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OVER THE HILL ...



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The Colorado Hill Climb Association (CHCA) was founded in 1971 to promote "hill climb" racing in Colorado and surrounding states. The club's first race was held in Los Alamos, New Mexico. The CHCA was to be an off-shoot of the famed Pikes Peak Hill Climb and a place for racers to test their cars, hone their skills and have a great time more than one race a year. Many of the original members were (and some still are) active throughout the past 39 years throughout various race venues in the Pikes Peak region and beyond. The CHCA, while promoting the great sport of automobile racing, works hard with local community members, business, the Forest Service and law enforcement agencies throughout the state to host safe, competitive and entertaining activities for racers and fans alike. Twice per year the racers make their way to Rangely, once in June and again in September to run up the hills of western Rio Blanco County. This June, 54 competitors entered in the races in Rangely.

Heat wave, drought catalyze Stage 1 fire restrictions

Special to the Herald Times

RBC | Following meetings this week to gauge fire risk, the following Stage 1 Fire Restrictions went into effect at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday on BLM and county property. Forest Service will enter restrictions Thursday.

STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS ORDER

Pursuant to Rio Blanco County Resolution 2019-06 the following acts are prohibited in Rio Blanco County.

PROHIBITIONS

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire or campfire except within agency-provided fire grates at developed recreation sites. Devices using gas, jellied petroleum, or pressurized liquid fuel are permitted.
2. Using burn barrels or burn pits to burn trash/rubbish.
3. Smoking, except in an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.
4. Operating a chainsaw without a USDA or SAE approved spark arrestor prop-

erly installed and working, a chemical fire extinguisher of not less than 8 ounces capacity by weight, and one round point shovel with an overall length of at least 36 inches.

5. Using a welder, either arc or gas, or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame, except in cleared areas of at least 10 feet in diameter with a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher of not less than 8 ounces capacity.

6. Using exploding targets or illegal fireworks.

EXEMPTIONS:

- Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
- Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
- Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- This order becomes effective at 12:01 a.m., June 16, 2021 and will remain in force until rescinded.
- Violations of these regulations could be punishable as a Class 6 felony 18-13-109(2)(a)

Recall repeat, part two: let's talk transparency

By **LUCAS TURNER**
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RBC | With all the usual activities planned for this summer, it appears that things may finally be returning to "normal" for many. However it's far from "business as usual" in Rio Blanco County, as the effort to recall sitting county commissioner Gary Moyer continues.

In part one of this series last week, the HT detailed some of the events leading up to current signature circulation efforts, the disqualifying "technical errors" of the first recall process, and arguments both for and against signing the petition.

Commissioner Moyer submitted a letter to the editor last week, listing his rebuttals to the "grounds for recall" in the petition. Moyer asserted that all grounds were "false statements," and in multiple instances accused proponents of being motivated by "left-wing political ideology." In letters to the editor this week on page 5A and 6A, former RBC employees and current elected officials respond to statements made by Moyer last week, describing why they feel the recall is necessary despite technical hiccups and accusations of political bias.

In an effort to un-bury ourselves and our readers from the mountain of accusations levied by all sides, here we attempt to explore claims made in two of the four grounds listed in the recall, they are:

■ "Commissioner Gary Moyer misused his power by intimidating

and participating with the other Commissioners in the termination of long-term, dedicated employees and department heads without prior notice, without having any plan in place for replacing them, leaving County departments with a leadership void and creating a fearful hostile work environment for all remaining employees."

■ "Commissioner Gary Moyer has repeatedly demonstrated a lack of transparency in the manner in which he has conducted county business."

TRANSPARENCY AND EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Commissioner Moyer's letter last week shared his version of the non-reappointment/termination of three county employees: former County Attorney Kent Borchard, who held the position for more than 10 years and was not reappointed in January 2019; former Building Inspector Jeff Kummer, who served in the position for 13 years who was fired in August 2019; and former Road and Bridge Director of 17 years Dave Morlan, who was not reappointed in January 2021.

The HT conducted interviews with Borchard, Kummer and Morlan this week. All three former RBC employees described losing their jobs in a similar manner, and noted that the "fearful hostile work environment" listed in the petition was a direct result of a lack of transparency between county employees and commissioners.

Following Moyer's election, all three former employees described

a notable increase in the number of executive sessions, special meetings where government officials are exempted from open meeting laws for a few very specific purposes, including discussion of personnel matters (unless the employee being discussed requests an open session), advice on legal questions, and negotiations relating to pending/ongoing lawsuits. Despite these noted "legitimate" reasons for private discussions, former county attorney Kent Borchard said their frequency had increased to a point he considered to be above normal, based on his prior experience with the commissioners.

"I'll bet over the 10 years since I was county attorney, there weren't more than a handful of executive sessions, and they have multiple per month now."

County records indicate Borchard's statement about executive sessions is true, based on five years of commissioner meeting minutes reviewed by the HT. In 2017, the BOCC did not hold any executive sessions. One executive session is listed in 2018 on November 29, 2018. From 2019 to the present, the number of sessions increased dramatically, with a total of five sessions in 2019. The following year, that number more than tripled to 16 executive sessions in 2020. So far in 2021, RBC commissioners have held ten executive sessions, between one and two-sessions per month. Regarding the increase in executive sessions, former RBC Attorney Kent Borchard

said "I call that a lack of transparency, they don't have that much business going on that they need to be in executive session about."

Though officials are required by law to note the reason(s) for entering executive sessions with as much specificity as possible, RBC officials have not always accurately listed those reasons or associated details. For instance, the BOCC held a special meeting Feb. 9 of this year with an executive session listed "for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions and 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators." The actual purpose of the meeting, however, was to discuss personnel matters with Public Health Director Alice Harvey. Harvey was not offered a choice by the board to request the session be held in public until she asked if it was about personnel.

Dave Morlan told the HT that he was not given the opportunity to have his own executive sessions in public. It is also unclear whether the various executive sessions listed since the beginning of 2019 have included discussions noted on meeting agendas, or if those agendas are inaccurate like the one for the Feb. 9 session.

One additional note on executive sessions before we move on: the law is very clear that executive sessions are for discussions and deliberations only, not for making

decisions. Decision-making, even informally, is not allowed in secret.

THE "RELEASE WAIVER"

When former RBC Road and Bridge Director Dave Morlan announced he would lead the recall effort in February, Commissioner Moyer responded with a statement calling for Morlan to sign a "waiver and release" that would allow the county to disclose the contents of a handful of executive sessions where commissioners discussed "personnel matters."

Commissioner Moyer said such information would better inform the public about the board's decision not to re-appoint Morlan.

Morlan has still not signed any such document. Asked why he wouldn't, he told the HT that doing so would allow Moyer to selectively release information to frame the discussion for his own benefit, a point he reiterates in his letter to the editor this week.

It is still unclear exactly what the "waiver and release" is, what the language of said document might be, and what exactly it would allow the county to release, or retain, if signed by Morlan. The HT inquired multiple times with the county's legal department and contract attorney Todd Starr about the waiver, including asking to receive a copy of an unsigned, blank/template ver-

sion to review its contents. As of press time this week, we had not received any response. Regardless of the specifics of the waiver, we know the county would not be able to release full, unedited audio recordings of the executive sessions referenced by Moyer, because the majority of those recordings have now been deleted/destroyed. This fact was confirmed by RBC Legal Assistant Vicky Edwards last week, who said, "RBC follows Colorado State Statute and retains Executive Session recordings for the required 90 day period."

Dave Morlan has questioned why those recordings were only retained for the minimum required timeframe, given the ongoing controversy and Moyer's repeated calls for transparency from both sides. Morlan claims he tried to have the recordings released to the public, which is how he found out about their deletion.

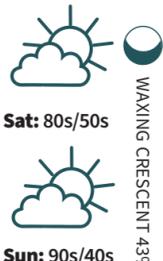
MORLAN'S PERSONNEL FILE

In an effort to obtain further information about these matters, the HT filed a Colorado Open Records Act (CORA) request with the county attorney's office, requesting a copy of Morlan's personnel file, "particularly as it relates to the ter-

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Current COVID stats in RBC

- Total Cases to Date: 628
- Meeker Active: 9
- Rangely Active: 4
- Current Hospitalized RBC: 0
- Total Hospitalized: 43
- Deaths: 4
- Epidemiological summary from public health: One confirmed and several suspect cases of Delta variant B.1.617.2 in Rio Blanco County with lab sequencing pending.
- First vaccine breakthrough case in RBC reported June 15, variant testing in progress.
- Symptomatic cases increasing in younger adults
- Approximate percent of eligible population vaccinated with at least one dose (now 12 and up): 35.1%
- Percent vaccinated population remains suboptimal.

COUNTY BEAT

By **NIKI TURNER**
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RBC | On Tuesday, Rio Blanco County Commissioners discussed using emergency funds to help control this year's outbreak of Mormon crickets. The insects have made an appearance again this year in the county.

Wade Cox, with the Lower White River Pest Control District, reached out to the board last week regarding the infestation.

"They're eating everything," Cox said of the crickets. "We went around and looked, and thought about spraying, but there's miles and miles of them. I don't know what you do."

Commissioner Rector said Moffat County Pest Management Manager Jesse Schroeder has reportedly had success dealing with the crickets, and suggested finding out what he's doing and what the cost would be.

"If we could come up with some concrete things that would help this, I think that would fall under this emergency funding," Commissioner Moyer said.

RBC Weed and Pest Control Director Jane Turnburke said last year the crickets were mostly isolated on Strawberry Creek, but this year they've spread to a broader area.

In work sessions prior to the regular meeting, the board heard from Public Health Director Alice Harvey regarding the use of federal COVID-related immunization funding to support Range Call and Septemberfest events.

"By doing an exhibit or something, we were wondering if that would potentially qualify for use of that funding," said Commissioner Gary Moyer, adding that the county's budget constraints limited the board from supporting the events financially this year.

"There would definitely have to be a general endorsement of promoting vaccines," Harvey said, in order to comply with the federal guidelines for using the funding.

Moyer expressed concern that messaging coming from the county would be in agreement with the county's "right to choose" policy, but said educational information from public health would be fine. "I would hope we can do that while remaining consistent with our policy," Moyer said.

"We just need an educational piece from you to be able to use that funding. You're not telling them they have to or don't have to, you're just giving them information," said Rector.

The commissioners tabled discussion about the possibility of providing incentives, such as gift cards from local businesses, for people who get vaccinated.

Emergency Manager Eddie Smercina updated the commissioners on fire conditions. Two out of the three zones where fuel samples have been tested indicate a need for Stage 1 fire restrictions (see Page 1A for details on those restrictions).

Tia Murray, Department of Human Services Director, discussed ways to further share costs with Moffat County with DHS staffing.

DHS will also be reactivating a program for a foster care specialist to help coordinate foster care in the county. Murray said the stakeholders she has spoken with are very excited to have that plan reinstated.

"That's a huge passion of mine," Murray said, saying she anticipates substantial participation once the foster care specialist is in place.

County Planner Leif Joy said there are two new subdivision projects coming through, three floodplain applications so far this year, and two limited impact applications.

The county is planning to modify its land use regulations, which will require a public comment period.

Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District director Alden VandenBrink updated the board on conditions on the White River, sharing a chart from Boise Creek — upriver from Kenney Reservoir — showing water flows last week at 1,000 cubic feet per second (CFS) dropping to 450 CFS as of Tuesday.

"It's very concerning to the White River because for one, we don't have storage, and two, if you take 2002 and 1977, record drought years,

CRICKETS ...



CAITLIN WALKER PHOTO

Anabrus simplex is the Latin name for the shield-backed katydid. The insects have hatched in Rio Blanco County and are moving in bands through fields, across roads, and in crops. Commonly known as the Mormon cricket, outbreaks are more common in Nevada and Utah, but they're found throughout the Western U.S. They hatch once a year, sometimes once every other year at higher elevations and have an adult life span of about 20 days.

prior to those years we had average [precipitation] years. We've now had several years of below average, the soil moisture is not being replete, and the evaporation rate is huge with the high heat," VandenBrink said.

"We're already visiting with Rangely to see what alternatives we have to keep our community in water," he added.

The current situation is another indication that the Wolf Creek Reservoir project is of great importance to the county, according to VandenBrink, even more so than expansion of Lake Avery, which is being considered.

"Lake Avery needs to happen, but it's not as important as Wolf Creek, in my opinion," he said.

A webinar, "The State of the White River" was presented Tuesday by the Colorado River District, outlining specific situations in the White River Basin. VandenBrink was one of the presenters, along with White River and Douglas Creek Conservation Districts executive director Callie Hendrickson. Look for reporting on that meeting in next week's edition of the *Herald Times*.

In other business, commissioners:

■ Approved a certificate for the fiscal year 2020 cost allocation plan for reimbursement from the state.

■ Approved the Rangely Airport Master Plan layout drawings.

■ Approved a CDOT utility permit for fiber optic cable installation ... Trevor, for Samuelson's True Value in Meeker. Will also serve the other businesses in the area.

■ Approved permission for the Lions Club to serve alcohol at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds during Range Call.

■ Approved an agreement for services with Pioneers Medical Center (PMC) to provide family planning services on an as-needed basis in conjunction with RBC Public Health.

■ Approved an agreement with PMC, Dr. Chris Tonzzi, and RBC Public Health to provide a family planning male sterilization program on an as-needed basis.

■ Approved a task order contract waiver with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Division of Environmental Health and Sustainability, to inspect and assure regulatory compliance in retail food establishments, child care facilities and schools, with state funding not to exceed \$10,000.

■ Approved a quitclaim deed releasing property back to White River Lodge, LLC following completion of Hwy. 13 construction.

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Vitamin B12	Vitamin B12	\$20.00	\$173.00
Hemoglobin A1C	A1C	\$20.00	\$79.00
Testosterone, Total	Testosterone Total	\$20.00	\$161.00

NEWS BRIEFS

Piceance Mustangs barbecue June 26

MEEKER | Piceance Mustangs will be hosting its annual barbecue on June 26 at the Yellow Creek Corrals in the Piceance Basin. Start time will be 10 a.m. Piceance Mustangs will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and beverages. Please bring a side dish to share. We will be providing range tours in the afternoon for wild horse viewing. Open to anyone interested in the wild horses. For additional information or questions please contact us at PiceanceMustangs@gmail.com. Hope to see you there.

Class of 1961 reunion July 3

MEEKER | The Meeker School Class of 1961 will celebrate the 60th anniversary reunion of classmates on July 3. The event will be hosted at the home of Jerry and Mary Ann Seely and will feature a tour of the newly renovated Meeker High School. Former teachers have been invited to join with classmates to reminisce and share memories. For more information, contact Mary Ann Seely or Carol Brown at brown.carol43@gmail.com.

