

The Board of County Commissioners met in special session on August 31, 2005. Those present for the session were Don Batchelder, Chair; Heidi M. Albritton, Vice Chair; Connie I. Hunt, County Administrator; and Linda Munson-Haley, Deputy Clerk of the Board. Kristi R. Westfall, Member, was not present.

- **Note – This meeting was recorded for reference purposes.**

9:40 Commissioner Batchelder called this session to order:

A. 9:40 Eagle Hill Ranch Paving Project:

1. Request for approval to purchase gravel from Ouray County at cost

Allen Burt was present. Chris Miller, Road Superintendent, and Rich Williams, Assistant Road Superintendent, were present.

Commissioner Batchelder provided a brief history of the Eagle Hill Ranch project explaining that Bob Wolford, previous Road Superintendent, had worked on this in the conceptual phase last summer and had indicated that it would be reasonable to use county gravel at the County's cost. Mr. Wolford, in setting the price of gravel, had always set it at the cost of production plus one dollar for the material, itself. The issue now is that Mr. Wolford prefaced the commitment with Commissioner approval of the sale for next year. With the current rise in oil prices, Eagle Hill would like to purchase the gravel this fall. The project would require 10,000 tons and a discussion followed as to the logistics.

Chris Miller acknowledged that there are 4,000 tons available from a finished project.

Commissioner Batchelder allowed that in the spirit of the previous negotiations and the fact that Eagle Hill residents are county residents he does not have a problem acting on Mr. Wolford's recommendations in the amount of 4,000 tons. The question would be where to get the remaining 6,000 tons. He discussed the extra dollar for materials and wondered if the current Board wished to continue with that amount.

Mr. Miller discussed the feasibility of selling the other 6,000 tons, which would leave the County with little excess material. He explained that realistically, between both pits, the County could get by but it would be close. Crushing operations typically occur in the winter to be ready for spring.

M/S/P—Motion was made by Commissioner Albritton and seconded by Commissioner Batchelder to give ten thousand (10,000) tons of gravel at County cost plus \$1.00 per ton for pit cost to the Eagle Hill Ranch Paving Project. Six thousand (6,000) tons would be from County reserves and four thousand (4,000) tons from the remainder of the Loghill Paving Project. If there is not enough, the total cost will go to \$3.70 per ton. There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

A discussion followed as to how the money would be handled. Mr. Burt agreed to sign a separate contract with United Companies who will be paying the bills.

Commissioner Batchelder asked for a letter of agreement between the County and the homeowners' association that Paul Sunderland will draft.

In other business, Commissioner Batchelder discussed a driveway issue that he had broached in an earlier meeting and where a decision had been made to have the County pave the driveway from the roadway to the apron of the resident's garage, and to negotiate a compromise payment with the homeowner. The homeowner is now having a problem with drainage and flooding in the basement of the residence that he claims is a result of the road resurfacing. Commissioner Batchelder expressed his reservations that the roadwork caused it. The contractor suggested that temporary berms built for the road construction could possibly be the cause. A discussion followed regarding a waiver.

Mr. Miller said that the homeowner would only accept the County paving the complete expanse to the apron and that the County super the road.

Connie Hunt, County Administrator, clarified some road items and budgetary issues, and a discussion followed.

10:30 Commissioner Batchelder adjourned this special session:

OURAY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OURAY, COLORADO

ATTEST:

Don Batchelder, Chair

Michelle Nauer, County Clerk and Recorder

Heidi M. Albritton, Vice Chair

By: _____
Linda Munson-Haley,
Deputy Clerk of the Board

Kristi R. Westfall, Member