



COMMISSIONERS Corner

News & Updates from Grand County's Board of County Commissioners

- Rich Cimino | District 1
- Merrit Linke | District 2
- Randy George | District 3



Photo courtesy AJ Bartel.



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WELCOME COMMISSIONER GEORGE



Randal "Randy" F. George of Kremmling was sworn in as Grand County Commissioner - District 3 on Friday, July 1, 2022.

George was appointed by the Grand County Republican Party's vacancy committee to fulfill the remainder of Kristen Manguso's term, which ends December 31, 2022. (Manguso resigned as Commissioner in order to accept an offer to fill the county's open Community Development Director position.)

"I made the decision to run for county commissioner earlier this year," George said. "I would like to thank the Republican Party for this unique opportunity to immerse myself in the position ahead of the November election."

George was the only Republican candidate for Grand County Commissioner – District 3 on the 2022 Primary Election ballot, and will move forward as the Republican Party candidate for the General Election on November 8, 2022.

Grand County constituents who have questions about the 2022 election process can submit questions to the Clerk at GrandElections@co.grand.co.us.

BOARD BUSINESS

CCAT Summer Strategy Session

Commissioner Cimino gave an update regarding Colorado Counties Acting Together (CCAT) recent Summer Strategy Session. The consensus voting strategy was discussed, along with making meetings more efficient and creation of a Short Term Rental Subcommittee.

Business Correspondence Policy

Assistant County Manager **Micah Benson** presented a draft Business Correspondence policy for review. Commissioners supported displaying a consistent brand throughout departments and offices, and requested additional information on the topic prior to making a decision. The topic will also be discussed at the upcoming Department Head meeting.



COMMISSIONERS CALENDAR

- July 7** | AGNC Legislative Call (Zoom)
- July 11** | Mayors/Managers/Commissioners Meeting (Town of Grand Lake)
- July 11** | Fraser River Valley Housing Partnership Board Meeting (WP Town Hall)
- July 13** | Department Head Meeting
- July 14** | Utility Coordinating Committee Meeting (Java Lava Cafe)
- July 14** | AGNC Legislative Call (Zoom)
- July 14-15** | Club20 Summer Policy Committee Meetings
- July 15** | CCI Proposed 2023 Legislative Issues Discussion (Zoom)

[Click here to view the BOCC's full calendar.](#)



Fire Restrictions: None

As of 7/5/22:
Based on the scientific fire matrix used for the northwest Colorado region, **Sheriff Brett Schroetlin** recommended no fire restrictions at this time.

MANAGER'S UPDATE County Manager Ed Moyer

- Manager gave an update regarding the recent onsite visit with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to view the County Road 522 wetland impacts and wetland mitigation sites. *Click here to view the site maps.*
 - The MOA is being finalized to address cultural survey impacts. Once it is in place, staff is hopeful the USACE will then extend the 404 permit (which expires in September).
 - Manager and County Attorney are addressing Financial Assurance conditions set forth by the USACE in the current permit.
 - Less than one acre of the project's wetland mitigation is located on County property adjacent to the Tabernash wastewater treatment facility. The County is working to find an alternate location for this proposed wetland mitigation to accommodate future expansion of the wastewater treatment plant.
- A draft Budget Preparation letter will be presented for review and approval next week.
- A Department Head meeting will take place next Wednesday.
- Windy Gap Connectivity Channel: The project plan EA has not yet been authorized; communications with Senator Bennett's office indicate it should have been authorized last week. Northern Water has issued a limited notice to proceed in order to advance the project ahead of full construction.
- Assistant County Manager **Micah Benson** requested clarification regarding waiver of \$200,000 in liability insurance for airport hangar owners. (The BOCC previously approved accepting \$1 million, versus \$1.2 million, in liability insurance coverage required per State statute.) Commissioners gave direction that, effective January 1, 2023, renewing hangar owners will be required to have the full liability coverage.
- Regarding a water truck being retired by Road & Bridge: The County Attorney has advised that, per Statute, the truck can be sold at market value, or sold at auction.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Accounting

Following recent changes by the I.R.S. regarding mileage reimbursement, Commissioners approved Resolution No. 2022-6-21 amending Resolution No. 2022-1-5, raising the standard mileage reimbursement rate for County employees to \$.625/mile for travel incurred on or after July 1, 2022. (The \$.585/mile reimbursement remains for travel incurred before July 1, 2022.)

Vouchers and wire payments presented for payment by Finance Director **Curtis Lange** were approved as presented.

Emergency Medical Services

EMS **Chief Robert Good** stated that GCEMS was awarded a Provider Grant in the amount of \$300,000 for new equipment. GCEMS was the highest Provider Grant recipient in the State. Chief Good will be back before the BOCC at a future meeting with the grant request for approval.

Airports

Commissioners approved signing a Grant Resolution with the Colorado Division of Aeronautics to accept the grant offer for the Airport Master Plan Update at McElroy Field in Kremmling, and approved designating Airports Supervisor **Josh Schroeder** as the Project Director.

Clerk & Recorder

A request by Clerk & Recorder **Sara Rosene** to subscribe to DaySmart Appointments in the amount of \$1,300 to manage scheduling appoints for marriage and civil union licenses and driver's license services was approved.

Housing Authority

An Application for Exemption of an Affordable Housing Transfer Fee for Unit 7, Lot 21 Coyote Creek at Winter Park presented by Housing Authority Operations Manager **Sheena Darland** was approved as presented.

TEAM RUBICON UPDATE

Emergency Manager **Joel Cochran** presented Team Rubicon's Incident Commander **Duane Poslusny** with a challenge coin in recognition of his leadership and the mitigation work Team Rubicon has performed in Grand County.



Above: Mr. Poslusny is pictured with Mr. Cochran (far left) and Deputy Emergency Manager **Alexis Kimbrough**.

To date, **241** veteran volunteers from **Team Rubicon** have:

- Met with **187** residents
- Cleared **93** properties, removing **13,000** cubic feet of debris
- Performed **191** assessments
- Fulfilled **63** work orders

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Innsbruck-Val Moritz, Lots 4 & 5, Block 21, Second Amended Final Plat | Approved with conditions as presented.

Ridge Point Condominiums - Final Plat | Approved with conditions as presented.

Resolution 2022-2-7, Trinder Subdivision Amended Final Plat, Lots 54 and 55 | Approved as presented.

Resolution No. 2021-11-6, Libby Claire Ranch Outright Exemption | Approved as presented.

Extension Request from Jeffery Walker on Stipulation to Remove Blight - Blighted Boathouse | A six-month extension was approved as requested.