prizes will be awarded in three classes: men, women and youths (ages 9 through 14 years).

Iron sights only and patch and ball only will be permitted, and traditional dress is encouraged but not required.

For participants, there will be a

\$10 shoot fee plus a \$15 to \$25 blanket prize (optional), which includes the main shoot, which includes 20 targets.

There will be an optional hawk and knife throw and an optional speed shoot for those who wish to participate.

There will also be a door prize drawing, and the event is open to the public and spectators free of charge.

## RMS wrestlers earn five medals in meet

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**RANGELY I** “We have lots to work on still, but the guys wrestled well,” Rangely Middle School wrestling coach Travis Witherell said of the young Panthers’ performance in the annual Carl Ramunno tournament in Steamboat Springs.

The Panthers will wrestle in Oak

Creek on Saturday and host the annual league tournament the following week.

Seven RMS Panthers wrestled in the tournament and five of them returned with medals for their efforts.

Eighth graders Titus Coombs (115) and Hunter Hanvey (140) both wrestled in the championship match in their respective brackets and finished as runners-up.

Rangely sixth-graders Jake Dodd (70) and Zane Varner (110) were consolation champs in their weight classes, and seventh-grader Braxton Moore placed fourth in the 80-pound bracket.

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## CNCC rodeo team fares well in Utah

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** The Colorado Northwestern Community College rodeo athletes had a good weekend in Heber City, Utah.

CNCC Head Rodeo Coach Jed Moore said Monday that a handful of our Spartans had solid weekends in Heber City, Utah, at the UVU rodeo.

The Spartan freshman team roping duo of J.D. Slagowski and Johnny Pavkov placed second in the team roping, moving them from fourth in the regional standings up to second.

Bareback bronc riders Colton Onyett and Brendon Beck placed well in the bareback riding.

Colton placed in third place and moved from second place in the regional standings up and into the lead.

Beck placed fifth overall, which is his best showing yet this year.

On the ladies’ side, sophomore Ashley Farrington was solid and consistent in the breakaway roping, having placed third in the short round and third place overall.

Freshman barrel racer Shawnee

Stone-Swedberg placed fifth in the first round on her new horse, Paris.

“We appear to be heading into another very successful season,” Moore said.

The CNCC Rodeo Team will be traveling to Twin Falls, Idaho, this weekend for the College of Southern Idaho rodeo.

Moore also said he wanted CNCC rodeo fans to mark their calendars for the April 1-2 weekend for the Fourth Annual Spartan Showdown Rodeo, to be hosted by CNCC in Rangely.



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# Champions of the Week

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### Rangely Middle School Wrestlers Rangely Middle School

The Rangely Middle School wrestling Panthers fared quite well at the Carl Ramunno Wrestling Tournament in Steamboat Springs over the weekend. Seven members of the mat team wrestled and five came away with medals. Second: Titus Coombs and Hunter Hanvey; Consolation Champs: Jake Dodd and Zane Varner; Fourth: Braxton Moore.



### Nick Burri Meeker High School Golf

Nick Burri, a student at Meeker High School but a member of the Rangely High School golf team because Meeker doesn’t have golf, has repeatedly demonstrated his talents and his love for the game. Burri announced this week that he earned a scholarship to play golf at Missouri Valley College in Marshall, Mo.

# State residents speak on land-use issues

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Against an uptick in anti-public lands rhetoric from militant extremists, a new Colorado College State of the Rockies Project Conservation in the West Poll released in February revealed strong public support among Colorado voters for efforts to protect and maintain national public lands.

The poll surveyed the views of voters in seven Mountain West states—including Colorado—on key public lands issues affecting the region, including proposals to designate new national monuments in the West, establish new environmental and safety standards for oil and gas drilling and prioritize renewable energy production on public lands.

Central to recent local controversies in Burns, Ore., and elsewhere, the poll—for the first time in its six-year history—asked voters about efforts to turn national public lands owned by all Americans over to state or private control.

The poll finds that 59 percent of respondents in Colorado oppose giving state governments control over national public lands; 59 percent of respondents also oppose selling significant holdings of public lands like national forests to reduce the budget deficit.

“Charges of government overreach from the ideological fringes are making headlines, but, in reality, most Westerners in this poll favor greater protection and sensible use of the open lands and national treasures that define the region,” said Eric Perramond, professor in the

Southwest Studies and Environmental Programs at Colorado College, and the faculty director of the State of the Rockies Project.

The poll also broke new ground in examining public views on the creation of new national monuments—a topic that has often been portrayed as controversial and unpopular in the West. Yet in Colorado, the poll showed overwhelming support—84 percent in favor—for future presidents protecting public lands with a national monument designation.

“These results make clear Western communities care deeply about the public lands that embody the best of our nation’s culture, spirit and beauty,” said former U.S. Interior Department Secretary Ken Salazar. “Western voters see our outdoor heritage as integral to our economy and our way of life, and they certainly don’t want to see their public lands seized by ideologues or sold off by politicians in Washington.”

The poll also looked at energy issues at a time when price fluctuations and market changes make the future of oil, gas and coal industries unpredictable. Colorado voters expressed a balanced view when it comes to how national public lands are used by private industries:

Fifty-five percent of Coloradans approve of continuing drilling and mining at the current pace, but with increased safeguards for land and water—a view that significantly outweighs alternative approaches, including increasing drilling and mining (9 percent), maintaining the current pace without additional safeguards (11 percent), and stopping all

drilling and mining (23 percent).

Seventy-seven percent of Coloradans want to continue tax incentives for solar- and wind-energy production.

Fifty-three percent of Coloradans want to encourage the use of solar and wind energy, compared to 4 percent each for oil and coal.

Fifty-three percent of Coloradans support gradually reducing the number of new coal mines allowed to operate on public lands, compared to just 29 percent who oppose.

Sixty-two percent of Coloradans support increasing the royalty fees paid by companies that drill for oil and gas or mine for coal and minerals on national public lands.

Eighty-one percent of Coloradans agree with a proposed Obama Administration rule to require oil and gas producers who operate on national public lands to use updated equipment and technology to prevent leaks of methane gas during the extraction process and reduce the need to burn off excess natural gas into the air.

Additional key findings include: Ahead of the 2016 elections, 77 percent of Coloradans say issues involving public lands, waters, and wildlife are an important factor in deciding whether to support an elected public official, compared to other issues like health care and education.

Seventy-five percent of Coloradans believe the drought is a serious issue and 77 percent favor using the current water supply more wisely over diverting more water

from rivers in less populated areas.

Seventy-eight percent of Coloradans support the renewal of the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Eighty-three percent of Coloradans believe the U.S. Forest Service should be allowed to treat the largest and most expensive wildfires as natural disasters in order to have access to emergency disaster funding.

Seventy-seven percent of Coloradans say national public lands, such as national forests, national monuments or wildlife refuges help their state economy.

This is the sixth consecutive year Colorado College has gauged the public’s sentiment on public lands and conservation issues.

The 2016 Colorado College Conservation in the West Poll is a bipartisan poll conducted by Republican pollster Lori Weigel of Public Opinion Strategies and Democratic pollster Dave Metz of Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates.

The poll surveyed 400 registered voters in each of seven Western states (Arizona, Colorado, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming) for a total 2,800-person sample.

The survey was conducted in December and has a margin of error of +/-2.74 percent nationwide and +/-4.9 percent statewide. The full survey and individual state surveys are available on the Colorado College website.

# Big game brochures and applications available online

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Colorado Parks and Wildlife’s brochures for big game, sheep and goat can help and are available now online. In addition, CPW’s online application period and secure license application portal is open now until 11:59 p.m. on April 5. Check out [cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/PlanYourHunt.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/PlanYourHunt.aspx) to find all the resources CPW has to offer hunters to complete their applications now.

“Sports men and women are encouraged to review CPW’s brochure and regulations before application,” said Matt Robbins, a CPW spokesman. “CPW’s license refund policy has changed, and applicants should be aware of new requirements and fees.”

The Big Game brochure contains regulations for deer, elk, pronghorn, moose and bear and the Sheep and Goat brochure contains regulations for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, desert bighorn sheep, and mountain goat. The brochures are available in print at CPW offices or any of the 750 license vendors throughout the state.

An approved hunter education card or certificate is required before applying for or purchasing a Colorado hunting license if you were born on or after Jan. 1, 1949.

Colorado honors hunter education certifications from other states, countries and Canadian provinces. Read more or find a class at CPW’s Hunter Education page.

To complete an application online, have the following information handy: Current and valid photo ID and/or Customer Identification number (CID); Proof of Hunter Education certification; Proof of Colorado residency (if applicable); A 2016 Habitat Stamp, which will be automatically added to your online application if required. It can also be purchased separately. The \$10 stamp is required for license buyers between the ages of 18-64. Learn more at [cpw.state.co.us/buyapply/Pages/HabitatStamp.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/buyapply/Pages/HabitatStamp.aspx); Social Security number for customers 12 years and older, unless already on file; Hunt Codes (up to four for each species); and Credit Card (Mastercard, Visa or Discover)

Customer service representatives are available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. MDT at 303-297-1192 and specially trained hunt planners are available to assist hunters by phone at 303-291-7526.

Hunters can also get personal assistance at one of CPW’s regional service centers in Denver, Grand Junction, Colorado Springs or Durango or at any CPW office or state park.



## SEEDLING TREE SALES

The White River Conservation District will be taking orders for the seedling tree program now thru April 18, 2016. The District works with the Colorado State Forest Service Nursery to order trees for landowners to be used for conservation purposes. Orders are subject to availability from the Nursery.