Library book club meeting July 12

MEEKER | The Meeker Library book club will be reading "Anxious People" by Fredrik Backman. We will discuss the book on Monday, July 12th at 1:00 p.m. at the library. All are welcome to join in the fun.

Fifth annual Solstice Festival this weekend

RANGELY | The fifth annual Solstice Festival Concert at The Tank in Rangely will be this Saturday and Sunday, June 19-20. The Solstice Festival begins at 8 p.m. Saturday with a performance by composer, sound designer, multimedia performs and analog synthesist Todd Barton.

Celebrate the dawn of this year's Solstice at The Tank at 5:45 a.m. on Sunday, June 20, followed by a bell-ringing celebration at 1:17 p.m. when the sun is highest in the sky and closing with evening celebrations for the moment of Solstice at 9:32 p.m.

Throughout the day Sunday enjoy the music of Slow Beethoven, a walk-through installation of a slowed down and electronically-stretched movement from a late Beethoven string quartet. The concert will be sent to the Tank by remote signal from Brooklyn, New York, as part of a "prominent experiment" during a year of Beethoven festivities surrounding the composer's 250th birthday.

Tickets for Todd Barton are \$20, tickets for Slow Beethoven are \$20, and a one-ticket weekend pass for the Festival is \$35. Tickets are available for purchase online at <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/5118745>.

Stadium restroom upgrades

By **NIKI TURNER**
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MEEKER | The Meeker Board of Education approved a plan Monday to dip into the district's reserves to pay for upgrades at Starbuck Stadium. The project, which includes expanding the restrooms and making improvements to the concessions area, is expected to cost about \$500,000.

Initially, the district expected to use contingency funds leftover from the high school/bus garage construction to fund the improvements at the stadium, but discovery of an accounting oversight in the construction project budget forced the board to decide whether to table the plan or access reserve funding to pay for it.

According to Superintendent Chris Selle, the district has been carrying about \$4 million in reserves for years, which is about \$2 million more than is required.

The board was generally in agreement that since permits have already been acquired from the state, with a waiver to limit the number of toilets and sinks approved, that moving forward now was a better bet for the district.

"The restrooms are at the point where we are going to have to do something with them," Selle said, either close them or upgrade them.

"We may not have another chance to fix it," said board member Bill deVergie. According to deVergie, members of the district's executive committee were "pretty unanimous" about the need to do the upgrade.

The board also discussed BEST grants to be awarded for safety upgrades and air quality improvement at Barone Middle School and landscaping issues at the high school.

community leaders, leverage the involvement of the private sector, and establishes a strategic blueprint for regional collaboration. The CEDS provides the capacity-building foundation by which the public sector, working in conjunction with other economic actors (individuals, firm, industries), create the environment for regional economic prosperity."

The AGNC EDD, includes the counties of Mesa, Garfield, Moffat, Rio Blanco, and Routt, and all municipalities within those counties, making them eligible to pursue opportunities that could aid in the economic diversification and resiliency of the region. This second county meeting will take place on Thursday, June 24, 2021. The other county meetings will take place as follows: Moffat County, Friday, June 25, 2021; Mesa County, Friday, July 9, 2021; Routt County, Wednesday, July 14, 2021. Garfield County's meeting took place on Friday, June 18, 2021. All meetings will be virtual and will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The final regional meeting and the beginning of the 30-day comment period will take place on Thursday, July 29.

PALOOZA FUN ...



The first Meekerpalooza and farmer's market of the season was held last Friday downtown with live music, vendor booths and folks enjoying being outside. The next event is scheduled for June 25.

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24 oz. Mrs. Butterworth Sugar Free SYRUP \$2.49		Roma TOMATOES 99¢/lb.
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EDITOR'S COLUMN

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Leave safety behind. Put your body on the line. Stand before the people you fear and speak your mind—even if your voice shakes. When you least expect it, someone may actually listen to what you have to say. Well-aimed slingshots can topple giants. And do your homework."

~ Maggie Kuhn

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In 1970, after a forced retirement at the age of 65, Maggie Kuhn embarked on a new adventure — advocating for the rights of the elderly as the founder of the Gray Panthers. By the time of her death at 89, the organization had been instrumental in implementing nursing home reforms, ending forced retirement provisions and combating fraud against the elderly in health care.

Kuhn's quote was a message for activists seeking change. Speak your mind — even if your voice shakes, and do your homework so you aren't just spouting off a bunch of opinions.

Speaking up for yourself or for a cause can be terrifying, especially in a culture that often actively embraces the loudest, most belligerent voice in the room, or when speaking up puts your security, your job, your relationships, or even your life at risk.

If you're in the position of listening (as we all should be ... God gave us two ears and one mouth for a reason) give special heed to those shaky voices — the quiet ones, the ones with little to gain and a lot to lose. The ones with no ulterior motive for profit or power or praise. They're likely to be the ones speaking the truth.

Thank you to the kind souls who've donated to the cause of the newspaper in the last year either financially or with encouraging words to keep doing the work we do. We appreciate you.

On a newspaper housekeeping note, beginning in July, the newspaper will accomplish something we've all been aiming for: it will get taller and skinnier.

The closure of the printing press at the GJ Sentinel necessitates we transfer our printing operations to a newer press in Montrose, which will require a change in the size of the paper. It's happened before, evidenced by the varying sizes of archived volumes in our vault, and it will probably happen again before print eventually goes the way of the dinosaur (hopefully not on our watch).

The other change coming will be a stricter adherence to our Monday deadline, as our press time will be earlier on Wednesday. We'll always attempt to squeeze in breaking news items, last minute obituaries and the like, but it's going to be more difficult to do so with an earlier press time.



LOOSE ENDS

Wildflowers

By DOLLY VISCARDI
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I The first Colorado wildflower I fell in love with was the columbine. Often during long tedious hikes, I would catch a glimpse of a

bunch of them taking a little shade underneath the soaring, slim aspen trees and change my outlook. My backpacking trips in the Flat Tops, West Elks, and Mt. Zirkel included more sightings of flowers than I had on my grandparents' weekly

walk in a small wooded preserve near our town.

Hikers are now reporting that the high country is in bloom and say that this year's crop is stunning. Although our trips started in the high country in July after most of the snow

had melted, our late spring trips to groves of trees in the national forests whetted my interest in a wide variety of western wildflowers.

I spotted clusters of fireweed, indian paintbrush, arnica, harebells, and yarrow the more I hiked, as well. I soon discovered the delicate glacier lily blooming in early July. The teardrop-shaped petals make them harder to see, but even the sight of one makes the day's flower viewing complete.

What is it about the late spring flowers that cause so many people to stop and point them out with astonishment, then ask everyone walking by if they know the proper name?

"Oh look, there's a wonderful purplely bluish one."

"No, not that small cornflower blue. It is darker, and really purple. Wait, here is another one but it has more lavender, don't you think?"

The couple trying to identify flowers spent quite a while peering out into the small meadow.

I talked with a gentleman on this trail earlier in my walk, who took a quick picture and gave me its name in a few seconds. He had an app on his smartphone.

"Prairie spiderwort," I told them, after explaining I had been trying to figure it out. They looked crestfallen. It was as if putting such a plain name on such an elegant plant dampened their enthusiasm a bit.

I am not sure what magical sounding moniker would have satisfied them. I was tempted to make something up until I noticed the couple move on to another clump of purple petals and tell two more walkers the name of the plant with great authority. It made their day.



Dolly Viscardi

KAYE'S CORNER

California redwoods dwarf humans

By KAYE SULLIVAN
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Walking at the base of trees that rise hundreds of feet higher than you provides prospective about being a human being. These trees are just magnificent. You see one big one and then another big one and yet a taller one.

When you look up, you can't see the tops because they are WAY up there. It takes a family holding arms to circle the base of most of these historic growths.

Walking through them is like visiting a chapel. It is quiet since any wind is way higher. Lots of ferns and smaller trees grow lower in a thickness that prevents most four-legged creatures from bounding through.

Noise is absent and even human visitors, for once, seem to whisper and respect nature. We quietly and respectfully walk at the foot of the giants and just admire them.

The sequoia redwoods are very rare and only grow in limited areas, primarily northern California. In early days, many people wanted to harvest them so sadly, many were cut.

Along came protectors who saved the huge trees, grove

by grove, often fighting the timber industry to protect them. Thankfully, environmentally conscious folks worked hard so the rest of us can still visit.

Yes, there are a few commercial sites where you can actually drive your car through a tree. It seems a bit disrespectful to have carved out a square in the base of a tree just so people can claim they drove through. Still, there are few of these locations and most trees are protected in state or national parks.

These monsters can live many years, into their 100's. But, I was told by a local that some fall every year. Just because they're old doesn't mean they will survive forever.

I can't imagine the sound of the crash when their lives end.

Actually, many of the fallen trees become "nursing logs" who provide a home to new growth — moss, ferns, branches, and flowers. Nature doesn't just say goodbye; it continues growth in new ways.

As a human visitor, I was quite humbled by the endurance, beauty, and re-generation of these gorgeous trees. Thank you for sharing your glory with me, I wanted to say. I may never see you again but you filled my heart with joy.



Kaye Sullivan

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Borchard: serious misrepresentation of facts by Moyer

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to Gary Moyer's "letter to the editor" which appeared in the June 10 edition of this newspaper to provide the community with the correct circumstances surrounding the decision to not re-appoint me at the Jan. 14, 2019, meeting by Commissioners Jeff Rector and Gary Moyer.

I was hired as the county attorney in April 2007. The commissioners at that time were Ken Parsons, Joe Collins and Forrest Nelson. After attorney Buck Benner retired the commissioners retained a contract attorney who lived in Grand Junction. This approach was not felt to be satisfactory and I was approached with the idea of becoming a full time in-house county attorney so that I would be available on a daily basis to work with department heads, elected officials, and of course, the commissioners.

This arrangement worked very well for the next almost 12 years. During that time I worked for nine different commissioners. I always followed directions I received from the commissioners and never discussed politics with any of them. I clearly understood the role of the county attorney was to provide the commissioners with legal advice so that they could make appropriate decisions on the various issues facing them. I never attempted to make any decisions for them.

In the fall of 2018 I announced to then Commissioners Si Woodruff, Shawn Bolton and Jeff Rector, that I intended to retire at the end of 2019. I proposed budgeting for a replacement attorney to be hired in the fall of 2019 so that I could work with my replacement regarding all of the pending issues, including the usual load of up to a dozen child welfare cases, a court of appeals case, and over one hundred child support cases. The commissioners unanimously approved my proposal.

I attended the Jan. 14, 2019, commissioners' meeting when Mr. Moyer was to be sworn in and four department heads re-appointed for 2019. I was expecting to be re-appointed. I was totally shocked when Jeff Rector and Gary Moyer voted to not re-appoint me stating that the "Commissioners wanted to go a different direction." Clearly the third commissioner,

Si Woodruff, was as surprised as I was with their vote. And clearly Mr. Moyer and Mr. Rector planned this move prior to the meeting and had not included Commissioner Woodruff in any of their discussions.

Mr. Moyer's statement in his letter to the editor appearing in the June 10, 2021, edition of the Rio Blanco Herald Times that I "clearly demonstrated unwillingness to take direction from the commissioners" is blatantly untrue. His statement that "Borchard's personal political beliefs (sic) were not consistent with the majority opinion of the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC)" is also not true.

The county attorney position is a legal position having nothing to do with politics. In all the years I served as county attorney, I never had a discussion about politics with any commissioner.

Clearly I had no discussion with Mr. Moyer about politics since he voted to not re-appoint me only a few minutes after he was sworn in as commissioner and I had never discussed politics with him prior to that time.

His statement that I "clearly demonstrated unwillingness to support the direction of the BOCC" is simply not true. I am not aware of any action or communication during my entire time as county attorney that would support this allegation or the allegation that I was unwilling to take direction from the commissioners.

Mr. Moyer called me a "former disgruntled employee." He has absolutely no basis for labeling me a "disgruntled employee." The day after I was not appointed I sent an email to the commissioners, including Mr. Moyer, pointing out that the county would have to continue having representation on pending child welfare court cases. Since the commissioners did not have a replacement attorney identified, I offered to continue representing the county in court until an attorney could be hired. The commissioners hired me on a contract basis to continue working on these cases. Additionally, on Jan. 21, 2019, I sent an email to the commissioners, including Mr. Moyer, stating that I had heard they were interviewing Todd Starr for the county attorney position. I expressed my willingness to work with him on transferring the child welfare cases if he was hired. I also urged the commissioners to meet with department heads and elected officials and obtain their input before making a decision

on going the direction of hiring a non-resident contract attorney who lived six hours away. Does this sound like a "disgruntled employee"?

Until Mr. Moyer decided to attack me in his letter I was very content to let bygones be bygones.

I am not going to comment on the statements Mr. Moyer made in his letter about Dave Morlan and Jeff Kummer since I don't know first hand all the details about their terminations. I will say this: based on the statements Mr. Moyer made up about me, I seriously question the truthfulness of what he has to say about them.

I have never before written a "letter to the editor." I hesitated to write this letter criticizing an elected official, but I felt the necessity to respond to what I consider a serious misrepresentation of the facts surrounding the termination of me from my position as county attorney.

Kent Borchard
Meeker

Campbell: recall statute clarification

Dear Editor:

Let's get the facts straight once and for all.

C.R.S. 1-12-103 Petition for recall — statement of grounds — The statement is for the information of the electors who are the sole and exclusive judges of the legality, reasonableness and sufficiency of the ground or grounds assigned for the recall. The ground or grounds are not open to review.

C.R.S. 1-12-108 is in regard to the approval as to form.

The approval "as to form" does not include the statement of grounds which are entirely up to the electors as stated above. The County Clerk only approves the form of the petition including the required warnings shown on the front page, signature lines, the circulator's statement and notarization section.

Mr. Moyer keeps accusing the County Clerk of approving the "statement of grounds".

He and others should read the law before publicly making false accusations.

Boots M. Campbell
RBC Clerk and Recorder

Hopewest invites volunteers to walk in Fourth parade

Dear Editor:

The Fourth of July is quick-

ly approaching and Meeker HopeWest is making plans for a memorable Fourth by participating in this Honky Tonk parade. We'd like to invite all past and present volunteers that have helped in any way, be it with patients, youth grief groups, horse camp, helping with the annual gala or fundraisers, to walk in the parade with HopeWest. HopeWest would also like to extend an invitation to members of the community that have been helped by HopeWest and would like to honor a family member by carrying a banner, poster board or whatever you can think of.

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For further information please call Solveig Olson at 878-9383 or email solson@hopewestco.org

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Kummer: for the record, termination comments and facts

Dear Editor:

After being wrongfully accused of being blatantly insubordinate by Commissioner Moyer, I decided to take a few minutes to write down some facts and comments about my employment and experience working for Rio Blanco County for almost 13 years.

