

**SAGUACHE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**REGULAR SESSION MEETING**

**TUESDAY, December 4, 2018**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The Meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Jason Anderson, at 9:02 A.M., with the  
Following members present:

Jason Anderson, Commissioner, Board Chair

Tim Lovato, Commissioner

Ken Anderson, Commissioner- Arrived at a later time

Wendi Maez, Acting County Administrator

Ben Gibbons, County Attorney

Dominique White for Trish Gilbert, Clerk to the Board

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Board Chair, Jason Anderson, invited those in attendance to join in reciting the Pledge of  
Allegiance.

**Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:**

Ben Gibbons would like an executive session for legal during his time.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3                      VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF  
11/20/2018 AS CORRECTED.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3 VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Review of Mail and Other Correspondence: 12/04/2018

1. **Rio Grande Water Conservation District** sent updated 2018 ground water table measurements.  
(Received 11/21/18)
2. **Colorado Statewide Internet Portal Authority** sent holiday greetings card. (Received 11/26/18)
3. **Patti Jackson, Co-Manager, Crestone Food Bank**, sent Thank You card for approval of Sales Tax Grant as well as invite to tour their new location once it opens. (Received 11/26/18)
4. **Pike National Historic Trail Association** sent November's newsletter. (Received 11/28/18)
5. **United States Senate** sent letter regarding the inclusion of one-year reauthorization of the Secure Rural School and Community Self-Determination Act (SRS). (Received 11/28/18) This is an inclusion not a confirmation
6. **Allison Conwell, Colorado Public Interest Research Group**, sent report for recycling in Colorado which includes Saguache County rate. (Received 11/30/18)
7. **San Luis Valley Irrigation District**, sent notice of Regular Election being held on Tuesday, December 4, 2018 in Center, Co. (Received 11/30/18)
8. **Colorado State University Extension Program** sent their Newsletter for the month of December. (Received 12/3/18)
9. **Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District** sent agenda for their Board of Directors meeting on Monday, December 10, 2018. (Received 12/3/18)

Introduction of Guests:

Sandia Belgrade- Crestone Eagle

Public Comment:

Public Comment:

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS:**

**Jason Anderson:**

11/21- Received an email from David Bitler with his resignation letter.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FROM  
DAVID BITLER**

**SECOND BY KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

11/21- spoke with Mr. Bitler on if he had any desire to speak with the board. He stated that he would consider it through Thanksgiving.

11/23- I contacted him via text message as a follow up and was informed that he had finalized his decision and had quit.

11/26-28- attended that CCI Winter Conference. If you think it is hard to decide with constituents, try deciding with all commissioners, everyone thinks they have the right idea.

We have two applicants for the CCI administrative position.

I attended early to go to a meeting on Gallagher Amendment strategies. The governor asked the Supreme Court for an opinion and they refused. We want an opinion on if Tabor nullified Gallagher. Gallagher says that the tax rate will move up and down based on certain factors. Tabor no longer gives it the way to move up, it cancels it, so Gallagher is no longer able to do what was done with it effectively.

Stayed for the CDPHE meeting on changing landfill status, there are 9 small landfills that are discontinuing this year. They either are no longer viable.

Listened to a speech from the Governor, was disappointed. It was not a good starting point.

Listened to a presentation on the State Efforts for Wildfire Mitigation; funding and policy. I had a question on if counties in land use have the right to implement regulation for land owners that are in high risk wildfire are. The answer was no.

We have a subdivision that is most absentee property owners, there is incredible overgrowth and it is incredibly dangerous. How can we address the fire danger? Your Property Association could probably address that.

We're burying our head in the sand with some of the fire dangers that are present. All bodies need to come together; now is the time not June. Action is a good idea not reaction.

Attended an opioid strategy meeting also.

**11/29-**attended Commissioner work session which included county health care program and water policy with cannabis production.

**12/3-** attended the public comment hearing on the 2019 Saguache County Budget.

Met with Glen Simpson to discuss the County administrator position.

Attended via conference call a CCI Executive Board meeting for hiring a new executive director.

**Tim Lovato:**

**11/26-28-** I drove to Colorado Springs and attended the CCI Winter Conference at Hotel Elegante'. In the afternoon I attended the session of Maximizing Local Tax dollars on the salutatory authority counties have from sales tax to impact fees.

**11/27-** I attended the County Worker Compensation Pool and Colorado Counties Casualty/ Property Pool meeting in the morning.