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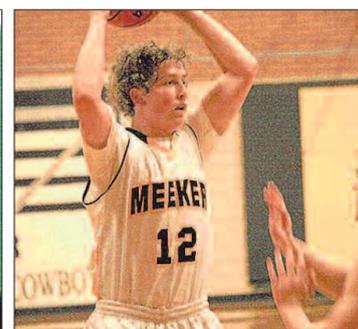
## MHS ATHLETICS

### TRACK

MARCH 18 Friday @ RIFLE  
APRIL 2 Saturday @ CEDAREGGE

### BASEBALL

MARCH 26 Saturday HOTCHKISS V DH HOME  
APRIL 1 Friday RIFLE JV AWAY  
APRIL 2 Saturday CEDAREGGE V DH HOME



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# ESKELSON:

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doors. "If we have a (federal) administration change leans more to the right, I think we will be better prepared to leverage sustainable opportunities and relationships with the oil, gas and coal industries," he said.

Eskelson hopes to put the benefits of an improved local economy to work.

"I believe in the revenue working for the constituents but the financial management will be the same it always has—save and spend on capital projects when we have the money," he said.

In addition to serving a previous term as county commissioner Eskelson believes his private sector work qualifies him to continue on in his current role.

"My financial management and project management skills have been utilized extensively for Rio Blanco County during my first term," he said. "These skills are primarily asso-

ciated with capital projects and their management techniques and methodologies. My communication skills outside the county have allowed the development of tremendously influential and beneficial relationships at all levels to the net positive benefit to our constituents.

"The personnel and business skills I spent over 20 years acquiring are invaluable as a county commissioner."

However, he does admit that his communication skills within the county could use some improvement.

"If there is one major thing I'd change if re-elected, it is communication on the ground with the constituents," he said. "I plainly did not do a very good job of getting out and talking to constituents one on one, and I see that was a large mistake on my part."

In order to appear on the primary ballot, Eskelson will need to receive a minimum of 17 of the 55 delegate votes available at Saturday's County Assembly.

## Meeker scholarship to aid cost of business workshop

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** | Rio Blanco County, the Town of Meeker, private investors and the Meeker Chamber of Commerce are offering scholarships for area business owners who are interested in attending an intensive workshop to assist small business owners helping to transform their business and their community, into a destination location.

Scholarship applications are due

back on April 22.

Business owners will attend the Jon Schallert Destination Bootcamp Community Reinvention program, based in Longmont, Colo., from April 19-21.

Information on the program can be found at [www.jonschallert.com](http://www.jonschallert.com), and scholarship applications are available by contacting Katelin Cook, the Rio Blanco County Economic Development coordinator, by telephone at 970-878-9474 or by email at: [katelin.cook@rbc.us](mailto:katelin.cook@rbc.us).

# Amendment proposed by Bennet and Gardner would return mineral funds to NW Colorado

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Colorado U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet has introduced an amendment cosponsored by Sen. Cory Gardner forcing the federal government to return revenues that are rightfully owed to Northwest Colorado.

The long overdue oil and gas lease revenues were collected to clean up the former Anvil Points federal oil shale research site near Rifle. Following the clean-up,

which ended in 2013, tens of millions of dollars that should have been distributed according to the Mineral Leasing Act remained in an unused account in the Department of the Interior.

"These are royalty revenues that are rightfully due to counties in Northwest Colorado that have waited too long for their return," Bennet said. "Tens of millions of dollars that can be put to good use for local economic development are locked in an account in Washington. Our

amendment is common sense. It unlocks the payments and distributes them as all other oil and gas lease revenues are distributed—half to the state and local counties, and half to the federal Treasury."

"It's far past time that the federal government hands over the millions of dollars that communities in Northwest Colorado expected to receive years ago," said Gardner. "While this revenue could boost our local communities, it continues to collect dust in an unused

account. That's why our amendment requires the federal government to deliver on its promise."

The U.S. Navy opened the Anvil Points research site in the 1940s to pioneer oil shale mining, processing and research. It was decommissioned in 1986 and transferred to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) by the 1997 Transfer Act. That law required that cleanup of the site would be paid for by revenues from nearby oil and gas leasing.

By the time BLM certified that it had sufficient funds for cleanup in 2008, the fund had generated more than enough money. However, due to an oversight in the 1997 Transfer Act, the excess revenues cannot be distributed. The Bennet-Gardner amendment would allow these revenues to be distributed in accordance with the Mineral Leasing Act.

"AGNC members are pleased that there may finally be a resolution to the delivery of federal mineral lease funding withheld from them in relation to the Anvil Points cleanup," said Bonnie Petersen, executive director of the Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado. "It has been nearly two decades since these funds were withheld from NW Colorado counties to offset impacts of the development and several years since the cleanup was accomplished. We appreciate our federal delegation working so diligently to get these funds back to the counties impacted, especially as the Northwest Colorado region continues to lag recovery from the great recession."

## STILL A BIT FROSTY...



RENE HARDEN

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*ABIGAIL URISH M.D.*

Dr. Urish grew up in Lander, WY but completed a Physiology degree, Medical Degree and Family Medicine residency training at Michigan State University. She comes to RDH with a strong background in rural and international medicine with a focus in preventative medicine. Treating all age ranges from infants to grandparents. She is excited to be practicing in Rangely, which reminds her of where she was born in Wyoming

Along with her Christian faith and enjoying church activities, she enjoys photography, languages, reading, traveling, and enjoying the outdoors. Dr Urish looks forward to exploring the area with her husband Dr. Ken Sutton.

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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**TOWN OF DINOSAUR DISBURSEMENTS FOR DECEMBER 2015**

Gross Salaries, \$7,473.37  
PERA, Monthly Contributions, \$1,619.02  
Colorado Dept of Revenue, CWT, \$211.00  
IRS, FWT/Med, \$820.72  
Centurylink, Phone, fax, internet, \$265.18  
Moon Lake Electric, Electricity, \$961.02  
Rangely Trash Service, Trash Service, \$102.00  
Mesa County Health Dept, Water test, \$- Caselle Inc, Support, \$251.00  
Walmart, Antifreeze, flood light, paper towels, \$93.27  
Rio Blanco Herald Times, Plant bid, \$46.08  
Craig Daily Press, Invitation to bid, \$54.82  
The Daily Sentinel, Invitation to bid, \$51.64  
Utah Basin Standard, Invitation to bid, \$168.25  
Sav on Propane, Propane, \$935.22  
Eagles Nest Contracting, Sewer project, \$33,686.90  
Micro Plastics, Name plate, \$13.82  
Moffat County Clerk & Recorder, Election, \$148.50  
CML, Dues, \$342.00  
LR Gateway Services LLC, Gas, oil, grease, \$434.96  
The Mountain States, Sewer project, flag lights, light, \$17,273.16  
Rangely True Value Hardware, hex key, bulbs, ice melt, \$144.14  
Rangely Auto Parts, Leaf blower, antifreeze, oil, \$201.95  
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE \$65,298.02  
Published: March 10, 2016  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**TOWN OF DINOSAUR DISBURSEMENTS FOR JANUARY 2016**

Gross Salaries, \$7,473.37  
PERA, Monthly Contributions, \$1,847.26  
Colorado Dept of Revenue, CWT, \$211.00  
IRS, FWT/Med, \$887.24  
Centurylink, Phone, fax, internet, \$261.60  
Moon Lake Electric, Electricity, \$1,033.56  
Rangely Trash Service, Trash Service, \$82.00  
Mesa County Health Dept, Water test, \$20.00  
Caselle Inc, Support, \$251.00  
Rio Blanco Herald Times, Disbursement, waste water bids, \$64.88  
Sav on Propane, Propane, \$1,173.70  
LR Gateway Services LLC, Gas, oil, grease, \$807.98  
Rangely True Value, Bulb, fresheners, wipes, \$42.45  
IFA, Ice melt, spreader, \$51.95  
AGNC, Dues, \$600.00  
ICC, Dues, \$135.00  
Sands Law Office LLC, Professional services, \$322.00  
Eagles Nest Contracting, Sewer project, \$7,014.72  
Pinnacle Assurance, Workers comp, \$527.00  
Office Depot, Hole punch, pens, pencils, lead, \$63.62  
Colorado Rural Water Association, Membership dues, \$175.00  
FedEx, Postage, \$28.15

**LEGAL NOTICES**

Zions Bank, Light, business cards, \$202.78  
The Sign Man, Slot w/hardware, \$93.41  
Vernal Winnelson CO, Water break, \$792.63  
Moffat County, 4th Qtr law enforcement, \$12,000.00  
Norco Inc., Bottles, blade, \$95.61  
WestWater Engineering, Sewer project, \$7,614.89  
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE \$43,872.80  
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**NEEDED**

**MEEKER PLANNING COMMISSIONER(S)**  
The Town of Meeker is seeking letters of interests from qualified individuals for two (2) positions on the Meeker Planning Commission. The positions will be filled by an appointment made by the Board of Trustees.

Please submit a letter of interest to ATTN: Planning Commission, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641, or drop your letter at our front desk with a Town Staff member. Qualifications for the Planning Commission member position are 1) Registered voter within the Town of Meeker, 2) Eighteen years of age or older, and 3) must have resided in the Town of Meeker for at least twelve consecutive months immediately preceding the date of appointment. For further information, please call Town Hall 878-5344.

