



electronic information regarding the 2020 election. (Thumb drive available for review, within the County Clerk's Office, during regular office hours)

**LIQUOR LICENSE: Deputy Clerk, Jerri Frizzell** presented for approval a liquor license renewal application for **The Gettin' Place, Steele Investments Inc.**, located at 26060 Hwy., 491 Pleasant View, Co. 81331. Commissioner Koppenhafer moved to approve the renewal application for a retail liquor and fermented malt beverage, license for **Steel Investments Inc., The Gettin' Place**, located at 26060 Hwy., 491 Pleasant View, CO. Second by Commissioner Lindsay and carried. (See attached)

**12 HOURS OF MESA VERDE MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE:** Board members **Cap Allen, Kirk Underwood** and **Dani Gregory** met with the Commissioners to request permission for a special event liquor license, to serve donated beer during the 12 Hours of Mesa Verde event, scheduled May 7, 2022. Commissioner Lindsay moved to approve a special event liquor license, for the 12 Hours of Mesa Verde event at the County Fairgrounds. Second by Commissioner Koppenhafer and carried. (See attached)

**COUNTY CORONER: Coroner, George Deavers** met with the Commissioners to give a monthly report. Topics discussed included: a Monthly 2021 Case Report, a 2021 Weekly Case Report, a, Hourly Case Report, the 2021 yearly statistics which included, 17 motor vehicle deaths, 19 suicides and 8 overdose deaths. Coroner Deavers reported the current yearly statistics included: a total number of 39 cases that include, 2 motor vehicle deaths, 2 suicides and 5 overdose deaths. The year to date, total number of autopsies completed was 50, with 15 being from Montezuma County and a total of 3 (possibly 4) homicides for the year. Other topics discussed included; an increase in young deaths within the county and Senate Bill 22-065. (See attached)

**COUNTY SHERIFF'S MONTHLY REPORT: Sheriff, Steven Nowlin** met with the Commissioners to give his monthly report. Sheriff Nowlin discussed what the critical and priority needs would be for the proposed Public Safety Sales Tax and presented the **2022 Public Safety Sales Tax Requested Cost Estimates**. Topics discussed included the Detention Center, the Patrol Division, the Detective Division equipment, training, and salaries. Reports presented for the record included the January and February, **Calls for Service Report**, the **Jail Report**, the **Year to Date Transport Report**, the **Perdium and Cost for Travel Report**, the **Total Monthly Inmate Report**, the **Monthly Arrests Report**, the **Dolores County Billing Report**, the **City of Cortez Billing Report**, the **DOC Holds Report**, the **Operational Expense Report** and the **Monies Paid to the General Fund Report**. (See attached)

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Emergency Manager, Jim Spratlen** met with the Commissioner and gave a monthly update. Manager Spratlen presented for discussion and review, the **Monthly Situational Report**. Topics within the report that were discussed included; drought, a COVID update and a water update. Manager Spratlen presented for discussion, the **Public Safety Sales Tax Disbursement for Emergency Management and Communications Proposal**. Topics discussed included; communication towers, a mobile communication trailer, full time employee positions, yearly costs, broadband opportunities and tower locations. **Maintenance Supervisor, Dustin Sattler** joined the meeting to discuss the purchase of a used

generator in the amount of \$23,000.00. The discussion will be postponed to a later date, to allow time to get a cost comparison for the energy source. (See attached)

**DISCUSSION: Cortez Fire Protection Chief, Jay Balfour, Battalion Chief Charlie Bordon and Lieutenant Rick Spencer** met with the Commissioners to discuss the proposed **Public Safety Sales Tax**. Chief Balfour discussed the history of the Fire District, current staffing and call volume history, apparatus, calls for service, additional services provided, an overview on current issues, where similar departments are currently, priority needs, the benefits of the proposed sales tax and needed capital improvements. Chief Balfour discussed the Fourth of July Fireworks Display event. (See attached)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** No unfinished business presented.

**COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORT: County Attorney, Ian MacLaren** gave updates on the Land Use Code Violation Case and the Weber Canyon / Road 41 lawsuit.

**NATURAL RESOURCES, PLANNING & PUBLIC LANDS: Resource Director, James Dietrich**, no report given.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Administrator, Shak Powers**, presented for approval the **Master Engagement Agreement** by and between **MGT of America Consulting, LLC**, and **Montezuma County Board of Commissioners**. Commissioner Lindsay moved to approve the Master Engagement Agreement, between MGT of America Consulting, LLC, and the Montezuma County Board of Commissioners. Second by Commissioner Koppenhafer and carried. Other topics discussed included: a scheduled drought mitigation meeting to begin the educational Water Wise Series, an update on the attended Detox Intergovernmental Agreement meeting, an update on the (SWORD) Southwest Opioid Response District meeting and a County website link for behavioral health information. <https://montezumacounty.org/behavioral-health/> (See attached)

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT:** Topics discussed within the Commissioners reports included: **Commission Koppenhafer** discussed the attended Mancos Town Board meeting and the scheduled Club 20 meetings. **Commissioner Lindsay** discussed constituent discussions, the attended Cortez City Council meeting, the attended Republican Party General Assembly meeting, and the passing of former County Commissioner Helen Mc Clellan. **Commissioner Candelaria** discussed the attended CDOT meeting, the attended CCI Legislative meetings, the Dolores Town Board meeting, PILT Payments, the Republican Party Assembly and gave an update on the Monday Workshop topics.

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY: District Attorney, Matt Margeson and Office Manager, Clarisa Feully** met with the Commissioners to give a monthly report. Topics discussed included; the proposed **Public Safety Sales Tax**, an additional legal assistant, a proposed 8% cost of living adjustment, a budgetary increase for the department, increased requirements for data storage, Senate Bill #217, proposed juvenile legislation and current department staffing. (See attached)

**CORRESPONDENCE:** The following correspondence was read and noted: Email received from Joellen Dickey regarding updates on Ironwood Fire Mitigation.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** was made by Commissioner Lindsay, seconded by Commissioner Koppenhafer and carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 11:15 a.m.**

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Clerk

March 15, 2022

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Chairman