I would first like to say that in Rio Blanco County, I met and worked with many wonderful, honest, giving, and special people. On the other side of that, a very small percentage of the overall population were some of the worst people I have met. They were self-serving, arrogant, prideful, dishonest, and deceitful. I could go on, but you get the picture.

I have put together some facts and comments for you to consider, to hopefully help with your decisions going into this second recall of Commissioner Moyer's period.

Fact: At least one Non-public, secret meeting was held to make decisions before Commissioner Moyer took office. This meeting

was between Gary Moyer and Commissioner Rector to discuss the Moyer agenda. One of the first agenda items was the surprise non-re-appointment of former County Attorney, Kent Borchard. Also on that agenda was the termination of myself, possibly Dave Morlan and others. Was this a legal, ethical meeting?

Fact: I was warned by two members of the public that Commissioner Moyer had told them he was going to fire me upon taking office. One gentleman told me that he was willing to teach me what I had to do to keep my job. Another well-known man, whom Gary Moyer took to a two-hour lunch told me about the lunch discussion. He told me that I would be able to find another job.

Comment: These two facts make it sound like it was pre-determined that I would be branded insubordinate by Commissioner Moyer, doesn't it?

Fact: I did my job according to the letter of the law, the Rio Blanco County job description, Colorado State Statutes, and pre-Commissioner Moyer, County Commissioner direction.

Fact: The Building Code, Fire Code, Floodplain Regulations, Land Use Regulations were adopted and approved by County Commissioners, not by County Employees.

Fact: After the adoption of Building Codes, Commissioners do not have the authority to grant individual variances to the code to allow favors for friends, as has happened in RBC. Only the Building Official has that authority under very specific circumstances that will not change the Life and Safety provisions of the code.

Fact: The first words Commissioner Moyer ever said to me, was in a public workshop and was in an angry, loud voice. His words were, "I am tired of you shoving this junk down people's throats". He was referring to the Commissioner-adopted and approved building code as the "junk".

Fact: While I was the Rio Blanco County Building Official, the building code was administered and enforced equally and consistently for everyone. Except for the violations, where some Commissioners unlawfully granted variances from code requirements. To do this, they met at the Board of Adjustments from the RBC Land Use. Regulations meant only to be used for zoning violations and had nothing to do

with the Building Code. Many of these violations that were granted favors are obvious Life and Safety issues that are still in existence today. (I have pictures)

Fact: During a public meeting in Rangely, I was humiliated and told by Commissioners Moyer and Rector, that the Commissioners receive daily complaints against me. This was a very hurtful lie and an attack on me personally, it was done very unprofessionally. When asked what the complaints were about, I was told it would take days to go over them all, and they were not going to waste that time.

Fact: After asking about the complaints again on a later date, I was given two example complaints. For the first example, if I would have allowed the complainant to construct the way they wanted to, it would have with no doubt failed the roof on their house. The second example was that I had requested an applicant to show on a site plan, where a new home was going to be built. I did this according to code, to assure the new house wasn't within an existing right of way (danger zone) for a high voltage power line going through the property. That's all the complaints that they could remember. Daily???

Fact: Commissioner Moyer ordered me, that if I saw a violation during an inspection, even a life-threatening violation, I was not to make the violator fix the issue. I was only to inform the violator of the issue, and then look away and forget it. Per the Code and State Law, I do not believe he had the authority to order this.

Fact: When I asked Commissioner Moyer, how I should handle a small residential cabin, built without building permits or inspections in the Floodplain, within 25' of the White River, with no sewage treatment system, and only a pipe in the gravel for raw sewage to go into, clearly adding to the contamination of the White River. Commissioner Moyer told me not to enforce the code, as he was going to change the code soon, making this situation legal. I doubt anyone has addressed this issue since I was terminated soon after.

Fact: I asked Commissioner Moyer about an asbestos-contaminated house that had significant fire damage. "How would you like me to handle this unsafe building issue?" I informed

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The Fourth Commandment: The Law Concerning Time (1)

By Dr. J. D. Watson
Pastor-Teacher, Grace Bible Church



Dr. J.D. Watson

IN light of the three foregoing principles of worship, it is not surprising that the proper *time* for worship would be addressed. Pastor and expositor G. Campbell Morgan put it well: "At regular intervals through all the days, man is to turn wholly from that which is material to that which is spiritual."

Like the second commandment, this one is among the longest and sadly also among the most controversial: **Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.** I personally believe this is due to a misunderstanding of the heart attitude a believer should have toward the time he devotes to worship. While it is true that this is the only command of the Moral Law that is not restated in the New Testament, *the Lord's Day should be just as sacred to us in this age as the Sabbath was to the Jews under the Mosaic Law.* Why? Because this is a *heart* issue, not a *head* issue.

The Old Testament Counterpart

Sabbath renders a Hebrew word (*shabbat*) that comes from the root verb (*sabat*) that means "to cease or rest." It first occurs in Genesis 2:2, where God "rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made." That set the precedent that God desires His people to cease work (implying rest), but how they do so is not the same in all ages.

Based on *shābat* in Genesis, therefore, some sincere and godly teachers conclude that the Sabbath day (*shabbāt*) is perpetual and the same in every age. Some go so far to insist that the Sabbath was imposed as a law upon Adam himself. But Scripture simply does not say any of that. Yes, *shābat* (rest) occurs in Genesis in reference to *God*, but *shabbāt* occurs not a single time to indicate a prescribed Sabbath day for *man*. There is, in fact, neither a *command* nor even an *implication* that man was required to observe (or ever did observe) the Sabbath day until the Mosaic Law was given after Israel came out of Egypt (Ex. 16:23–29; 20:8–11). Not one of the patriarchs of

Genesis, for example, is said to have observed the Sabbath. This is further indicated in Nehemiah 9:13–14, which explicitly states that God came down on mount Sinai and *there* made "known unto them [His] holy sabbath, and commandedst them precepts, statutes, and laws, by the hand of Moses [His] servant" (see also Ezek. 20:10–12; cf. Deut. 5:15).

It is distinctly stated, in fact, that the Sabbath was given to *racial* Israel through Moses (Ex. 16:29; 20:8–10; Neh. 9:13–14; Ezek. 20:11–13). Once instituted, however, the remainder of the Old Testament is permeated with references to the Sabbath, the word appearing some 77 times.

But why was the Sabbath given? What was the primary reason? While man needs rest, that was only secondary. The primary reason is found in the word **remember**. Note that He did not use the word "observe" or "keep," but rather He specifically used the word *zakar*, which occurs some 238 times. It is at times used of God (e.g., Jer. 23:36), but that, of course, does not mean He can forget as we would and must consciously try to remember; rather it refers to fulfilling His Word, acting in a fashion consistent with His promise. Fifty-seven of these occurrences are in the Psalms and mean not only to remember but also "to think of or pay attention to." This underscores that *remembrance was a major aspect of worship* (e.g. Pss. 22:27; 45:17; 63:5–6; 77:11).

Indeed, remembering all God has done is to worship Him. One day each week, therefore, was to be kept **holy** (*qadash*), that is, set apart, set aside for worship.

We hope you will visit our website www.TheScriptureAlone.com, where you will find not only our podcast of these devotional studies but also other resources for Christian growth, including messages in MP3 media files. You are also invited to worship with us at Grace Bible Church (on the corner of 3rd and Garfield) at 10:30 A.M. each Lord's Day, where the ministry is: "continu[ing] steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers" (Acts 2:42).

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him that the owners are trying to sell the house for \$4,000 to avoid the asbestos problem, and I have had several people inquiring about buying it, but not wanting to deal with the asbestos problem. Commissioner Moyer's answer was, "I wonder if I could buy it from them, then turn around and sell it for a profit." Then he asked me for the owner's contact information, which I gave him. I don't know what has happened with this dangerous situation, as I was terminated soon after. Was this ethical or professional for a Commissioner?

Fact: Commissioner Moyer had the County Planner order me, not to enforce building codes, on a Commercial Repair Garage that was planned to have living quarters built in it. I am also unaware of what happened in this situation.

Fact: I attended a meeting that was likely held in violation of Colorado's Sunshine Laws, where I saw and heard Commissioner Moyer in a raised, angry voice, order County Attorney, Todd Starr, to have the proven unlawful, Resolution 2019-14 ready to be signed into law, the next day, at a Rangely meeting. Commissioner Moyer stated, "because I have made promises." This makes you wonder to whom and why he had made promises to seriously destroy the effectiveness of the RBC Building Codes.

Fact: Soon after Commissioners Moyer and Rector signed Resolution 2019-14 into law, County Attorney, Todd Starr, came to my then office, closed the door and told me that the contents of the Resolution were f---ing crazy and that he only did what he was ordered to do by Commissioner Moyer.

Fact: I was threatened and ordered by Commissioner Rector to "get on board" with the Commissioner Moyer agenda, insinuating an, or else. Three days later I got the "or else." I was terminated.

Fact: I was ordered by Commissioner Moyer to enforce the proven Null and Void Resolution 2019-14, even after the Commissioners violation was published in the HT. And the Resolution was proven unlawfully approved and signed into law by Commissioners Moyer and Rector during a meeting in Rangely. (See Herald Times Article, Back to the Drawing Board, August 15, 2019)

Comment: In my opinion, Resolutions 2019-14, and its replacement 2019-24 are written completely without regard to Colorado State Laws and are of questionable legality.

Comment: Since Commissioner Moyer took office there have been more executive sessions held than ever before. Why the increase? Are there that many more things the public shouldn't know about than ever before, that need to be discussed in secret? Why so many? What changed?

Fact: Commissioner Moyer has ruled by intimidation and threats, these have caused low morale

with RBC employees. Good leaders do not have to intimidate and threaten their employees. They work with employees to bring the best out of them and their specific talents. They do not make them work in fear of being terminated. This occurred daily with the Commissioner Moyer agenda.

Fact: County Commissioners in Colorado are protected by Governmental Immunity, this is why they can break laws and do what they want, and seem to never be held accountable.

Comment: This protection should be changed and Commissioners should be held accountable for any unethical actions.

Fact: On two separate occasions, I was offered money by Rio Blanco County, to sign documents that would have required me to agree not to release this kind of information. I refused the offers. This is only a part of the information that I have available.

Comment: Many of you know that I am a religious man. Yes, I may have been able to keep my job if I had chosen to go against my religious beliefs and my covenants made with God to keep His commandments which include abiding by the law of the land. At some point, everyone who believes in God must decide who they fear most, God or man. For me, I chose God over Commissioner Moyer's orders to break the law of the land and administer and enforce proven Null and Void codes and laws. I now live with a clear conscience, that I would not have if I was there administering and enforcing the Resolutions and Directives, both written and given that are contrary to Colorado Law.

Final Comments: I am behind the effort to Recall Commissioner Moyer by Dave Morlan and others. I have seen Commissioner Moyer in action and do not believe the dishonesty, motives, and tactics of his agenda are what's best for, or will benefit the majority of RBC residents living in 2021 and the future.

That's enough for now, but there is much, much more. I know some of you may think and will say that Jeff Kummer is a liar. That I am retaliating for being terminated for insubordination. To you I say, go ahead, that's fine, think what you will, but remember one thing, sitting in this room with me as I write this, is the evidence, in the form of pictures and documents, that may be available soon for all who want to see.

Jeff Kummer
Former RBC Building Official

Morlan: recordings deleted by county

Dear Editor:

Over the last couple of months, there have been several letters saying, "Why doesn't Dave

release his executive sessions recordings or sign some kind of waiver." I didn't want to sign the waiver because it would give Moyer the freedom to do exactly what he did in last week's letter, which was to put his twist on events surrounding the last few months of my employment. If they happened like he said, I would have been fired on the spot.

On Friday, June 4, I actually tried to find out from the County Attorney's office what it would take to release the executive session recordings. I was told they've all been destroyed except for maybe one. I then asked, from the county's perspective, what would it take for me to release the recordings of the executive sessions that I recorded. She said she would check it out.

Later that evening, I got a call from my attorney who said Todd Starr called him and said he better tell Dave Morlan he's in big trouble for recording the sessions without their consent. The truth is, I had their consent before I started recording.

I know the community is getting weary of the negativity. What we need to focus on is how to move forward. The people of this county deserve so much more from their leadership. If this recall is successful, we'll be on our way to making the positive, productive changes that will make Rio Blanco County a better place to live.

We need to bring the reputation of Rio Blanco County back to where it once was. This is a special place with very intelligent, dedicated people. We should tap into their ideas and knowledge to bring opportunities and funding to our county.

We'll get this recall process done as quickly as possible so we can move forward. The petition circulators are out and about. If we miss you, in Meeker you can stop by Wendell's or Crystal Meadow Farms, or give me a call at 970-942-8093. In Rangely, call Terry Smalec at (970) 675-2355.

Respectfully,
Dave Morlan
Meeker

Museum thanks

Dear Editor:

Throughout the last year, I have witnessed such kindness and generosity from so many people that I thought maybe I should try to say something about it. A year ago, the White River Museum had been closed for COVID for several months. During that time our manager stepped down and our staff was pretty disheartened. We were able to rally with the support of our board.

Our staff used the time to clean many things and paint the front hall while we closed. We are fortunate that we were able to find people who really cared about the legacy to work there. Since that time we have had the help of the county to

replace the lights. We have had the help of many people who maybe gave an hour, or two, or days to finishing all of the projects that had been waiting to be completed.

Thank you to the county. Although we faced the same budget reductions as everyone else, we still receive enough to staff the museum seven days a week. For a small community, this is a really big deal and totally unexpected by our visitors.

Thank you to the many individual contributors who dropped a small and sometimes large donation into our donation box or wrote a check. This money is used to pay for the utilities on the Museum, Garrison, Heritage Culture Center, and Coal Creek School. without you we would be hanging out in the dark.

Thank you also to our other contributors, Thank you to the Halandras family for all that they have done.

Karl Casias (handmade guitar sold to pay for sink installation),

Tami and Brock Sanders (for the sink and fittings),

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Family Automotive (for continuing to care for our Buick),

Taylor Electric (for great problem-solving),

Butch Ruckman (for the 1940 Buick),

Meeker Sand and Gravel (who has offered to help with the Garrison backyard gravel).

Thank you to my volunteers, Barbara and Vince.

Thank you to Jose Richardson for his amazing help with so many things, including the HCC kitchen cabinets, moving so many things during the move out of the garage space. the Garrison blocking project, cleaning, and so much more.

Finally, I want to thank my staff. I suspect that I may not always be easy to work for. Being a work-a-holic makes it uncomfortable for people sometimes. Claude Wood, Richard Secklecki, Kevyn Mack, you guys have done good work. In my frantic pace, I may not say that enough.

