

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING Minutes (file 161110b)

November 10, 2016, 5:30 PM – Ouray County Land Use office, Ridgway, Colorado

(Note: Items recorded in accordance with adopted agenda notwithstanding sequence of discussion)

Present: Board members: Boland, Gingery, McElroy, Huddleston and Wojciechowski and incoming board member Yvonne Kuijvenhoven. Medical provider: Dr. Joel Gates.

1. **Call to Order** at 1730 by Mike Boland.
2. **Review of Agenda:** Richard requested election results be addressed first. Dr. Gates requested an opportunity to provide some updated information.
3. **RSA Election Results:**
 - In Laura's absence as RSA Designated Election Official (DEO), the Board congratulated the three candidates elected unanimously to the board: Precinct 1, Coleen McElroy, Precinct 3 Joey Huddleston, and Precinct 5 Yvonne Kuijvenhoven.
 - "Vonnie" Kuijvenhoven was introduced to the other board members and to Dr. Joel Gates.
 - Richard was tasked with requesting Laura add Vonnie to board member communications distribution.
 - Discussion concluded that oath of office forms could be accomplished at this meeting with RSA president Boland witnessing them in the absence of the DEO, to meet the 30 day statutory deadline; that the DEO would issue the certification of election upon her return to town and make required notifications, and that new board members would be sworn in officially at the November 17, 2016 meeting to meet the 30 day deadline from the date of election (November 8) while Dick Gingery remained the seated board member until the end of the November regular meeting.
4. **2017 Budget public hearing: MOTION** by Joey, second by Dick, to open the public hearing into the proposed 2017 RSA budget. Motion carried.
 - Copy of the proposed budget was provided to Dr. Gates, who had not seen it previously.
 - Brief discussion of the budget.
 - **MOTION** by Coleen, second by Dick, to adopt the budget as presented. Motion passed.
 - **MOTION** to close the public hearing by Joey, second by Dick. Motion passed.
5. **Medical Provider input:**
 - Dr. Gates noted that MMC responsiveness had been placed on the agenda for November 17th, and indicated that he will address with his staff responsiveness to calls from Ouray County Emergency Medical Services (i.e. the ambulance crews) to ensure that EMT's get to talk directly to a medical provider, not just the front desk should they call.
 - Dr. Gates indicated that the reason he has not provided additional information regarding his discussions of a potential merger with a larger medical family practice in Montrose is that he has been contacted by the Uncompaghre Clinic, which is a Federal Quality Health Center (FQHC) about potentially folding the Mountain Medical Clinic operation into a regional FQHC, which has enhanced reimbursement opportunities. Uncompaghre has a new director who has approached MMC about merging. Such a change would make a broader range of medical services available in the community, would change the relationship between the RSA and the provider, and would effectively make Dr. Gates a (federal) employee of the FQHC. Merging into an FQHC could potentially eliminate the need for Ouray County taxpayer subsidies. Discussion with both potential partners/employers are in early stages, although both are looking at a January effective date. Joel noted no contracts have been signed as of this time and nothing is definite. While Joel has a

meeting scheduled this Friday with one of the groups he does not anticipate having any additional information for the RSA by the regular board meeting [November 17].

- Richard noted that realistically it is unlikely any contractual arrangements could be effected by January. Coleen noted that Dr. Gates should not be making snap judgments due to any pressure from the RSA and Dr. Gates noted he is not feeling pressure from the RSA to hasten decisions. Dick noted a decision to join an FQHC would affect the entire community. Information on FQHC can be found on the web as well as looking it up on the HRSA web site.
- Joel noted the two opportunities are totally different tracks. In one he would remain an owner, whereas in the FQHC he would become an employee, the RSA would probably need to have a representative on the FQHC board, etc.

6. Executive session. MOTION by Richard, second by Joey to enter into executive session for purposes of discussion of contract negotiation issues pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4) at approximately 1752 to include Vonnie as an incoming board member.

Executive session closed at 1850. Richard noted that the executive session did not stray from the topic for which it was entered into, discussion of issues subject to negotiation.

7. Special session resumed.

- Discussion included explanation of the reason for placing MMC responsiveness on the agenda for the regular meeting on November 17.
- Discussion regarding concern about repeated incidents in which the x-ray equipment was said to be not operational.
- Richard noted finding several reference books for QuickBooks on-line version.