In the afternoon I attended the Southern District Meeting, Commissioner Jason Anderson was appointed to represent the Southern District on the CCI Board. Congratulations. I also attended the session on Protecting Property from Wildfire with mitigation. In the evening I attended the CCI Banquet honoring outgoing commissioners and Chip Taylor former CCI Director.

**11/28-** I attended the Changing Demographics of your County. Colorado is growing at an average of 75,000 people per year: Texas is the fastest growing state at 450,000 per year. Colorado ranks 8<sup>th</sup> in growth rate and by year 2050 it is projected to have a growth in population to 8.1 million residents, that 3 million more than we have now. We need to stop and think of the impact that it will have on the infrastructures within the state.

**11/29-** attended the budget work session at the Road and Bridge. Met with DWR on marijuana and water usage.

**12/3-** I attended the budget hearing for the 2019 proposed budget; at 11:00 I attended the discussion with Glen Simpson, for the vacant County Administrator position.

I drove East on County Road AA, which was not plowed. Highway 17 to 285 and County Road 60 it was not plowed at all from AA to the Town of Moffat.

Spoke with Ashley Valdez from Excel on the capacity Saguache substation, she said that they are going to be reviewing it to see what the actual capacity is.

12/3- drove to Chicago Cemetery and got the names for the Wreaths Across America, for the veterans. There are 48.

**Ken Anderson:**

11/26-28- attended the CCI Winter Conference in Colorado Springs. Spoke with Lou Swanson and Kathay Reynold, they were questing what I thought about Rio Grande cutting 25,000 dollars out of the budget. One of the most interesting meetings was on the trafficking of young kids.

11/29- attended the budget work session at Road and Bridge.

Met with the DWR on the hauling of water and how its metered.

Met with CDOT and the roads are in good shape, most of the roads my way were plowed by the time I left this morning.

12/3- wasn't on time to attend the budget hearing but did attend the administrator discussion.

Went down to the DWR to talk about my water.

Back in session at 10:04

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**DAVID DABOLL, PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR,**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO MOVE INTO BOARD OF HEALTH**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Mr. Daboll- I strongly encourage you to watch the video that was sent to you. Its presented to help understand Public Health. Two quick questions

1. Is there still a freeze on Public Health spending?

2. There were issues with the County vehicle; with our move down to Center it created a need to bring stuff back and forth. My staff member Barbara Martinez would park it at our old parking place, go home and then pick it up in the morning. She would use it to service her PCP clients, come down to the office and in the process bring mail, and on return bring stuff back to Saguache. I was told while I was at a conference that is a misuse of the County vehicle. I disagree with that. They said the vehicles had to be based in Center since that's where our office is. I disagree with that; our main base should be Saguache.

Commissioner Tim Lovato- when the email was sent to me by Janet Beirger that was the first time, I had ever heard of this. Lovato agrees this is where the base for PH was before being moved to Center. I feel that a County vehicle should be able to go back and forth to Center.

Commissioner Jason Anderson- do you have a line item in your budget for that transportation.

Mr. Daboll- transportation is in the budget, in different places to cover the gas, especially under PCP since that is where she uses it. She is not using it for personal use.

A policy should be designed to avoid abuse and prevent abuse, in no way shape or form is this car being used in an abusive way.

Commissioner Tim Lovato- the way I look at it is that the base for Public Health was here in Saguache, when they moved to Center that changed the location. She still has clients here and has to supervise PCP providers. Either that or pay her mileage.

Mr. Daboll- you had asked me about the Drug Testing and I'm wondering if that was still a reasonable contract.

Ben Gibbons- that is a reasonable contract, only concern on that has to do with the Chain of Custody with the sample. We don't want to have any responsibility in the testing portion of it, so if a test come back, I don't want it to come back to us saying that they lost their CDL.

Mr. Daboll- I think it is stated that they are then responsible to work with the company itself in that situation.

Public Health financing and funding can't be looked at from a business model, all state funding is based on the county funding and then being reimbursed by the state. The county will invest \$2,700 and in three months were expected to be reimbursed \$8,000. If we do the immunization program, you'll have to invest \$1,600 and at the middle of 4 months you'll get \$4,000 back. The spending freeze is what is hurting this, because if we don't spend the money, we won't get it back. We're not going to spend \$13,000 every

month to reach the goal of being reimbursed. That doesn't include PCP. There are two funding things that are involved in Public Health.