Special note to two of new staff/volunteers Kent Griswold and Mickie Slaugh who will soon be joining the team of crazy historians.

We have worked very hard to make White River Museum a place to experience history. If you have not been to the museum for a while, it might be time to come in. Although there is a boatload of work to do, we have done so much to create a clean, informative, and experiential museum, for everyone. We continue to curate exhibits and experiences for you to enjoy.

Thank you,
Teresia Reed
Executive Director
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Busy meeting for Rangely trustees

By **KATIE KING**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I At Rangely's Board of Trustees meeting on Tuesday, June 8, the agenda was led with Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, and Invocation led by Trustee Tim Webber.

The Council approved the minutes of May 25, 2021. No public input.

Public hearings including a reading of Ordinance 695 within section 9.04 of the Rangely Municipal Code and receiving guidance on the regulation of tobacco products. Police Chief Ti Hamblin and Jr./Sr. High School Principal Crandel Mergelman provided detailed advice regarding how this ordinance will support their joint efforts to enforce the school's current policy on tobacco, particularly vapes. The council approved this ordinance.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Ty Gates joined via telephone to provide the Commissioners' report. He shared that the Town of Rangely's application for Congressionally Directed Spending was approved. Advertisement for a part-time 4-H coordinator/administrator was approved. Gates shared that applications for firework funding from the recreation department and Septemberfest were tabled due to another plan on the table that would serve more effectively.

Commissioner Gates shared a potential project through Colorado West Regional Mental Health and grant funding to build an addiction treatment center in Rio Blanco County. The project is in

the works to represent several counties, including Larimer, which holds significant influence due to population and funding. Commissioner Gates encourages the public to support the project for the economic and social health benefits to the rural, northwest corner of Colorado. Currently, anyone in need of inpatient services depends on transport from Rangely Police Department, consequently extending resources and delaying necessary care for the patient. Trustee Keely Ellis noted a lawsuit surrounding the transportation issue. Commissioner Gates stated that the primary challenge will be housing for the necessary construction and medical staff. Gates shared that the Attorney General and contractor for the treatment center have been supportive and helpful in addressing challenges as they arise.

SUPERVISOR REPORT

Rangely Police Chief Ti Hamblin provided a status update and said crime reports are increasing. Hamblin asks that citizens be diligent as the summer months approach and increased summer traffic from out of town brings potential for risk.

Hamblin said Corp. Jesse Leech and Officer Daniel Conner are leaving the Rangely Police Department. Lt. Stubblefield is currently on break from retirement and supporting the force. Hamblin reminded the council that there are several positions open.

Trustee Luke Geer asked Hamblin to encourage use of helmets for children riding ATVs, OHVs, etc. Chief Hamblin reported a decline in accidents indicating that drivers are practicing responsible driving.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Lisa Piering confirmed that the application for Cogency Power is moving forward; including discussions for funding and logistics. Discussion and action to request Congressionally Directed Spending for 2022 for the Cogency Energy Project was approved by the Board.

Piering updated the Board regarding fogging/pest abatement citing a delay in the shipping of pesticide to the contractor. Additionally, the Town of Rangely's fogger has served its duty and the purchase of a new one was approved in the check register.

The cementing project in front of the town government building is finished. The project included features to improve accessibility for wheelchair users.

Town Manager Lisa Piering shared that Public Works has several water line projects lined up.

NEW BUSINESS

New business submitted to the Council for action include:

- May 2021 Check register – Approved.
- Purchase order with the State of Colorado for the Town of Rangely to continue operating as the fiscal agent for the Dinosaur Welcome Center \$70,860 – Approved.
- Resolution 2021-04 – a resolution to oppose 2022 Ballot Initiative 16, entitled "Protect Animals from Unnecessary Suffering and Exploitation" (PAUSE) – Approved.
- Request for Congressionally Directed Spending for 2022 in the amount of \$5.8M, designated for the Cogency Energy Project. Motion

approved with positive reports of hope and eager integrity by both parties, Cogency Power and Town of Rangely.

■ Request to Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) for the total allocations for each Non Entitlement Unit of the American Rescue Plan Recovery Funds totaling \$568,804.50 – Approved. Town of Rangely is prepared to receive funds and reports that the total is unconfirmed.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

■ Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) offers online short programs and skill training courses.

■ Alive after Five July 2021 – A Main Street/TREAD event will be held in Veteran's Park on Thursday, July 22, 2021. There is no cost to be a vendor. Vendor forms, special applications and rules/regulations are available on the Town of Rangely, Colorado Facebook page. They can be submitted to jcaldwell@rangelyco.gov or dropped off at Town Hall.

■ Rangely Freedom Walk will be held Thursday, June 24 at 6 p.m. in Veteran's Park.

■ There is a vacancy on the Community Garden Board.

■ Rio Blanco County continues to recommend Respect Each Other regulations. COVID-19 Cases and hospitalizations are currently up, with nine cases and three hospitalizations. Vaccines are available for the general public ages 12+. Please call to schedule your appointment. Meeker 970-878-9520 and Rangely 970-878-9525.

Rangely strengthens anti-tobacco regs for youth

By **KATIE KING**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I The Town's Board of Trustees heard from Police Chief Ti Hamblin and Rangely Jr./Sr. High Principal Crandel Mergelman on June 8 regarding the need for support in regulating tobacco products with minors, both on and off school property. At this time, there is no town ordinance or state law for possessing tobacco, vapes or chewing tobacco. If minors acquire access to tobacco products to use in school or in public, there is no formal punishment to enforce other interventions.

Principal Mergelman advised that there is a need for additional reinforcement for about 10% of the students caught engaging with tobacco products in school. Mergelman explained the school's policy is firm with substances. Students suspected of tobacco use

are spoken with by administrators and offered a chance to be honest about substance use, if they don't take that opportunity, a search of their property is performed. He reports about 50/50 success with these tools. Typical consequences for tobacco use/possession include in- and off-campus suspension, meetings with parents/caregivers, and online tobacco education through VapeEducate. VapeEducate is a multiple part course designed to provide supplemental material to educate students about the harmful effects of nicotine with quizzes and an exam. In most cases, these interventions are successful.

Mayor Andy Shaffer asked how law enforcement plans to enforce the code and recommended that the code will be used for third offenses. Chief Hamblin explained that on the third offense, law enforcement would issue a citation, and the student would be expected to appear in District Court. Chief

Hamblin advised that this ordinance will also help efforts outside of school property. Mergelman and Hamblin explained that they will use Google Docs to share information between the school and police department. Trustee Tim Webber asked how parents are and can be held accountable. Chief Hamblin explained that the code would do that because the student would likely depend on the parent for transportation or paying an associated fine. Additionally, some students are provided the products by their parents and getting through to them about their health is more difficult. Principal Mergelman stated that he would like to use the code to spread education to the community regarding vaping and smoking. Trustee Tim Webber also highlighted the need for more addiction support. Town Manager Lisa Piering hopes this will encompass various points including chewing tobacco and parental responsibility.

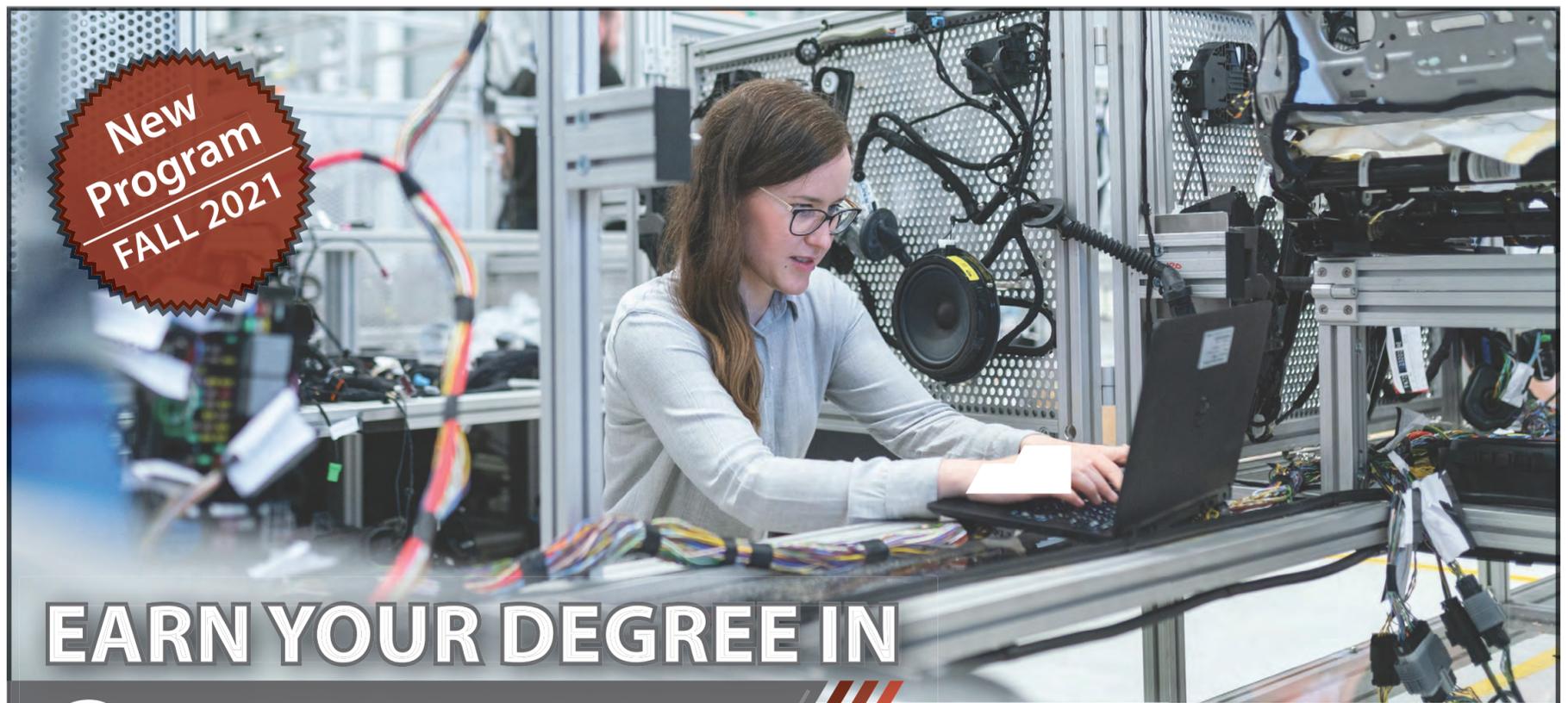
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TRANSPARENCY: HT interviews Borchard, Kummer; no response received from Moyer

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mination of his contract, complaints filed against him, investigations of conduct, suspensions, warnings, or censure.”

We received a total of nine pages of redacted documents containing statements made during an August 2020 Human Resources investigation. RBC HR Director Laura Smith conducted interviews with Dave Morlan, Rangely Road and Bridge District Supervisor Roy Gilbert and one other employee. The documents also appear to include an interview with one of the county commissioners, though names were redacted in the documents we received. Accounts of these interviews detail months of “tensions” between Morlan and Gilbert. There are no documents indicating what led to the investigation, whether it was a formal complaint or something else.

Gilbert’s statement to the HR director describes multiple instances when then-supervisor Morlan expressed frustration over actions taken by Gilbert and his employees. Gilbert’s statement specifically notes how in each instance Morlan used inappropriate and hostile language when taking disciplinary actions, with statements like “So are you borrowing equipment, now whose f---ing trailers are you using?” as one example.

Morlan’s statement in the same investigation details a series of disciplinary actions he took against Gilbert for what he described as “major infractions” including the use of personal equipment (trailers) for county projects, failure to coordinate proper traffic control during a project on CR 109, improper use of a county trackhoe in a way Morlan noted could damage the equipment, an instance where Gilbert and another employee were seen (and later admitted to) working on a personal vehicle in the county shop, among others. Morlan’s statement also claims that Gilbert admitted to being unaware of county policies listed in his supervisor’s handbook, and notes Gilbert was also prone to using unprofessional language during their interactions. Morlan said “at no point did I threaten Roy or his job,” and stated that he was trying to help Gilbert “be a better supervisor and use better judgment.”

A third statement from a Rangely Road and Bridge employee offers another perspective of the clashes between the department director and district supervisor. The employee said they felt both Morlan and Gilbert had been in the wrong, and described them as “two alpha males that both want to be the boss” and who “want employees under their thumb.”

Following the August 2020 HR investigation, the Board of County Commissioners issued two “Standard of Conduct” letters to Morlan on Sept. 22, 2020. The BOCC also issued a “Notice of Personnel Action” to Morlan on Nov. 24, 2020. The contents of these letters were not disclosed in the CORA response on the grounds of “protected employee informa-

tion.” The CORA response did not contain any information about the executive sessions noted by Moyer, nor did it contain any records of incidents referred to by Moyer in his letter to the editor last week, including claims that Morlan “stormed into the county attorney’s office and demonstrated extreme insubordination” or another incident where Morlan is alleged to have “flagrantly defied and ignored a specific directive publicly given to all county road and bridge employees.”

County records indicate executive sessions listed as “personnel matters” took place on Aug. 31, Sept. 1, and Sept. 22 of 2020. Later executive sessions about “personnel matters” a week prior to Morlan not being re-appointed happened on Jan. 13 and 15, 2021. No information about these sessions was provided. These records would have been deleted between Nov. 29, 2020 and April 15, 2021 due to the state statute allowing the county to destroy executive session recordings after 90 days.

BORCHARD

Kent Borchard has also disputed claims made by Commissioner Moyer, specifically that Borchard “demonstrated unwillingness to take direction” from the BOCC. As reported in the HT, during Commissioner Moyer’s first official meeting after being sworn in, the board voted 2-1 to dismiss the re-appointment of Borchard as county attorney. Borchard later told the HT that he was “as shocked as everybody else in the room” including then commissioner Si

Woodruff, who stated that even he was unaware of plans to dismiss Borchard’s appointment. Regarding the decision, Woodruff said “There was no thought put into it,” noting how it did not take into account the day-to-day activities of the county attorney, including ongoing court cases with the Department of Human Services. Asked what was going to happen to the cases and children involved in them, Moyer said the commissioners would find a contractual attorney and that, “Anybody is replaceable.”

Despite appointing former Archuleta County attorney Todd Starr the following week, he was not able to immediately take over the DHS cases, which is why the commissioners later signed an emergency agreement with Kent Borchard so ongoing DHS casework could continue.