**HOUSING AUTHORITY VACANCIES**

The Meeker Housing Authority is seeking letters of interests from qualified individuals for two (2) positions on the Authority. The positions will be filled by an appointment made by the Board of Trustees. Please submit a letter of interest to ATTN: Housing Authority, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641, or drop your letter at our front desk. For further information, please call Town Hall 878-5344, or the Meeker Housing Authority at 878-5536.  
Publish: February 18, 25, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2016  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

Pursuant to the Rules and Regulation of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board published August 1980, and pursuant to the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act 34-33-101, et seq., notice is hereby given of the filing of an application for Phase I Bond Release of a portion of the Colowyo Mine site. The application pertains to the existing Colowyo Coal Mine, Permit No. C-1981-019 by Colowyo Coal Company L.P., 5731 State Highway No. 13, Meeker, Colorado 81641, filed with the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (CDRMS), Colorado Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203 and approved by the Division on April 5, 2013 (latest Permit Renewal). The Colowyo Mine is located approximately 28 miles south of Craig, Colorado.  
The bond release area applied for totals 65.6 acres

**TOWN OF MEEKER ORDINANCE NO. 02-2016**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MEEKER MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2.04.04 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MEEKER MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.36.010 INCREASING PAY RATES FOR TRUSTEES AND MAYOR**

WHEREAS, the Town of Meeker Board of Trustees, the "Board of Trustees", pursuant to Section 31-4-109 C.R.S., the Town has the authority to establish the compensation of the Mayor and members of the Board of Trustees from time to time, and has determined it to be reasonable and necessary to amend the compensation paid to the Mayor and Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees conducted a public hearing on this request on March 1, 2016 and following this public hearing, the Board of Trustees voted to approve increasing compensation for the Mayor and Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees hereby acknowledges that such pay increase take effect upon re-election, or appointment following this action as mandated by law; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town finds, determines, and declares that the Board of Trustees has determined it to be reasonable and necessary to amend and update the Town of Meeker Municipal Code Chapter 2.36.10, Official Salaries, Mayor and Board of Trustees, and that such amendment and update is necessary and proper to provide for the safety, preserve the health, promote the prosperity, and improve the order, comfort, welfare and convenience of the Town of Meeker and the inhabitants thereof; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF MEEKER, as follows:

1. Meeker Municipal Code Chapter 2.36, Official Salaries, Section 2.36.010(a)(1) and (2), Mayor and Board of Trustees, is amended to read as follows:

**\*2.36.010- Mayor and Board of Trustees.**

(a) The Mayor and members of the Board of Trustees of the Town elected at the April 4, 1972 election and each regular election thereafter, or who are appointed to either of said offices after April 4, 1972, shall be paid the following salaries:

- (1) Members of the Board of Trustees, Three-Hundred dollars (\$300.00) per month during their term of office.
- (2) Mayor, Five- Hundred dollars (\$500.00) per month during his or her term of office.
- 2. Except as specifically modified herein the remaining provisions of the Meeker Municipal Code, Section 2.36.010, shall remain in full force and effect.
- 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the final decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall take effect thirty days after its publication as provided in C.R.S. §31-16-105.

**INTRODUCED, PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** on March 1, 2016, by a vote of 4 for and 1 against, and ordered published in full in the Rio Blanco Herald Times.

TOWN OF MEEKER: Regas K. Halandras, Mayor  
ATTEST: Lisa Cook, Town Clerk  
Published: March 10, 2016

**LEGAL NOTICES**

and as reclaimed in 2015. The status of the reclamation is consistent with the requirements of the approved reclamation plan which includes backfill and grading to the approved post mine topography, variable topsoil depth replacement, and seeding with the approved seed mixture. Exhibit 1 presents all of the reclaimed areas by year. Listed below is a general legal description of these areas:

**Township 3 North, Range 93 West of the 6th P.M.**

Section 9 - E 1/4;  
Section 8 - SE 1/4;

Colowyo currently holds a self-bond (Bond No. SB-010) in the amount of \$80,517,829. With this bond release application, the Colowyo Mine will be requesting relinquishment of 60% of the bond held for the parcel applied for under this application.

A copy of the bond release application is on file at the Moffat County Clerk and Recorder Office located in the Moffat County Courthouse, 221 West Victory Way, Craig, Colorado 81625 and the Rio Blanco County Clerk and Recorder Office in the Rio Blanco Courthouse located at 555 Main Street #303, Meeker, CO, 81641. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference concerning this bond release application should be addressed to the Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety, Colorado Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203.

Comments must be filed within thirty (30) days from the last date of this publication, or within thirty (30) days of the completed inspection by the CDRMS, whichever is later.  
Publish: Feb 25, March 3, 10 & 17, 2016  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION**

**CERTIFIED STATEMENT OF RESULTS**  
§1-13.5-513(6), 32-1-104, 1-11-103(3) C.R.S.  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the Meeker Sanitation District, Rio Blanco County, Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 3, 2016 is hereby canceled pursuant to section

**LEGAL NOTICES**

1-13.5-513(6) C.R.S.  
The following candidates are hereby declared elected:  
**MICHAEL F. HOKE 4 YEAR TERM** until May, 2020  
Signed,  
Gail Frantz  
Designated Election Official  
Contact Person for the District:  
Gail Frantz  
Telephone Number of the District:  
970-878-5192  
Address of the District:  
PO Box 417, Meeker, CO 81641  
District Facsimile Number: 970-878-5988  
District Email: [gail@meekersanitation.org](mailto:gail@meekersanitation.org)  
Published: March 3, and March 10, 2016  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION**

**and CERTIFIED STATEMENT OF RESULTS**  
§1-13.5-513(6), 32-1-104, 1-11-103(3) C.R.S.  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the Rangely Hospital District, Rio Blanco County, Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 3rd, 2016 is hereby canceled pursuant to section 1-13.5-513(6) C.R.S.  
The following candidates are hereby declared elected:  
MichelleAnnHuber 4 until May, 2020 (name) (2 or 4 year term)  
Marques L. Jones 4 until May, 2020 (name) (2 or 4 year term)  
Nathaniel Polley 4 until May, 2020 (name) (2 or 4 year term)  
Signed,  
Cynthia S Stults (the Designated Election Official)  
Cynthia S Stults (DEO's Printed Name)  
Contact Person for the District: Edward Gnoshe III  
Telephone Number of the District: 970-675-5011  
Address of the District: 225 Eagle Crest Drive  
District Facsimile Number: 970-675-8602  
District Email: [cstults@rdhosp.org](mailto:cstults@rdhosp.org)  
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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**INVITATION TO BID**

You are hereby invited to bid for the construction of the 8th Street Water Line Project: for the Town of Meeker. This project includes the construction of approximately 2,900 linear feet of water line, the installation of appurtenant equipment, and reconstruction and installation of service lines. The project site is located on 8th Street from Market Street to Pine Street. The Project Owner is the Town of Meeker. The Project Engineer is Chris Hale, P.E. of Mountain Cross Engineering, Inc. in Glenwood Springs.

A complete set of plans, specifications and contract documents may be obtained after March 14th, 2016 from the offices of Mountain Cross Engineering, Inc. (970-945-5544) or at the Meeker Town Hall (970-878-5344) for a deposit of \$35. The deposit will be refunded if the set is returned in good condition. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, on Wednesday, March 16th, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. Send or deliver the Bid Proposals to Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641 by 3:00 p.m., Friday, March 25th, 2016. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond or a check in the amount of 10% of the bid made payable to The Town of Meeker as bid security, along with 3 references for similar work. The Bid Proposals and Bid Security should be placed in an envelope, securely sealed and labeled "Bid for Waterline Project". Plans, specifications and contract documents should be returned with the bid.

Performance and Payment Bonds are required. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids; to change, add, or amend the specifications; to waive any informalities; and the right to disregard all non-conforming or conditional bids or counter proposals. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent with the provisions of the Town of Meeker Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual, including but not limited to the Contract-Award-Preference section, which is incorporated herein by this reference and made a part of this "Invitation to Bid."  
Contact Russ Overton with the Town of Meeker 970-878-5530 for additional information or with any questions regarding this project.  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOOD SERVICE FOR CONCESSION STAND AT PAINTBRUSH PARK BALL FIELDS**

The EASTERN RIO BLANCO METROPOLITAN RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT, a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, is soliciting proposals from qualified food vendors to operate the concession stands during all scheduled softball and baseball games from mid-April through August at Paintbrush Park ball fields. Vendor must hold a food services license.

For more information contact Shelly Rogers, Recreation Manager, at [shellyr@meekerecdistrict.com](mailto:shellyr@meekerecdistrict.com) or 970-878-3403 ext. 409. Proposals must be received by the District before 5p.m. on March 22, 2016 at Meeker Recreation Center, 101 Ute Road, Meeker, CO 81641. Proposals received after the submission deadline will not be considered. EASTERN RIO BLANCO METROPOLITAN RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

By: Sean VonRoenn, Executive Director  
Published: March 10 & 17th, 2016  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION 1-13.5-513(6), 32-1-104, 1-11-103(3) C.R.S.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District, Rio Blanco County, Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 3, 2016 is hereby canceled pursuant to section 1-13.5-513(6) C.R.S. The following candidates are hereby declared elected: Leonard Lane, 4 year term, until May, 2020. Designated Election Official: Linda C. Gordon, 970-629-1116, PO Box 220, Rangely, Co 81648  
Published: March 10, 2016  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

Notice of General Municipal Election Conducted as a Mail Ballot Election Tuesday, April 5, 2016 At Town Hall 209 E Main Rangely, Colorado

I, Lisa Piering, Town Clerk of Rangely, Colorado, I DO HEREBY GIVE PUBLIC NOTICE of a General Municipal Election for Town of Rangely Mayor and Council members to be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at which time there will be elected:

ONE MAYOR, SERVING A 2-YEAR TERM and THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS, SERVING A 4-YEAR TERM

Each position shall be voted upon by the entire electorate of the Town. The person receiving the greatest number of votes for the Mayor, 2-year term shall be elected.