1. There is the concept of how much it takes to fund Public Health
2. How much it takes to protect Public Health from going up and down

The more you apply for grants the more you can use the indirect funding, then less of a burden comes to the County. Our financial Risk Management System rating is low, they are willing to move forward with any State grant that's applied for, because of how low we are. Not having someone in financial puts us at more risk. The closer it gets to high the less the state is willing to take risk on the County.

We no longer have a county nurse; she has resigned. I think if there was a fund for a public health nurse, she would be willing to come back.

Commissioner Tim Lovato- we did have a nurse funded full time at one point. How much is that going to change your budget if we do hire a full time.

Mr. Daboll- around \$15,000

My letter of intent to retire. I'm looking at the 31<sup>st</sup> of March, I feel that it is in the best interest. That will give us time to lead into someone that can move forward with what we've worked together on.

Commissioner Jason Anderson- public health is going to cost the general fund some money, my confusion was that it's going to cost the county, but it will be reimbursed- that isn't entirely true.

Mr. Daboll- Yes and No, the more the county supports the concept of grants, the more there is a leverage of the indirect funds. The county ends up being stocked with less funds.

Commissioner Jason Anderson- in the 2019 budget, what percent of income comes from the general fund with no chance of refund.

Mr. Daboll- PCP is in this, if its under 30 clients we must spend on that. It's a lot. It's too much.

Commissioner Jason Anderson- it sounds like the decision you need today is whether we want to continue or lift the spending freeze

Mr. Daboll- the spending freeze is not telling not to take care of payroll, its to not spend money on CTC.

Commissioner Ken Anderson- being involved in the other grants that I've been involved in if you don't spend the money you can't get the money back.

Mr. Daboll- I was told that I couldn't buy pencils without getting it approved through the administrator. You're investing in your county. Either you want public health to meet its goals or not. I know there is not money.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO TAKE THE FREEZE OFF OF PUBLIC HEALTH SPENDING**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO COME OUT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**EVAN SAMORA, SAGUACHE COUNTY HOUSING, REPORT ATTACHED:**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO GO INTO HOUSING**

**SECOND BY KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO COME OUT OF HOUSING**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**TRISH GILBERT, CLERK AND RECORDER REPORT ATTACHED:**

At the last meeting, you said you would discuss who might be chairman so that I can order a new signature plate for the date stamper if necessary.

Ken will be the designated chair- unofficially.

In the report it shows a breakdown of the 2018 elections expenses, hoping that we don't have to do a special election. The gross total was \$46,429.59

Commissioner Jason Anderson, how does that compare to past elections?



Trish Gilbert, its an increase, for one thing we had 61% voter turnout, we have to do things in dual language, our voter equipment costs more. We will be receiving a check for \$3,420.90 and \$5,981.68 So, the total it cost the county \$37,027.01

Cost per voter was \$11.32

In the midterm election, the State of Colorado came in with the second highest turnout in the nation having 62% active eligible voters cast ballots. Saguache County has over 61% turnout.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO ALLOW THE CLERK TO PURCHASE ITEMS REQUESTED NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000**

**SECOND BY KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

In February Attorney Gibbons said that since Gilbert was appointed and not elected that she would accrue vacation and sick leave. She is requesting that her leave be paid out.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO ALLOW THE CLERK TO BE PAID FOR HER VACATION TIME AS AN EMPLOYEE.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Commissioner Jason Anderson, Road and Bridge meeting room is not working great as a place for the commissioners to meet. Is there any way that you can shorten that incredibly long time span for use of the commissioners meeting room?

Gilbert, these are all deadline set by statute.

Commissioner Jason Anderson, how about downstairs. I would rather us look at this now. We could give you quite a bit more space to work with.

**RANDAL ARREDONDO, ROAD & BRIDGE SUPERVISOR,**

Valley to Valley proposal sent to Saguache County for their senior center discussion, they have applied for access with the State, but the State will not grant access since there is a County Road access available from County Road 48.7. The cost to grade the road is going to cost more than anticipated.

Commissioner Tim Lovato, looking at your report, it looks like you're going at a contractor's rate.

Mr. Arredondo, no, the rates that I'm using are for the equipment per hour at \$23.50 per hour.

Arredondo wanted to share the cost with the commissioners for them to make an informed decision.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO PROVIDE IN KIND SERVICE TO VALLEY TO VALLEY SENIOR CITIZEN CARE CENTER(A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION) LOCATED AT COUNTY ROAD 48.7. THE COUNTY WILL DO THE GRADING AND THE HAULING OF MATERIAL FOR THE BASE AND CAP FOR RED GRANITE, PROVIDE TRUCKS, LABOR AND EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,000**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Mr. Arredondo, spoke with Ron Garcia and Melissa Borderwin, from the Federal Land Accessing Grant Program, discussion concerning assistance on the second access from County Road 75.1.