8. Next meetings:

- Regular meeting remains scheduled for November 17.
- Richard indicated he would not be able to attend the November 17 regular meeting due to a medical appointment, requested Mike ensure that the meeting be recorded and minutes taken.
- Agreement that the day/time previously reserved on December 8 for a workshop be used for a special meeting with a planned executive session to discuss issues subject to contract negotiations.

9. Adjourned at 1918 pursuant to **MOTION** by Dick, second by Joey.

Submitted by:
Richard Wojciechowski
Secretary

Approved by the Board on November 17, 2016
Michael Boland
President

Encl: 2017 Budget

RSA PROPOSED 2017 BUDGET

	2016		2017
	Budget	Projected	Budget
Revenues			
41000 - Tax revenue	\$ 43,363	\$ 43,343	\$ 43,343
42000 - Grants & other	\$ 25	\$ 6,215	\$ -
43000 - Rents	\$ 20,880	\$ 20,880	\$ 21,900
44000 - Donations, etc.	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ -
45000 - Investments	\$ 2,485	\$ 2,405	\$ 2,405
Total Revenue	\$ 69,253	\$ 75,343	\$ 67,648

Expenses			
50000 - RSA Operations			
51000 - RSA Administrative	\$ 10,860	\$ 15,233	\$ 13,500
52000 - Outside services	\$ 9,069	\$ 8,849	\$ 16,489
53000 - Election expenses	\$ 2,500	\$ 90	\$ -
54000 - Outreach	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
55000 - Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
56000 - Public Relations	\$ 1,000	\$ 50	\$ 200
Total	\$ 23,429	\$ 24,222	\$ 30,189

60000 - Facility Expenses			
61000 - Land	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,020	\$ 2,700
62000 - Building	\$ 62,000	\$ 39,546	\$ 6,500
63000 - Furnishings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000
64000 - Building/contents insurance	\$ 9,000	\$ 10,275	\$ 12,000
69000 - Depreciation	\$ -	\$ 47,000	\$ 47,036
Total	\$ 73,200	\$ 98,841	\$ 71,236

70000 - Medical Provider Support			
71000 - Medical equipment	\$ 2,500	\$ -	\$ 8,700
72000 - Office/computer equipment	\$ 6,000	\$ 2,734	\$ 1,800
73000 - Services	\$ 28,700	\$ 28,200	\$ 44,300
Total	\$ 37,200	\$ 30,934	\$ 54,800

Total expenses			
50000	\$ 23,429	\$ 24,222	\$ 30,189
60000	\$ 73,200	\$ 133,137	\$ 71,236
70000	\$ 37,200	\$ 30,934	\$ 54,800
	\$ 133,829	\$ 188,293	\$ 156,225
Net	\$ (64,576)	\$ (112,950)	\$ (88,577)

RSA BUDGET MESSAGE November 3, 2016

The Ouray County Regional Service Authority (RSA) proposes to continue facilitating the presence of a medical provider in Ouray County in calendar year 2017. To that end it is proposing the budget outlined below.

The proposed budget assumes, subject to receiving reports from the Ouray County Assessor, that revenues will remain approximately constant. The RSA recognizes that the 2016 budget received a boost of over \$6,000 which will not be forthcoming in 2017, and the budget does not include voluntary contributions (donations) which have been received in prior years, but which are not mandated. While the economy is slowly recovering and tax proceeds may increase somewhat, tax-based revenue is conservatively projected to remain the same as in 2016. Total revenues are estimated at \$67,648.

The RSA has undertaken a revamping of its financial accounts to better reflect its operations, however this shift has caused some temporary disturbance in financial records, so not all expenses have been categorized in the revamped financial structure. The RSA has also shifted from contracting out administrative support to hiring an administrator as an employee to better conform to Internal Revenue Service regulations.

The proposed 2017 budget includes RSA operating costs of \$30,189 with major factors being the cost of an employed administrator and legal costs projected as potentially incurred in relation to negotiation of contracts to replace expiring contracts for medical services.

Projected facility cost of \$71,236 includes depreciation for the facility as well as its contents at this time. Major facility upgrades were undertaken in 2016 but similar major upgrades are not planned for 2017.

Direct support to the medical provider is budgeted at \$54,800, including funds for several items of expensive medical equipment that Mountain Medical Center has identified as desirable to improve medical services to the Ouray County community as the area medical practices transition to a model with increased focus on specialists.

Total projected expenses of \$165,225 exceed projected revenue by \$88,577, of which over \$47,000 is depreciation, so a little over \$40,000 would be drawn from reserves.