The first three people receiving the greatest number of votes for the Council member 4-year terms shall be elected. There are no questions at this that will be placed on the ballot.

Every person who has attained the age of 18 years possessing the following qualifications is entitled to register to vote at all municipal elections:

- A) He/she is a citizen of the United States;
- B) He/she has resided in the municipality in the State of Colorado for twenty two days prior to the date of election.

You may register to vote online at [www.govotecolorado.com](http://www.govotecolorado.com) prior to March 16, 2016 and afterward at the Deputy County Clerk's office, Rio Blanco County Annex, 17497 Hwy 64, Rangely, Colorado during regular business hours and between 8:30 am - 7:00 pm on April 5, 2016.

The polls will be opened at 7:00 a.m. on the day of the election and will be closed at 7:00 p.m. April 5, 2016 at Town Hall, 209 E Main, Rangely Colorado, 81648.

Ballot's will be mailed to electors. If you do not receive a ballot in the mail you may fill out an absentee ballot request. Your application must be returned to the town clerk's office on or before April 5, 2016. You can download absentee ballot applications at [www.rangely.com](http://www.rangely.com) or come into the Town of Rangely offices at 209 E Main for blank forms.

DATED THIS 29th Day of January, 2016.  
TOWN OF RANGELY  
Lisa Piering  
Town Clerk/Treasurer  
March 10, March 17, 2016, March 24

**OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR TOWN OF RANGELY REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION APRIL 5, 2016**

**SAMPLE BALLOT**

*Lisa Piering*  
Lisa Piering  
Town Clerk

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER:** To vote for the candidate of your choice, completely fill in the OVAL to the LEFT of the candidate's name. If you tear, deface, or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and request a replacement.

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**TOWN COUNCIL, MAYOR**  
(Vote for no more than One)

JOSEPH NIELSEN  
 Write-in

**TOWN COUNCIL, TRUSTEE**  
(Vote for no more than Three)

CLAYTON GOHR  
 DONNELL R. (TREY) ROBIE III  
 JANE MILLER  
 JAMES DILLON III  
 SARAH (HUME) NIELSEN  
 TYSON HACKING  
 ANDREW (ANDY) KEY  
 ROBERT K. KISSLING  
 RENE' D. HARDEN  
 ELIZABETH (BETH) ROBINSON WILEY  
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FRONT Card 1 RpdVot 10 "Precinct #1"

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**Board of County Commissioners**  
**Monday, March 14, 2016**  
**Rio Blanco County Justice Center**  
**455 Main Street, Courtroom A**  
**Meeker, Colorado 81641**

Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda. Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.

Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.

11:00 Call to order:  
•Pledge of Allegiance  
•Changes or additions to the March 14, 2016, Board Agenda

•Approval of the March 14, 2016 Agenda/Consent agenda for March 14, 2016

•Consent-1. Consideration of the Board Minutes of February 22, 2016

•Consent 2a. Financial Management Report February 2016

•Consent 2b. DHS EBT Register February 2016

•Consent 2c. DHS Warrant Register February 2016

•Consent 2d. Motor Vehicle Publication List February 2016

•Consent 2e. Treasurer Publication List February 2016

•Consent 2f. Treasurer Monthly Report February 2016

•Consent 3. Department of Public Health and Environment Amendment Task Order #16-87753 decreasing the amount of funds to be paid to Rio Blanco County for decreased work performed under the original Task Order #13-42816 reducing the amount by \$10,000.00.

•Consent 4. Approval of the Kum & Go 3.2 Beer License.

•Consent 5. Budget Variance Report - 077 FCI Constructors Inc., RBC Justice Center Project 10-14-030 to fund the costs to omit water sensors at discharge locations of WSPH condensate drain per response to RFI-249 in an amount not to exceed \$1,692.00.

•Consent 6. Budget Variance Report - 078 FCI Constructors Inc., RBC Justice Center Project 10-14-030 to fund the costs to Specialties Contracting for furnishing additional paper towel dispensers and waste receptacles for Public Restrooms D136 and D139 originally not included in RFI-261 in an amount not to exceed \$1,165.00.

•Consent 7. Budget Variance Report - 079 FCI Constructors Inc., RBC Justice Center Project 10-14-030 to fund the costs to Specialties Contracting for furnishing 50 additional corner guards to match existing per direction from Rio Blanco County in an amount not to exceed \$1,222.00.

•Consent 8. Budget Variance Report - 080 FCI Constructors Inc., RBC Justice Center Project 10-14-030 to fund the costs to Summit Sealants for furnishing and installing a pick resistant expansion joint around the dryer in Laundry D141 per RFI-257 in an amount not to exceed \$1,100.00.

•Consent 9. Approval of JB GOLF, LLC Change of Managing Member from Julie Bowman to Rebecca Ridings.

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•Consent 10. Approval of the Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado 2016 Technical Assistance grant program application, to benefit the Rangely signage project, in a grant amount not to exceed \$10,000.

General Business:  
•BUS 1. Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance Adopting The 2010 Model Traffic Code for Colorado, 2010 Revision. •BUS 2. Motion to Approve Appointment to the Lodging Tax Board.

•BUS 3. Motion to Approve the acquisition of a Quit Claim Deed from the Robert H. Williams Family Trust dated March 25, 1991 to the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado for the purchase of land designated as Parcel 9 for the Rio Blanco County CR5/SH64 Project in an amount not to exceed \$500.00.

•Bus 4. Approval of Federal Grant Application for Coulter Field at Meeker Airport Pavement Maintenance Project AIP No. 03-08-0041-011-2016 in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00.

•Bus 5. Approval of Federal Grant Application for Rangely Airport Pavement Maintenance Project AIP No. 03-08-0047-012-2016 in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00.

Bids Opening:  
•Bid Opening 1. Piceance Creek Weed and Pest District Hand Spraying Project.

•Bid Opening 2. Piceance Creek Weed and Pest District Aerial Fixed Wing Spraying Project.

Bid Award:  
•Bid Award 1. Bid Award to Frontier Paving, Inc. for the 2016 County Road 8 Surface Treatment Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,133,529.95.

MOU, Contracts and Agreements:  
•MCA 1. Intergovernmental Agreement between Rio Blanco County and the Northwest Colorado Regional Pilot Project for a Shared Regional Eligibility Technician and authorizing Jennifer O'Hearn, Director of the Rio Blanco County Department of Human Services to sign on behalf of the Board.

•MCA 2. Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and SGM for the 2016 Fairgrounds Box Culvert Design and Construction and Phase I Site Plan Development in an amount not to exceed \$143,500.

•MCA 3. Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Frontier Paving, Inc. for the 2016 Rio Blanco County Road 8 Surface Treatment Project beginning April 11, 2016 with completion on or before June 3, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$1,133,529.95.

•MCA 4. Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County and Phil Vaughan Construction Management Inc., for Planning Division and Building Division Consulting Services.

Resolutions:  
•RES 1. A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, Cancelling Outstanding Check Number 6333 in the amount of \$12.88.

•RES 2. A Resolution of The Board Of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado extending the period of the temporary suspension of Impact Fees as originally provided for in Resolution 2015-14 from February 8, 2016 To December 31, 2016.

Other Business:  
•Road & Bridge Monthly Update - Dave Morlan

•Public Comments

•County Commissioner Updates

1:15 p.m. Public Hearing

•Hearing 1. Applicant Commet Four Corners, Inc.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

is requesting a Special Use Permit (PSP) 0006-16 to install a wireless communication site including a 60' tower and 3 RF Panels enclosed by a 50X50 fence located at 11808 County Road 8, Meeker, Colorado.

RESOLUTION: 2016-\_\_\_\_\_ A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO, APPROVING COMMNET INC. OAKRIDGE SPECIAL USE PERMIT 0006-16 AT 11808 COUNTY ROAD 8, MEEKER, RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO.

•Hearing 2. Petition for Abatement or Refund of Taxes for WPX Rocky Mountain Energy, Schedule No. P3400096.

Adjourn

The agenda is provided for informational purposes only; all times are approximate. Agenda items will normally be considered in the order they appear on the agenda. However, the Board may alter the Agenda, take breaks during the meeting, work through the noon hour and even continue an item for a future meeting date. The Board, while in session, may consider other items that are brought before it. Scheduled items may be continued if the Board is unable to complete the Agenda as scheduled. The next regular Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 21, 2016 in Rangely at the County Annex Building. Please check the County website for information at <http://www.rbc.us/departments/commissioners>. If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9570 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
INVITATION TO BID  
2016 GMC Truck Bid**

Notice is hereby given that bid proposals, for a new 2016 GMC Sierra 3500 HD 4 Wheel Drive truck, will be accepted at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO until Friday, March 11 2016 at 3:30 P.M. at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. The bid will be awarded at the March 15, 2016 Board Meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M. at Town Hall, 345 Market Street in Meeker. Specifications are available upon request at Town Hall or by calling 970-878-5344 or on the Town's website [www.townofmeeker.org](http://www.townofmeeker.org).