A \$10,000 non-refundable application fee is required to file for the grant assistance to work on the road. If approved for funding it will be 3 to 4 years in the future before funding is received. Would like to at least widen the road this year.

Commissioner Jason Anderson, can we go for that grant with the idea of paving that road, but look to improving it beforehand? Arredondo and Garcia will and start working on the grant for this project.

Ed Powszukiewicz R&B employee will be retiring at the end of December.

Landfill discussion

Discussion concerning the modification with an entirely new EDOP, if we are within 50 feet of gas the EDOP will inform. If we break it up into 3 different gas wells it is going to cost about \$13,277 for all three wells. Unless the Board decides to go with transfer stations.

Reminder that our Christmas dinner is next week, December 14<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR  
LEGAL COUNCIL PER C.R.S. 24-6-209(4)(b)**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Back in session, will break for lunch and continue in executive session after lunch break.

Back in session at 1:17pm

**WENDI MAEZ, LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR:**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO APPROVE THE LOT CONSOLIDATION  
REQUEST FOR TED KINSMAN TO CONSOLIDATE BACA GRANDE CHALET II LOTS  
2712C AND 2714 NOW KNOWN AS LOT 2712CR.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE LOT  
CONSOLIDATION REQUEST FOR EDWARD AND RITA BYERLY TO CONSOLIDATE LOTS  
353 AND 354 C FOR NOW KNOWN AS 353CR.**

**SECOND BY TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO CONSOLIDATE LOTS 1175 1176 1177 AND  
1178 IN THE BACA GRANDE CHALET UNIT I FOR CLAUDIA B. WOLFE LIVING TRUST  
NOW KNOWN AS 1175C.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO APPROVE THE LOT CONSOLIDATION FOR PAUL KERMNITZER BACA GRANDE CHALET I LOTS 3650C AND 3652C NOW KNOW AS LOT 3650 CR.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE LOT CONSOLIDATION FOR JAYNE MARINO OF BACA GRANDE CHALET I FOR LOTS 1449 C AND 1451 NOW KNOWN AS 1449 CR.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE LOT CONSOLIDATION FOR BROCKWAY PROPERTIES, LLC IN BACA GRANDE CHALET II LOTS 3429 AND 3430 NOW KNOWN AS 3429C.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY KEN ANDERSON TO RESEND THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BID OF LOT 15 BLOCK 47 IN THE TOWN OF MOFFAT FOR CHRISTOPHER MAHONEY DUE TO AN ERROR IN THE BID PROCESS.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO ACCEPT THE BID BY KEN SKOGLAND FOR LOT 2 BLOCK 43 IN THE TOWN OF MOFFAT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1550.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM KENNETH L SKOGLAND II FOR LOT 6 BLOCK 73 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR:**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO ACCEPT THE BID SUBMITTED BY CARA SELF FOR LOT 20 BLOCK 192 IN THE TOWN OF MOFFAT FOR \$100.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE BID FOR \$100 BY CARA SELF FOR LOT 29 BLOCK 192 IN THE TOWN OF MOFFAT.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE BID FOR VISTA VALLEY LOT 11/2 BLOCK 5 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,700 FROM JOHN SPEECE AGENT FOR CARRIAGE FORT REEF, LLC.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Maez spoke to the gentlemen that was offered the position for code enforcement, he said he will not accept it since it is an unarmed position. Colton Murphy who is the second choice said he would take the position as being unarmed.

The Board of Commissioners directed Maez to hire Sergio Valadez for the position of Code Enforcement officer.

**WENDI MAEZ, SAGUACHE COUNTY AIRPORT MANAGER REPORT:**

Nothing to Report.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO GIVE THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES A \$500 BONUS AS REFLECTED IN THE 2018 BUDGET.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

THE COMMISSIONERS THANK THE EMPLOYEES FOR THERE SERVICE AND WISH THEM A HAPPY HOLIDAYS.

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Veterans Services officer Jim Sheeran has spent their grant from the State to help Veterans in Saguache County and would like to ask the Board for a \$1,500 Emergency Sales Tax to help them through the end of the year.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO APPROVE THE EMERGENCY SALES TAX GRANT TO HELP FUND VETERAN'S SERVICES PROVIDED UNTIL THE END OF THE YEAR AT \$1,500.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

THIS BOARD WILL HELP THE VETERANS IN ANY WAY THEY CAN.

