

January 17, 2023

The Logan County Board of Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present constituting a quorum of the members thereof:

Jerry A. Sonnenberg	Chairman
Joseph A. McBride	Commissioner
Mike Brownell	Commissioner

Also present:

Alan Samber	Logan County Attorney
Pamela Bacon	Logan County Clerk & Recorder
Marilee Johnson	Logan County Public Information Officer
Rob Quint	Logan County Planning and Zoning
Faith Blankenship	Logan County Commissioner Office
Debbie Unrein	Logan County Finance
Jerry Caseboldt	Logan County Emergency Mgr.
Diana Korbe	Logan County HR
Trae Miller	Logan County Economic Development
Kevin Blankenship	City of Sterling
Linda Gebauer	Resolution 2022-30
Roger Hollard	Stratus Company
Tony Roberts	IHC Scott
Andrew Fritzler	LCEDC
Dave Iverson	Western Sugar
Madison Hardman	NECHD
Melvin Bustos	NECHD
Tom Kiel	Better Electric
Brandon Mason	Resolution 2023-1
Andy McClary	Resolution 2023-1
Deanne Mason	Resolution 2023-1
Barry Mason	Resolution 2023-1
Susan Michaels	
Shane Nichols	
Carol Waterman	
Brent Erickson	
Alicia Iannoe	
Wayne Johnson	
Elenor Brown	
Rethea Foxhoven	
Larry Mesch	
Margo Mesch	
Jeff Rice	Journal Advocate

Chairman Sonnenberg called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Sonnenberg asked if there were any revisions for the agenda. Hearing none, Chairman Sonnenberg continued with consent agenda.

The Board continued with the Consent Agenda items:

- Approval of the Minutes of January 3, 2023.
- Acknowledge the receipt of the Landfill Supervisor's Report for the month of December 2022.
- Acknowledge the receipt of the Landfill Supervisor's cumulative reports for 2022.
- Acknowledge the receipt of the Sheriff's Fee Report for the month of December 2022.
- Acknowledge the receipt of the Treasurer's Fee Report for the month of December 2022.
- Acknowledge receipt of the Public's Trustee's Quarterly Report for the Fourth Quarter, 2022.

Commissioner McBride moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Sonnenberg continued with Unfinished Business:

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for Resolution 2022-30 granting a conditional use permit (CUP) #257 on behalf of Stratus Sterling LLC to operate an aggregate mining pit known as the Stratus Sterling LLC Pit in an industrial zone district located in the southeast quarter (SE1/4) of Section 32, Township 8 North Range 52 West of the 6th Principal Meridian, Logan County, Colorado.

- Roger Hollard of Stratus Company explained the project and citizen concerns that had been brought up at prior meetings.
- Tony Roberts of IHC Scott Company explained their company's operation concerning the project and possible future projects in the proposed area.
- Linda Gebauer listed her concerns to the board and asked a few questions concerning who is called and where does the buck stop with and how long do they have to wait for a response.
- Susan Michaels lives off CR 26 and asked a question about mitigation lighting controls for the site.
- Commissioner McBride read aloud two citizens that sent in written comments on the project.
- Carol Waterman who lives on CR 26, addressed the board about her concerns on the project which included: dust, drinking water wells, spraying for mosquitos in the summer and flood insurance.
- Brent Erickson of Performance Plus, which is adjacent property spoke in favor of the proposed project.
- Trae Miller of Logan County Economic Development reemphasized the project being in favor of economic development in that area and the potential for more development for that area being beneficial.
- Kevin Blankenship- Sterling City Manager spoke on behalf of the City Council and their support for the project.
- Andrew Fritzler spoke in support of the project.
- Tony Roberts of IHC Scott Company addressed the concerns that had been brought up during the public comment.
- Roger Hollard spoke on any future plans for the Sugar Factory.

Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no further public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Chairman Sonnenberg laid over Resolution 2022-30 definitely until January 31, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. granting a conditional use permit (CUP) #257 on behalf of Stratus Sterling LLC to operate an aggregate mining pit known as the Stratus Sterling LLC Pit in an industrial zone district located in the southeast quarter (SE1/4) of Section 32, Township 8 North Range 52 West of the 6th Principal Meridian, Logan County, Colorado.

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for Resolution 2023-1 for Subdivision Exemption on behalf of Robert Mesch to create a tract three hundred (300) feet North and South and one hundred seventy (170) feet East and West from the Northeast corner of the tract six hundred twenty

five (625) feet North and South and five hundred ninety-five (595) feet East and West the Northwest corner of the East half of the Northwest Quarter (E1/2NW1/4) of Section Thirty-Five (35), Township Seven (7) North, Range Fifty-Five (55) West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Logan County, Colorado.