The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids; to change, add, or amend the specifications; to waive any informalities; and the right to disregard all nonconforming or conditional bids or counter proposals. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent with the provisions of the Town of Meeker Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual.

The bid proposal must be placed in an envelope, securely sealed and labeled "Meeker 2016 Truck bid" and be received no later than Friday, March 11, 2016 at 3:30 P.M. or FAXED to 970-878-4513 or emailed to [admin@town.meeker.co.us](mailto:admin@town.meeker.co.us).

Contact Russell Overton, Public Works Superintendent at 970-942-7555 or Scott Meszaros, Town Administrator, 970-878-4960 for additional information.

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**RIO BLANCO COUNTY  
2016 Weed & Pest - Helicopter  
REQUEST FOR BID  
PROJECT NAME, LOCATION AND  
GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK**

Rio Blanco County is soliciting bids to aerially treat approximately 560 acres of noxious weeds utilizing a helicopter on BLM lands, on one private property parcel, and for the Piceance Creek Weed and Pest District.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS  
Contract Documents are available on-line at the County website at [www.rbc.us](http://www.rbc.us) on the Weed & Pest Page, or at the Rio Blanco County Weed & Pest Dept. 779 Sulphur Creek Road, Meeker, Colorado 81641.

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS  
All persons spraying herbicides must be appropriately licensed by the Colorado Department of Agriculture for aerial application in the Rangeland Pest Control category. Appropriate proof of licensure must be submitted to the Agreement Administrator concurrently with execution of this Agreement.

PROJECT COORDINATOR AND QUESTIONS  
Matt Scott, Weed Control Supervisor, (970) 878-9670. All Bidders are advised to review the specifications found on Exhibit A. Any questions regarding this Request are to be directed in writing to Matt Scott at P.O. Box 599, Meeker, CO 81641 or via email at [matt.scott@rbc.us](mailto:matt.scott@rbc.us)

WORK SCHEDULE  
Estimated start date is June 1, 2016 and end date is August 30, 2016

BID SUBMITTALS  
Bidder shall submit sealed bids for this request which shall include all information required. Bids shall have Bidder name and address and Sealed Bid-2016 Rio Blanco County Weed & Pest - Helicopter. Deliver to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, at P.O. Box i, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641 by mail before Friday, April 8, 2016 at 4 P.M. OR hand delivery to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners 355 4th Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641 (Rio Blanco County Courtroom) until 10:45 A.M. on April 11, 2016

BID OPENING  
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners meeting will commence at 11 A.M. Bids shall be opened and read in public soon thereafter as listed on the agenda on April 11, 2016 at the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Rio Blanco County Sheriff Department 455 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641. Bids received after 10:45 A.M. on the date of bid opening shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.

BID AWARD  
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY  
By: Shawn Bolton, Chairman  
Published: March 10 & 17, 2016

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**MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1  
Board of Education Regular Board Meeting  
555 Garfield Street Meeker, CO  
81641 March 15, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.**

Agenda  
1. Call to Order and Roll Call  
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Allen will lead the Pledge of Allegiance

3. Welcome of Guests  
4. Approval of Agenda

Student Celebrations: High School Wrestling Team

General Public Comment Session: (comments limited to three minutes)

Consent Agenda:  
1. Approval: Minutes from Regular Board Meeting on February 16, 2016

2. Acceptance: Financial Reports for February 2016

3. Acceptance: Check vouchers for February 2016

4. Approval: Policy revisions per attached list - 3rd Reading (actual revisions on website)

5. Acceptance: Resignation - Shelly Baker (1st Grade Teacher)

Public/Committee Reports: DAC, BAC, Meeker Education Foundation, BOCES

Principal Reports: Attached

1. Elementary School - Kathy Collins

2. Barone Middle School - Jim Hanks

3. Meeker High School - Amy Chinn  
Superintendent Report: Attached

Action Items:  
1. Approval: Personnel Hires

a. Middle School Track - Marty Casey (Head Coach)

2. Approval: Policy 3rd reading: GDD, IKF, JLCE, and JLF-R

3. Approval: 2015-16 Unified Improvement Plan

4. Approval: Coordinator of Academics Position for 2016-2017

5. Approval: Salary Schedule for Coordinator of Academics Position

Other BOE Information  
Executive Session: C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(f)

Personnel - Superintendent Evaluation  
Adjournment  
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**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION  
and  
CERTIFIED STATEMENT OF RESULTS**

**1-13.5-513(6), 32-1-104, 1-11-103(3) C.R.S.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Mesa View Estates Water District II, Rio Blanco County Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 3, 2016 is hereby cancelled pursuant to §1-13.5-513(1), C.R.S.

The following candidates are declared elected:  
Drew Varland 2 Year Term  
Travis Mobley 4 Year Term  
Kent E. Walter 4 Year Term

By order of the Board of Directors of Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District.  
/s/ Cathy A. Kiser  
Designated Election Official

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**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING  
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 15-25**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On December 8, 2015, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.

Original Grantor(s)	Michael S Walks
Original Beneficiary(ies)	Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for AMCAP Mortgage Ltd. dba Major Mortgage Co.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt	CIS Financial Services, Inc., DBA, CIS Home Loans
Date of Deed of Trust	November 15, 2012
County of Recording	Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust	November 16, 2012
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)	305083
Original Principal Amount	\$161,224.00
Outstanding Principal Balance	\$155,362.58

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.

**THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN**

**LOT 28 BLOCK 4 SAGEWOOD WEST SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED JUNE 27, 1979 AS RECEPTION NO. 189087 TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO**

\*Pursuant to Affidavit Re: Scrivener's Error Pursuant to C.R.S. 38-35-109(5) recorded November 9, 2015 at Reception No. 311321 to correct the legal description of the deed of trust.

**Also known by street and number as: 961 Half Turn Road, Rangely, CO 81648.**  
**THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 04/06/2016, at the Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County temporary office, 1032 Jennifer Drive, Meeker, CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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• A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-104 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED;

• A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-302 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE NO LATER THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE;

• IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED;

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Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau  
P.O. Box 4503  
Iowa City, Iowa 52244  
(855) 411-2372  
[www.consumerfinance.gov](http://www.consumerfinance.gov)

DATE: 12/09/2015  
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee

The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:  
Lisa Cancanon #42043 Monica Kadras #34904  
Barrett Frappier & Weisserman, LLP 1199 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 350-3711  
Attorney File # 3750.100089

The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING**

**CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 15-27**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On December 22, 2015, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.

Original Grantor(s)	LARRY D. PETTY, HAROLD HURM and RAMONA L. HURM
Original Beneficiary(ies)	AMERICAN WESTERN MORTGAGE COMPANY OF COLORADO
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt	WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
Date of Deed of Trust	March 25, 1999
County of Recording	Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust	March 26, 1999
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)	264453
Original Principal Amount	\$43,050.00
Outstanding Principal Balance	\$28,805.98

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.

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DATE: 12/23/2015  
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee

The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**Rio Blanco County  
2016 Crackfill Project  
REQUEST FOR BID**

2016 Rio Blanco County Crackfill Project  
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY is soliciting bids for furnishing and placement of approx. 19,410 lbs. of Deery 974 Asphalt or Equivalent Crackfill Material on various county roads.  
BID DOCUMENTS  
Bid Documents shall be available on-line at [www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp](http://www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp), or on the county website at [www.rbc.us](http://www.rbc.us) on the Business/Purchasing/Bid Postings page, or at the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept. in Meeker on March 10, 2016.  
PROJECT SUPERINTENDENT AND QUESTIONS  
Clint Chappell, Road and Bridge Coordinator, (970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. Mailing address: Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker, CO 81641. All Vendors must examine the sites and become familiar with all site conditions. Any questions regarding this project are to be directed in writing to Clint Chappell before Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at 4:00 P.M. at the above address or fax number.  
WORK SCHEDULE  
This project shall start April 25, 2016 and be completed by June 3, 2016, depending upon delays due to adverse conditions. PRE-BID MEETING Vendors shall attend a pre-bid meeting (mandatory): Monday, March 21, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. at the Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker.  
BID SUBMITTALS  
Vendor shall include all information required by the contract documents. Bid shall be clearly marked with Sealed Bid-2016 Crackfill Project, the name and address of the submitting company and the bid opening date written on the sealed envelope. Each bid must be accompanied by a Certified Check or Cashier Check in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, made payable to Rio Blanco County, Colorado, or by a Bid Bond in like amount executed by a Surety Company. Hand delivered bids on the day of the Bid Opening shall be delivered to the Rio Blanco County Justice Center, 455 Main St. Courtroom A, Meeker, Colorado 81641. OR Mailed bids must be delivered by 4:00 P.M. on Friday, March 25, 2016 to P.O. Box 1, Meeker, CO 81641.  
BID OPENING  
Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on March 28, 2016 at the temporary Meeker Commissioners Meeting Room, Rio Blanco County Justice Center, 455 Main Street-Courtroom A, Meeker, CO. Bids submitted after 10:45 A.M. will be returned not opened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.  
BID AWARD  
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and minor irregularities in bids, and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Board, to be in the best interest of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado. The County also reserves the right to negotiate changes in product specifications with successful vendor. Owner will give the Successful Vendor a Notice of Award within thirty days after the day of the Bid opening.  
RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO  
Dated: March 10, 2016  
By: Shawn J. Bolton, Chairman  
Published: March 10 & March 17, 2016  
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**LEGAL NOTICES**