Borchard said Moyer and Rector had “orchestrated” the decision not to re-appoint him by discussing his employment outside of a public meeting. That claim appears to be true according to statements made by both Rector and Moyer. In 2019 Rector said, “We knew he was planning to retire, and we decided it’s time for a change.” During the May 6, 2021 special hearing to protest the validity of the first recall petition, Moyer stated, “If you’re asking me, did I meet with existing commissioners, before I was ever a commissioner, to discuss job performance of then county attorney Kent Borchard? The answer is yes, with multiple commissioners.”

Moyer argued that open meeting laws (Sunshine Laws) did not

apply to him at the time of these discussions, because he was not sworn in as a commissioner until six days before the vote. Borchard said he doesn’t understand how Moyer could accuse him of “being unwilling to support” the BOCC, since he hadn’t actually performed work as county attorney while Moyer was in office.

During the May 6 hearing, Moyer also indicated that he and other commissioners had discussions about Dave Morlan outside of public meetings or executive sessions. Moyer said “We have expressed our views a little bit to each other, but there were no decisions made.”

KUMMER

Former RBC Building Inspector Jeff Kummer, who has not spoken publicly about his termination up to this point, ended his silence this week in a letter to the editor, which you can read on page 5A. Kummer said even though his statements could jeopardize the outcome of an ongoing lawsuit against the county, he felt compelled to tell his story after reading Moyer’s statements.

Kummer believes he was fired by Moyer for “blowing the whistle” on a land use regulation that failed to comply with a state statute that requires review by the county planning commission and a public hearing. A week after that resolution was deemed null and void based on statute violations, RBC Commissioners ended Kummer’s employment.

An updated resolution was later amended and approved. Kummer said one notable change was to

allow rural residential property owners to apply for an exemption to make upgrades and improvements, build “accessory buildings,” and “non-primary residence” structures without required permits and inspections. In his last few months as building inspector Kummer strongly opposed the push to change building codes, or to provide open-ended exemptions for certain projects. He claims his opposition to changes is why he was fired.

In an effort to understand the specifics of Kummer’s departure, the HT filed a CORA request related to the end of Kummer’s 13-year employment. In response we received emails between commissioners Gary Moyer and Jeff Rector and a contractor. The contractor told commissioners that despite being told he could opt-out of the building permit prior to starting work, then building inspector Kummer had issued a stop work order for lack of a permit.

In another email thread, Moyer converses with an RBC resident who encouraged total elimination of the building department, rather

than just making changes. Among other comments Moyer states, “this is exactly the type of comment we need to see.”

According to then county attorney Todd Starr, other correspondence relating to Kummer’s termination were not included because they were “between one of the Commissioners and the County Attorney, and are therefore not subject to disclosure pursuant to attorney/client privilege.”

Kummer told the HT that he was never given a specific reason for his termination, saying that Moyer came into his office and said simply “we’re letting you go.”

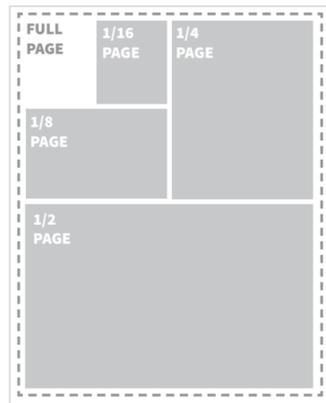
COUNTY RESPONSE

The HT reached out to Moyer last week with questions and requests for clarification about some of the claims he made in his letter, but Moyer said he did not have time to adequately respond. Despite further communications assuring Moyer that his answers would continue to be relevant for future reporting including in this story, we have still not received a response.



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The annual repainting of crosswalks and parking lines has been hindered somewhat by a paint shortage, but town staff is working with what they have on hand.

Water use climbs in Meeker

MEEKER | Meeker’s board of trustees heard a request from the Fair Board for a \$1,000 donation to help fund prize money for a new event this year: a barbecue competition in conjunction with the Kansas City Barbecue Society’s “Backyard Cookoff” contest series. Fair Board president Quentin Smith said the event is part of a national tour and includes a children’s contest as well. Town staff requested the Fair Board file the necessary paperwork prior to approval.

In department updates, Public Works Superintendent Russell Overton said the water department was pumping 1,800 gallons of water per minute on Tuesday.

“We’re stressing the system right now,” Overton said, adding, “Right now everything is holding steady.”

Lisa Cook, Town Manager, suggested implementing a public education campaign about water conservation. “In June, we’re pumping the amount of water we normally pump in August,” Cook said.

The annual repainting of the crosswalks and parking lines downtown has been hindered somewhat by a paint shortage, Overton said. Town staff is working with what they have on hand.

The board approved special events permits for the Lions Club’s Range Call activities; approved a \$1,500 donation to the Range Call committee to help offset the cost of renting a stage for the concert; and approved a \$1,500 request for funding from the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District toward the purchase of fireworks for the Fourth of July show.

Accountant Marlo Coats presented the Town’s 2020 financial audit, noting that the Town has no long-term debts.

The board also approved scheduling and funding the annual mosquito spraying program through Coulter Aviation just before Range Call festivities.

Mandi Etheridge was officially sworn in to her new position as Town Clerk.

The board approved a “modification of premises” permit for Chipper’s to expand their outdoor dining options on nights they serve food through the construction of a “parklet” similar to the ones outside Meeker Drugs and the White River Museum.

Cook said Rocky Mountain Youth Corps is working this week on the connecting trail at Ute Park. The Town expects to receive its first American Rescue Plan payment of \$283,000 in the next week or two, with a second payment to follow within 12 months.

“So far it looks like water infrastructure is what we can use it for,” Cook said.

Additional grant funding for local businesses opens July 1. The Main St. Open for Business grants can be applied to facade and energy improvements.

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Rangely tracksters heading to state

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I The track and field season is just about over for Rangely and the rest of the state as teams competed in their respective league championships this past weekend. Making the trip to Grand Junction to run, jump, and throw at Stocker Stadium, the Panthers made the most of a championship setting as they all competed in their largest track meet of the season. The lady Panthers once again managed to impress, finishing the weekend as the 1A/2A Western Slope League Team runner-ups.

Mary Scoggins led the charge for the girls' team, taking second place in the long jump (15 feet 6.5 inches), triple jump (34-1), and 800-meter run (2:31.20), as well as anchoring the second place 800-meter sprint medley relay to 1:59.21. Maya Mercado ran a leg of the runner-up sprint medley relay as well as a leg on the 4x200-meter relay that ran a time of 2:02.11. Mercado then capped her weekend off by claiming the league crown in the high jump after clearing 4-9. Dixie Rhea joined Mercado as a league champion, winning the 100-meter in 12.87.

Emma Smith stepped up big as she ran a personal best 14.81 in the 100 to go with solid legs in both the 4x200 relay and sprint medley. Smith also ran the 200-meter (31.77). Hayley Burr was the fourth member of each relay team to go with a fourth and fifth place finish in the 300-meter hurdles (51.39) and 100 hurdles (18.40), respectively. Kyrh Phelps also grabbed a few points for the girls as she was sixth in the discus (87-7) and seventh in the shot put (27-2).

Also competing for the girls was Rylee Allred, who threw the discus (fifth, 87-10) and shot put (24-7); Annika Cantrell in the 200 (32.85), high jump (fifth, 4-5), and 4x200 relay; Brooke Filfred in the shot put (22-8); and Mackenzie Manchester, who ran the 100 (15.38) and threw the discus (76-8).

Kenyon Cochrane was the lone champion on the boys' side, winning the discus with a throw of 140-9. Cochrane also competed in the high jump (fifth, 5-5), shot put (35-5), and 200 (26.02). Andrew Dorris helped the Panthers grab a handful of points as he finished fifth in both of his individual events (800, 2:11.57; and 1,600-meter, 5:02.21) to go along with helping both the 4x400-meter and 4x800-meter relays finish fourth. Colton Noel kept himself rather busy running on the track as well, taking third in the 3,200-meter (11:57.00) as he also ran the 1,600-meter (5:25.10), 800 (2:28.82), and 4x800 relay.

Timothy Scoggins was a part of both relay teams to go along with solid performances in the high jump (fifth, 5-5) and shot put (37-6.5). Justin Allred helped out in the 4x800 relay as he then also competed in the 800 (2:47.55), discus (65-10), and long jump (13-1). Anthony Dorris ran the 400-meter dash in 1:01.57 and ran another lap around the track as a member of the 4x400 relay. Brent Cantrell and Kevin Wren joined the team for the first time following the baseball season and competed well. Cantrell threw the shot put (22-11) and discus (76-11) as well as ran the 200 (33.12). Wren competed in the long jump (14-3), triple jump (30-0.5), and 4x400 relay.

"It was fun seeing how the kids stood up to the challenge of competing in a bigger, championship environment. We had several kids set new PR's and we've got some really big goals for the remainder of the season," said coach Beth Scoggins. The Panthers had a last chance meet to try and secure/qualify for the state championships this Tuesday, June 15 in Rangely at the Rangely Panther Dusk Meet. The team was excited to compete at home where they are comfortable and confident on their own track, pits, and rings. There are currently seven athletes with state qualifying marks, but the Panthers hoped to add a couple more to that group after Tuesday's events.



MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO

The Panthers competed in their respective league championships last weekend in Grand Junction, with the girls finishing as the 1A/2A Western Slope League Team runner-ups. The Panthers also hosted a home meet Tuesday; results will be published next week.

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■ **RHS TRACK**
June 24-26 @ State Track - Denver

Meeker baseball results were not available by press time this week due to a Tuesday game. Watch for the story next week.

Meeker High School boys track team wins league championship



MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO

Meeker tracksters traveled to Grand Junction for two days of competition. The boys team won the league championship, and the girls impressed with their relays. Cowboys who make the top 18 will head to the state competition; those results will be released next week.

By **TIFFANY JEHOREK**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I In the second to last track meet of the year, the Cowboys traveled to Grand Junction for two days full of competition.

"The league meet went well for the kids," began head coach John Strate.

The boys' team won the League Championship, and "the girls team really surprised a lot of people with our quality relay teams," Strate said.

"Zagar Brown really came on in the shot this week, improving his best throw by two feet," commented Strate.

Brown's throw put him in the mix to qualify for state and earned valuable team points to secure the league win against second place Cedaredge. The Bruins, who just came down from being a 3A team, were expected to sweep the boys and girls.

"Our boys team went into the week really focused on everyone chipping in and doing their part to get the win," said Strate. "I am

really proud of how our kids have stuck with it through the summer and all of the distractions that summer brings."

Anyone that won an event at the league meet earns all conference honors. All Conference winners include:

■ Jeremy Woodward: 100-meter dash with a time of 11.49 seconds

■ Cooper Main: Pole vault, with a height of 11 feet 10.5 inches

■ Ryan Phelan: Triple jump, with a distance of 38 feet 4.25 inches

■ Boys 4x100: Woodward, Porter Hossack, Zach Eskeslon, and Kelton Turner, with a time of 45.21 seconds

In the final meet of the year, the Rangely Panther Dusk Meet, the Meeker Cowboys boys' team took fifth place and the girls second place.

This was the Cowboys last chance to get into the top 18 and qualify for the state meet, final results on who will be attending state will be released this weekend.

Vivian Brown first MHS girls golfer to qualify for state tourney

By **TIFFANY JEHOREK**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I It was another first for lady Cowboy golf as they traveled to their regional tournament in Alamosa.

"We had a wonderful time at regionals," commented head coach Amanda Back, "we began with a practice round at Cattails Golf Course in Alamosa that has a par of 71."

The tournament was Thursday, June 10, tee times for the girls were 9:10 beginning with Jayda May, 9:20 Wagner Brown and at 9:30 Vivian Brown teed off in their

first ever CHSAA 3A regional golf tournament.

Cattails is not a forgiving course; there are a lot of trees and a ton of carry over marshlands.

"The girl's hearts and determination to play well was electrifying," commented Back. "Jayda and Wagner played their hearts out. I was so proud of all of their accomplishments during their rounds and they had some awesome shots and some phenomenal putts."

"We were so excited when we got to the clubhouse to have finished our first regionals," commented Back.

There are two ways to make it

to state, as a qualifying team or as an individual to round out the number of total players that will be in the tournament. When they announced the individuals who were going to state, V. Brown made Meeker High School history by being the first Meeker Cowboys girls golfer to make it to state.

"We were so excited and are so grateful for the overwhelming support for our team from our awesome town of Meeker; we are so grateful and so blessed," said Back.

Next stop is the CHSAA 3A State Golf.



COURTESY PHOTO

(Above) Meeker High School's inaugural girls' golf team.

MEEKER SUMMER RODEO RETURNS ...



KIM EKSTROM PHOTOS

(Above) The first of the third annual Meeker Summer Rodeo Series kicked off last Thursday at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds. Results are as follows:
 Ranch Bronc - Dakota Hostetler
 Saddle Bronc - N/A
 #8 Team Roping - Sheridan Harvey and Kash Atwood
 Mixed Team Roping - Kristin Egger/Brett Watson
 #11 Team Roping - Cody Edinger/Kash Atwood
 Open Team Roping - Joby Barquin/Kash Atwood
 Jr./Sr. Team Roping - Cylee Dunsmore/TJ Toon
 Mutton Busting - N/A
 Junior Bulls - N/A
 Amateur Bulls - N/A
 Dally Ribbon Roping - Cody Edinger/Kristin Egger
 Open Breakaway - Deana Norell
 Ladies Breakaway - Lori Ann Klinglesmith
 Open Barrels - Sami Moon
 Junior Barrels - Jolene Rhyne
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3. Stay relaxed through your shoulders and maintain steady/natural inhales and exhales.

Part 2: Standing Pigeon

This pose is called Half Moon and is the third and final pose in a three part series that allows us to rejuvenate the balance of our bodies and challenge our minds into stillness.

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You can try this pose with your back against a wall for a little extra assurance as this is a difficult balance pose

Hold this pose for as long as is comfortable then release and repeat on your left leg.

"If once the people become inattentive to the public affairs, you and I, and Congress and Assemblies, Judges and Governors, shall all become wolves. It seems to be the law of our general nature, in spite of individual exceptions."