- Margo Sandstead Mesch explained her family's position on the property in question.
- Andy McClary, Attorney for the Mason family who is the adjacent property owner, does not object to the exemption, however they do object to the leach field being on their property possibly. He also explained the position of a trench to burn trees and the dirt still being on the Mason's land and has not been removed.
- Margo Sandstead Mesch explained the process of the tree removal and they will move the dirt as soon as weather permits and spoke about the Health Department inspection of the leach field and tank.
- Brandon Mason spoke about if the subdivision exemption is not granted, they don't get the well approved.
- Madison Hardman of Northeast Colorado Health Department spoke about the tank on the property and the unknown area of the leach field that is underneath the ground. She spoke on how the Health Department handles things like this concerning tanks and leach fields.
- Melvin Bustos of Northeast Colorado Health Department spoke about if the system fails and how the Health Department would handle that process moving forward after the failure.

Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no further public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Chairman Sonnenberg laid over Resolution 2023-1 definitely until January 31, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. for a Subdivision Exemption on behalf of Robert Mesch to create a tract three hundred (300) feet North and South and one hundred seventy (170) feet East and West from the Northeast corner of the tract six hundred twenty five (625) feet North and South and five hundred ninety-five (595) feet East and West the Northwest corner of the East half of the Northwest Quarter (E1/2NW1/4) of Section Thirty-Five (35), Township Seven (7) North, Range Fifty-Five (55) West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Logan County, Colorado.

Chairman Sonnenberg continued with New Business:

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for Resolution 2023-2 directing the allocation of Federal Mineral Leasing Funds received and held by the Logan County Treasurer. Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Commissioner McBride moved to approve Resolution 2023-2 directing the allocation of Federal Mineral Leasing Funds received and held by the Logan County Treasurer. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for a contract between Logan County Tourism, Sterling, CO and DCS Limited, dba Mission2Market, Denver, CO. Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Commissioner McBride moved to approve a contract between Logan County Tourism, Sterling, CO and DCS Limited, dba Mission2Market, Denver, CO and allow the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for a maintenance proposal for Security Electronics maintenance services at the Logan County Detention Center between Kubl Group and Logan County, Sterling, CO. Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Commissioner McBride moved to approve a maintenance proposal for Security Electronics maintenance services at the Logan County Detention Center between Kubl Group and Logan County, Sterling, CO and allow the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for a letter of agreement between Logan County and Lauer Szabo and Associates, PC for the audit of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022. Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Commissioner McBride moved to approve a letter of agreement between Logan County and Lauer Szabo and Associates, PC for the audit of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022 and allow the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

The Board of Commissioners made the following appointments:

- Chairman of the Board – Jerry Sonnenberg
- Vice Chairman of the Board – Joe McBride
- Administrative Officer to the Board of County Commissioners/Human Resources –Diana Korbe
- County Attorney – Alan Samber
- Attorney for Human Services – Kimberlee Keleher
- Budget Officer – Debbie Unrein
- Emergency Management Coordinator – Jerry Casebolt
- Veteran’s Service Officer – John Haynie
- Fair Manager – Guy McEndaffer
- Fair Administrative Assistant – Faith Blankenship
- Fair Board Livestock Exhibitor – Aaron Hettinger
- Fair Board Rodeo – John Korrey
- Centennial Mental Health Board – Dave Long
- Northeast Colorado Health Department Board – Mike Brownell
- South Platte Regional Transportation Authority – Joe McBride and Mike Brownell
- Northeast Colorado Association of Local Governments – Primary: Jerry Sonnenberg
- Northeast Colorado Association of Local Governments – Alternate: Mike Brownell
- Board of Adjustment – Joe McBride
- Board of Adjustment – Alternate: Jerry Sonnenberg
- Logan County Economic Development – Jerry Sonnenberg
- Logan County Lodging Tax Board – Joe McBride
- Chamber of Commerce Board – Joe McBride
- CTSI: Workers Compensation Pool Board Member – Mike Brownell
- CTSI: Casualty & Property Insurance Pool – Joe McBride
- CTSI: County Health Pool – Primary – Diana Korbe
- CTSI: County Health Pool Alternate – Mike Brownell
- Official County Newspaper – Journal – Advocate

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for the 2023 Logan County Board appointments and assignments. Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Commissioner McBride moved to adopt the 2023 Logan County Board appointments and assignments. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

**Other Business**

Applications are being accepted for volunteers to serve on the following County advisory boards: Lodging Tax Board and Planning Commission. Any Logan County resident interested in serving on one of these advisory boards, should complete an application available at the Commissioner’s Office or on the county website: [www.logancounty.colorado.gov](http://www.logancounty.colorado.gov). Applications are due by 5:00 p.m., January 27, 2023.

The next regular meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, January 31, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. at the Logan County Courthouse.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Submitted by:

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Logan County Clerk

Approved: January 31, 2023

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO

(seal)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jerry A. Sonnenberg, Chairman

Attest:

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Logan County Clerk & Recorder