Expenses  
MESA COUNTY HEALTH DEPT REG LABORATORY, 40.00, Expenses  
MOON LAKE ELECTRIC, 15342.97, Electricity  
MOUNTAIN WEST SECURITY LLC, 20.00, Expenses  
MULLEN, JOCELYN, 300.00, Expenses  
MWI VETERINARY SUPPLY, 73.74, Expenses  
NETWORKS UNLIMITED, 2995.46, Support  
NICHOLS STORE, 36.00, Expenses  
NIELSEN, JOSEPH, 100.00, Council Stipend  
ORKIN PEST CONTROL, 1178.27, Services  
PIERING, LISA, 40.00, Expenses  
PINNACOL ASSURANCE, 3608.94, Insurance  
PIPELINE TESTING CONSORTIUM, 170.00, Services  
PIPETTE.COM, 340.30, Expenses  
PITNEY BOWES INC, 104.83, Services  
PROFESSIONAL TOUCH, 696.06, Expenses  
PUBLIC AGENCY TRAINING COUNCIL, 295.00, Training  
PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER, INC., 215.47, Expenses  
QUILL, 1236.16, Expenses  
RANGELY AUTO PARTS, 1325.21, Expenses  
RANGELY HARDWARE, 2455.52, Expenses  
RANGELY SCHOOL FOUNDATION, 18540.13, Sales Tax Funding  
RANGELY TRASH SERVICE, 814.00, Services  
RANGELY, TOWN OF, 10805.10, Utilities  
RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS, 57.75, Expenses  
RIO BLANCO COUNTY, 49517.61, Expenses  
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, 1087.44, Expenses  
SCHMEUSHER GORDON MEYER, INC., 868.75, Expenses  
SENERGY BUILDERS, 4964.70, Housing Rental Fee  
SGS ACCUTEST INC., 114.50, Chemicals  
SHAFFER, ANDREW, 100.00, Council Stipend  
SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, 190.00, Services  
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY RC, 694.86, Life Insurance  
STEELE, KRISTIN, 100.00, Council Stipend  
STRATA NETWORKS, 5500.00, Services  
SUMMIT ENERGY, 105226.66, Gas Transmission/Transport  
TIMBER LINE ELECTRIC & CONTROL, 460.00, Expenses  
TRACTOR SUPPLY CREDIT PLAN, 75.98, Expenses  
TRANSUNION RISK & ALTERNATIVE, 30.00, Services  
TRI COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION, 363.00, Services  
ULINE, 1394.78, Expenses  
UNCC, 21.45, Services  
VERIZON WIRELESS, 1105.49, Cell Service  
VERNAL PET CLINIC & WELLNESS CENTER, 185.73, Animal Shelter Expenses  
VERNAL WINNELSON CO, 480.71, Expenses  
VET CLINIC, THE, 797 .00, Animal Shelter Expenses  
WAGNER EQUIPMENT COMPANY, 111.29, Expenses  
WALTER ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, LLC, 1650.00, Services  
WEX BANK, 2416.48, Fuel  
WHITE RIVER MARKET, 442.16, Supplies  
WILCZEK, KAREN, 300.00, Judge Fee  
WOODS & AITKEN LLP, 10652.14, Services  
WRB REC & PARK DISTRICT, 70.50, Expenses  
335029.89  
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VENDOR AMOUNT DESCRIPTION  
ADAMSON POLICE PRODUCTS, 53.75, Expenses  
AFLAC, 362.49, Payroll deduction  
AIR LIQUIDE AMERICA SPECIALTY GAS, LLC, 39.06, Expenses  
ALL COPY PRODUCTS INC., 420.82, Expenses  
AQUIONICS INC., 517.88, Expenses  
ARAMARK, 670.96, Uniforms  
ATKINSON, LAURA, 489.78, Utility Clearing  
BOY-KO SUPPLY CO, 278.84, Expenses  
BRADY, ANN, 100.00, Council Stipend  
BRASFIELD, JOE, 86.41, Expenses  
CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLY, 371.76, Expenses  
CASELLE, INC, 869.33, Software Support  
CEBT, 31835.24, Health Ins  
CENTER FOR EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT LAW, 159.00, Services  
CENTURY EQUIPMENT COMPANY, 692.39, Expenses  
CENTURYLINK, 2691.40, Communication  
CHIEF/LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPLY, 599.97, Expenses  
CO DEPT OF AGRI ANIMAL IND DIV, 350.00, Services  
DAN E. WILSON, ATTORNEY AT LAW LLC, 2917.14, Services  
DILLON, MICHAEL, 191.40, Benefit Reimbursement  
DIRECTV, 368.75, WRV Television  
DUCEY'S ELECTRIC, 915.66, Expenses  
EDDY, DAN, 100.00, Council Stipend  
EMC PLUMBING & HEATING, INC., 2240.26, Services  
EVOQUA WATER TECHNOLOGIES LLC, 146.24, Chemicals  
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, 373.80, Payroll deduction  
FIDELITY ADVISOR FUNDS, 20384.01, Payroll deduction  
FIRST BANKCARD, 3230.18, Expenses  
FPPA, 366.11, PD Insurance  
FRESH EXPRESS CLEANING, 46.00, Services  
GOVERNMENT LEASING LLC, 455.00, Expenses  
GRAND JUNGCTION PIPE & SUPPLY, 105.99, Expenses  
GREAT AMERICAN LEASING COMPANY, 330.00, Lease  
HACH, 447.40, Expenses  
HATCH, LISA, 100.00, Council Stipend  
HAYES, SCOTT, 120.00, Expenses  
HIRERIGHT, INC., 73.65, Services  
HUITT, FRANK, 150.00, Council Stipend  
ITRON, INC., 790.59, Expenses  
JB INDUSTRIAL, 2120.56, Expenses  
JONES PAINT & GLASS OF VERNAL, 3433.00, Expenses  
JSC, INC, 750.00, Services  
KIMBALL MIDWEST, 403.88, Expenses  
KRAI-AM AND KRAI-FM, 155.00, Marketing  
LEACH'S INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, INC., 39.00, Expenses  
MACIAS, MIGUEL, 36.38, Utility Clearing  
MAIL SERVICES, 974.83, Services  
MASTER PETROLEUM CO, INC., 2023.20, Expenses  
MCCANDLESS TRUCK CENTER, 940.64,

**TOWN OF MEEKER  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Tuesday March 15, 2016 7:00 P.M.  
Regular Scheduled Board Meeting  
345 Market Street, Meeker, CO**

I. Call to Order  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Roll Call  
II. Approval of the Agenda  
III. Approval of the Previous Minutes  
IV. Approval of Monthly Disbursements  
V. Public Participation  
VI. Staff Updates  
New Business:  
1. Renewal of Ute Park Lease Agreement with Mr. Davey Smith  
2. OHV Rendezvous discussion regarding the usage of Ute Park snow storage area for dry camping  
3. Ute Park Meekerpalooza Event site layout and discussion on dry camping  
4. Bid Award for 2016 GMC 3500 HD Truck  
5. Service Agreement with Payment Service Network, Inc. (PSN) regarding credit/debit card payment services  
VII. Mayor's remarks  
IX. Town Manager's Report  
X. Town Attorney's Report  
Adjournment  
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MARRIAGE  
To the Respondent named above, this Summons serves as a notice to appear in this case. If you were served in the State of Colorado, you must file your Response with the clerk of this Court within 21 days after this Summons is served on you to participate in this action. If you were served outside of the State of Colorado or you were served by publication, you must file your Response with the clerk of this Court within 35 days after this Summons is served on you to participate in this action. You may be required to pay a filing fee with your Response. The Response from (JDF 1103) can be found at [www.courts.state.co.us](http://www.courts.state.co.us) by clicking on the "Self Help/Forms" tab. After 91 days from the date of service or publication, the Court may enter a Decree affecting your marital status, distribution of property and debts, issues involving children such as child support, allocation of parental responsibilities (decision-making and parenting time), maintenance, attorney fees, and costs to the extent the Court has jurisdiction. If you fail to file a Response in this case, any or all of the matters above, or any related matters which come before this Court, may be decided without further notice to you. This is an action to obtain a Decree of: Dissolution of Marriage or Legal Separation as more fully described in the attached Petition, and if you have children, for orders regarding the children of the marriage. Notice: §14-10-107, C.R.S. provides that upon the filing of a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage or Legal Separation by the Petitioner and Co-Petitioner, or upon personal service of the Petition and Summons on the Respondent, or upon waiver and acceptance of service by the Respondent, an automatic temporary injunction shall be in effect against both parties until the Final Decree is entered, or the Petition is dismissed, or until further Order of the Court. Either party may apply to the Court for further temporary orders, an expanded temporary injunction, or modification or revocation under §14-10-108, C.R.S. A request for genetic tests shall not prejudice the requesting party in matters concerning allocation of parental responsibilities pursuant to §14-10-124(1.5), C.R.S. If genetic tests are not obtained prior to a legal establishment of paternity and submitted into evidence prior to the entry of the final decree of dissolution or legal separation, the genetic tests may not be allowed into evidence at a later date. Automatic Temporary Injunction - By Order of Colorado Law, You and Your Spouse are:  
1. Restrained from transferring, encumbering, concealing or in any way disposing of, without the consent of the other party or an Order of the Court, any marital property, except in the usual course of business or for the necessities of life. Each party is required to notify the other party of any proposed extraordinary expenditures and to account to the Court for all extraordinary expenditures made after the injunction is in effect;  
2. Enjoined from molesting or disturbing the peace of the other party;  
3. Restrained from removing the minor children of the parties, if any, from the State without the consent of the other party or an Order of the Court; and  
4. Restrained without at least 14 days advance notification and the written consent of the other party or an Order of the Court, from canceling, modifying, terminating, or allowing to lapse for nonpayment of premiums, any policy of health insurance, homeowner's or renter's insurance, or automobile insurance that provides coverage to either of the parties or the minor children or any policy of life insurance that names either of the parties or the minor children as a beneficiary.  
Date: 9/23/2015  
/s/Joan Jensen Deputy Clerk of Court  
Published: March 10, 17, 24, 31 & April 7, 2016 in The Rio Blanco Herald Times