~ Thomas Jefferson

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PUZZLES

THEME: THE 4TH OF JULY

- ACROSS**
- Steps to the river, in India
 - Hot springs resort
 - Meal in a shell
 - Driver's misbehavior?
 - *Grilling technique
 - Medal of Honor descriptor
 - Cracked open
 - What Knave of Hearts stole from Queen of Hearts, sing.
 - Raise one's rank
 - *July 4th pyrotechnic display
 - Hubble Space Telescope operator, acr.
 - Chip dip
 - i topper
 - *Main Street tradition on the 4th
 - Superlative of fummy
 - Ribonucleic acid
 - Store as fodder
 - Moonfish

- Rose oil
- Number cruncher
- Fairytale garden dweller
- Indian Lilac tree
- Extinct type of zebra
- Steampunk decoration
- Did 2 + 2 (2 words)
- Crocheted blanket
- Swedish shag rug
- Ancient port city in Israel
- Smiley face
- *First President to hold July 4th celebration at the White House
- Snoop Dogg's "Gin and ____"
- Medicinal succulent
- Hit the bottle
- Earthenware pots
- View from a high-speed train?
- Observer
- *Glengarry ____ Ross"
- G, in solfa
- "The Fountainhead" author

- DOWN**
- Former tennis pro Steffi
 - One who's made the pilgrimage to Mecca
 - Petri dish filler
 - Mother of Calcutta
 - Roebuck's partner
 - a.k.a. anorak
 - A in B.A.
 - *"No ____ without representation"
 - Unfortunately, exclamation
 - *Drink to wash down burgers and hot dogs?
 - Table scrap
 - Steal, past participle
 - What haters spew?
 - Crane or heron
 - Expecting woman's date
 - Life force in Sanskrit
 - Chipped in
 - What Motion Picture Association of America did

Answers on PAGE 7B

- *Most popular July 4th decoration
- Notable period
- Polynesian island country
- Feudal lord
- Fish a.k.a. porgy
- Beer acronym
- *Lee Greenwood's "Proud to Be an ____"
- Blooper
- Sine ____ non
- Old-timer
- Force units
- Wedding tossable
- Jiggly dessert
- Run ____ of the law
- Type of sea bird
- Agitate
- Kickboxing moves
- Miso bean
- U.S. ____ in golf or tennis
- Egghead
- Leisurely run

DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald
125 years ago

■ Dry, hot, and dusty weather still holds the platform.
■ The first story of the Meeker Hotel is now complete.

The Meeker Herald
100 years ago

■ The White River rose 16 inches over two days this week. Flooding low meadow land and causing a culvert bridge to be washed out. Traffic between Rifle and Meeker is coming by way of Flag Creek Road.
■ Remember the time worn phrase — if you can't boost don't knock.

The Meeker Herald
50 years ago

■ Meeker Drug was burglarized Friday morning after burglars pried the front door hinges. \$110.39 worth of drugs, watches, watch bands, and portable radios were among the items stolen. This event came after an attempted burglary happened earlier this week on Meeker Drug.
■ A one horse cutter or light sleigh and a Franklin heating stove were donated to the White River Museum by Ed Sprod, Esme Sprod Conrado, and Dick Sprod.

The Meeker Herald

"Remember the time worn phrase— if you can't boost don't knock."

~ Meeker Herald, 100 years ago

25 years ago

■ The county's child support specialist, Andrea Harmon, received the president's award sculpture in recognition of her year as president of the Colorado Family Support Council.

■ A small accident up County Road 8 occurred when a driver of a semi reached to get a can of pop and then over corrected, causing him to go off the road. No injuries occurred.

Rangely Times
50 years ago

■ Cornerstone Laying Ceremonies took place on Sunday for the Rangely Public Library and the Municipal Building.

■ Dick Lyttle was unanimously elected as president of the Rio Blanco County Pioneers Association.

Rangely Times
25 years ago

■ Rangely's 50 year old jailhouse relic was moved to the Rangely Museum on Thursday. All that's left of the building is two miniscule cells no more than 6ft. wide by 8ft. long.

■ Recent thunderstorms sparked several fires east of Maybell. Ranging from one acre to seven acres, mainly on private land.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

MISC. NOTICES

Garage Floor Epoxy Coat Needs
Rangely Rural Fire Protection District needs someone to refinish the floor at the Training Facility, 2121 E. Main Street, Rangely, CO with epoxy or something that will last. Needs to have Proof of Insurance. Will provide material if needed. To view inside of facility to give bid, call Linda 970-629-1116. Cannot start until after 4th of July.
Published: June 10 and 17, 2021
Rio Blanco Herald Times

Proof of Insurance. Will provide paint. To view inside of facility to give bid, call Linda 970-629-1116. Cannot start until after 4th of July.
Published: June 10 and 17, 2021
Rio Blanco Herald Times

The Town of Rangely will be accepting letters of interest to fill a vacated seat on the Town Board of Trustees. The remaining term of office on the position will be until April 2024. Please submit all letters to the Town of Rangely, 209 E Main, Rangely, Co 81648, ATTN: Town Clerk, no later than July 6, 2021.
If you have any questions please contact Lisa Piering or Marybel Cox at (970) 675-8476.
By: Marybel Cox, Clerk/Treasurer
Published: May 27, June 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2021
Rio Blanco Herald Times

PUBLIC NOTICE
Jesse H. Leech does intend to adopt Kalysta M. Menzel. If biological father, David D. Myers, does plan to contest please contact F. Joseph Fennessy attorney at 970-878-4783, or by email joe@fennessylaw.com.
Published: May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 10 and 17, 2021
Rio Blanco Herald Times

Painter Needed
Rangely Rural Fire Protection District needs someone to paint Training Facility, 2121 E. Main Street, Rangely, CO interior walls. Needs to have

Notice of Final Settlement Circle Park Fishing Pond Construction Project
In accord with the Colorado Revised Statutes, Section 38-26-107(1), public notice is hereby given of Final Settlement in connection with the following

construction project:
Project: Circle Park Fishing Pond
1 South 5th Street
Meeker, Colorado 81641
Owner: Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District
101 Ute Road
Meeker, Colorado 81641
Contractor: TDA Construction Inc. 1080 Garfield Street Meeker, Colorado 81641
Final Settlement of this construction project is scheduled for June 21, 2021, at 12:00 pm at the District's administrative offices located at 101 Ute Road, Meeker, Colorado 81641.
Any individual, corporation, government or governmental subdivision or agency, business trust, estate, trust, limited liability company, partnership, association, or other legal entity that has furnished labor, materials, sustenance, or other supplies used or consumed by the above-referenced contractor or its subcontractor in or about the performance of the work contracted to be done or that supplies laborers, rental machinery, tools, or equipment to the extent used in the prosecution of the work, whose claim therefor has not been paid by the

above-referenced contractor or its subcontractor may, at any time up to and including the date and time of Final Settlement, file a verified statement of the amount due and unpaid on account of the claim with Executive Director Sean VonRoenn. The verified statement may be either mailed or hand delivered to:
Sean VonRoenn, Executive Director
ERBM Recreation and Park District
101 Ute Road
Meeker, Colorado 81641
The verified statement must be received by the District at or before the date and time of Final Settlement set forth above. Failure to timely file a verified statement shall relieve the District and its directors, officers, and representatives from any liability for making final payment to the above-referenced contractor.
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/s/ Sean VonRoenn
Executive Director
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Rio Blanco County is seeking a Contractor for the **2021 Rio Blanco County Airport Outfall** in Meeker, Colorado. The intent of this Invitation for Bid is to have a Contractor submit a written response to address the services, fee, and a well-considered plan of execution for the Project. The Project is primarily for drainage and grading to create a storm sewer network routing stormwater runoff from the Rio Blanco County Airport property to a drainage ditch along SH-13. All Bidders are required to attend the Mandatory Site Visit. The Mandatory Site Visit will be held on **Tuesday, June 8, 2021, at 2:00 P.M. MT.** Bid must be received by mail no later than **5:00 P.M. Mountain Time on Monday, June 28, 2021, or hand-delivered no later than 9:45 A.M., Mountain Time, on Tuesday, June 29, 2021.**
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All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado on or before October 17, 2021, or said claims may be forever barred.
Kristine M. Hicken, Personal Representative
587 12th St., PO Box 2201
Meeker, Colorado 81641
Published: June 17, 24 and July 1, 2021
Rio Blanco Herald Times

MEETING AGENDA

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO
RIO BLANCO COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE
555 MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 599
MEEKER, COLORADO 81641
This meeting will be streamed live on the RBC YouTube Channel:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBicHmP47zL_NjNOFg
To provide public input please call (970) 878-9432
Tentative Agenda June 22, 2021

- 11:00 a.m. Call to order:**
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Changes to the June 22, 2021 Agenda
 - C. **Move to approve the June 22, 2021 Agenda including any changes**
- 2. CONSENT AGENDA for June 22, 2021**
 - A. **Move to approve the below listed items of the Consent Agenda.**
 - B. Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2021.
- 3. BUSINESS**
 - A. Review of the 2020 Financial Statement presentation by Paul D. Miller, CPA.
 - B. Move to approve/deny a Financial Assurance Certification from the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment stating that the County has complied with all landfill requirements for the Solid Waste Landfill Certification of 2020 Assurance based on 2020 Financial Statements.
 - C. Move to approve/deny a Financial Statement Management Representation Letter from the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado to Paul D. Miller, CPA, LLC for the Solid Waste Disposal as of December 31, 2020.
 - D. Move to approve/deny an Agreement for Services with Patrick M. Walsh, d/b/a Rim Rock Campground to serve as the Rio Blanco County Meeker Fairgrounds Camping Area Concessionaire.
 - E. Move to approve/deny a request for Emergency UT/CCITF/CDGF Grant Application for the Mormon Cricket Infestation Abatement Project.
 - F. Move to approve/deny Move to approve/deny funding of 2021 Emergency UT/CCITF/CDGF Grant Application for WRBM Recreation and Park District for the 4th of July Firework Show in the amount of \$2,000.00.
 - G. Move to approve/deny funding of 2021 Emergency UT/CCITF/CDGF Grant Application for WRBM Recreation and Park District for Septemberfest in the amount of \$2,000.00.
 - H. Move to approve/deny funding of 2021 Emergency UT/CCITF/CDGF Grant Application for Rangecall in the amount of \$5,000.00.
 - I. Move to approve/deny an exception for a waiver of fees to allow Cimarron to provide multiple addresses service for a single fee at 550 Cr 54 (CR 8 Fiber).
- 4. BID AWARDS**
- 5. MOU'S, CONTRACTS, AND AGREEMENTS**
- 6. RESOLUTIONS**
- 7. OTHER BUSINESS**
 - A. Public Comment
 - B. County Commissioners Updates
- 8. PUBLIC HEARINGS**
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 July 13, 2021, in the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 555 Main St., 3rd Floor Hearing Room, Meeker, CO. Please check the County's website for information at <http://rbc.us/186/Board-of-County-Commissioners>. If you need special accommodations, please call 970-878-9431 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.
Published: June 17, 2021
Rio Blanco Herald Times

FORECLOSURE

COMBINED NOTICE- MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE No. 21-01
To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust On April 9, 2021, 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): JERRY REEVES AND VERONICA REEVES
Original Beneficiary(ies): MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. AS NOMINEE FOR CWB MORTGAGE VENTURES, LLC OBA FNBR MORTGAGE, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/AMR. COOPER
Date of Deed of Trust: July 16, 2009
County of Recording: Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: July 21, 2009
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 296385
Original Principal Amount: \$192,867.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$160,809.85
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(j), 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 13, BLOCK 6, AMENDED LA MESA P.U.D. ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED AUGUST 18, 1992 AS RECEPTION NO. 246542 TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO
Also known by street and number as: 1205 LAS MESA CIR, 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, 08/11/2021, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, 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.
First Publication: 6/17/2021
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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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Iowa City, Iowa 52244
(855) 411-2372
www.consumerfinance.gov
DATE: 04/09/2021
Rhonna Waldref, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Rhonna Waldref, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Alison L. Berry #34531 David R. Doughty #40042 Elizabeth S. Marcus #16092
Lynn M. Janeway# 15592 Nicholas H. Santarelli #46592 Sheila J. Finn #36637
Janeway Law Firm 9800 S. Meridian, Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80134 (303) 706-9990
Attorney File# 18-020385
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.
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DISTRICT COURT, WATER DIVISION 6, COLORADO TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN WATER APPLICATIONS IN WATER DIVISION 6

Pursuant to C.R.S. 37-92-302, you are hereby notified that the following pages comprise a resume of Applications and Amended Applications filed in the office of Water Division 6, during the month of May 2021.

21CW3014 RIO BLANCO COUNTY, In Red Wash, Tributary to the White River in RIO BLANCO COUNTY, **APPLICATION FOR FINDING OF REASONABLE DILIGENCE** 1. Name, address and telephone number of Applicant: Blue Mountain Energy, Inc., Attn: Jeff Dubbert and Kurt Blunt, 3607 County Road 65, Rangely, CO 81648, (970) 675-4322. Please address all correspondence to: Peter D. Nichols, Megan Gutwein, Berg Hill Greenleaf Ruscitti LLP, 1712 Pearl St., Boulder, CO 80302, (303) 402-1600, pdn@bhgrlaw.com; mg@bhgrlaw.com. 2. Description of Conditional Water Rights: A. Name of structure: Deserado Mine Sediment Pond RP-5. B. Date of original decree: March 15, 1994, Case No. 93CW219, Water Div. 5. C. Date of subsequent diligence decrees: December 4, 2000, Case No. 00CW38, Water Div. 5 (10.0 cfs made absolute); June 28, 2008, Case No. 06CW259, Water Div. 5; May 3, 2015, Case No. 14CW3017, Water Div. 6. D. Location: The pond is located in the SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 23, Township 3 North, Range 101 West of the 6th P.M., Rio Blanco County, Colorado. The discharge point for such pond lies North 37° 27' East 1100 feet from the southwest corner of said Section 23, Township 3 North, Range 101 West of the 6th P.M. Distance from section lines: the pond is located approximately 745 feet North of the South line and 535 feet East of the West line of said Section 23, Township 3 North, Range 101 West of the 6th P.M. The embankment is approximately 490 feet long and approximately 5.5 feet high. The pond storage capacity (acre-feet) is as follows:

	Total Storage	Dead Storage	Active Storage
At Primary Spillway	10.8	10.8	0.0
At Emergency Spillway	14.3	10.8	3.5
Top of Embankment	17.7	10.8	6.9

E. Decreed source of water: Runoff from the Deserado Mine RP-5 disposal area and natural runoff tributary to Red Wash, tributary to the White River. F. Appropriation Date: July 1, 1993. G. Amount: 21.43 acre-feet total; 10.0 acre-feet, absolute; 11.43 acre-feet, conditional. H. Decreed uses: Sediment control and subsequent discharge of water associated with the Deserado Mine operations. I. Land ownership information: Applicant leases the land from the United States of America via coal leases administered by the Bureau of Land Management, White River Field Office, 220 E. Market St., Meeker, CO 81641. 3. Application for Finding of Reasonable Diligence: Applicant seeks a finding of reasonable diligence for the Deserado Mine Sediment Pond RP-5. Outline of Work Done Toward Completion of Project and Application of Water to Beneficial Use: The Deserado Mine Sediment Pond RP-5 is an integral part of Applicant's unified water supply system, including the Gross-Nichols Ditch, the Moon Lake Pipeline, the Moon Lake-Staley Mine Pipeline and Reservoir, the Enlargement of Moon Lake-Staley Mine Pipeline and Reservoir, Deserado Mine Water System, Deserado Mine Water System Enlargement, Deserado Mine Sediment Pond DP-1, Deserado Mine Sediment Pond RP-1, Deserado Mine Sediment Pond RP-2/3, Deserado Mine Sediment Pond RP-4, and Railroad Loadout Loop Sediment Pond, supporting development of its coal mining properties and that maintenance of said right is necessary to ensure that water needs are met for the Deserado Mine and adjacent properties. During the interval of time since this Court's last finding of diligence, in continuing the development of the water right that is the subject of this Application, Applicant has continued development of Refuse Area 5A, runoff from which is stored in the subject water right. Work performed to develop the subject conditional water right includes, but is not limited to: A. The handling and transport of coal refuse material to the site as well as the spreading, compaction, and general upkeep of the coal refuse storage facility. B. The handling and transport of coal refuse material to the Refuse areas as well as the spreading, compaction, and general upkeep of the coal refuse storage facility. C. Upgrade of the pumping and water handling facilities at SDH-3 investing an estimated \$157,100. D. Replacement of the pump and associated down hole materials at an investment of approximately \$70,000. E. Action in support of the Applicant's unified water system, including monitoring of applications for water rights which could adversely affect the Applicant's water rights. WHEREFORE, Applicant prays this Court enter a decree: a) Granting the requested finding of reasonable diligence; and b) Granting such other and further relief as the Court deems proper. (5 pages)

The water right claimed by this application may affect in priority any water right claimed or heretofore adjudicated within this division and owners of affected rights must appear to object and protest within the time provided by statute, or be forever barred.