**VOTES IN FAVOR:3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Wendi, we had the mini grant for the airport, and I didn't spend all of it. I don't want to give it back to DOLA we can do a grant for the additional funds because we have holes in the roof of the court house. It would pay for about \$8,700. If we don't want to do the roof, can we do a sidewalk from the parking lot up to the front door, which will probably cost the same.

Ben Gibbons, check and see if the warranty has expired.

Commissioner Jason Anderson, if possible, do the roof if not do the sidewalk.

Wendi, the proxy for CCI has been requested

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPOINT JASON ANDERSON TO REPRESENT SAGUACHE COUNTY FOR CCI**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

The budget report commissioner Lovato asked for requested that revenues be moved to all of General Fund instead of being within each department. No changes have been made to revenues, other than adding Public Trustee revenue in the amount of \$6,200.

The total through October is \$48,689.67 in excise tax.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON TO KEEP THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE SALES TAX NUMBER AT 1.5%.**

**MOTION DIED IN VOTE FOR LACK OF VOTES**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO CUT THE BUDGET BECAUSE OF THE LANGUAGE OF THE BALLOT AND MOVE SHERIFF OFFICE REVENUE DOWN \$130,000.**

**SECOND BY JASON ANDERSON FOR DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Jason Anderson, what I'm not understanding is that this budget should either reflect our belief that is a 1.5% sales tax or a 0.015%.

Commissioner Tim Lovato, stated he felt the Sheriff should have the same budget he had last year, and should it turn out as 1.5% then we can give him the increase.

Ben Gibbon, you need to determine what you want it to be, if you're going to budget, you need to decide. You must give them direction.

Commissioner Tim Lovato, I say input the number of .015 which is \$4,050

Commissioner Jason Anderson, we have listened to our public tell us that they want more police protection, I believe this public knew that this ballot measure was coming, and I believe they knew it was a 1.5% sales tax. I believe that doing this is the correct thing to do. I believe the voters have spoken. The wording can be interpreted many ways, but the wording says \$450,000 in a ballot. I feel there is enough information in that ballot to support what it is saying.

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 1**

**VOTES AGAINST: 2**

**MOTION NOT CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO PASS THE 2019 BUDGET AS PRESENTED.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 2**

**VOTES AGAINST: 1**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Total 2019 expenditure budget is \$5,843,905.37

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO NOT TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH OAKLEAF SOLAR.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON**

Commissioner Tim Lovato, I like the idea of solar, but I hate the commitment for 20 years.



Commissioner Jason Anderson, it's not about the solar to me, I think it's the savings. It's going to save money, I would hate to find that 10 years down the road were still paying the rates we are now because we're waiting for something else.

Commissioner Ken Anderson, I have nothing against solar or wind, but the point is that solar is only good for limited hours a day. The rates are going to go up. I don't want to tie the county up for 20 years

Commissioner Tim Lovato, we do need to keep pursuing solar.

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 2**

**VOTES AGAINST: 1**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO GO INTO HOUSING**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JASON ANDERSON THAT WE ENTER INTO THE COMMUNITY SOLAR GARDEN SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT WITH OAKLEAF SOLAR**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO FOR DISCUSSION**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 1**

**VOTES AGAINST: 2**

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO COME OUT OF HOUSING**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**3:00 WE ARE OPENING THE PUBLIC HEARING ON ON-SITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS**

**OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

**SEEING NONE WE WILL CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT AND GO BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION**

Maintenance Director Pete Garcia has come to ask if he can be paid out vacation leave time of 40 hours as he will not be able to take the 40 hours before the end of 2018. A lot of things have been going on within the county buildings and Mr. Garcia has not been able to take the time off.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO PAY GARCIA 40 HOURS OF VACATION PAYOUT.**

**SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO**

**VOTES IN FAVOR: 3**

**VOTES AGAINST: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Commissioner Jason Anderson, Wendi, I want to recognize your efforts, it seems like every time we get a hole, you're the one that plugs it. You step up. We appreciate it.

Seeing no further business, Commissioner chair Jason Anderson adjourns the meeting at 3:22 PM

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

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TRISH GILBERT, CLERK & RECORDER**



**DATE MINUTES APPROVED: December 18, 2018**



**JASON ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER,  
BOARD CHAIR**



**KEN ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER**



**TIM LOVATO, COMMISSIONER**



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