**INVITATION TO BID**

You are hereby invited to bid for the 2016 Chip-Seal Project for the Town of Meeker. This project includes the chip-seal of approximately 125,000 square yards of existing asphalt streets. The Project Owner is the Town of Meeker. The Project Engineer is Chris Hale, P.E. of Mountain Cross Engineering, Inc. in Glenwood Springs. A complete set of plans, specifications and contract documents may be obtained after March 14th, 2016 from the offices of Mountain Cross Engineering, Inc. (970-945-5544) or at the Meeker Town Hall (970-878-5344) for a deposit of \$35. The deposit will be refunded if the set is returned in good condition. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, on Wednesday, March 16th, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. Send or deliver the Bid Proposals to Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641 by 3:00 p.m., Friday, March 25th, 2016. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond or a check in the amount of 10% of the bid made payable to The Town of Meeker as bid security, along with 3 references for similar work. The Bid Proposals and Bid Security should be placed in an envelope, securely sealed and labeled "Bid for Chip-Seal Project". Plans, specifications and contract documents should be returned with the bid. Performance and Payment Bonds are required. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids; to change, add, or amend the specifications; to waive any informalities; and the right to disregard all non-conforming or conditional bids or counter proposals. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent with the provisions of the Town of Meeker Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual, including but not limited to the Contract-Award-Preference section, which is incorporated herein by this reference and made

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a part of this "Invitation to Bid." Contact Russ Overton with the Town of Meeker 970-878-5530 for additional information or with any questions regarding this project. Published: March 10, 2016  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Rangely Food Bank is open on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30 p.m. at 204 E. Rio Blanco. To donate, please call 970-620-2407.

NEW EDEN PREGNANCY CARE SERVICES - pregnancy tests, emergency supplies, guidance by trained volunteers, classes on pregnancy and child care, post-abortion support, referrals. Mondays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 345 Main Street, Meeker. Email: [newedenpcs@gmail.com](mailto:newedenpcs@gmail.com) or (970)878-5117 and 219 Sunset Avenue Rangely. Email: [newedenrangel@gmail.com](mailto:newedenrangel@gmail.com) or (970) 675-2300. All services are confidential.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

RIO BLANCO Masonic Lodge #80 meets 2nd and 4th Thursday, 7:00 p.m., at 7th and Park, Meeker.

ATTN: RIO BLANCO COUNTY VETERANS: If you do not receive VA travel allowance for visits to the Grand Jct VAMC or to the Craig VA Clinic please contact the RBC Veterans Service Office, Meeker: Joe Dungan, 878-9690 Rangely: John "Hoot" Gibson, 878-9695

THE RANGELY Moms Group gives pregnant women and mothers of newborns through elementary school-aged children time to take a break, join in discussions and crafts, and build relationships with other moms. We meet the first Thursday of each month from September through May, from 9-11 a.m. at Grace Baptist Church (144 S. Stanolind Ave.). Join us! For more information, call Heather Zadra at (970) 629-9937.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEEKER STREAKER MONTHLY SCHEDULE MARCH 2016**

NOTE: Please call 878-9368 in advance to set up all medical appointment rides. Activities are subject to change. Bus available on dates noted below.  
3/10 Bus in Town/Rifle  
3/11 Bus in Town  
3/12 No Bus  
3/13 AM Bus  
3/14 Bus in Town  
3/15 Bus in Town  
3/16 Bus in Town/BP Clinic  
3/17 Bus in Town/GJ Medical  
3/18 Bus in Town

Due to Daylight Savings Time, please schedule out-of-town medical appointments before 2:00 PM. Call Streaker for a ride 878-9368. Reservations for Rec. Center Trips should be made at 878-3403. Chuckwagon 878-5627. Please call in advance for a ride to medical appointments- (970)878-9368. For Rangely dental appointments, please call (970)675-3250.

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 ■ Staff RN - Acute/ED - Nights  
 ■ Respiratory Therapy Tech  
 ■ Surgical Services Director  
 ■ Cook/Food Service Tech

**Part-Time [eligible for benefits]:**  
 ■ Cook/Food Service Tech

Submit Resume and/or Application to:  
Pioneers Medical Center, HR,  
100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr.,  
Meeker, Colo., 81641  
Visit our Website at:  
[www.pioneershospital.org](http://www.pioneershospital.org)

**Pioneers Medical Center**  
Phone: (970) 878-5247 Fax: (970) 878-3285  
100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr., Meeker, CO 81641  
Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

- Natural Resource Specialist
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For details and a Rio Blanco County application, please go to [www.rbc.us](http://www.rbc.us) or Rio Blanco County HR at 200 Main St., Meeker, CO 970-878-9570 ADA/EOE

**MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1 Employment Opportunities**

**Meeker Elementary School**  
 • 1st Grade Teacher  
 • 5th Grade Teacher

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James A. Amick  
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[James.Amick@cfbmic.com](mailto:James.Amick@cfbmic.com)

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**SAFEHOUSE**

If you are being abused physically or mentally, you can call SAFEHOUSE for confidential shelter and help. 878-3131

**Veterans Service Offices**

**Rio Blanco County:** Veterans Service Officer - Joe Dungan, Wednesday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., County Administration Building, 200 Main Street Suite 300, Meeker. 878-9690 office, 878-3219 home. Fax 878-9581.  
**Rangely:** Veterans Service Officer - Hoot Gibson, Tuesday and Thursday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., County Annex, 17497 State Hwy 64, Rangely. 878-9695 office, 675-2669 home.

MEEKER HOUSING Authority Board of Directors meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 2:30 p.m. at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Food Bank of the Rockies mobile pantry truck will be in Rio Blanco County providing Food assistance to community members. Scheduled Dates for 2016: March 24, April 28, May 26, June 23, July 28, Aug. 25 - See more at: The Food Bank will be at the Meeker Fairgrounds from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely**

Alcoholics Anonymous - Open meetings Tues & Thurs, 7 p.m., 115 Kennedy Dr., St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Rangely. Al-Anon meets Monday, 8:15 p.m., 207 S. Sunset, 1st Baptist Church, Rangely. Al-Anon info call 970-629-5064 or 970-629-2970.

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

Mon. 7 p.m., Weds. 7 p.m., Fri. 7 p.m. St. James Church - enter from back parking lot, meetings are downstairs in Richards Hall, 4th & Park, Meeker 878-4158 • 878-5919 • 878-5636  
Alanon Thurs. 7 p.m. 878-5655

**Rangely Victim Services**

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**Fire/EMS Chief** wanted for a small Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department in Meeker, CO. Population of approximately 2500. Service area of approximately 1940 square miles. Only serious applicants need apply. Please send resume and job description requests to [vcrawford@meekeerrescue.com](mailto:vcrawford@meekeerrescue.com) or contact Vicki Crawford at Rio Blanco Fire Protection District, 970-878-3443. Application deadline 3/24/2016 at 4:00pm MST.

**Energetic people needed for the front of the house at Ma Famiglia Restaurant.** Full-time and part-time positions available. Positions available immediately for qualified applicants. Pick up an application at 410 Market St., Meeker.

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After May 2016 the NRA is changing it's requirements for getting your CCW permit. Get Certified NOW! For details & class enrollment form e-mail: [smccllland79@yahoo.com](mailto:smccllland79@yahoo.com) or call Clint @ (970)987-2620.

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**HOMES IN MEEKER ...**

- \*NEW 990 Main St. - 3BR, 1.5 BA, log home w/attached 2 car garage. Updated and spotless. \$194,000.
- \*NEW 725 Cedar St. - 5 BR, 2-1/2 BA, Beautiful one of a kind home, good views, updated high end kitchen, huge family room, outdoor entertaining area, 2 fireplaces, garage, on 3 lots, great neighborhood. \$319,000.
- \*NEW 826 2nd St - 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2,064 sq ft bi-level home near schools. Fenced yard, trees. \$170,000.
- \*969 Garfield - Lg lot, 3 BR, 2 BA, 2,656 sq ft home, basement, garage, mature trees. \$170,000 SALE PENDING!
- \*1331 Sage Ridge Rd - Immaculate 2 story, 3 BR, 2.5 BA, garage, RV carport, fenced. \$245,000 REDUCED!
- \*1111 Wall St - 3 BR, 2 BA one level home. Laminated floors, lg master suite, storage shed. \$128,000 REDUCED!
- \*12 Main St - 3 BR, 2 BA historic home with a 426 sq. ft. cottage. Updated, large corner lot. \$219,000.
- 1023 Jill Dr. - 4 BR, 3 bath home on a large lot, near schools and rec center. Good views. \$126,000. SOLD!