You are hereby notified that you will have until the last day of **July 2021** to file with the Water Court a Verified Statement of Opposition, setting forth facts as to why a certain Application should not be granted or why it should be granted only in part or on certain conditions. A copy of such Statement of Opposition must be served on the Applicant or the Applicant's Attorney, with an affidavit or certificate of such service being filed with the Water Court, as prescribed by Rule 5, C.R.C.P. The filing fee for the Statement of Opposition is \$192.00, and should be sent to the Clerk of the Water Court, Division 6, 1955 Shield Dr. Unit 200, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487.

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ROUTT COUNTY COMBINED COURT
WATER DIVISION 6
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MEETING AGENDA

Town of Rangely
June 22, 2021 - 7:00pm
Agenda
Rangely Board of Trustees (Town Council)
ANDY SHAFFER, Mayor
Trey Robie, Mayor ProTem
vacant
Luke Geer, Trustee
Tim webber, Trustee
Alisa Granger, Trustee
Keely Ellis, Trustee

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Invocation
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Minutes of Meeting
 - a. Discussion and Action to approve the minutes of June 8, 2021.
6. Petitions and Public Input
7. Changes to the Agenda
8. Public Hearings - 7:10pm
9. Committee/Board Meetings
10. RBC Commissioner Reports
11. Council Reports
12. Supervisor Reports - See Attached
 - a. Ti Hamblin
13. Reports from Officers - Town Manager Update
14. Old Business
15. New Business
 - a. Discussion and action to approve the 2020 Audited Financial Statements as presented by Colorado CPA Services, PC
 - b. Discussion and action to approve the May 2021 Financial Summary
16. Informational Items

- a. RBC Covid Update
17. **Board Vacancies**
 - a. Planning and Zoning Board Vacancy
 - b. Community Garden Board Vacancy
 18. **Scheduled Announcements**
 - a. Community Outreach meeting is scheduled for June 7, 2021 was cancelled.
 - b. Giant Step Preschool Board meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2021 at 6:00 pm
 - c. Rangely District Library Board meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2021 at 5:00 pm
 - d. Western Rio Blanco Park & Recreation District Board meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2021 at 7:00 pm
 - e. Planning and Zoning meeting is scheduled for the June 15 th , 2021 at 9:30 am
 - f. Rangely Junior College District Board meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2021 at 12:00 noon
 - g. Rio Blanco County Commissioners Board meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2021 at 11:00 am
 - h. Rangely School District Board meeting has been scheduled for June 15, 2021 at 6:15 pm
 - i. RDA/RDC Board meeting cancelled for June 17, 2021 at 7:30 am
 - j. Rangely Chamber of Commerce Board meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2021 at 12:00 noon
 - k. Rural Fire Protection District Board meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2021 at 7:00 pm
 - l. Rangely District Hospital board meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2021 at 6:00 pm
 - m. Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District Board meeting is scheduled for June 30, 2021 at 6:00 pm
 19. **Adjournment**
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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PUBLICATION LIST
MAY 31, 2021

FUND: GENERAL
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
DIGIUM CLOUD SVCS, DATA SPRT, (3,875.00)
CLINTON KILDUFF, TRVL ADV, (273.00)
1st RESPOND FIRST AID, SPPLY, 81.08
ALSCO, PRCH SVC, 1,513.59
AMAZON, PRGRMMG, 7,929.67
AMOS ENERGY, UTL, 1,452.99
CENTURYLINK, LND LN, 478.26
CENTURYLINK-LNG DIST, LNG DST, 3.93
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, LND LN, 585.23
CNCC, CNTRCT SVC, 2,500.00
CO ASSOC, PRCH SVC, 125.00
CO, STATE OF, PRCH SVC, 433.94
COLUMN SOFTWARE, PRCH SVC, 176.82
CSU EXTENSION 4-H, PRGRMMG, 300.00
CUMMINS SALES, PRCH SVC, 1,931.13
CUNNINGHAM SWAIM, PRCH SVC, 7,087.50
DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PRCH SVC, 21,416.00
DLT SOLUTIONS, PRCH SVC, 2,730.21
DVL GROUP, RPRMNTC, 5,534.78
ESE DOOR & WINDOW, SPPLY, 5,759.00
EXCEL FIRE PROTECTION, PRCH SVC, 1,202.99
FIRST ADVANTAGE, PRCH SVC, 81.70
FIRSNET / AT&T, PRCH SVC, 800.80
GMCO CORP, PRCH SVC, 778.15
GOVCONNECTION, PRCH SVC, 4,804.74
GRAND JUNCTION MEDIA, PRCH SVC, 188.75
HIGHRISE TREE CARE SER, PRCH SVC, 4,150.00
IMAGENET CONSULTING, PRCH SVC, 1,600.07
K-D FLAGS, SPPLY, 461.75
KINSCO, UNFRM/CLTH, 833.94
LEMOINE & GRAVES, CNTRCT SVC, 3,250.00
LEXIPOL, PRCH SVC, 5,562.00
MASTER'S TOUCH, PRCH SVC, 1,150.00
MCGUIRE AUTO, S&R, 11.16
MEEKER AIRPORT, CNTRCT SVC, 3,000.00
MEEKER DRUGS, SPPLY, 397.70
MEEKER SANITATION, UTL, 736.00
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTL, 1,266.90
MIND SPRINGS HEALTH, PRCH SVC, 2,919.08
MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 2,159.37
MOTOROLA SOL, PRCH SVC, 18,505.12
MVB-VISA, PRCH SVC, 15,270.11
GARY MOYER, PRCH SVC, 39.59
JONNY A. MURRY, ADV, 164.00
NICHOLS STORE, SPPLY, 18.00
OVERHEAD DOOR, SPPLY, 80.00
OVERTON RECY, UTL, 1,428.00
PMC, PRCH SVC, 223.50
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVC, 365.16
QUILL CORP, SPPLY, 62.78
RANGELY AUTO, RPRMNTC, 8.24
RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTL, 2,539.47
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 1,821.72
REIST, MICHAEL, ADV, 164.00
RB HERALD TIME, PRCH SVC, 608.60
SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 17.21
STAPLES, SPPLY, 300.32
STEERMAN LAW, DUES, 8,318.75
TATE, KELSEY, ADV, 164.00
TURNKEY CORRECTIONS, SPPLY, 12.09
UNION TELEPHONE, PRCH SVC, 128.33
USPS, PRCH SVC, 615.00
VALLEY HARDWARE, PRGRMMG, 1,244.17
VALUE WEST, PRCH SVC, 2,260.00
VERNAL EXPRESS, PRCH SVC, 13.00
VOIANCE LANGUAGE, PRCH SVC, 50.00
WACO FILTERS, SPPLY, 1,440.34
WATTS, FOOD SPPLY, 1,352.62
WR DIST, SPPLY, 273.25

WREA, UTL, 9,635.10
WOLFCOM, SPPLY, 2,793.00
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 23,176.75
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 44,227.51
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 92,180.60
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 36,156.42
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 9,747.54
A-1 COLLECTION AGENCY, WAGE ASNMT, 585.36
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASNMT, 1,243.95
GENERAL FUND TOTAL, 368,479.83
FUND: ROAD & BRIDGE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
1st RESPOND FIRST AID, SPPLY, 29.20
AVIATION SPECIALTIES, PRCH SVC, 28,946.00
GMCO CORP, DUST CNTRL, 134,127.79
J&S CONTRACTORS, SIGN MTRL, 3,992.00
MGM, SPPLY, 150.00
MVB-VISA, PRCH SVC, 993.09
OFFICE DEPOT, SPPLY, 28.18
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVC, 26.11
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 113.26
RB HERALD TIME, SUBSCRPT, 40.00
ROUTT COUNTY R&B, DUST CNTRL, 12,159.44
SAFETY AND CONST, SPPLY, 383.15
SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 121.50
UNION TELEPHONE, PRCH SVC, (20.36)
UNITED COMPANIES, CR 73 BRDG, 225,425.82
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 86.96
WREA, UTL, 85.19
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 8,995.34
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 19,297.18
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 54,386.28
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 15,444.48
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 4,204.79
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASNMT, 923.06
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND TOTAL, 509,938.46
FUND: PUBLIC HEALTH
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
STATE OF CO, FP-PRCH SVC, (432.00)
ABBOTT RAPID Dx, SPPLY, 12,768.00
STATE OF CO, PRCH SVC, 432.00
LABORATORY CORP, PRCH SVC, 68.00
MCKESSON MED, SPPLY, 4,780.15
R & S NORTHEAST, SPPLY, 746.30
RB HERALD TIME, PRCH SVC, 416.25
STAPLES, SPPLY, 65.52
MEL TRUJILLO, PRCH SVC, 250.00
WESTERN VALLEY FAMILY, PRCH SVC, 404.76
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 868.57
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,265.24
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 3,743.78
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 1,671.99
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 380.07
PUBLIC HEALTH FUND TOTAL, 28,428.63
FUND: DEPT OF HUMAN SVCS
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
GARFIELD COUNTY, PRCH SVC, 11,526.62
MOFFATT COUNTY, CNTRCT SVC, 4,476.87
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVC, 10.09
STEERMAN LAW OFFICES, CNTRCT SVC, 10,120.12
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 2,976.96
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 5,468.52

COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 14,578.83
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 1,501.29
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 1,393.43
AP PAYMENTS, 6,066.14
DEPT OF HUMAN SVCS FUND TOTAL, 58,118.87
FUND: CAPITAL IMPROVMENT
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
SCHMUESER GORDON MEYER, MA-RNWY PRGT, 3,504.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TOTAL, 3,504.00
FUND: USE TAX
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 454.91
MVB-VISA, PRCH SVC, 297.11
NICKSON, ANNALLEE, PRCH SVC, 30.57
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVC, 10.20
RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTL, 304.68
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 79.89
RB HERALD TIME, PRCH SVC, 75.00
U.S. FOODS, FOOD SPPLY, 4,176.15
WATT'S, FOOD SPPLY, 136.69
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 1,351.32
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,847.81
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 8,535.12
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 2,082.79
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 578.54
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASNMT, 384.05
USE TAX FUND TOTAL, 21,344.83
FUND: SOLID WASTE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
ACZ LAB, PRCH SVC, 806.75
GMCO CORP, PRCH SVC, 1,267.95
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVC, 6.12
REDI SVCS, PRCH SVC, 60.00
SOUDER, MILLER, PRCH SVC, 1,936.76
UNION TELEPHONE, PRCH SVC, 31.33
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 53.97
WREA, UTL, 104.92
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 1,163.52
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 1,911.58
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 4,565.83
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 1,513.10
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 442.21
SOLID WASTE FUND TOTAL, 13,864.04
FUND: WEED & PEST
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVC, 4.08
RB HERALD TIME, PRCH SVC, 135.63
VAN DIEST SUPPLY, CHEM USED, 7,279.40
YOUR PARTS HAUS, SPPLY, 13.37
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 581.15
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 1,143.74
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 1,523.25
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 458.58
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 294.00
WEED & PEST FUND TOTAL, 11,433.20
FUND: COMMUNICATIONS
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
AMAZON, SPPLY, 2,160.07
CASTLE ROCK MICROWAVE, PRCH SVC, 2,400.00
CRAWFORD, GAYLE, LSE PMT, 2,800.00
GRAYBAR ELEC, SPPLY, 9,751.85
KPE LOCATING, PRCH SVC, 5,530.00
MAMMOTH NET, PRCH SVC, 3,320.00
MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 817.59
MVB-VISA, PRCH SVC, 133.21
NOANET, PRCH SVC, 544.50

ONE TECHNOLOGY CORP, PRCH SVC, 937.50
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVC, 2.55
RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTL, 18.60
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 212.50
USPS, PRCH SVC, 53.00
WREA, UTL, 2,306.81
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 780.55
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 1,811.70
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 3,897.53
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 703.62
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 369.42
COMMUNICATIONS FUND TOTAL, 38,551.00
FUND: FAIRFIELD
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 294.50
CRITTERS R US, PRCH SVC, 300.00
HIGHRISE TREE CARE, PRCH SVC, 2,000.00
MEEKER SANITATION, UTL, 40.00
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTL, 588.00
MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 465.55
OVERTON RECY, UTL, 250.00
RBC WEED & PEST, SPPLY, 41.88
SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 98.59
WREA, UTL, 1,521.77
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 269.66
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 737.92
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 2,688.70
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 578.76
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 124.00
FAIRFIELD FUND TOTAL, 9,999.33
FUND: CENTRAL SVCS
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
ALL COPY PROD, CNTRCT SVC, 376.98
IMAGENET CONSULTING, CNTRCT SVC, 1,352.86
PAUL D. MILLER CPA, PROF SVC, 11,000.00
PITNEY BOWES, EQPMNT RPR, 674.52
PITNEY BOWES RES, PSTG, 32.65
ROCKY MTN COMPET, CNTRCT SVC, 1,167.95
CENTRAL SVCS FUND TOTAL, 14,604.96
FUND: FLEET
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
ABI ATTACHMENTS, PRTS/ACCS, 1,856.29
BEARCOM, CAP OTLY, 12,612.21
BEST DEAL SPRINGS, SPPLY, 49.98
CO DIVISION OF OIL, PRCH SVC, 175.00
COLUMBINE FORD, PRTS/ACCS, 205.64
DAVEY COACH SALES, CAP OTLY, 70,298.00
GILBARCO, PRCH SVC, 130.38
HILL PETROLEUM, DIESEL, 17,053.83
HONNEN EQUIP, PRTS/ACCS, 1,055.89
IBS, SPPLY, 376.60
JAMAR TECH, SPPLY, 958.46
MASTER PETROLEUM, DIESEL, 9,828.00
MCGUIRE AUTO, PRTS/ACCS, 5,584.49
MEEKER COLLISION, RPR/MNTS, 167.50
MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 41.18
MVB-VISA, GAS, 477.45
NORTHERN TOOL, SPPLY, 199.98
NORTHWEST AUTO, RPR/MNTS, 151.00
OVERTON RECY, PRCH SVC, 508.00
POWER EQUIPMENT, PRCH SVC, 204.88
RANGELY AUTO, PRTS/ACCS, 2,466.18
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 267.15
RBC CLERK & REC, PRCH SVC, 28.14
SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 2.49
STEWART WELDING, SPPLY, 84.20
TRANSWEST TRUCKS, PRTS/ACCS, 3,009.64
UNITED RENTALS, PRTS/ACCS, 119.67
VERMEER SALES, PRTS/ACCS, 401.17
WAGNER EQUIP, PRTS/ACCS, 3,692.89
WAYNE FUELING SYS, CAP OTLY, 11,947.50
WESTFALL O'DELL, PRTS/ACCS, 3,869.12

WREA, UTL, 314.83
XCEL ENERGY, UTL, 263.38
YOUR PARTS HAUS, CAP OTLY, 3,218.50
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 1,785.88
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 4,397.66
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 9,341.76
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 4,644.60
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 884.00
FLEET FUND TOTAL, 172,673.52
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Colo. Analytical Laboratories: Testing, \$132.00
Column: Publish Accts. Payable, \$22.23
ConvergeOne: Cloud backup srv., \$3,164.34
FirstBankCard Visa: Office and Plant Supplies, \$1,223.72
Grainger: Misc. Supplies, \$901.02
JVA: Professional Services, \$296.00
McGuire Auto Parts: Vehicle Maint., \$137.94
Meeker Auto Parts: Vehicle Maint., \$49.26
Meeker Sanitation District: Postage and lawncare, \$116.42
Meeker General Mercantile: Lawncare, \$302.15
Networking of the Rockies: June oncall and Prepaid Support, \$1,000.00
Office Depot: Office Supplies, \$326.01
Pioneers Hospital: DOT physicals, \$120.00
Rio Blanco County Fleet Dept.: Fuel, \$300.49
Rio Blanco Herald Times: Employment ad, \$92.00
Town of Meeker: Water Svc., \$24.00
Union Telephone: Call Phone Svc., \$217.56
USA Bluebook: Misc. Supplies, \$85.29
US Postal Service: Annual Box rent, \$76.00
Utility Notification Center: Line Locates, \$52.80
Valley Hardware: Misc. Supplies, \$311.41
Watt's Ranch Market: Misc. Supplies, \$49.19
White Water Distributing: Bottled water, \$20.25
WREA: Electric Svc., \$5,974.04
Total Accounts Payable \$57,442.26
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**MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
MAY-21**

Total Payroll, \$17,241.86
Quickbooks Payroll Svc. Direct Deposit Fee, \$31.75
FICA: SS, Med, Fed w/h, \$5,847.33
PERA Retirement, \$6,124.42
U.S. Postal Service: Postage, \$309.66
CEBT: Health, Dental, Vision, Life Ins., \$11,635.81
Mountain Valley Bank: Merchant Srv. Fees, \$84.01
Atmos Energy: Natural Gas Svc., \$636.46
Boyko Supply: Cleaning Supplies, \$88.27
Century Link: Telephone Svc., \$293.57
Cimaron Telecom: Broadband, \$155.00

• NOTICE OF SALE •

DISTRICT COURT, RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO
Rio Blanco County Combined Court
455 Main Street
PO Box 1150
Meeker, CO 81641
Telephone: 970-878-5622
Plaintiff(s):
Donald T. Bollinger,
Joseph P. Moyet, also known as Joseph Paul Moyet, aka Joseph P. Moyet, aka Joseph Paul Moyet, and Stephanie Boyd Moyet, aka Stephanie Boyd Moyet,
vs.
Defendant(s):
1) Rio Blanco Properties, a Colorado Limited Partnership,
2) Succession of Doyle Galloway Berry, Probate No. 20835, 16th Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Mary, A COURT USE ONLY A State of Louisiana,
3) Succession of Doyle Galloway Berry, as General Partner of Rio Blanco Properties, a Colorado Limited Partnership
4) Bert Kyle Berry, as independent co-executor of the Succession of Doyle Galloway Berry,
5) Scott Thomas Berry, as independent co-executor of the Succession of Doyle Galloway Berry,
6) Rhonna Waldref as Public Trustee of the Rio Blanco County, Colorado,
7) And all unknown persons that claim under or through the above named defendants.
Case Number: 19 CV 30033
Attorney or Party Without Attorney:
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SHERIFF'S COMBINED NOTICE OF SALE AND RIGHTS TO CURE AND REDEEM
Under a Corrected Default Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered March 15, 2021, in the above entitled action, I am ordered to sell certain real property, as follows:
Original Grantor: Rio Blanco Properties, a Colorado Limited Partnership
Original Beneficiary: Donald T. Bollinger, Joseph P. Moyet, also known as Joseph Paul Moyet, aka Joseph P. Moyet, aka Joseph Paul Moyet, and Stephanie Boyd Moyet, aka Stephanie Boyd Moyet
Current Holder of the evidence of debt secured by the Deed of Trust: Donald T. Bollinger, Joseph P. Moyet, also known as Joseph Paul Moyet, aka Joseph P. Moyet, aka Joseph Paul Moyet, and Stephanie Boyd Moyet, aka Stephanie Boyd Moyet
Date of Deed of Trust: December 29, 1983
Date of Recording of Deed of Trust: December 30, 1983
County of Recording: Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Recording Information: Book 434 Page 369 Reception # 214480
Date and Recording Information of Extension Agreements:
1. Extension Agreement dated December 22, 1989, and recorded December 29, 1989, at Reception #238680, Book 481 Page 416.
2. Extension Agreement dated December 21, 1994 and recorded April 9, 2002 at Reception # 272160, Book 4571 Page 69.
3. Extension Agreement dated December 28, 2000 and recorded July 31, 2001 at Reception # 270269, Book 563 Page 700, re-recorded March 2, 2002 in Book 570 Page 448 and re-recorded April 9, 2002 in Book 571 Page 59.
4. Extension Agreement dated December 14, 2005 and recorded December 27, 2005 at Reception # 283615.
5. Extension agreement dated December 20, 2012 and recorded December 28, 2012 at Reception # 305463.
County of Recording Extension Agreements: Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Original Principal Balance of the secured indebtedness:
Note to Donald T. Bollinger \$114,153.42
Note to Joseph P. Moyet and Stephanie Boyd Moyet \$100,000.00
Outstanding Principal Balance of the secured indebtedness as of the date hereof:
Note to Donald T. Bollinger \$57,076.71
Note to Joseph P. Moyet and Stephanie Boyd Moyet \$50,000.00
Amount of Judgment entered March 15, 2021:
Judgment in Favor of Donald T. Bollinger: \$358,103.36
Judgment in Favor of Joseph P. Moyet and Stephanie Boyd Moyet: \$312,914.15
Description of property to be foreclosed located in Rio Blanco County, Colorado:
This action has been commenced to foreclose a Deed of Trust encumbering the following real property located in Rio Blanco County, Colorado, and more particularly described as follows:
A tract of land located in a portion of Tract 76, Section 25 and Section 24, Township 1 North, Range 93 West of the 6th P.M., Described by metes and bounds as follows:
beginning at angle point 4 of said Tract 76, thence South 00°10' West, 905.72 feet along the western most line of said Tract 76,
Thence North 30°55'07" East, 327.36 feet;
Thence North 70°17'35" East, 350.28 feet;
Thence North 66°12'53" East 285.0 feet;
Thence North 66°56'49" West 416.63 feet;
Thence South 85°35'05" West 265.30 feet;
Thence North 01°23'38" East 247.17 feet more or less to the North line between angle point 3 and 4;
Thence North 89°00" West 114.29 feet along said North line to the point of beginning.
AND

A parcel of land lying in Tract 76 in Section 25, Township 1 North, Range 93 West of the 6th P.M., County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado, being more particularly described as follows:
Beginning at angle point 5 of said Tract 76 being an original stone;
Thence North 00°21'54" East along the West line of said Tract 414.73 feet;
Thence North 31°07'01" East 327.36 feet;
Thence North 70°29'29" East 185.62 feet to a point on the centerline of an access road right-of-way, said point being on a P.O.C. (point on curve) of a non-tangent curve to the left having a radius of 140.6 feet in a central angle of 26°35'06";
Thence along the arc of said curve 65.24 feet to P.T. (point of tangency) the chord of said arc bears South 31°46'39" East 64.65 feet;
Thence South 45°04'12" East, 502.8 feet to a P.C. (point of curvature) of a curve to the left having a radius of 1322.3 feet in a central angle of 7°43'00";
Thence along the arc of said curve 178.1 feet to a P.T.;
Thence South 52°47'12" East, 177.9 feet to a P.C. of a curve to the right having a radius of 148.7 feet and a central angle of 52°44'00";
Thence along the arc of said curve 136.9 feet to a P.O.C., the chord of said arc bears South 26°25'12" East 132.13 feet, said P.O.C. being on the South line of said Tract 76;
Thence South 89°46'51" West along said South line, 1071.4 feet to the true point of beginning.
Also known by street number: Vacant Land, Meeker, Colorado.
Tax parcel 141125200138 situate in the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado.
THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ONLY A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST
THE LIEN BEING FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
The covenants of said Deed of Trust have been violated as follows: failure to make payments on said indebtedness when the same were due and owing, and the legal holder of the indebtedness has accelerated the same and declared the same immediately fully due and payable.

NOTICE OF SALE
THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I will, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on the 12th day of August, 2021, in the public lobby of the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office, 355 4th Street, Meeker, Colorado, 81641 sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property described above, and all interest of said Grantor and the heirs and assigns of said Grantor therein, for the purpose of paying the judgment amount entered herein, and will deliver to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
First Publication: June 17, 2021
Last Publication: July 15, 2021
Name of Publication: Rio Blanco Herald Times
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.
NOTICE OF RIGHTS
YOU MAY HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED, OR HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS OR SUFFER CERTAIN LIABILITIES PURSUANT TO COLORADO STATUTES AS A RESULT OF SAID FORECLOSURE. YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO REDEEM SAID REAL PROPERTY OR YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CURE A DEFAULT UNDER THE DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF THE STATUTES WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS ARE ATTACHED HERETO.
The name, address, and business telephone number of each of the attorneys representing the holder of the evidence of debt are as follows:
John P. Gormley, Atty. Reg. #: 12292, SPIECKER, HANLON, GORMLEY & VOLKMAN, LLP, P.O. Box 1991/ Grand Junction, CO 81502, 970.243.1003
Attached hereto are copies of certain Colorado statutes that may vitally affect your property rights in relation to this proceeding. Said proceeding may result in the loss of property in which you have an interest and may create a personal debt against you. You may wish to seek the advice of your own private attorney concerning your rights in relation to this foreclosure proceeding.
INTENT to cure or redeem, as provided by the aforementioned laws, must be directed to or conducted at the Sheriff Department for Rio Blanco County, Civil Division, PO Box 1460, 355 - 4th Street, Meeker, Colorado 80641.
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
This Sheriff's Notice of Sale is signed June 14, 2021.
Anthony Mazzola, Sheriff, Rio Blanco County, Colorado
By: /s/ Anthony Mazzola
Published: June 17, 24, July 1, 8 and 15, 2021
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION IN THE COLORADO P.U.C. NO. – 7 GAS TARIFF
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1555 BLAKE STREET, SUITE 400, DENVER, COLORADO 80202**

You are hereby notified that Atmos Energy Corporation (“Atmos Energy” or the “Company”) has filed with the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”), in compliance with the Public Utilities Law, an advice letter and associated revised tariff sheets to modify the Company’s Gas Demand-Side Management Cost Adjustment (“G-DSMCA”) rate and G-DSMCA Factors to be effective on July 1, 2021.

The proposed G-DSMCA modification will allow Atmos Energy to continue recovering prudently incurred costs for the gas demand-side management (“DSM”) programs based on the Company’s DSM achievements during the 2021 program year. The proposed filing revises the Company’s existing natural gas rates in its tariff, Colorado P.U.C. No 7- Gas, to reflect modifications to the G-DSMCA Factor, the volumetric DSMCA and the total volumetric rate for class, resulting in increase to the G-DSMCA surcharge for Residential customers and an increase for Small Commercial and Commercial customers. The present and proposed monthly G-DSMCA rates are as follows:

	Present G-DSMCA rate	Proposed G-DSMCA rate
Residential Base Rate	\$0.20	\$0.21
Residential Volumetric Rate/ccf	\$0.00315	\$0.00345
Commercial Base Rate	\$0.74	\$0.81
Commercial Volumetric Rate/ccf	\$0.00289	\$0.00316

The proposed and present rates and tariffs are available for examination at the business office of Atmos Energy Corporation located at 1555 Blake Street, Suite 400, Denver, Colorado, or at the Public Utilities Commission at 1560 Broadway, Suite 250, Denver, Colorado, 80202. Customers who have questions may call the Company at 1-888-286-6700 or email the question to Jennifer.altieri@atmosenergy.com.

Anyone who desires may file written comments or objections with the Commission. The filing of a written objection by itself will not allow you to participate as a party in any proceeding on the proposed action. If you wish to participate as a party in this matter, you must file written intervention documents in accord with Rule 1401 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure and of any applicable Commission order.

The Commission may hold a public hearing in addition to an evidentiary hearing on the proposed revisions and if such a hearing is held members of the public may attend and make statements even if they did not file comments, objections, or an intervention. If the filing is uncontested or unopposed, the Commission may determine the matter without a hearing and without further notice.

Anyone desiring information regarding if and when a hearing may be held shall submit a written request to the Commission or contact the External Affairs section of the Commission at its local number of (303) 894-2070 or toll free number (800) 456-0858.

Atmos Energy Corporation
Colorado-Kansas Division
By: Jared Geiger
Vice President Rates & Regulatory Affairs

Published: June 10 and June 17, 2021 in the Rio Blanco Herald Times



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