**RANCHES - RURAL RESIDENTIAL - HUNTING PROPERTIES...**

- \*3316 CR 8 - 42 Acres, great views, 2,304 sq ft, 3 BR, 2 BA log home, decks, privacy, new well. \$400,000.
- \*1020 S. Little Rancho Dr. - 90 Acres bordering BLM land. Very private, end of the road. Newer log home, 3 BR, 2 BA, decks, barn, pond, water well, fenced for livestock, good hunting, views. \$595,000.
- \*666 Rimrock Dr. - 5.5 acres, captivating location, 3BR, 2 BA 1 story log home. Amazing pond, irrigation water, beautifully landscaped, RV hook-up, great views, garage, and shed. Zip line! \$409,000.
- \*293 Agency Dr - 5 acres, 1 mile S. of town, near golf course. Updated 4 BR, 2 BA home with basement, garage, decks. Awesome views. Irigated hay & pasture. Lg shop with horse stalls. \$419,000.
- \*CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$425,000 REDUCED!
- \*8606 CR 8 - 9 miles east. Nice 3 BR home, basement, garage, fenced yard, great views. \$325,000.
- \*29100 CR 8 - 12 Acres with River & fishing. Nice 1,282 sq ft 3 BR, 2 BA cabin, borders BLM. \$796,000.
- \*366 N. Cross L. Dr. - 4 BR, 2 BA home on 3 irrigated acres. Great location. SOLD! \$244,900.

**BUSINESS & INVESTMENT ...**

- \*109 Market St - 3+ lots on the corner of 1st & Market. Great location next to the Dollar Store. \$275,000 REDUCED!
- \*304 4th St. Commercial building on corner lot downtown, great office space, 4,437 sq. ft. \$198,000 REDUCED!

**RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...**

- \*5807 CR 7 - Vacant 20 acre parcel, 9 mi. North, on Strawberry Creek. Good home site & views. \$75,000.
- \*CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$425,000 REDUCED!
- \*359 Love Lane - 5 acres, Cross L Estates, Lot 13, great horse property, well. \$100,000.
- \*River Property - 19.6 Acres 12 miles west, irrigated hay, good home sites, well. \$145,000.
- \*Little Beaver Estates - Lot 4, 35 acres, fenced, good pond, loading shed, great home site. \$64,900 REDUCED!
- \*Little Beaver Estates - 35 acre lot bordering DOW hunting land. Lot 11 - \$95,000.
- \*Little Beaver Estates - Lot 13 - 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land. Lot 14. \$93,000 REDUCED!
- \*Little Beaver Estates Lot 13 - 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land. \$89,000 REDUCED!
- \*100 acres 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,396,000.00.
- \*Several nice building lots on Mini Circle and Michael Circle. Reduced to \$19,900 each.
- \*71 Acres on CR 18, 11 miles NE. Private homesites, water, good hunting, borders public land. \$205,000. SOLD!

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3865 Hwy 40, Dinosaur \$350,000 2 Exceptional Homes Approx. 102 Acres	1218 Solar Cir. \$215,000 Striking Two Story Approx. 102 Acres	340 Darius Ave. \$200,000 Gorgeous Home 3 Beds & 2 Baths
513 Redwood Ln. \$186,000 Timeless Two Story 3 Beds & 2.5 Baths	927 W. Bell St. \$180,000 Large Home 4 Beds & 3 Baths	1268 La Mesa Cir. \$179,900 Comfortable Home 3 Beds & 2 Baths
207 Hillcrest Cir. \$170,000 Home with Views 4 Beds & 2 Baths	110 S. White Ave. \$129,900 Charming Newer Home 2 Beds & 2 Baths	622 E. Rio Blanco Ave. \$124,000 Terrific Ranch Home 3 Beds & 1 Bath
2 Duplexes on S. White \$110,000 each 2 beds & 1 bath each	212 Cottonwood Ave. \$89,500 Great Potential 3 Beds & 1 Bath	203 Morrison Ave. \$34,900 Huge Potential 3 Beds & 1 Bath

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**RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY**

- 1322 Sage Ridge Rd. - 3,822 SQFT of luxury 3BD, 2BA, game room, theatre, hot tub and more. Stress free, move right in! \$410,900
- 585 Cleveland St. - Picturesque 3,806 SQFT home in downtown Meeker. Beautifully landscaped private yard. \$389,000
- 756 Hill St. - Perfectly maintained 3BD/2BA log home with DREAM 4+ car garage! \$310,000
- 1055 Lince Cr. - Cute and tidy, ranch style 3BD/2BA home on a large lot. \$229,000
- 1154 Mini Cr. - Ideal 3BD/2BA two story home in a quiet cul-de-sac with custom finishes. \$229,000
- 855 5th St. - Wonderful view over town from this 5BD/2BA home. New roof, siding, windows and flooring. \$200,000
- 1326 Sage Ridge Rd. - Large family home comprising of 4BD/3BA, office, full basement and excellent back yard with fabulous mountain views. \$198,000
- 1033 Main St. - Two-story, 3BD/2BA home, with a collage in the back yard. \$172,000
- 545 3rd St. - Ideal location, smart use of space, tastefully remodeled 3BD/2BA. \$159,000
- NEW 1069 Park Street - Spacious 4BD/2BA single family home or can also be a 2BD/2BA duplex. Great space, natural light, updated appliances and utilities. \$158,000
- 754 Market St. - Perfectly remodeled BD/1BA, large lot, beam and storage space. \$155,000 UNDER CONTRACT
- 117 6th St. - Completely remodeled duplex, fully furnished, sleeps 12 people, within walking distance of downtown. \$135,000
- 1112 Park Ave. - Fresh paint, new carpet, super cute 2BD, 1BA, plus den. Fenced yard, off street parking. \$129,000
- 1013 Hill St. - 2BD/2BA home with huge yard, family room, and extra room in the basement. Some remodeling, including floors. \$122,900
- NEW 945 & 975 Cleveland St. - Two older homes, great lot space and potential. \$69,000

1033 W Market St. Meeker, Colo. 81641  
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- 66577 Hwy 64 - 14+ acres, 1947 SF home, adjoins BLM \$400,000
  - 1104 Jeannette Cir. - Custom home 3 bdrm, 2 bath, views \$245,000
  - NEW - 619 Rimrock Drive - 5 acres, 3bd home, garage, trees \$238,500
  - 757 3rd Street - Remodeled 3bdrm, 2bath, 2 car garage \$224,900
  - 760 3rd Street - Lg lot, 2 bdrm, 2.5 baths, 1 car garage \$210,000
  - 450 Garfield Street - Cute 2 bedroom home close to downtown \$125,000
  - 1036 Park Ave - Cute 1+bd, 1 bath, garage, great starter home. \$90,000
- PENDING SALES:
- 1334 Sage Ridge Rd. - 4bdrm, 3.5 baths, garage, AND MORE \$289,900
  - 1023 Julie Circle - Immaculate ranch style home w/garage. SOLD!
  - 1092 Hill Street - Cute 2bdrm, 1 bath home with garage. SOLD!

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- 1086 RBC Rd. 8 - New windows throughout, 3 BD, 2-1/2 BA home, 6.8 acres with 2000 SF White River frontage, large deck and spectacular views. One of a kind property! \$350,000
- 71622 Hwy. 64 - Perfect property! All recently remodeled, 3 BD, 2 BA home, close to town with great park-like setting. Just shy of 1 acre. \$299,000
- 1083 Laurie Cir. - Cute 3 BD, 1-3/4 BA, two-car garage, clean & open kitchen with newer appliances & fresh paint. Small yard & borders near soccer field. Price reduced! \$109,000
- 744 Market St. - Lots of possibilities, 3BD, 1 bath home 1176 sq. ft, nice 2 car detached garage with extra parking. Oversized lot is 8,625 sq ft! Priced to sell! \$88,000
- Mexican Restaurant and Apartment: 302 W. Main St. - 3912 SF, fully functional, built in '946 and has a banquet room in addition to the 2 BD, 1 BA apartment with 890 SF, built in '960. \$250,000
- 1218 La Mesa - 4 BD, 2.5 BA, 2636 SF two-story built in 2008. Landscaping and sprinkler. \$225,000
- 315 & 317 N. Grand Ave. - Duplex! Attractively renovated. Each unit has 1,200 SF, 2 BD, 2 BA, W/D hook-up, carport for each side. Priced to Sell! \$139,500 Excellent income property.
- NICE! 607 Lake St. - 3 BD 2 BA custom built home on a quiet corner lot. \$115,000

6.79 Acres in Cross L Estates - Irigated meadow with great hay production, nice lot, domestic water, electricity and views. \$39,000

2.25 Acres off Hwy. 13, north of Meeker - Nice building location, close to town! \$45,000

2 Lots on Silver Sage Rd. - Sage Hills. \$45,000 for both.

2 Beautiful Lots in Sage Hills - Gentle sloping and panoramic views of the surrounding mountains. \$30,000 each.

41 Developed Lots in Sanderson Hills Re-subdivision - Streets, Curbs, Electricity and Gas installed. \$29,000 each or \$25,000 each in packages of 5 lots.

**COMMERCIAL PROPERTY**  
680 Water St. - Playa del Rio Apartments sits on 4 lots, feature 19 apartment units, 17 storage units, off street parking and park area. Buy before the market booms! \$875,000

**BE YOUR OWN BOSS** - Thiving Via Famiglia restaurant, business offered at \$475,000

1107 Market St. - Commercial corner lot on Highway 13. Perfectly cleared and ready for a new business! \$199,000



50 Acres FOURTEEN MILE SUBDIVISION - Enjoy open space and wonderful views! \$67,500

688 Meath Dr. - 35 acre lot in Little Beaver Estates, cleared building pad. Will consider all offers! \$65,000

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